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Upcoming events in Boca Raton

BOCA RATON – The following activities are planned this week at Florida Atlantic University.

Friday, November 18, 3 p.m.
Film: Turtles Can Fly, with discussion by FAU political science professor Mehmet Gurses
Performing Arts Building, room 101, FAU Boca Raton. Free
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Friday, November 18, 7 p.m.
Exhibition Opening Reception: Fall Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibition
Exhibition runs through December 9 (closed for Thanksgiving holidays)
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Friday, November 18, 7 p.m.
Concert: FAU Commercial Music Ensemble
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Florida premiere of the sociopolitical drama by acclaimed writer, activist and Duke Professor Ariel Dorfman. Play tells the story of women of a small village in Chile left behind when their husbands, fathers and sons were taken away during Augusto Pinochet's rule.

Saturday, November 19, 7 p.m.
Concert: FAU Symphony Orchestra presents Famous Themes from Around the World
University Theatre, FAU Boca Raton.
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forms favorites by Rossini, Offenbach, Shostakovich and Bright Sheng, with FAU artist-in-residence Judith Bur-ganger performing Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 23.

LOCAL CHURCH UNVEILS STRATEGY TO EMPOWER THE INNER MAN!

BOYNTON BEACH – St. John Missionary Baptist Church, 900 N. Seacrest Blvd., holds its 6th Annual Men's Conference series from Nov. 30 through Dec. 3.

The theme is "Equipping for Battle," and the conference aims to cover the weakest part of man - his prayer life – by arming him through prayer from a Biblical Foundation.

Every session features a segment that lays out a clear course, making it easier to navigate through today's challenges, organizers said.

"This conference is designed to move us beyond the flesh and not just ministering to what is seen, but strengthening the inner man and reconnecting seamless relationships in our families, churches and communities for ministry outside the walls," said Min. Al Francis, conference organizer. "These days of renewing, reflecting and refocusing ministry and business opportunities are what you will need to have a five-star ministry in the 21st Century and beyond."

Organizers encourage pastors to bring their ministries and their assistants and associates, both male and female. Senior pastors, who have spent several years supporting ministries for men, will be recognized during a Q & A luncheon on Saturday. This session is for men only.

"What a wonderful way to celebrate them and their ministries!" Francis said.

For more information, call Francis at 561-732.2377.

State Rep. Perman files bill to combat crimes against seniors

TALLAHASSEE – State Representative Steve Perman (D-Boca Raton) has filed House Bill 687--Theft Offenses to combat crimes against senior citizens.

Current Florida law defines grand theft or fraud against a senior citizen as a felony, but the sentencing guidelines need to be significantly strengthened, the legislator said.

This bill, he noted, will provide mandatory minimum prison sentencing guidelines for judges to use when determining the penalty for individuals who commit grand theft or fraud against anyone 65 years of age or older.

"This legislation will serve as a strong deterrent to anyone thinking about victimizing our seniors," said Representative Per-



State Rep. Steve Perman

man. "I want Florida to lead the nation in protecting our senior citizens."

This bill is supported by the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association.

Representative Perman serves Florida House District 78, which includes parts of Palm Beach, Martin, Okeechobee, St. Lucie, and Broward counties.

Boca Raton Rotary joins Carousel Day sponsors

BOCA RATON – The Rotary Club of Boca Raton has joined the sponsors of this year's Carousel Day at Sugar Sand Park.

The event, scheduled for Dec. 4, is sponsored by the Boca Raton Rotary West Club. It offers family fun and free rides on the carousel. Participants are urged to bring new, unwrapped toys that will be given to needy kids who

may not otherwise receive any presents this holiday season.

Douglas Heizer, founder of Carousel Day, said he expects all Rotary clubs in Boca Raton to be on board by next week.

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Community News

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Rotary Club of Boca Raton West Goes Back To School

The Rotary Club of Boca Raton West held their annual dictionary project this past week around three elementary schools in Boca Raton.

The club gave a dictionary to every single third grade student from Coral Sunset Elemen-

tary School, Del Prado Elementary School and Waters Edge Elementary.

A total of 500 dictionaries were given to all the third graders from the three schools.

"This is a great way to give back to the community, these kids are

our future and investing in their education is a great thing," said Angelica Blakely the person in charge of the project.

The object of the Rotary Dictionary Project is to give every student a personal dictionary of their very own that

will serve them at least through elementary and middle school.

Many teachers see this as a key to better reading, speech, and writing. These skills will improve student performance in other subjects as well.

Receiving the dictionary

is beneficial to students as well. The young people meet successful adults in their community who care enough about them to purchase these dictionaries and come to their school to present them personally.

Rotary members then

give a brief explanation of Rotary service in the community and around the world that gives students a lasting positive impression of Rotary and the ideal of service.

More Pictures of the project can be seen on pages 22 and 26.



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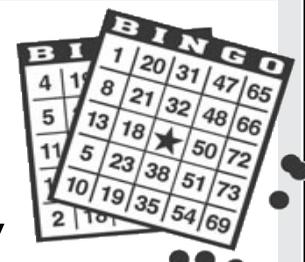
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Lynn University president addresses 2011 Millennium Campus Conference

BOCA RATON — Lynn University President Kevin M. Ross addressed the 2011 Millennium Campus Conference (MCC) workshop on marketing. Its purpose was to teach attendees the essential components of successful marketing and how they can create a plan suited to their individual organizations.

Hosted by Harvard University on Sept. 16-18, the conference was designed for students interested in becoming part of the student movement to end global poverty—in line with the United Nations Millennium Development Goals.

This is the second year Ross has presented at the MCC. He spoke on the importance of global citizenship at the 2010 MCC at Columbia University as part of the closing plenary.

"I was thrilled and

honored to be asked back to the conference," Ross said. "They give student organizations and organizers the tools they need to make a real difference in the world. It is very close to our focus at Lynn where we work not just to educate students, but build global citizens."

Ross provided several tips to the students attending the marketing workshop, including:

- Remember you're on a university or college campus, a center of learning and information. Tap into the resources around you to advance your efforts.

- "Consider the "competition": If there are already several organizations doing the same thing, think about merging into or supporting their efforts. In other words, consider if your



Lynn University President
Kevin Ross

efforts will help a cause or fracture support for the cause.

- Find a way to ensure sustainable leadership of your group. Often student groups have great leaders one year, and then ebb and flow other years.

- Try to show an immediate impact so that people can see results.

His co-panelists were Michael Trainer, movement director, Global Poverty Project, and John Beahm, executive director, Jenzabar Foundation. Other workshops included advocacy, creating community partnerships and effective leadership.

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It can be found in newsstands all over the

downtown. This quarter's edition told about the fabulous "Meet Me on the Promenade" event, with stories from Mayor Susan Whelchel and Community Redevelopment Chairwoman Constance Scott. Also on the pages were articles about the Tastemaker event at Mizner Park,

dining in the downtown, the Historical Society's tour of the Addison Restaurant and noted artist Yaacov Heller, whose Gallery 22 is located in Royal Palm Place.

The Tribune has heard that we didn't present enough news about Royal Palm Place in the Quar-

terly. Well, you'll find lots more in the next Quarterly set to publish in January.

Here's just a hint of what we'll be talking about.

Royal Palm Place is one of South Florida's hottest destinations, evolving from a charming neighborhood shopping center into a vibrant 14-acre mixed-use development, while still keeping much of the old-world charm that has been its signature throughout the years.

With so many food options, Royal Palm Place has become a "culinary destination" made up of a variety of international cuisines. Notable restaurants have established themselves within Royal Palm Place, creating what is referred to as "Restau-

rant Row".

If food is the backbone of Royal Palm Place, then shopping is the heart. At Royal Palm Place you can find something for everyone, as it boasts a fabulous variety of boutiques, art galleries, jewelers, salons, spas, and an array of specialties and services. You can shop amid flowering gardens, Mediterranean fountains and tranquil piazzas.

In addition to an incredible shopping and dining experience, Royal Palm Place is home to 185 luxury rental residences, "Class A" offices, and prime retail space.

At the southwest corner of Royal Palm Place is a 65 foot high monument bearing a statue of famed architect Addison Mizner.

The monument serves as a cultural center in downtown Boca Raton, offering a venue for events as well as being the home of the Boca Raton Historical Society's "Walk of Recognition" honoring local philanthropists.

Affectionately called "The Monument Piazza", live entertainment and special events are held throughout the year, including the "Boca Raton Fine Art Show" held in January and the "British Car Show" held each February, and is also home to the "Boca Raton Green Market", which is held every Saturday morning from October to May.

Learn more about all of downtown's great destinations in the next Downtown Boca Quarterly.

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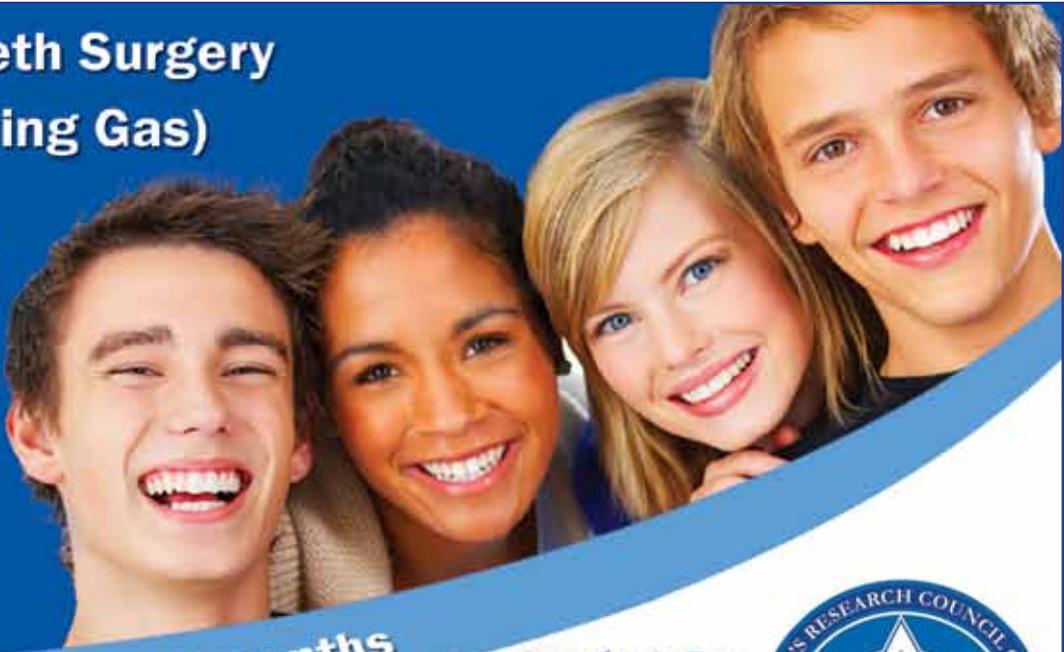




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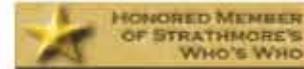


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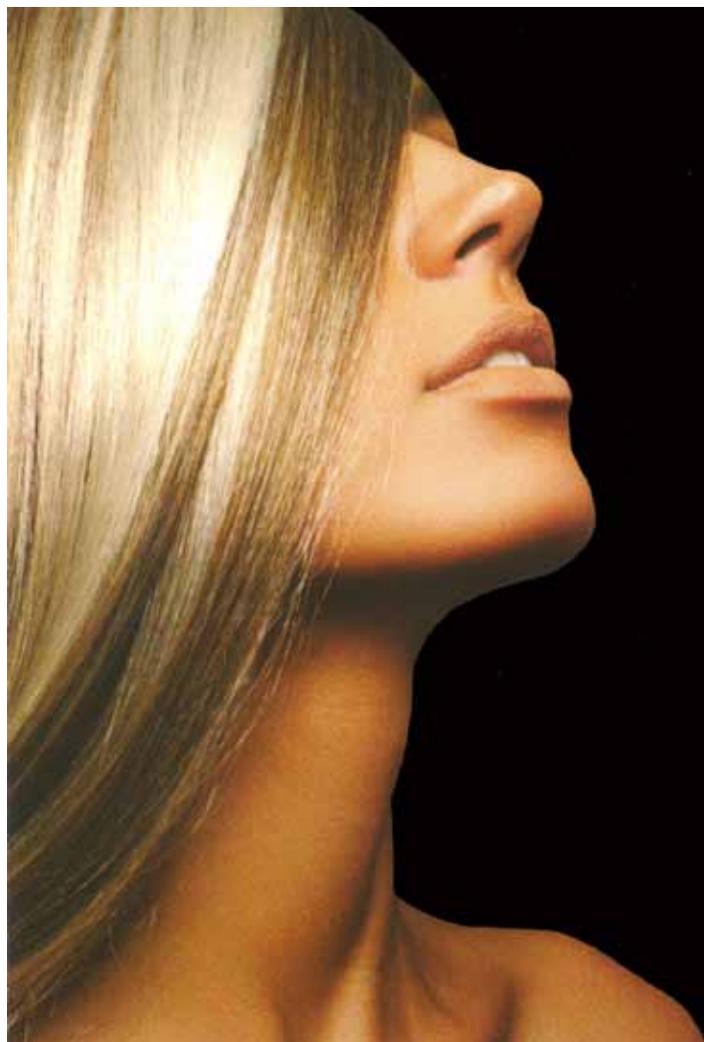
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I've tried to live a fairly non-toxic life. I don't drink alcohol to any great degree. I don't smoke, and prefer a smoke-free environment. I try to eat nutritious food and don't abuse drugs, prescription type or otherwise.

