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UFF petitions to replace BCC's Board of Trustees

M. SUSAN SIMMS
North News Editor

BCC's faculty union, the United Faculty of Florida (UFF)/Florida NEA, has been circulating a petition among faculty from all three campuses requesting that the current or next governor of Florida replace the members of the BCC Board of Trustees.

Due to the many conflicts of interest between the faculty, non-union and union members, and the administration, considerable tension has developed which UFF believes is justification for its petition.

Such issues being raised by UFF are faculty salaries, academic ranking, instructional expenses, maintenance expenses, college operation and a lack of attendance at Board meetings. These are just a few of the conflicting issues which UFF has negotiated with the college's administration and Trustees.

In 1980, the Board of Trustees did away with the salary schedule for the faculty, which has since been the major issue of negotiations between UFF and the administration.

The salary schedule was based on academic ranking (bachelor's, master's or doctorate degree) and years of service with the college. Since 1980, the BCC faculty have been struggling with this issue, and for the third consecutive year, UFF has gone into impasse with the administration because of differences over the percentage of increase for faculty salaries.

"Whatever importance this system had [prior to 1980], it was that the academic degree [of a faculty member] and years of service had an element of predictability," said Dr. Carlos Diaz, first president of UFF and history professor at BCC-N. "There has been nothing to replace the predictability of faculty salaries since 1980," he said.

Each year, the faculty and the administration meet for negotiations where both sides present proposals. These issues are brought before the faculty and the Board of Trustees for a vote. If these issues are not acceptable to either side, then an impasse hearing is scheduled and an arbitrator is present to give a final ruling on the issues at conflict.

An impasse hearing is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 6, due to the unresolved differences of faculty salaries

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Staff Photo / CYNTHIA ROBERTS

Tower: Dream to be a reality

DAVID CITRON
North Staff Writer

Following months of construction delays, completion of the long awaited University Tower is just one month away.

The downtown campus, adjoining BCC's East Las Olas Boulevard administrative offices, will be a joint center for Florida Atlantic University, Florida International University and BCC.

Dr. Alan Bielen, BCC's vice president for Business Affairs, anticipates a tentative Nov. 1 completion date, in plenty of time for a full Term II schedule of classes.

Many BCC officials have voiced concern over

the tower not being completed on schedule, in time for Term I. Bielen suggested that the architect, owner and general contractor are all "keeping quiet" to protect their interests, in the event that litigation results from the construction delays. Bielen believes, however, that construction problems will be quickly and amicably settled.

A recent survey of east central Broward residents has demonstrated that higher education needs of that area greatly exceed available downtown classroom space. Dr. Wanda Thomas said that although "the eastern portion of Fort

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Kalitan murder: detectives need new leads to solve investigation

PATTI HENSON
South News Editor

Linda Kalitan, married with two little boys, not only attended BCC Central part-time in the hopes of pursuing a career in interior design, she also held down a waitressing job at Garcia's Res-

taurant in Davie. On Feb. 23 of this year, at the young age of 29, she was found horribly murdered in Coral Springs.

"What you can do for us," Detective Vernon of the Coral Springs Police Department told *The Observer*, "is

keep the investigation alive. If somebody reads this and remembers anything, it could be helpful."

The police department follows up on and encourages people to call in with any information.

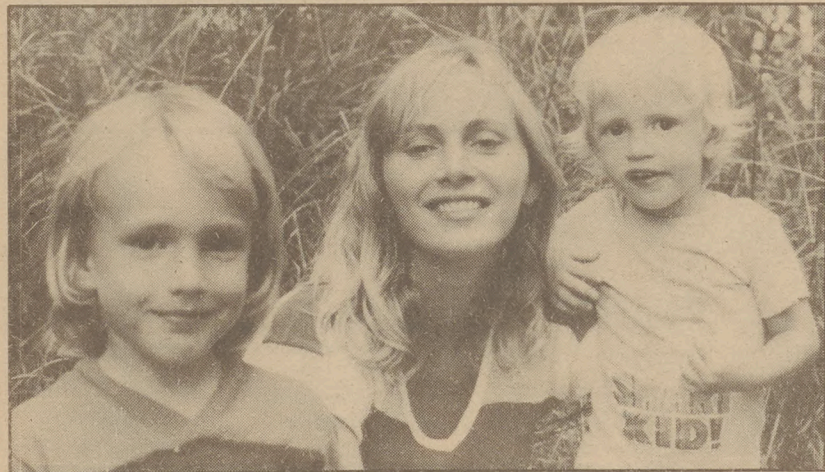
Anyone with any information about this case should contact Det. Vernon or Det. Riley at Coral Springs P.D.

by calling 755-3920 or Crimestoppers at 765-TIPS

The car involved is the main lead: a rust red 1970-72 Mercury Comet or Ford Maverick. It was seen parked on the median with the hazard lights on, westbound on St. Rd. 84 about the time that Linda was abducted.

"There is somebody out there that has the information we need, the missing element to break the case. We will

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Linda Kalitan poses with her children a few weeks before her death.