So it was with some degree of surprise that I was caught red-handed by the self-checkout machine at Walmart a few days ago. You see, I've had some kind of cold or upper respiratory virus. Its worst symptom was a dry cough. So I stopped in to get a bottle of cough medicine.

I purchased several other items, and happened to scan the cough medicine last. The machine beeped, shut down, and a message came on the screen that said I needed authorization for something.

A clerk came over, looked at me, reset the register and left. I assume she wanted to make sure I was an adult making the cough medicine purchase.

I thought it was something of an overreaction until I went home and

checked cough medicine abuse on the Internet. There is an entire section just for that.

I guess I'm not up on the situation here. I have bought cough medicine since I was young and never got "carded" for it. But apparently, things have changed.

As one Internet story said, more than three million teenagers are abusing cough medicines and cold and flu tablets. "Robiting" as teens call it, is one of the most common ways to get high.

In the early 2000s, the story said, many drug experts believed that the cough syrup fad was on the decline. However, the opposite scenario occurred, as usage kept increasing. A 2006 study found that 4 percent of eighth graders and 7 percent of 12th graders had tried cough medicines to get high. Between 1999 and 2004, usage increased tenfold, with 75 percent of abusers between ages 9 and 17 years old.

About seven percent of all drug-related emer-

gency room visits in 2004 involved dextromethorphan, the hallucinogenic ingredient in cough syrups that teens seek, and 44 percent of those visits were about non-medical usages of that drug. It was also implicated in 14 percent of suicide attempts treated in ERs.

Dextromethorphan, or "DXM," is celebrated in teen culture. Some of rapper Pimp C's most popular music was about "Sizzurp," and his work was at the top of the Billboard charts when he died of a drug overdose involving DXM in December 2007.

The syrup I bought contains Dextromethorphan, the label says. Its purpose is to "suppress coughing." And that is why I purchased it.

But kids know why I didn't, that DXM is a synthetically produced cousin of codeine and morphine. It is an anti-tussin or cough suppressant that works by reducing the sensitivity of the brain's cough control center. It replaced co-

deine in over-the-counter medicines in the 1970s.

DXM is an ingredient in over 120 common over-the-counter medicines. Most combination drugs for colds and flus contain DXM. In fact, any medicine with "tuss" in its name contains DXM. But it is also illicitly over the Internet as a white powder that teenagers inject into their veins.

"Syrup-heads" drink entire bottles of cough syrup as quickly as they can without vomiting. They may take 20 to 30 pills containing DXM at one time, especially at raves and dance clubs.

The drug takes between 15-30 minutes to take effect if taken by mouth. If injected as a powder mixed with water, the effect is quicker. Hallucinations, dissociative experiences and feelings of euphoria can last up to six hours.

I had no idea this was going on. If there are any organizations that are helping to halt this addiction, please notify this newspaper.

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I am sending Commissioner Abrams' current newsletter for your publication and/or web site. Thank you for your continuing coverage of the commissioner's activities and news reports.

Best regards,
Lucia Bonavita
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Dear Skip,

I'm so sorry that I didn't get a chance to talk to you more the other night, but I hope you enjoyed yourself [at the Clint Holmes concert at Lynn University.] That guy was fabulous, wasn't he? Skip, I want to thank you for the marvelous words you wrote about Clint, me and the series. It means so much to me and helps us start to erase the fact that the Wold Performing Arts Center at Lynn University is Boca's best - kept secret. Your kind words have helped me out so much over the past 30 years. Thank you so much for everything and I hope to see you again soon.

Sincerely
Jan McArt

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THOUGHTS FROM THE PUBLISHER

By Douglas Heizer

Don't look now, 2012 is right around the corner

I know a lot of you out there are thinking about the upcoming holidays. Well, so am I. But I am a little bewildered by the rapid passing of time. 2011 is nearly over, and the long-awaited year 2012 is almost upon us.

Yes, I know Thanksgiving is just a week away. Then we launch into the Christmas and Hanukkah season, which is really the busiest of the year. Before we know it, it will be New Year's Eve, and we will be celebrating the arrival of 2012.

A lot of people want 2012 to get here so they can take part either in the re-election effort of President Barack Obama, or the effort to choose a replacement for him from the Republican Party. I'm not going to talk about my feelings yet. It's much too early, and there are still a lot of people angling for a spot on the ticket.

I can comment about the recent announcement by Boca Raton Councilwoman Constance Scott that she is running for re-election. I don't know if she will have an opponent, but she certainly has to be congratulated for doing an excellent job during her first term.

As a council member,

she has worked tirelessly on a number of projects, including the city budget, which seems to get more and more difficult each year to resolve.

Scott is also chairwoman of the Community Redevelopment Agency, where a number of things have happened -- most notably, the completion of the downtown pedestrian promenade on Palmetto Park Road and the purchase of the Wildflower property at the east end of Palmetto Park Road.

We'll wait and see what happens now that one name has been tossed into the race for political office in Boca Raton.

Remember, the city election is in March, so it does not coincide with the presidential election in November.

However, voters are reminded to cast ballots in January in the Florida Presidential Primary. Remember, this was the election that got kicked around and moved to early in the year to beat the primary in New Hampshire. In the process, the Republicans seem to have alienated the national GOP, which may reflect itself on Election Day in January.

Speaking of the election, let's not forget that Lynn University will

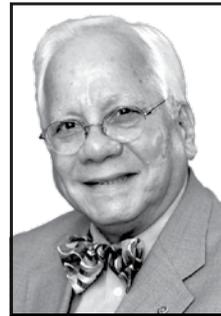
host the final presidential debate of the season in October of 2012. That likely means that Obama will be coming to Boca Raton -- unless the Democrats pick another candidate, which is not probable. The GOP hopeful will also be in the city.

We are sure that South Florida -- and Boca Raton in particular -- will be visited by a number of presidential hopefuls during 2012. It happened in 2008 and 2004. And we can only hope that there will not be a repeat of the 2000 Presidential Election debacle in Palm Beach County when it comes time to count ballots.

As long as we are counting, don't forget that the Boca Raton Tribune will mark its second anniversary in 2012. That will be an event to remember.

Here again, it seems like only yesterday when we published edition 00 -- the prototype for the paper you are reading today. And if you look at the front, you'll notice that this is edition 74. No doubt we will also mark the arrival of the 100th edition when it comes out next year.

Yes, there is a lot to celebrate -- and a lot to look forward to -- in 2012.



POSITIVE LIVING

By Dr. Synesio Lyra, Jr.

Bad Memories Can Harm!

If you ever get lost on any journey, obviously you shall do all you can to find your way back. If you get stuck somewhere, along the way, you'll inevitably try everything possible in order to get away and resume your journey and accomplish your plans!

Unfortunately, many who face unpleasant life experiences, tend to hold on to them indefinitely, instead of discarding them at the earliest possible moment. Whenever such is the case, they inflict unnecessary, harmful pain upon themselves, often with paralyzing, even lethal, consequences. And whoever is near them often suffer from the spilled-over negativity!

That's the picture of a person who remains on the grip of past unpleasantness, enslaved by bad

memories and incapable of moving forward. The corrosive effects of such experience can be avoided altogether.

Certain memories, whether good or bad, will remain with a person as long as that individual lives. Even then, they need not become dominant in that person's experience, especially when they can be replaced by pleasant, positive thoughts.

It's much easier to seek aid when one is faced with physical pain and discomfort. A person will seek a physician, purchase a medication, enter some form of therapy -- all to rid the self from those unpleasant obstacles.

What is unfortunate, though unnecessary, is when several people hold on too long to bad

memories, not measuring in advance the harmful effects they can cause, becoming impediments that contribute to a mediocre existence. But that need not be so. You can replace bad memories by new, positive thoughts, and with plans of action that will keep your mind occupied with the possibilities of achievable advantages.

Any human life, to thrive and to enjoy meaning, needs to delete permanently all the emotional junk that so easily accumulates in a life, causing that immense baggage to paralyze its carrier. Seek the freedom from all past and present negativity in order to soar into new heights, to achieve healthy objectives, and have the satisfaction of actions that can impact other lives!

Dr. Synesio Lyra, Jr. is a Florida resident who, for many years, was a professor at the post-graduate level. He is a writer, a sought-after conference speaker, a man who lived in five continents of the world, having received his education in four of them. When he resided in southern California, he wrote a weekly column for the daily "Anaheim Bulletin," which was carried for about six years, until he moved to south Florida.



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Boca's Schmidt Family Centre for the Arts 'Broadway and Beyond' a smash hit



From left are Charlie Siemon, Yvonne S. Boice, Bob Larsen and Wendy Larsen

BOCA RATON — Nearly 200 guests enjoyed a performance by two of Broadway's biggest stars at a fundraiser for the Schmidt Family Centre for the Arts/Festival of the Arts BOCA.

The October 20 event featured Mary D'Arcy, who starred as Christine with Michael Crawford in Phantom of the Opera at "Broadway and Beyond." Karl Jurman, musical di-

rector and conductor of the Lion King accompanied his wife, D'Arcy. The event was chaired by Yvonne S. Boice.

The evening of Broadway songs was held at the Studio Theater at the Mizner Park Cultural Arts Center. Guests enjoyed cocktails before the performance and a dessert reception at intermission.

The evening's sponsors included the Boca Ra-

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The annual Festival of the Arts BOCA is a multi-day cultural arts event. IMG Artists is once again collaborating with the Centre for the Arts at Mizner Park in the planning and execution of Festival of the Arts BOCA 2012. For information, visit www.festivaloftheartsboca.org or call 561-368-3808.

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Michael and Madelyn Savarick Choral Competition held at FAU

BOCA RATON — The department of music in Florida Atlantic University's Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters recently hosted the Michael and Madelyn Savarick High School Honor Choral Festival and Vocal Competition.

The festival coincided with Irish Composer Michael McGlynn's first visiting residency to FAU as the 2011/2012 Dorothy F. Schmidt Eminent Scholar in the Arts at FAU.

More than 70 honor choral students from local high schools participated in the festival including: Coral Springs, Monarch, Pine Crest School in Fort Lauderdale, Sagemont School, Miami Charter School of the Arts, West Boca, Lake Worth, and Jupiter.

The high school students joined the FAU ensembles in a "Side-By-Side" performance of McGlynn's compositions: Celtic Mass, for mixed chorus (Patricia P. Fleitas,

conductor), and Evocations for Women's Chorus (Stacie L. Rossow, conductor).

"When I was told of the works of mine that were chosen to be performed here tonight, I was amazed because these works are not easy," said Michael McGlynn. "It may not strike these students for 20 years, but this has been such an important day for them. Having toured the entire world with my own choir, Anúna, I can tell you that some of the singing and performances from the choir and soloists this week have matched the best in the world."

The first place winner of the vocal competition was Nicole Steinberg from Pine Crest School. She was awarded \$250. Two second places were awarded, with a \$125 prize each, to Nelson Ysabel of Coral Springs High School and Madi Moore of Jupiter High School.

"This festival and competition would not have



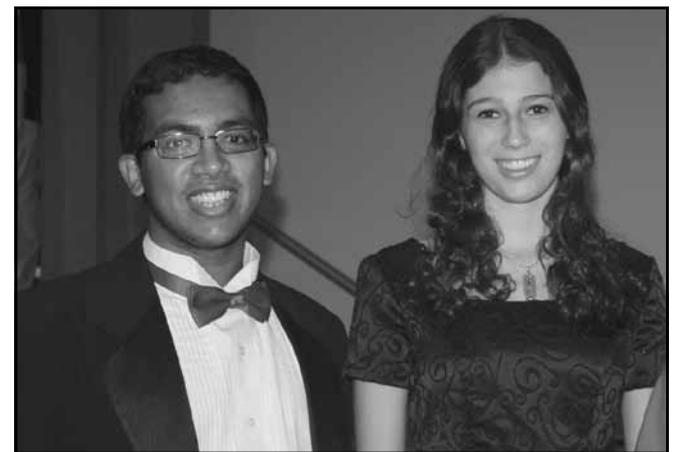
From left are Mrs. Salo, Coral Springs High School music teacher; Madelyn Savarick; Christina Alexander.



From left, Nicole Steinberg, Madelyn Savarick, Patricia Fleitas.



Madelyn Savarick and Nicole Steinberg.



Nelson Ysabel and Nicole Steinberg

been possible without the generous support of Madelyn Savarick," said Patricia Fleitas, director of choral and vocal studies at FAU. "The experience

of working with an orchestra for all the students one that students, directors, and parents greatly appreciate."

PB County veterans honored at American Health Association luncheon

Story, photos by
Barbara McCormick

More than 100 guests gathered at Benvenuto Restaurant in Boynton Beach on Veterans Day to pay homage to veterans of Palm Beach County and thank them for serving our nation.

The patriotic 12th annual event was hosted by the American Health Association under the direction of J. Robert Gordon, President/CEO. Jesus Pintos served as Vice Chair and Paul LaGrone from WPBF 25 News was master of ceremonies.

Program highlights included the presentation of the colors by U.S. Marine

Corps Honor Guard, followed by the National Anthem, performed by soloist Louis Galterio. The invocation was given by Jesus Pintos.

A letter from U.S. Senator Bill Nelson to AHA President Gordon thanked him and friends for "coming together to recognize our local veterans," and added "please join me in keeping those still serving in your thoughts and prayers."

Featured speaker U.S. Rep. Ted Deutch, in discussing the veteran job bill and the unemployment rate for veterans remarked, "One in five veterans, or 20%, will be under the age

of 24 returning from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, looking for work. We have an obligation to make sure that our vets have the necessary tools to navigate the difficult job market to provide success in entering the civilian workforce in this tough economy."

Deutch is organizing a veteran job fair set for Dec. 3 at the National Guard Armory in Broward County.

The Volunteer Veteran of the Year Award was presented to Eric Hill.

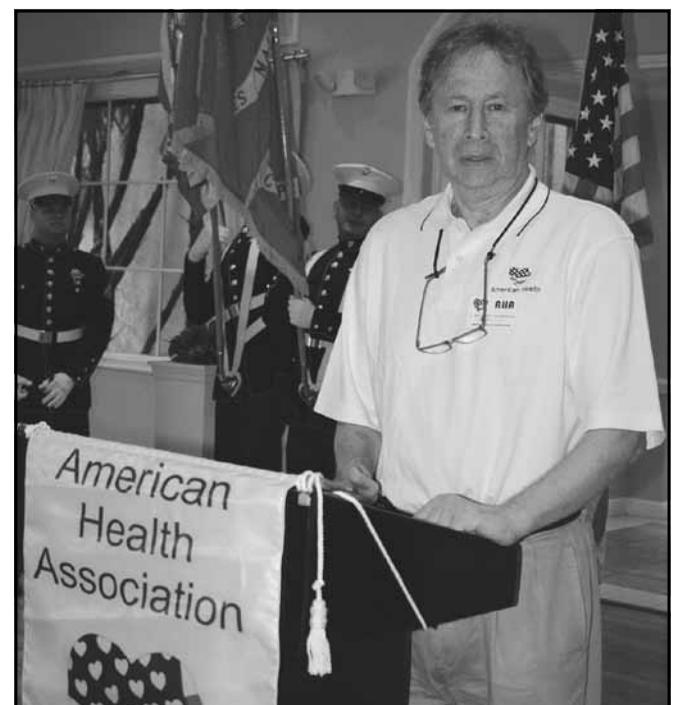
He joined the Marine Corps in June 1992 and joined the Young Marines of the Palm Beaches Unit in January 2007, acting as the CO since 2009. Hill,

together with his wife and two sons have put in over 400 community service hours a year.

Veteran of the Year honors were also awarded to Brian Turner, U.S. Army Veteran and Award Winning Poet. Turner shared selections from his recent volumes with the group.

A final applause for all who observed Veterans Day concluded the ceremonies.

For information about American Health Association and its activities, contact President Gordon at 561-361-9091.



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J. Robert Gordon, President and CEO, American Health Association

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The December 7th Scenario

We are weeks away from the 70th anniversary of what was described by a President of the United States as "A Date That Will Live in Infamy" December 7th, 1941.

If we asked a student body or did some 'man on the street' interviews how many individuals would know what happened on that date and who the president was? Or who was the Prime Minister of England or the Chancellor of Germany? This date isn't even a national holiday and our ignorance of it is a disgrace and must be addressed if the United States

of America is to survive.

Help Us Reboot America is a campaign to save the U.S.A. It is a methodology that preserves an American Art Form by bringing it to students as an educational and entertaining after school program that also teaches pride, patriotism and sacrifice for love of country.

It creates "green" jobs by employing talented, dedicated musicians who live in the communities these jobs are created and funds are generated and donated to our underfunded music departments who also benefit, not some cigar

smoking promoter or over paid Diva but still provides 'First Class' entertainment while educating.

To launch this program nationally we are trying to develop a word of mouth national campaign to remember as a Nation at 48 minutes to the hour (7:48 a.m. Hawaii time) the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii by viewing this YouTube video simultaneously around the nation and the world.

It is the Perfect Plan. It is simply an idea of people working together for a higher cause, just as we did on December 7th, 1941

Siskowski chosen as Boca Raton's Woman of Grace

BOCA RATON — Connie Siskowski, RN, PhD, of Boca Raton became a Woman of Grace at the 12th annual Women of Grace luncheon of the Bethesda Hospital Foundation November 9 at the Ritz Carlton in Manalapan.

Siskowski earned the award for her volunteerism and for making a difference for caregiving youth and their families in Palm Beach County. Siskowski, a national expert on child caregiving, said there are at least 10,000 children locally who have these adult responsibilities.

Siskowski is the first person in the nation to create a comprehensive and successful support system for caregiving youth. The Caregiving Youth Project, a program of the American Association of Caregiving Youth (AACY), facilitates skills building/support groups in middle schools, offers workshops

on life skills, conducts home visits to link families to help and provides academic support as well as other resources to ease some of the responsibility and give caregiving youth the chance to be kids.

It has established a Continuing Care Division for its 200 caregiving youth in high school as well as a Bereavement Transition Program for those students who experience the death of their care receiver. To date, it has provided services to nearly 500 caregiving youth and their families and more than 98 percent of its members stay in school.

"We need healthcare, education and the community to come together to recognize, reach out, and support caregiving youth to safeguard their education, their health and well-being along with their futures," says Siskowski.

In 2009 Siskowski re-



Connie Siskowski

ceived the Purpose Prize and a lifetime Ashoka Fellows award for the Caregiving Youth Project. Ashoka recognizes leading social entrepreneurs with innovative solutions to social problems. In 2010 she received the Distinguished Alumna Award from Johns Hopkins University and earlier in 2011 AACY received the Heroes in Medicine Community Outreach Award from the Palm Beach County Medical Society.

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Boca Councilwoman Scott first out of the gate with re-election bid

BOCA RATON – Two members of the Boca Raton City Council – Constance Scott and Anthony Majhess – are up for re-election in March of 2012.

Scott officially put herself into the race with a re-election announcement and campaign kick-off Monday, Nov. 14 at Max's Grille in Mizner Park. To date, no one else has announced a run for office in the coming year.

Speaking above the tumult of a crowd estimat-

ed at 150, Scott thanked everyone for attending and reminded them that “there is a lot more work to be done.”

During her first term, Scott has been chairman of the Community Redevelopment Agency, which engineered several major projects downtown, in particular, the creation of a pedestrian promenade along Palmetto Park Road. That effort was highlighted with a “Meet me on the Promenade” event in October

that drew thousands to the center of the city.

Boca also purchased the former Wildflower property on East Palmetto Park Road and is reviewing proposals for redevelopment uses.

Scott told the audience at the Mizner Park restaurant that “downtown is great.” She said that if she wins a second three-year term, she will continue to concentrate on economic development and job creation.

Her husband, Tom,

was by her side when she made her announcement.

Scott was elected to the council for the first time in 2009. She is employed as a business banker for Citibank and has more than 20 years of experience in finance and economic development. A graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in economics, she served Palm Beach County as an economic development specialist. She worked in economic de-

velopment for the city of Fort Lauderdale and was operations director for the Economic Council of Palm Beach. She has also worked as a business analyst for the Florida Atlantic University Small Business Development Center.

She was also economic development manager for the city of Flint, Mich., managing \$7 million in revolving loans for small businesses and administering a more than 110,000 square foot busi-

ness incubator.

Scott also served as public information officer for the city of Boca Raton.

She is a sustaining member of the Junior League of Boca Raton and a member and fundraiser for the Tri-County Humane Society, the Boca Raton Police Athletic League, Boca Raton Police Road Runners, Neighborhood Crime Watch, American Cancer Society, Komen Race for the Cure and Boca Raton Historical Society.

Castaways in lifeboat wash ashore in Boca Raton

BOCA RATON – A lifeboat with two men on board who told police they had to abandon their boat after it began taking on water washed up on the beach in Boca Raton on Tuesday, Nov. 15, po-

lice said.

Boca Police received a report that two people in a small dingy had come ashore at 750 South Ocean Boulevard.

Officers arrived and found the dingy and two

men, identified as Michael Ayres and Steffon Moore. The men were treated at the scene by Boca Raton Fire Rescue and then transported to Boca Raton Regional Hospital.

Ayres told officers he and Moore left Islamorada on Saturday, November 12, just after noon, and were heading to Bimini. Ayres added that at some point late Saturday evening, the boat began

taking on water and after several hours they had to abandon ship.

Police said Ayres told them they were able to gather some supplies and set off in the lifeboat. After spending several days at sea, they

washed up on shore.

Barring any additional information, police said, members of the Boca Raton Police Services Department have concluded their involvement in this incident.

Civil Air Patrol Cadets take part in Veterans Day ceremonies

BOCA RATON – Paying tribute to America's veterans and military personnel, cadets from the Civil Air Patrol participated in Veterans Day ceremonies Friday at Veterans Memorial Park and Stratford Court.

At the park in West Boca Raton, teenagers from the Boca Raton Composite Squadron carried the Colors alongside Color Guards from the Marine Corps, Women in the Military, Jewish War Vets, VFW, the Boy

Scouts and the Sheriff's Department.

“We are so pleased that these kids made the effort to be here today,” said World War II veteran Ralph Shear of the Veterans Coalition of South Florida said. Guest Speaker, 12-year-old Cadet Senior Airman Miller Caldwell, told the crowd why he was proud of his country stating that, “America is a strong and powerful nation,” and that “Our strength isn't found in our numbers

but in our resolve. My father was in the US Navy, as was his father and his father before him. Both of my brothers are enrolled in a Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps in high school. I am currently serving in the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program.”

Immediately follow ceremonies at Veterans Memorial Park, the squadron proceeded to events at Stratford Court, a Boca Raton senior living community. Several of

the squadron cadets were given the opportunity to present their VFW Voice of Democracy speeches.

The audience, consisting largely of veterans, many who served in World War II, appreciated hearing the cadets' words.

The Civil Air Patrol Boca Raton Composite Squadron meets Tuesday evenings 6:30 to 9 p.m. at Boca Raton Airport, northernmost gate near Lynn University Flight School building.



Flags fly in gentle breeze that blew during November 11, 2011 Veterans Day ceremony paying tribute to all who have served in the United States Military.

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Boca Police Safety Tip

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BURGLARY TO RESIDENCE 11/08/2011 15:03
NW 23RD COURT

Unknown suspect(s) entered the residence by prying a side slider (located within courtyard). Suspects removed two laptops, and a small safe. All of the items were located two doors away with the exception of one laptop (estimated value was \$600). Alarm was not working. Time frame was from 11/06/11 at 18:15 to about 15:00 hours on 11/08/11.

BURGLARY/ THEFT FROM AUTO 11/09/2011
9:19 NW 13TH STREET

The victim reported that sometime between 08/06/11 and 08/07/11 unknown suspect(s) burglarized her unlocked 1998 red Ford Explorer in the parking lot. The suspect(s) took a \$10 long black wallet that contained her Social Security card and those of her children, her Florida drivers' license, and miscellaneous business cards.

THEFT FROM BUILDING 11/08/2011 17:34
CLUB PLACE

The victim advised that someone stole his wallet while at lunch at the Woodfield Country Club. Staff later found the wallet in the men's room, but it was missing \$904. Security at the club advised they have video and suspect information. The investigation is ongoing at this time.

BURGLARY TO BUSINESS 11/13/2011 1:19
NW 16TH STREET

Victim reported that an unknown offender(s) entered through a side window and took three laptop computers. Approximately \$2,000 was also taken. The incident occurred between 1930(11/12) and 0115(11/13). No signs of forced entry were observed.

BURGLARY TO RESIDENCE 11/11/2011 16:31
NE 30TH PLACE

Between 0900 & 1630 hours, unknown person/s entered the residence at 641 NE 30th Place by breaking a window. Jewelry, a flat screen television and a Walther PPK .380 pistol were taken. No known suspect information.

Missing Boca canoeist located unharmed

BOCA RATON – The occupant of a canoe found overturned Nov. 6 in the Intracoastal Waterway behind 690 Golden Harbor Drive was located two days later unharmed.

The morning of Nov. 8, police said, the canoeist, Kirt Rusenko, came to the police station and identified the canoe. Rusenko told officers he was in the Intracoastal Waterway Sunday when a reckless boater sped by him, capsizing the canoe. Rusenko said he was unable to right the canoe so he swam to shore and left.