Collegewide paper dubbed 'Observer'

LARRY HERRIN
North Editor

Goodbye, *Phoenix*.
Goodbye, *New Horizons*.
Goodbye, *Polaris*.

These three student newspapers, which were separately produced by journalism students and others at each of BCC's three major campuses, have been consolidated into one collegewide paper dubbed *The Observer*.

The restructuring came on the heels of a collegewide cost-cutting push toward consolidation of other student activities such as sports teams and entertainment events.

"We knew it was going to be difficult from the start," said Jerry Elam, collegewide faculty adviser to *The Observer*. "But I feel like we (the college) can come out of this with a newspaper that is more professional-looking and will give students a more practical, hands-on experience of how the professionals do it."

You, the reader, hold the first effort in your hands. Let us know how you like it.

Bloodmobile brings a chance to save lives



Staff Photo / JOANNE COLACE-MARIOL

Reclining comfortably in the bloodmobile, BCC-N student Anne Liotti manages a smile while making a donation.

No risk from AIDS when you give a pint

IRV SHAPIRO
North Staff Writer

"Students and faculty at Broward Community College save three lives with each pint of blood they donate," said Ms. Lisa Fine at the Bloodmobile blood donation at BCC-N, Wednesday, Sept. 17.

Fine, area manager of the non-profit Broward Community Blood Center, was positioned at the entrance of the bloodmobile encouraging passers-by to "step right into the mobil unit and make your blood donation."

Fine kept up a lively, encouraging line of chatter with all who would listen to her, such as explaining that blood is separated into three components: plasma, platelets and red blood cells. Each of these has a unique therapeutic value, when used separately.

In all, 30 pints of blood were collected from students and staff. Fine indicated this is better than the average collected for a day at the North Campus. The bloodmobile has regular monthly visits on each of the college's campuses.

There's no chance of a student becoming infected as a result of donating blood, according to Fine. "The needle is used one time only, then discarded" she emphasized.

"Furthermore, there is virtually no chance of transmitting a disease," Fine declared. She went on to point out that a test is made on each specimen to determine the presence or absence of hepatitis, syphilis and AIDS. If there is any suspicion of such a disease, a repeat test is made. If that proves positive, the donor is notified privately and that blood specimen is discarded.

The Broward Community Blood Center, located at 1700 N. State Road 7, Lauderdale, has five bloodmobiles touring the county regularly. They usually collect an average of 200 pints of blood daily at the various churches, schools, temples or at special events. Fine indicated she is pleased with "the support from the community."

The next Bloodmobile drive at North will be Oct. 21, from 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. For info, call 735-9600.

AIDS: Education is the best defense against this deadly virus

TRACEY GREENE
North Staff Writer

Leading researchers, such as Dr. Paul A. Walters of Stanford University, indicate that "AIDS is one of the few diseases we currently face where education is the only effective means of preventing further transmission." For this reason it is important all people learn as much as they can about a disease that can affect anyone.

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is a retrovirus disease believed to be transmitted through semen, blood, other bodily fluids when mixed with blood, and perhaps through contact with urine and feces.

AIDS is an extremely fragile virus that under normal circumstances cannot live outside the body on any surface for more than a few hours. AIDS lives only in blood, semen and other bodily fluids, making it impossible for someone to catch it by merely touching a person who has contracted the virus. It must be transmitted directly into the blood stream.

The American College Health Association (ACHA) published a special report stating that there are currently no reported cases among lesbians or bisexual women. A very interesting statistic is that 50 percent of those afflicted with AIDS in Africa are women while in the United States only 7 percent are women.

Ellen Feiler of the Broward County Public Health Unit stated that 65 percent of people with AIDS are homosexuals or bisexual men; 17 percent intravenous (I.V.) drug abusers; 1 percent have been heterosexual sex partners of persons with AIDS or persons belonging to high risk groups; 2 percent have been recipients of transfusions or blood products; and the remaining 6 percent have not been classified by recognized factors.

The San Francisco AIDS Foundation reported that as of June 1984, 340 women in the United States had AIDS. Of these, none are categorized as lesbian or bisexual women. Slightly over half are I.V. drug users, and over one-third are categorized as "other," which includes women who had sexual

contact with men in the higher risk groups and women who received blood transfusions or blood products.

The vast majority are between 20 and 40 years old. Most of the women have Pneumocystis Carinii Pneumonia (PCP) or other opportunistic infections, with only a handful having Kaposi's Sarcoma.

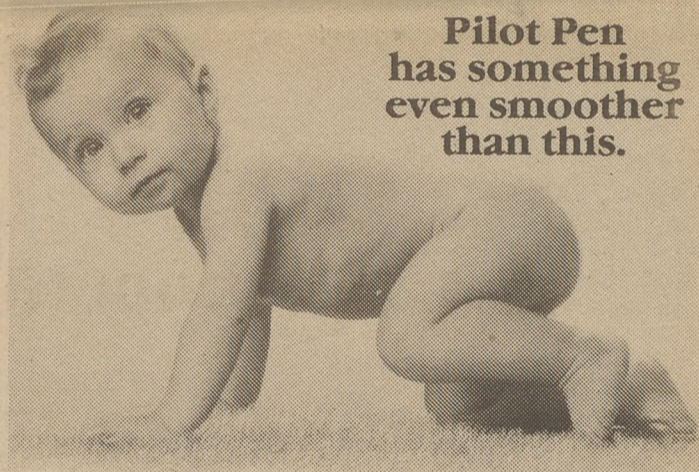
Over one half of these women were in New York City and Newark, with less than 10 percent from Miami, and the rest from across the country. Historically, half of these people diagnosed with the virus have died.