The capsized canoe was located

about 3:10 p.m. Nov. 6. A resident told officers that at about 3 p.m., he saw a white male in his 50's wearing a tan floppy hat paddling a 15-foot orange canoe southbound in the Intracoastal Waterway. About ten minutes later, the witness went back outside onto his patio and saw the canoe overturned in the water and the occupant was nowhere to be found. The witness said he did not hear the male call out in distress or even see him go into the water.

Police searched the area and spoke with the residents in the sur-

rounding area. Another witness also saw the male and gave police a similar account of events.

Officers from the Boca Raton Police Underwater Search and Recovery team, Boca Raton Fire Rescue, and the Aviation Unit from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, responded to the area to conduct a thorough search, but did not locate the male. Early Monday morning, the Underwater Search and Recover Team responded back to the Intracoastal Waterway to continue the search.

November is Veterans Month

At the Board of County Commissioners meeting on November 1, Commissioner Burt Aaronson presented a proclamation declaring November 2011 as "Veterans Appreciation Month" in Palm Beach County.



From left are Raymond White, Commissioner Burt Aaronson and Roberta White.

PBSO on the lookout for cattle rustlers

WELLINGTON – The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office may be hearkening back to the days of the Old West.

Detectives are investigating the theft of cattle from Wellington.

PBSO's Agricultural Crimes Unit is investigating the heist of six head

of cattle from the northeast corner of 50th Street South and 120th Avenue South, Wellington. This theft occurred between September 30 at 11:30 a.m. and October 3 at 9:30 a.m.

The sheriff's office said a witness reported seeing a heavy duty white truck

pulling a black trailer (solid trailer more for lawn equipment, not cattle) inside the property just before the theft.

Detectives from the Agricultural Crimes Unit are also investigating the theft of four head of cattle from the northeast corner of 70th Road North, Lox-

ahatchee. This theft occurred between October 10 and 24. No suspect information is available.

Anyone with information about the cattle thefts or who can identify the suspects is urged to contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-TIPS.



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The chorale, accompa-

nied by the Miami Symphony Orchestra, will be conducted by Dr. Karen Kennedy, the chorale's artistic director and conductor. Two selections will be conducted by associate conductor Jeffrey S. Stern.

Four outstanding soloists have been invited to sing in Bach's Magnificat.

Soprano Ah Hong is renowned for her performances of early music, and

made the American premiere recording of Bach's newly discovered aria, Alles mit Gott und nichts ohn' ihn (BWV 1127), for National Public Radio's Performance Today. She is a member of the voice faculty at the Peabody Conservatory of Music of the Johns Hopkins University and Towson University in Maryland.

Mezzo-soprano Misty

Bermudez is a founding member of Seraphic Fire and in February 2012, will perform Bach's B Minor Mass with the acclaimed group. The South Miami resident enjoys an active career as a concert soloist, chamber artist and operatic actress.

Known to Master Chorale audiences from his performances of Mozart's Requiem in April 2010, tenor

Tony Boutte is an assistant professor of vocal music at the University of Miami Frost school of Music. His operatic and concert performances of baroque and classical works are highly respected.

Baritone David Newman has been praised as having "the perfect oratorio voice." A Bach special-

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ENTERTAINMENT

'Martha Marcy May Marlene' Explores the Horror of a Cult

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'Refuge' screening a success for FAU's Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies

BOCA RATON -- The advisory council for Florida Atlantic University's Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies and Morgan Stanley Smith Barney recently hosted an evening of film, discussion, drinks and tapas at FAU's Living Room Theaters. The event included a screening of the film "Refuge" and an appearance by Lena Georgas, an actress in the film who plays Helen.

The event, co-chaired by Lora "Skeets" Friedkin, co-producer of "Refuge," and Lisa Armbrust of Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, was a great success in raising funds for scholarships in FAU's Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies. These scholarships support study and research in the broad range of women's experiences that reflect class, race, ethnicity, age and the interconnections that shape these experiences in specific ways.

"We were thrilled to attract many new friends and resources to the center," said Friedkin. "The event also raised awareness about violence against women, and the importance of film and other methods to tell these stories."

The attendees, including many students enrolled in classes as part of the center, participat-



From left, Lisa Armbrust, Morgan Stanley Smith Barney and co-chair of the Refuge event; Lena Georgas, star in Refuge and Lora "Skeets" Friedkin, co-chair of the Refuge event.



Jessica Osman, FAU student, with Lena Georgas, star in Refuge.



From left are Lena Georgas, star in Refuge; Lora "Skeets" Friedkin, co-chair of the Refuge event and Dava Lipsky Carson.

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Master Chorale of South Florida to present Bach for the Holidays continued...

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ist, his talents are in demand worldwide. When he is not performing, he is teaching voice students at the James Madison University School of Music in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

The concerts will be held on Friday, November 18, at 8 p.m. at Second Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale; on Saturday, November 10, at 8 pm at the Wold Center for the Performing Arts at Lynn University in Boca Raton; and on Sunday, November 20 at 4 pm at First United Methodist Church in Coral Gables.

Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$30 through www.masterchoraleofsouthflorida.org or by calling 954.418.6232. Remaining tickets will be sold for \$35 at the door.

The Music

The Bach Magnificat in D major, BWV 243, is a major vocal work of Johann Sebastian Bach. It was composed for orchestra, a five-part choir and four or five soloists. One of the few works in which Bach used Latin text (another being the great Mass in B minor), the Magnificat was composed to be first performed at Vespers on Christmas Day 1723, at the Church of St Nicholas, Leipzig - 275 years ago.

Bach's great art is showcased in the structure of the work. Abandoning the Baroque staple of recitatives and da capo arias, he created twelve sections of paired texts, with the joyous choral fugue of No.VII "Fecit potentiam" at the centre. In addition, the final chorus repeats

material from the beginning, echoing the music as it does with the words "As it was in the beginning" (Sicut erat in principio). The cyclical architecture of the work complements the concise writing, making the ½-hour work one of the most easily accessible of Bach's cantatas.

Bassi's Carol Symphony features 3 movements. The first movement is a fantasia on a popular Ukrainian carol melody; the style is impressionistic, by turns melancholy and vigorous. The second movement is a setting of the Irish Wexford Caro and the third a rhythmic theme and variations on Tomorrow shall be my dancing day.

Corelli's Christmas Concerto, Corelli's most famous work, was composed

in 1712. His concerti grossi have often been popular in Western culture. For example, a portion of the Christmas Concerto, is in the soundtrack of the film Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World. He is also referred to frequently in the novel Captain Corelli's Mandolin.

The Conductor:

Praised by the San Francisco Classical Voice for her "wizardry with voices" and named by the Honolulu Star Bulletin as "... a popular and charismatic leader," Karen Kennedy is delighted to serve as Artistic Director of the Master Chorale of South Florida. She will serve on the faculty at the University of Miami as Director of Choral Studies. Before joining the arts community in South Florida, she



Dr. Karen Kennedy, Conductor

held the positions of Chorus Director for the Ho-

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'Refuge' screening a success continued...

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ed in a lively discussion about women's issues following the film. It was led by Jane Caputi, FAU professor of women's studies; Margarita Alarcon, member of the advisory council for the center and Lena Georgas, an actress in the film.

Also in attendance were several members of the advisory council, including Sue Banks, Merry Morris, Suzy Garfinkel and Lalita Janke.



From left are Nora Erro-Peralta, chair of FAU's Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies; Lalita Janke, advisory council for FAU's Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies; Lauren Martin, FAU Honors College student and Jane Caputi, professor in FAU's Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies.



Shown from left are Lisa Armbrust, Morgan Stanley Smith Barney and co-chair of the Refuge event; Lena Georgas, star in Refuge; Sue Banks, advisory council for FAU's Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies; Lora "Skeets" Friedkin, co-chair of the Refuge event and Nora Erro-Peralta, chair of FAU's Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies.

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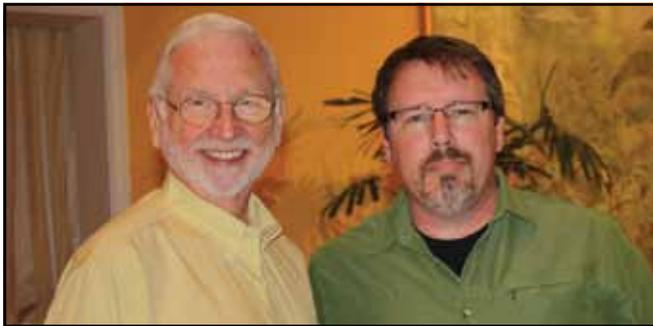
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SPOTLIGHT

PB County veterans honored at American Health Association luncheon, continued...



Miles Coon, Palm Beach Poetry Festival Director, left, with Brian Turner, U.S. Army Veteran and award winning poet



Eric Hill, Volunteer Veteran of the Year with U.S. Rep. Ted Deutch, featured speaker.



From left, J. Robert Gordon, event chairman; Paul LaGrone M/C; Lou Galterio, vocalist; Jesus Pintos, event vice chair



Corporal Burt Richards with bear.



Color guard, from left, Jeremy Clyde, Michael Brown, Anderson Garcia, Sgt. Olivia Ramos

Civil Air Patrol Cadets take part in Veterans Day continued...



At Veterans Memorial Park in West Boca Raton the Boca Raton Composite Squadron Cadet Color Guards line up for the Procession of Colors. From left are Cadet Commander 2d Lt Zackery Macdonald, C/A1C Diondre Noel, C/Amn Taylor Broad, C/A1C Daniel Henao.



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ENTERTAINMENT

By Skip Sheffield

'Martha Marcy May Marlene' Explores the Horror of a Cult

"Martha Marcy May Marlene" is a little movie with a big impact. It is a strange, disturbing, unsettling story of a maniacal cult leader and his submissive flock. In her feature film debut in a starring role, Elizabeth Olsen is the title character of a film that is also the debut of writer-director Sean Durkin.

Elizabeth Olsen is the younger sister of the Olsen twins, Mary-Kate and Ashley. She is 22, but she looks younger, like the wayward teenage waif she portrays.

The story opens in a bucolic setting in upstate New York. A group of young men eat dinner while the women patiently await their turn. It is quite clear from the start that the females have inferior, submissive status in this society, which is sternly ruled by the wiry, alternately seductive and menacing Patrick (John Hawkes).

Patrick brings to mind the mad but beguiling tyrants Charles Manson and Jim Jones. Martha, who has been re-named Marcy May by Patrick, knows there is something wrong in this twisted "family," yet she seems powerless to escape its clutches.

But escape she does, on foot, under cover of darkness, with other cult members in hot pursuit.

In this sense "MMMM" is an escape thriller, but there is more to it than that. Martha reaches a pay phone and calls her only surviving relative; her



John Hawkes and Elizabeth Olsen in "Martha Marcy May Marlene"



Sarah Paulson and Elizabeth Olsen in "Martha Marcy May Marlene"

sister Lucy (Sarah Paulson), whom she hasn't seen since disappearing two years ago.

Lucy lives in a large, beautiful, lakefront house with her British architect husband Ted (Hugh Dancy). Lucy and Ted seem to live a charmed life, but it is not all it seems. "MMMM" is roiled by threatening undercurrents of trouble at every turn. Martha is a deeply wounded, emotionally-scarred young woman. Because of the horrors she has endured she exhibits inappropriate behavior, much of it sexually-rooted. The dark secret of the cult is revealed in horrific flashbacks.

"She's just a picture, that's all," sings Patrick in a song he has written for Marcy May, his most re-

cent conquest. It's a chilling lyric that demonstrates the utter contempt Patrick has for his female subjects, even while professing to love and protect them.

I won't get into specifics any further, except to say this is a horror story in the final analysis; a horror story of the human spirit most perverted.

"MMMM" is difficult to endure and its finale is deliberately abrupt and inconclusive. One thing is undeniable: it is a breakout performance for Elizabeth Olsen, a performer all her young life. She is by degrees woman and child, victim and vamp, strong yet powerless. If you have the patience and fortitude, this film will rattle and haunt you.

Three and a half stars



BOCA FOOD FINDS

By Denise Righetti

Raffaele Ristorante - the wait is finally over

For those of you who have been patiently waiting for Raffaele's to open, I've got good news: the long awaited, much anticipated opening of Raffaele Ristorante in Royal Palm Place has finally arrived! Chef/Owner Raffaele Esposito took his time to see his vision through as he totally transformed the space that had previously been occupied as Argentango into something uniquely his own. This new space is open and airy and is decorated in soothing, neutral tones of beige and brown with Italian tile floors and dangling mother of pearl pendant lighting. The large windows and sliding glass door provide an excellent view of the lighted monument tower at night. A nice selection of music could be heard throughout the restaurant which added to the overall ambience.

Raffaele, a successful restaurateur in NYC for 20+ years, decided to move to South Florida and bring his culinary expertise with him. His signature dishes are representative of Naples and Southern Italy and his wine list, primarily comprised of CA and Italian wines, is quite extensive.

I had the pleasure of dining at Raffaele's last night and wanted to share with you some of the highlights of the evening. As we entered the restaurant, we approached the hostess stand and were warmly greeted and escorted to a nice private table. Shortly after being seated, our server, Jean, came over to introduce himself, presented us with a wine list and offered to

tell us about their appetizer and dinner specials to aid us in deciding what wines we might be interested in selecting. We appreciated that gesture and thought that was a very nice touch. I started out with a lovely glass of Lyeth Pinot Noir, CA (\$12) and my husband chose the Capone Super Tuscan Reserve (\$14). Both were wonderful choices. A basket of assorted freshly baked breads was delivered to our table that had been made in house in their wood-fired oven. We informed Jean that we were interested in trying a number of items and taking the initiative, like a true professional, he had each item brought to our table already split in the back. Impressive.

First up was the Capesante Con Shitaki (\$13)-grilled scallops with leeks, shitake mushrooms and fresh herbs. The scallops were tender and the white wine reduction was light and flavorful. The shitaki mushrooms were the star of this dish in my opinion.

Next up was the Lenticchie Con Riso (\$10)-Lentil Soup with Italian rice. The lentils were cooked perfectly and was packed with flavor. Next we had the Risotto Con Porcini Ricotta (\$20)-Italian rice with porcini mushroom, ricotta and parmesan. The risotto was hearty and I especially enjoyed the combination of porcini mushrooms, the ricotta, parmesan and the fresh basil that topped the dish.

We selected the Steak Pizzaiola (\$30) for our main entree, one of the specials that Jean had in-

formed us about. The steak was cooked in their wood-fired oven, sliced and delicately placed atop a freshly prepared tomato sauce and accompanied by a spinach and cheese encrusted fritter (for lack of a better word) which was very unique and very tasty. Lastly, we somehow managed to save room to try two of Raffaele's wonderful desserts: Tiramisu (\$8) - Homemade with ladyfingers, coffee, Kahlua and mascarpone cheese (simply, TDF: to die for!) and Torta di Ricotta (\$8) - Homemade Italian cheesecake with a delicate orange sauce. Now in case you have never had Italian cheesecake made with ricotta, be forewarned that this is a completely different taste profile than your typical American cheese cake. It's quite unique and perhaps an acquired taste.

We were pleasantly surprised when Raffaele himself came out at the end of our meal and brought with him some of his very own homemade orangecello. He makes both limoncello and the orange one. Watch out folks, this stuff is uber strong and will knock your socks off if you're not paying attention! Great flavor and a wonderful way to end an exquisite meal.

Raffaele Ristorante is located at 508 Via de Palmas in Royal Palm Place. 561-392-1110. Their website is still a work in progress, but does have their menu listed: <http://www.raffaelerestaurant.com/>. They are open for lunch M-F 11am - 3pm and dinner every night from 5 - 10pm and until 11pm on Fri & Sat nights.

Master Chorale continued...

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nolulu Symphony, Artistic Director for the Hawai'i International Choral Festival, Director of Choral Activities at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, and Director of Choral Activities at Towson University. A recipient of the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in choral music from Arizona State University, Dr. Kennedy also earned a Master of Music in choral conducting from Butler University and a Bachelor of Music Education from DePauw University.

During her time in Hawai'i, Dr. Kennedy conducted the Honolulu Symphony Orchestra and Chorus in performances of Orff's *Carmina Burana*, Durufle's *Requiem*, Faure's *Requiem*, Mozart's *Great Mass in C Minor*, Mozart's *Requiem*, and Rutter's *Gloria*, and prepared the chorus regularly for performances with JoAnn Falletta, Samuel Wong, Naoto Otomo, and Norichika Iimori. She has conducted the New England Symphonic Ensemble and a 200-voice festival chorus in a Carnegie Hall performance of Mozart's *Vesperae Solennes de Confessore*, as well as choirs in venues such as the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City, Utah, the Royal Academy of Music in Stockholm, Sweden, Ely Cathedral in Ely, England, Southwark Cathedral in London, England, and Greyfriar's Kirke in Edinburgh, Scotland. She also enjoyed a residency at Stanford University as Conductor for the Stanford University Summer Chorus Festival.

In addition, Dr. Kennedy is well known as a choral clinician and adjudicator, regularly working with Gateway Music Festivals, Music in the Parks, and Heritage Music Tours. She is also a popular honor choir clinician, having served as conductor of All-State and Festival Honor Choirs in Minnesota, Colorado, North Carolina, Oregon, Hawai'i, Florida, Nevada, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Maryland.

In addition to regular podium performances Dr. Kennedy enjoys the opportunity to present workshops on choral repertoire, conducting, choral pedagogy and vocal pedagogy. Her workshops have been a part of recent ACDA and MENC regional and state conventions.

Dr. Kennedy has received numerous awards for teaching, including the University of Hawai'i Chancellor's Citation for Meritorious Teaching, Arizona State University's Manzanita "Top Prof" Award, Butler University's Faculty Distinction Award, and is a two-time recipient of the Lawrence Township Schools Superintendent's Award.

Dr. Kennedy remains active in several professional organizations, having served as the ACDA Eastern Division Collegiate Repertoire and Standards Chair, as President of the Hawai'i chapter of the American Choral Directors Association, and as a founding member of the National Collegiate Choral Organization.

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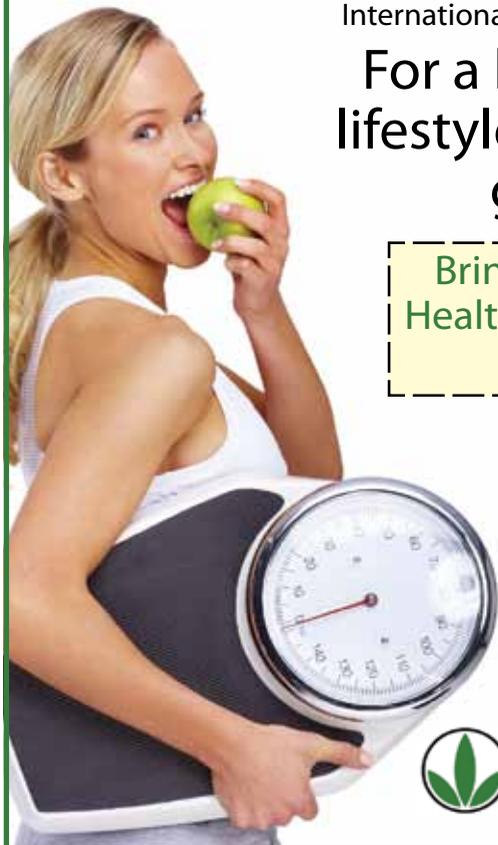


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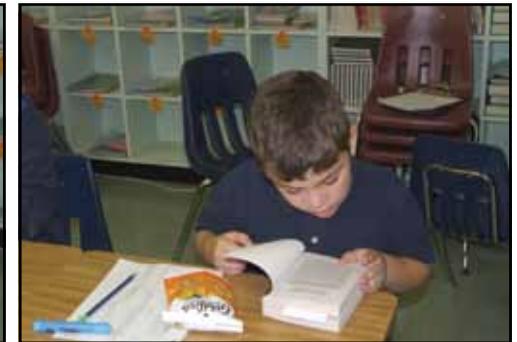
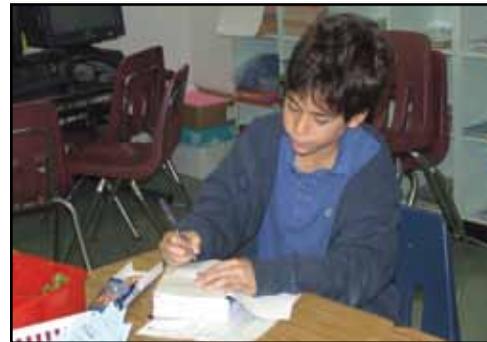
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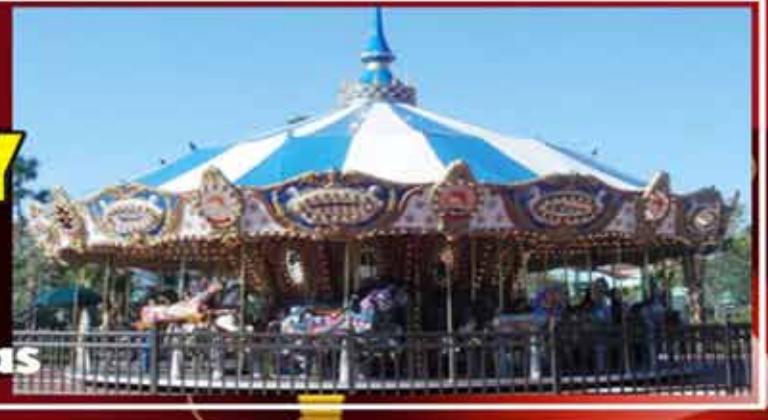
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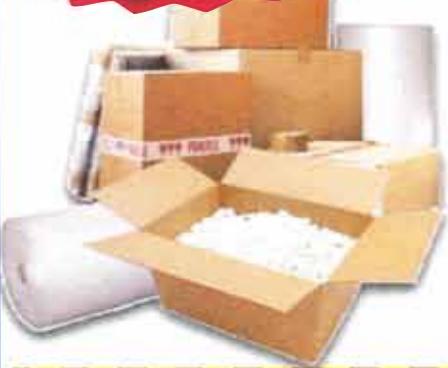
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Alliance Residential Company razed the massive structure. Twenty months from now, it is scheduled to complete a \$62 million luxury apartment community consist-

ing of 384 residential units called Broadstone at North Boca Village.

Alliance recently hosted a groundbreaking ceremony at the 17-acre parcel at 7801 North Federal Highway. Those who attended were surprised to see the former plaza building reduced to rubble.

"This is an exciting new infill luxury residential community that will be the

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Ging said the deal closed Sept. 29 and he anticipates initial lease-up to begin in the third quarter of 2012, with final completion expected in March 2013.

Company and city officials, including Mayor



Rendering of Broadstone at North Boca Village.



Michael Ging, managing director of development for Florida for Alliance Residential Company, addresses the crowd at the groundbreaking ceremony.



From left are Boca Raton City Councilwoman Constance Scott, Boca Raton Deputy Mayor Susan Haynie; Boca Raton Mayor Susan Whelchel; Mike Ging, Managing Director of Alliance Residential; City Councilman Anthony Majhess and Troy McLellan, president & CEO of the Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce.

Susan Whelchel, Deputy Mayor Susan Haynie, Councilwoman and Community Redevelopment Agency Director Constance Scott and Councilman Anthony Majhess were among those who attended the ceremony.

Upon completion, Ging said, Broadstone at North Boca Village will offer one-, two- and three-bedroom units averaging 997 square feet, along with optional attached and detached garages. The apartment homes will feature a complete stainless-steel appliance package, full-size washers and dryers, two-tone designer paint, granite countertops and expansive 9-foot ceilings

Levitz Plaza, a once thriving shopping plaza in north Boca Raton, has been on the skids for years.

Plans were approved in 2006 for a Mizner Park-style mixed use development called North Boca

Village, also containing a new structure for the Caldwell Theatre. The development was crushed by a falling economy and ended up in bank foreclosure earlier this year.

North Boca Village was to be a mix of residential (49 townhouses and 336 condominiums), retail (100,600 square feet), office (53,990 square feet) and restaurant (40,000 square feet) uses, with roads connecting the buildings – much like Mizner Park. It also included the theater.

The original developer planned to raze the plaza after allowing the Caldwell, formerly located in that building, to build a new theater slightly north of the Levitz site. That structure was finished in 2007, but North Boca Village was never even started and the developer went bankrupt.

Plans say recreational amenities for Broadstone

include a centralized park area, tot lot, putting green, pool with cabanas and a gazebo. There will also be a two-story clubhouse (over 7,000 square feet) slated to contain a fitness center, game room, club room, business/conference rooms and leasing offices.

Alliance will blend the traditional Spanish Mission-style architecture of the community with modern amenities designed to appeal to a wide demographic, including a fitness center with the latest computerized aerobic and weight training equipment, yoga studio, business center, video gaming room, demonstration kitchen, cyber café, movie theater, personal massage salon, wine and cigar room, putting green and resort-style swimming pool area with cabanas and an outdoor pool pavilion with bar, fire place and billiard tables.

Public Relations can help stressed CEOs at home is idea behind Transmedia Group's new therapy service for busy execs

BOCA RATON, FL.—TransMedia Group said it will go where no PR firm has gone before—into the private lives of CEOs to find a more stress-relieving balance between work and home.

“With everyone’s working harder today than ever before, it’s critically important to be able to balance the spiraling demands of career and family, especially for today’s besieged CEO,” said Tom Madden, TransMedia Group’s CEO (www.transmediagroup.com).

To help businesses cope with unprecedented levels of stress caused by home and work imbalances, TransMedia has hired a Work-Home Balance Specialist to offer therapy to busy CEOs, their spouses and children.

“Expectations today are lofty for self starters, entrepreneurs and CEOs,” said Meredith Walt, TransMedia’s newly-appointed Work-Home Balance Specialist. “Workdays can be all consuming for

months, sometimes years without much breathing room, let alone family time.”

Sales, marketing, suppliers, employees, quality assurance and payroll are some of the stressors CEOs encounter daily. Unfortunately, so are unhappy family members, she said. “Agitated spouses and neglected children put additional weight on the scale, often tipping a healthful work-home balance so critical for success in both arenas, according to Walt.

TransMedia believes providing in-home, on-site support and therapeutic services for executives and their families can drastically reduce tension in the home, allow for practical ways to increase quality time at home, without compromising necessary time and mental focus at work.

“I help the spouse process and understand business demands while assisting CEOs to remember what they’re working so hard for – their family and

a quality of life.”

Having helped troubled clients, from teens to financial tycoons, for over a decade, together with her official qualifications to practice both individual and family therapy from her undergraduate and graduate degrees from Boston University, make Walt a powerful resource, said Madden.

Collaborating with courts, schools, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the foster care process, teen parents, and

substance abuse facilities has given Meredith a rich and deep experience bank from which to help CEOs and their families to cope with the stress and long hours on the job, Madden said.

According to Madden, one of her CEO clients said Meredith gave his spouse and children the support and tools they needed to stop feeling resentful over his time away from home and things got better for everyone.

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O'Flannery Anderson named head of FAU Foundation, VP for community engagement

BOCA RATON — Jennifer O'Flannery Anderson, Ph.D., an alumna of Florida Atlantic University, will return to her alma mater in December as vice president for community engagement and executive director of the FAU Foundation, Inc. The announcement was made by FAU President Mary Jane Saunders.

Currently serving as president and chief executive officer of the United Way of Broward County, Dr. O'Flannery Anderson will provide leadership for the university's new office of community engagement, which will encompass all advancement, alumni relations and fundraising activities.

"We are very happy to welcome Dr. O'Flannery Anderson to FAU's leadership team," Saunders

said. "She has a long track record of professional success, and she is excited about the prospect of playing a key role in the university's continued rapid development. In addition to her many executive skills and thorough knowledge of the communities served by FAU, she has long been a passionate advocate for the university. We are so pleased to welcome her back."

"Leading the United Way of Broward County, which touches the lives of so many, has been the privilege of a lifetime," Dr. O'Flannery Anderson said. "I am grateful to the board and staff for their dedication and support. Returning to FAU at this time, when it is on such a steep growth curve, is a dream come true. I am ea-

ger to begin enriching and expanding FAU's outreach across South Florida."

Dr. O'Flannery Anderson is deeply involved in community service. She is currently vice chair of the North Broward Hospital District board of commissioners, a board member of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance and a member of the board of governors of the United Way of Florida. She holds a doctorate in public administration from FAU and is a graduate of both Leadership Broward and Leadership Florida.

Dr. O'Flannery Anderson will replace Randy Talbot, who is retiring in December. "Mr. Talbot has done an excellent job of generating community support for a very wide variety of university initia-



tives," said Saunders. "We thank him for his service to our students, alumni, faculty and staff and wish him an enjoyable retirement."

Three students from Olympic Heights are published authors

BOCA RATON — Three students from Olympic Heights Community High School have become published writers.

The students - freshman Stephanie Judd, sophomore Alexandra Zofcin and junior Christena Carollo — attended a summer writing workshop hosted by the Océ Future Authors project.

All three were recognized by having their works published in the 2011 edition of the Océ writer's anthology entitled Blood, Sweat & Words: Océ Future Authors Project 2011. This is the fifth

year in a row that students from Olympic Heights have been so honored.

"We are thrilled that our students have been recognized for their fine writing skills," said Kelly Lawrence, an English 1 Honors teacher at the school who also serves as chairwoman of the School Advisory Council. "They are just three of the many talented students we have here at Olympic Heights."

This is the second year in a row that Alexandra Zofcin has had her work published.

The Océ Future Authors Project was created

by Boca Raton-based Océ North America Production Printing Systems to help inspire students who love to write. It is a free program offered in partnership with the School District of Palm Beach County.

Now in its sixth year, the free eight-day summer workshop launches students into the full writing process, from writing to editing to digitally publishing books. Students learn and grow under the guidance of certified teachers, published authors and Océ experts.

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middle and high school students are selected to participate by language arts teachers based on academic achievement and interest in becoming a published author. The program culminates in a digitally-published book by Océ that is unveiled at a book signing hosted by the Boca Raton Library.

BUSINESS BITS

BOCA RATON — Celsius Holdings, Inc. reported its results of operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30. Revenue for the third quarter totaled \$2.5 million compared to \$1.7 million for the same quarter in 2010, an increase of 47 percent. A significant portion of this increase related to a reduction of discounts and promotions this year as compared to last year's third quarter. Revenue for the nine months ended Sept. 30 totaled \$6.8 million versus \$8.2 million in the same period last year, a decrease of 17 percent. The company recorded a net loss of \$278,000 for the third quarter compared to a net loss of \$5 million in the same quarter a year ago, or \$(.01) and \$(.27) per share respectively.

BOCA RATON — "Battlefield to Business: Build Your Bottom Line" will be presented by the Small Business Development Center at Palm Beach State College Friday, Nov. 18 from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

In room HT 103, Humanities & Technology Building, 3000 St. Lucie Avenue, Boca Raton.

BOCA RATON — Office Depot has announced that Steve Schmidt has been named president, International. Schmidt previously served as executive vice president, Corporate Strategy and New Business Development. Schmidt will oversee Office Depot's multichannel (contract, direct and retail) international business that generated \$3.4B in revenue in 2010 and sells to customers directly or through affiliates in 56 countries outside of the U.S. and Canada. Schmidt is a graduate of Purdue University and holds a BA in Industrial Administration.

BOCA RATON — AutoInfo Inc. a non-asset based transportation services company, has announced results of its operations for the quarter and nine months ending Sept. 30. For the nine-month period, the company reported gross revenues of \$247.8 million as compared with \$200.4 million for the prior year period. Income from operations was \$4.5 million as compared with \$3.7 million for the prior year period. Net income was \$2,509,000 and basic earnings per share were \$.07 per share for the current period, as compared with \$1,985,000 and \$.06 per share for the prior year period.

For the three month period ended Sept. 30, the company reported gross revenues of \$85.4 million as compared with \$74.0 million for the prior year period. Income from operations was \$1.7 million as compared with \$1.5 million for the prior year period. Net income was \$944,000 and basic earnings per share were \$.03 per share for the current period, as compared with \$833,000 and \$.02 per share for the prior year period.

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Estate Planning Council dinner meeting to discuss asset protection and estate planning

BOCA RATON - The Greater Boca Raton Estate Planning Council, an organization of professionals involved in the estate and financial planning fields, has announced its next dinner meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 29. A cocktail reception and check-in will begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by the dinner meeting with speaker from 6:15-7:30 p.m. The event will be held at Woodfield Country Club, 3650 Club Place, Boca Raton. Member admission is free, and guests are invited to attend at \$65 per person.

The speaker for the dinner meeting is Barry Nelson of the law offices of Nelson & Nelson, P.A., whose topic will be "Asset Protection & Estate Planning - Why Not Have

Both?" Nelson practices in the areas of tax, estate planning, asset protection planning, probate, partnerships and business law. The meeting sponsor is United Nursing Service, Inc. RSVP's are required at www.gbrep.org.

A chapter of the National Association of Estate Planners & Councils, the Greater Boca Raton Estate Planning Council (GBREPC) offers monthly networking opportunities, programming, and continuing education on financial and estate planning topics designed to enhance the services that its professional members provide. The GBREPC also strives to provide the public with a better understanding and appreciation of the services that estate

and financial planners offer.

Founded in 1984, the Greater Boca Raton Estate Planning Council has some 160 members in the fields of accounting, legal, trust, insurance, financial planning and planned giving. The GBREPC Speakers Bureau is a free community service which provides educational and informative presentations on estate planning to civic or community organizations.

For more information, contact Sylvia Tausk at sylviaausk@bellsouth.net, visit the GBREPC website at www.gbrep.org or visit the organization on Facebook at "Greater Boca Raton Estate Planning Council."

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FAITH

By Rick Warren

Why the 'sabbath' is not a religious idea

Our great-grandfathers called it "the Holy Sabbath"; our grandfathers, "the Sabbath"; our fathers, "Sunday." But today we simply refer to it as, "the weekend."

Do you feel rested after a typical weekend? If you are like most people, probably not. A friend of mine accuses me of behaving as if I were a "human doing" instead of a "human being." We live in a world in which most of us understand exceptionally well how to work hard and play hard, but it seems that we have forgotten how to rest.

The word "Sabbath" literally means, REST. God provided the pattern for rest in His list of "values to live by" in Exodus 20. We know them as the Ten Commandments. Fourth on the list is the admonition to observe the Sabbath as a holy day. "But the seventh day is a day of Sabbath rest before the Lord your God" (Exodus 20:10).

In His wisdom, God understood that given the opportunity, mankind would work itself to death – or play and entertain itself to death – but never recognize the importance of pausing to replenish our energies and reinvigorate our spirits. So He incorporated the command to rest in His top 10 rules for living.

Every seventh day,

from God's perspective – the point of view of the Creator – should be set aside for:

1. REST: Frederick Taylor was an ambitious young executive in a large steel mill during the Spanish-American war in the 1890's. In those days, there were no cranes to load steel bars onto the railroad cars. It was backbreaking manual labor. Taylor instituted a system where a whistle was blown after the men had carried iron for 12 minutes. They then were to sit down and rest. After three-minute rest, the whistle was blown again as a signal for the men to resume work. The result? The amount of iron loaded per day increased by an amazing 276 percent! Rather than wasting time, the required rest actually multiplied efficiency and productivity.

2. REFLECTION: "A prudent man foresees the difficulties ahead and prepares for them; the simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences" (Proverbs 22:3).

How can you know where you want to go unless you take time to look back on where you've been, realistically assess where you are, and then develop a plan that will take you where you want to go? Were you successful this past week in your

work? In your marriage? As a father? In your personal life? Are you staying fit physically? How are you doing emotionally, or intellectually, or spiritually? We cannot even start to answer these questions if we continue to plunge into our daily activities, without giving ourselves the opportunity to pause and reflect on what we are doing – and why.

3. RESTORATION: No battery will last for very long without being recharged. Elastic will lose its resiliency and strength unless it is allowed to return to its "un-stretched" state. Human beings are much the same. We need the stress of work, exercise, and pressure to motivate us, to keep us from vegetating. They help to give us purpose, meaning and direction. But we need regular periods of personal restoration – physically, emotionally and spiritually. We need to replenish our energy and clarify our vision before returning to the battle.

Edited and adapted from a column by Rick Warren. He is the author of the highly acclaimed, best-selling book, The Purpose-Drive Life, which has been translated into many languages and sold throughout the world. It affirms the importance of having a carefully considered, clearly expressed purpose to guide everyday life.



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WEST SIDE

by Margi Henschien

America's Melting Pot

America's Melting Pot is more of a sticky, thick, gooey stew that is no longer melting.

When my great grandfather Hyman came to America there was no welfare, no unemployment, nothing in his language from the country he was from. Hyman came over with nothing. He found a job making shoes, and doing construction at first. Hyman knew he had to eat and so he had to WORK. He had to LEARN to speak ENGLISH as everything was in English if you wanted a job. There was not a lot of free time, hours were long at work and everyone worked hard. So, when work was over family time was very important. Dinner time became a time to finally sit with your family and friends. Everyone could talk about their day, their problems, their ideas; they shared things together. Life was hard and they helped each other. There was no TV time at night, no telephones, and no computers, so people

had no choice but to talk to each other. People felt bonded together through this common everyday experience of communicating. Everyone was from somewhere, Ireland, Germany, Russia, etc. and yet they were all striving for the same goals; to be American! The many languages, customs, ideas that people brought with them from different countries blended together into a melting pot and they were PROUD to call themselves Americans!

Over the past decade the nation's racial and ethnic mix shifted, driven by Hispanics and Asians. The census statistics released from the 2010 count show that Hispanics account for more than half the nation's growth. Asians experienced double digit increases. And although many people come to America for the right reasons; economic success, religious freedom, etc., a lot of people are not coming to America to be American. They are coming to America

to bring their customs and language to change America. We are not all Americans anymore. They come for many reasons, but they expect our freedoms to be given to them. A lot of people feel it is their right to get money if they cannot work; it is their right to have money for food. It is their right to have a place to live. It is their right to be handed things from the government. But, look around and the funny thing is they are never satisfied.

You see, satisfaction comes from productive work. Hyman knew this, and after a long hard day, he was always proud. Hyman knew that he was making his dreams come true every day. He was in America, he was with his family, and he had the ability to pursue his happiness. And Happiness was being in America. Happiness is West Boca as we are certainly a melting pot of people, cultures, and ideas. We need to stir the pot, so that we may have success tomorrow.

Margi Henschien is a resident of West Boca since 1986 and is mom to 2 sons, 2 dogs, and 2 large lizzards. She is currently the Palm Beach County Vice Chair of the Republican Party. Active in the Junior League of Boca Raton, the Advisory board of the American Red Cross, and author of several children's books.



DIVORCE FLORIDA STYLE

By Mike Gora

.... And Other Legal Matters

While we all have a general responsibility as human beings, parents, and grandparents to protect the interests of children at all times, whether relatives or not, divorce lawyers have a special duty provided by Florida Statute.

We are "reporters" who, by definition, just as in the case of physicians, have a duty to report circumstances that appear dangerous to children to police authorities, or other agencies which protect children.

Our obligation to protect children is even greater than our obligation to our own clients. Of course after reporting our own clients we would have a conflict of interests and must withdraw from the representation.

So it was with shock and amazement that I joined you in observing the lack of judgment evidenced by Joe Paterno, the president of Penn State University, Graham B. Spanier and others at Penn State over the last 10 days.

I have no sympathy for any of them. Of all of them, it appears that Paterno's role of going through the motions to protect his long time friend and his own butt was only second in order of despicability.

Paterno, a lifelong

coach and teacher of young men of college age apparently thought far less of young boys than he did of buff young athletes who could create and preserve his legend.

But our legal system is quite capable of sorting this out. People will be imprisoned from the perpetrator on down. It is a shame that this process goes on now, years after it could have been stopped by Paterno and his peers. How many abused children would it have take for Paterno to report to the police, one more? A dozen?

The Herman Cain vs. the Women of America case is far more difficult to pursue legally, so it is the court of public opinion that will have to give the ultimate ruling.

As lawyers, we all know that a case which stands on "She said, He said" evidence has always been very difficult to prove. In this day with all of America being educated on the forensics of criminal investigation through CSI and the rest, it has become much harder.

On the one hand, as odd as it seems, there have always been men and women who come out and make stuff up to achieve their 15 minutes of fame. The folks who do that now have a world-

wide stage upon which to play rather than in their local newspaper or TV outlet of recent memory.

On the other hand there are people who believe that they are so well thought of and even beloved by all or a significant part of the American people that they believe that all they have to do is say no and they will be believed.

Usually, however, as the saying goes, "You cannot fool all of the people all of the time."

So the Cain train will chug on into soon forgotten political history with several 15 minutes of fame behind it, not because of this war of the sexes but because Cain's campaign was under funded, ineffectively staffed, and led by a person who has demonstrated a lack of the type of knowledge necessary to become president.

In the long run the female attack on Cain may actually keep the train running a few more weeks rather than de-rail it immediately.

Clearly, if you become a victim of sexual abuse, it would be a good idea to document your claim immediately, try to secure physical evidence, and refuse to put a confidentiality clause in any settlement agreement you enter.

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Story, photo by Pam D'Addio

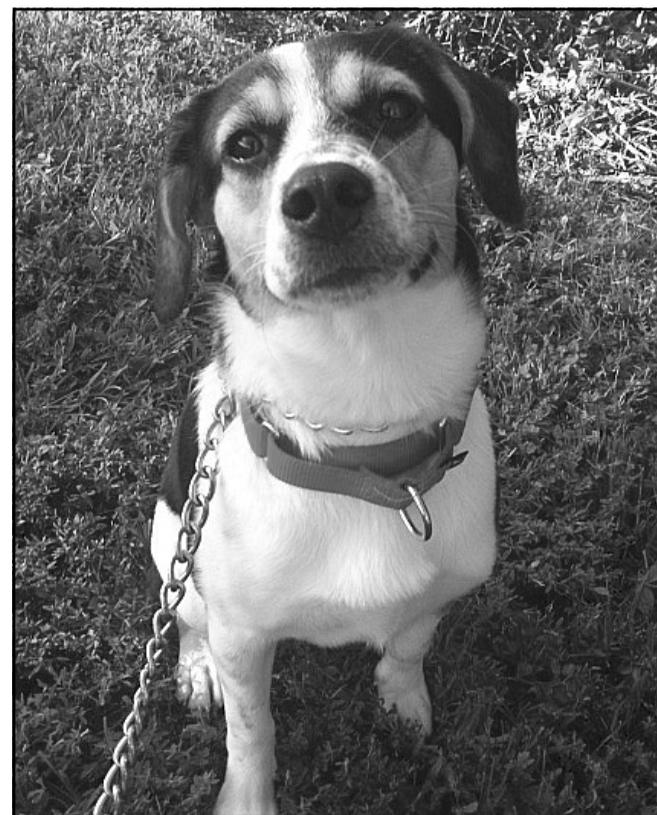
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NBA Lockout: Competitive balance: Myth or fact, or both?

One phrase being thrown around by the owners during the lockout has been "competitive balance." While making the league more competitive is great in theory, is there really a way to make it more competitive? The answer is yes and no.

Whether the owners like it or not, it is easier to build a dynasty in basketball than it is in the other major team sports. One player in basketball can dominate the game more than any player in any other sport. (Although living in Indianapolis, there is a quarterback that is making

me re-think this.) In Baseball you have nine starters and usually a player gets four at bats. In football, there are twenty-two starters on offense and defense total. In basketball there are five players on the court at once for a team.

This is why you see more dynasties in basketball. Look at the previous teams that have won multiple championships since the start of the 90's and you see an all-time great. Jordan, to Olajuwon, to Duncan, to Shaq/Kobe, and you see why there are only two teams over

the past twenty years that have only won one championship. (Those are Detroit and Dallas.) You usually need an all time top five player at a position to win a championship.

The way competitive balance is not fair is when the Lakers can spend about ninety million year in and year out. The luxury tax was around 70 million and that was high. When it was introduced the luxury tax level started at 52.9 million in 2002-03. The Lakers team salary was at 62.7 million that season. Compare that to last year and they were at 90.4

million compared to a 70 million dollar luxury tax threshold.

It is interesting how the NBA's current proposal affects competitive balance. The NBA wants stiffer penalties for teams that go over the luxury tax threshold four out of five seasons. This is where the argument for competitive balance comes into play. There are only four teams that did this according to the league under the previous collective bargaining agreement. These teams are the Celtics, Lakers, Mavericks, and Knicks. Three out of those four

have won a championship. This is the argument the owners have been using, and they do have a point.

The counter to this argument is the Spurs, who have won four championships since the last shortened season. That is where the argument for one player being so dominant comes into play with the greatest power forward ever playing for the Spurs.

Would the leagues proposal of evening out salaries, make the league so competitive that each team has a shot to go far in the playoffs? No, be-

cause some teams know what they are doing, and some do not. It really is amazing how teams like the Clippers are constantly bad, and the Jazz have not had back-to-back losing records since the 81-82 and 82-83 seasons. However, history shows, the more money you spend the better your chances of winning, but trying to even out the money, does not solve it's competitive balance problem. There is a middle ground to this argument, just like there is a middle ground to the negotiations between the owners and players.

Alfred Morris Breaks Career Rushing Mark in Loss at FIU

Miami, FL - Senior running back Alfred Morris became Florida Atlantic University's all-time leading rusher in Saturday's 41-7 Shula Bowl loss to FIU in Miami. The Pensacola native gained 110 yards on 21 carries to achieve 3,158 career rushing yards - topping Charles Pierre's mark of 3,069 rushing yards.

FIU scored 21 second-quarter points to build a 31-0 halftime advantage. A 12-yard touchdown run by Kedrick Rhodes gave the Panthers a 17-0

advantage with 9:32 left in the second quarter. One minute later, Jake Medlock completed a nine-yard pass to Willis Wright. Then, the hosts wrapped up the productive quarter with a 97-yard punt return by T.Y. Hilton just before halftime.

The Owls found the end zone early in the third quarter when redshirt junior quarterback Graham Wilbert hooked up with redshirt freshman wide out Marcus Cunningham for a 22-yard touchdown. It was

first touchdown for the Lakeland native.

Cunningham hauled in six passes for 76 yards, while freshman wide receiver William Dukes hauled in four receptions. Paul Moore had three catches for 32 yards from Wilbert, who completed 17 passes for 164 yards.

FAU falls to 0-9 on the season and returns to the field on Saturday, November 19, with a Sun Belt Conference game at Troy University, beginning at 3:30 p.m. FIU improves to 6-4 on the season.

Lynn's Men Soccer Eliminates Barry; Reaches NCAA Quarterfinals

By Chad Beattie

Winter Park, Fla. - The stage was set for two longtime rivals to meet in the NCAA Tournament with a script similar to that of the Sunshine State Conference Championship but this time Lynn University's men's soccer team got the best of Barry, advancing to the national quarterfinals 3-1 in penalty kicks after drawing 1-1 through double-overtime. Matt DiCerbo came up with three big saves in PKs as the Fighting Knights reach the quarterfinals for the first time since 2005.

Marking the third meeting between these two squads in the last three weeks, Lynn (13-4-2) knocked off the 25th-ranked Buccaneers 2-0 on October 26th before falling to Barry (12-3-6) in

the semifinals of the SSC Championship 7-6 in PKs on November 4th.

The Fighting Knights dominated the pace in regulation, outshooting the Bucs 14-4 over the first 90 minutes of play. Lynn finally snapped a scoreless tie at 58:30 when Roberto Cadihle slotted a pass through the defense and Stefan Wolf finished for his second goal of the season.

But not more than 30 seconds later Barry scored the equalizer. Taking advantage of an injury to Lynn's back line, Connor Randel attacked the left wing, beat LU's defender and ripped a shot near the six-yard box. DiCerbo made the initial save but Randy Taylor was there to tap in the empty-net goal to knot the match at one.

Both squads exchanged shots and fouls over the

remaining 30 minutes to no avail, sending the game into overtime. In OT, Barry had a couple of chances to pull out the victory, outshooting Lynn 6-1 but DiCerbo again came up big with two more saves.

The redshirt junior out of Boca Raton, Fla., was even more clutch heading into the penalty kick shootout. DiCerbo stopped Barry's first two shots while Harald Gracholski and Julian Halder buried their attempts to put Lynn on top 2-0.

A goal by Marc Rafols cut the lead to 2-1, breathing new life into the Buccaneers but DiCerbo sucked away that air with a kick save on Gee Oliveira's shot. Johnny Mertl then knocked in the final penalty kick to advance the Blue & White to the quarterfinals.

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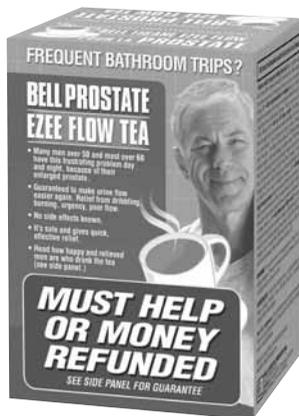
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Spanish River Head Football Coach Ray Berger Resigns

After Spanish River's most successful season in recent memory, head coach Ray Berger resigned.

Berger, who will remain a physical education teacher at Spanish River, informed the school's administration of his decision Monday morning. He cited a need to spend more time with his elderly mother and 5-year-old son.

"[In] coaching, you need a guy who spends every minute focusing on football. I don't have every minute right now," Berger said. He did not

rule out coaching again in the future.

Berger led the Sharks to a 4-6 season after going winless in his first two years at the school. The team went 1-19 before he took over prior to the 2009 season.

The Sharks won their first three games this year, breaking a 26-game losing streak. Berger leaves with a 4-26 mark at the school.

"Even when we struggled, we had the greatest kids in the whole world," he said. "I had a lot of fun. I know winning is the name of the game, but we

had some special kids."

Berger, 48, has a career record of 79-58. He was 75-32 in two stints at Santaluces (1994-2003, 2007). He was an assistant at Atlantic from 1988-94.

Spanish River Athletic Director Kevin McEnroe said the school does not currently have a replacement in mind.

"Right now, we want to get through the banquet and the end-of-the-season routine first. Then [Principal Will Latson] and I will sit down and see where we want this to go."

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Lynn Men's Basketball Preps for Home Opener

By: Lance Thomas

BOCA RATON, Fla. — The Lynn University men's basketball team enters the 2011-12 season with several new faces and a few familiar ones as well as a steadfast commitment to excellence.

From last season, Lynn has big shoes to fill in replacing All-American Chris Hall. Hall graduated last season as a two-time First-Team All-SSC selection. He scored a program-record 1,945 points in his four seasons with the Fighting Knights and is the only repeat All-American in school-history. He also holds the school

record with 646 field goals, 249 three-pointers, 404 free throws and points in a single game with 43 at Nova Southeastern on March 4, 2009. As a senior, he led the team in scoring and minutes played.

The Knights also lost two players who averaged double-digit scoring in Jimmy Gaskins and Cameron McCallum. Gaskins averaged just under 11 points per game while McCallum tallied 10.6 points per game and a team-high 8.2 rebounds per contest.

The senior combo of Josh Garcia and Michel Vidal are expected to lead the Fighting

Knights in the 2011-12 season. Garcia averaged 11.2 points a game last year and ranked in the top-10 of the Sunshine State Conference in assists per game with 2.7. Vidal returns to the team after missing last season with a medical redshirt. During his 2009-10 campaign, Vidal posted 8.3 points per game, 11.5 rebounds per game and 62 total blocks, earning SSC Defensive Player of the Year honors.

With eight letter-winner lost from the 2010-11 season, coach McMillin has brought in seven newcomers to fill those voids. A junior transfer from Herceg Novi, Montenegro, Slo-

bodan Miljanic could see ample playing time as a 6-7 forward with range from behind the arc.

DeMario Fountain, Jeremy Lampkin, and Preye Preboye join Miljanic as fellow transfers to the squad. Fountain, out of South Georgia Technical College, is a 6-foot guard with the ability to play as a two guard or small forward. At 6-foot-4, Lampkin will be a solid change-of-pace guy for coach McMillin if he wants to add size to the lineup at the guard or forward positions. Preboye comes to Lynn from DI Stony Brook University and could be a consistent scorer for the Knights in

the paint and help Vidal on the boards as well.

In addition to the four transfers, McMillin brought in three freshmen to throw in the mix. Jerrell Oxendine was an early signee to the Lynn program from Crescent City, Fla. Standing at 5-foot-10, Oxendine adds depth and serious quickness to the Fighting Knights' back court. T.J. Bullock played youth ball in Europe and has earned a spot on the squad as a walk-on. Brandon Smith marks the final freshman newcomer on the team out of Indianapolis, Ind. In the first exhibition game of the season versus Florida Atlantic, Smith

received the starting nod and tallied substantial playing time.

Pascal Schuler, Bo Jukic, Colin Gates and Michael Woo represent the final returners to the Fighting Knights and are expected to play key roles as reserves.

Lynn enters the 2011-12 season as the fifth-ranked team in the SSC preseason poll. Rollins earned the top ranking followed by Eckerd, Florida Southern and Florida Tech to conclude the top four. Just below the Knights, Barry fell in at number six with Nova Southeastern at seven, Tampa in eighth and Saint Leo ninth.

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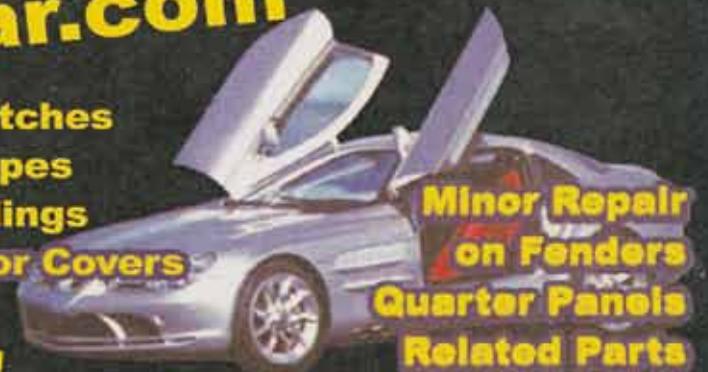
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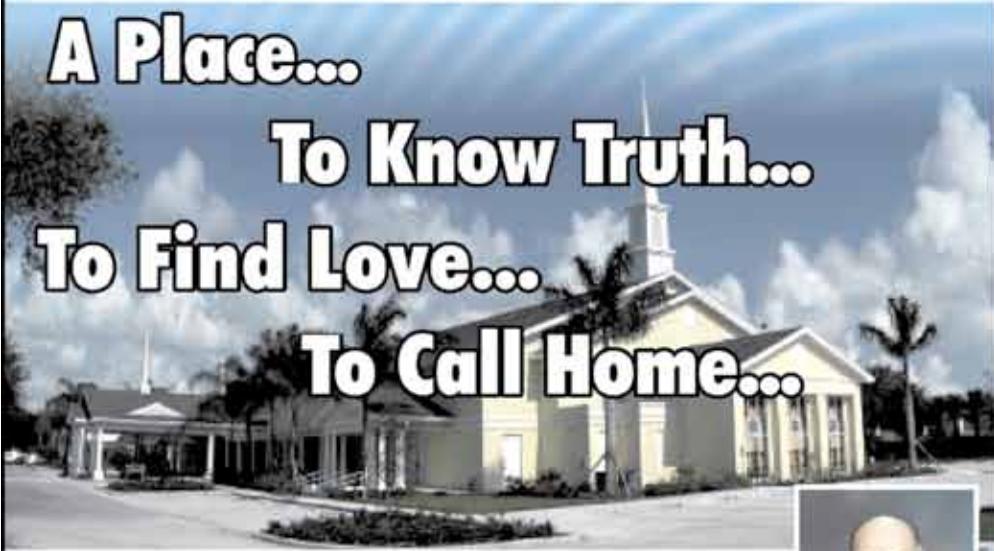
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Miami Marlins transformation complete

The franchise founded in 1993 as the Florida Marlins officially changed its name Friday night in a ceremony at the team's new ballpark. The Marlins also unveiled a new logo, new uniforms and new colors — orange, blue, black and yellow.

Players from the Miami-based team sported the new gear with an orange, black, yellow and blue color scheme on the "runway" during a gala event with more than 700 people in attendance, MLB.com reports.

A photo of the uniforms was leaked on Twitter before Friday's official unveiling, the Sun Sentinel reports. Rumors of the team's re-branding efforts have been circulating since



September.

As if a new name, logo and wardrobe weren't enough, the Marlins are gearing up to play in a new stadium, New Marlins Ballpark, which is set to open in March of 2012.

When asked who was

behind the design decisions, art dealer Loria said, "Most of it was me." He chose the colors mindful of the ocean and South Florida's sunsets, he said.

The team is looking to start the season with more than just a new appearance, however.

The Miami Marlins are also hoping to recruit big-name players, such as Albert Pujols, who played for the St. Louis Cardinals for 11 seasons, CBS points out. Pujols, whose team won the World Series in October, is now a free agent and reportedly met with team officials in Miami on Friday, the Los Angeles Times reports. Management also has its eye on Jose Reyes, formerly of the New York Mets, and Mark Buehrle, formerly of the Chicago White Sox.

The team's first regular-season game is scheduled for April 4 against the Cardinals, according to the MLB schedule.

The Marlins previously sported a teal, black and white color scheme. The then-Florida Marlins have won two World Series: their first in 1997 against the Cleveland Indians and again in 2003 against the New York Yankees.



The Boca Raton Tribune **SPORTS** East/West Boca Raton, FL

Owls Ride Hot Start, Withstand Rally to Down Georgia State 84-77

SEATTLE, WA - Alex Tucker had 12 points and 10 assists in Florida Atlantic's 84-77 victory over Georgia State as part of the World Vision Classic on Monday.

The Owls (1-2) had a torrid start to the game from three-point range, making their first six shots from beyond the arc, finishing the first

half 11-of-15 from the perimeter. Georgia State (0-3) was only down 11 at the break, due to a 20-4 points in the paint advantage and outrebounding FAU by eight.

FAU was unable to shake the Panthers and led by only four with 28 seconds remaining, but Alex Tucker and Shavar Richardson both sank a

pair of free throws down the stretch to secure the win.

Greg Gantt scored 17 to lead the Owls for the third straight game. He was joined by Tucker, Omari Grier (15) and Kore White in double figures. White scored all 10 of his points after half-time.



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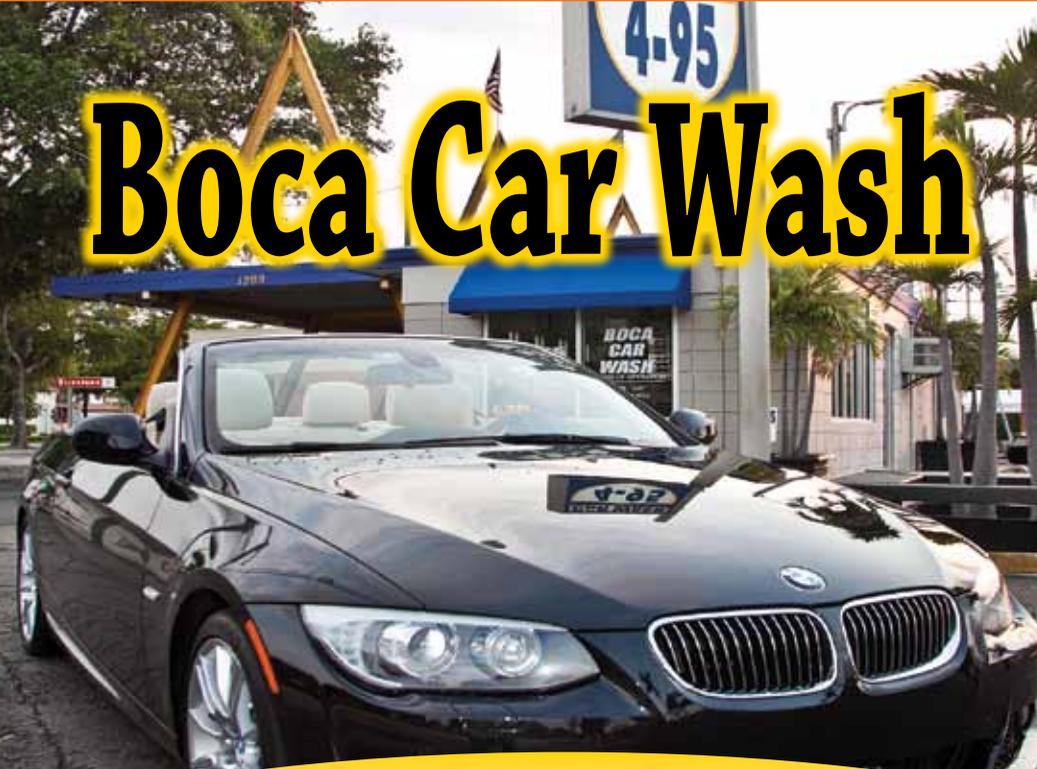
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Travis Johnson Out As Olympic Heights Football Coach

After one season on the job, Olympic Heights and head coach Travis Johnson have parted ways.

The Lions went 3-7 under Johnson this season. Their wins came against Palm Beach Lakes, Forest Hill and Okeechobee, three teams with a combined 4-26 record.

Olympic Heights Athletic Director Carla Blefary said Johnson's staff was also dismissed. She said a coaching search would begin immediately and hoped to name a replacement by holiday break.

"The Administration would like to thank Coach

Johnson and his staff for their efforts, but at this time we have decided to go in a different direction in regard to the football program," Blefary said in an email.

Johnson was previously a defensive coordinator at Pope John Paul II and assistant at Hialeah High and Jacksonville University.

Johnson, cited a lack of support from the administration and said he was pushed out because he was not hired by principal Dave Clark, who took over after Johnson was named coach in May. Johnson was

hired by former principal Frank Rodriguez, who left the school to work for the school district as a transformation schools area director.

Olympic Heights went from 7-3 in 2010 to 3-7 last season. Over the past several seasons, the Lions lost several players who are now standouts at other schools, including Zach Slafsky, Blake Davis and Kelly Parfitt (American Heritage), Jhavon Williams and Mike Maldonado (Palm Beach Central), C.J. Wilson (Boynton Beach) and Taylor Schnaars (Spanish River).

High School Football Weekend Recap

Boca Raton (3-7) 39

Olympic Heights (3-7) 6

The visiting Bobcats scored 29 unanswered points to break it open, while limiting the Lions to only 46 total yards of offense in Boca Raton. Keith Byars II caught four passes for 83 yards and a TD and also rushed for 121 yards on 15 carries, all in the first half, before leaving the game after taking a big hit from the Lions' Devin McKinney. McKinney finished with eight tackles, and Walvenski Aime and Andy Bein-Aime led all defenders with 10 tackles each. Chris Moltimer added seven stops.

Davlin Doby rushed for 108 yards for Boca, and Blake Wilson connected on three field goals, including a season-long 44-yarder.



Spanish River (4-6) 59

Pope John Paul II (1-9) 20

Reggie Love had four receptions for 138 yards and two touchdowns, a 60-yard punt return for a touchdown and a 64-yard rushing touchdown as the Sharks rolled past the Eagles in Boca Raton. Taylor Schnaars threw for 172 yards and two touchdowns and rushed for 141 yards and two touchdowns in the victory.



ST. Andrew's (5-5) 21

Dade Christian 49

Sean Mooney passed for 256 yards and two touchdowns, but the Scots fell to the Crusaders in Miami.



West Boca (3-7) 14

Park Vista 21

The West Boca Bulls scored early but saw their lead evaporate in the second quarter when the Cobras put up 21 unanswered points to win 21-14. The Bulls passed for over 150 yards and had one touchdown reception, a 10 yard hookup from Miner to Bether. The Cobras had three rushing touchdowns, two by Martin and one by Cerrato.



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