A test called Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA) has been developed that indicates if a person has been exposed to the virus. A positive result does not mean a person has AIDS, AIDS Related Complex (ARC), or Human T-Lymphotropic Virus type three (HTLV-III) the virus that causes AIDS and ARC.

A physician can diagnose someone with AIDS if this person always had a healthy medical record, current clinical evaluation of signs and symptoms, lab studies, risk factors, and opportunistic infections such as PCP or Kaposi's Sarcoma.

Symptoms of AIDS are swollen glands in the neck or groin, white blotches or bumps inside the mouth accompanied by a sore throat, quick loss of weight in a short period of time, fever, chills, night sweats lasting more than three weeks, diarrhea or bloody stools for more than a week, stubborn or dry cough (that is not caused by a cold, allergies or smoking), chest pain or shortness of breath, and trouble swallowing or severe heartburn. These symptoms can indicate many different illnesses, however, if one experiences any of them it is wise to seek medical opinion.

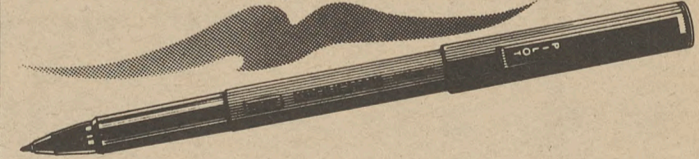
Safe sex reduces a person's risk to contract AIDS, ARC or HTLV-III. Methods of safe sex are: the use of condoms (without any punctures), the avoidance of sexual activities that may cause blood and semen to come into contact, and most importantly KNOW YOUR PARTNER.



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Petition

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at BCC.

In this instance, the arbitrator's decision is non-binding and the Board of Trustees, which sit as a neutral panel, impose a settlement which is supposed to be fair to all parties involved. The only example in which an arbitrator's ruling is binding is in contractual disputes.

In 1985, a faculty member with a doctorate degree was making a minimum annual salary of \$23,500. "It took 15 years to make barely above minimum salary," said Diaz, and "a second-year faculty member with a doctorate is making essentially the same salary." Diaz further believes that "we need to create salaries for new faculty; hopefully, some modifications will be agreed to," he said.

"I do not think the faculty is being unreasonable," said Diaz. When you consider that a new faculty member is proposed a 25 percent pay raise and current faculty are proposed a 9 percent pay raise, "they [the administration] will have a difficult time justifying this issue if major modifications are not made," he said.

Diaz noted that, to date, no salary schedule exists to conciliate the faculty and administrative personnel at BCC.

'I do not think the faculty is being unreasonable.'

— Dr. Carlos Diaz

There has been continued dispute as to whether the budget has been apportioned to facilitate faculty salaries. The salaries for the faculty and the administrative personnel at BCC, which were adopted by the Board of Trustees, do not comply with the State Board of Education Rule 6A-14.46(1), Florida Administrative Code, according to Dr. James L. Wilson, president of UFF.

In his Sept. 2, 1986 letter to Clark Maxwell, executive director of the State Board of Community Colleges, Wilson makes reference to the Auditor General's Report that the Florida Administrative Code requires that "salary schedules adopted for instructional and administrative personnel make provision for recognition of training and experience and that

Annual wages: Adams v. governor, President Reagan

In addition to the conflict over faculty salaries, there have been speculations that Dr. A. Hugh Adams, president of BCC is paid a higher salary than Florida Gov. Bob Graham. Adams is currently making an annual salary of \$89,051 as compared to Graham's annual salary of \$78,757. Senators, congressmen and representatives for the state of Florida are currently making an annual salary of \$75,100.

Dr. Helen Popovich, president of Florida Atlantic University is currently making an annual salary of \$89,801, according to Sam Cannizzo, classification and pay manager at FAU.

Press Secretary Helen Rojas of the State Department in Washington, D.C. explains that "the difference in salaries on this issue is quite evident because the salaries of government and political officials are controlled by the people—the voters, whereas, the educational institutions throughout our country as well as individual companies are governed and controlled by private groups in determining salaries," she said.

For the record, according to Media Relations at the White House in Washington, D.C., President Ronald Reagan is currently making an annual salary of \$200,000. Rojas also added that "chief executive officers of a Fortune 500 group, which is a breakdown of salaries among the top 500 companies in the country, make considerably higher salaries than President Reagan, and that, in itself, should be taken into consideration when you determine that the voters just don't want to pay high salaries to government and political officials," she said.

each factor considered in determining the amount of salary for each classification be shown as part of the salary schedule."

According to Kirk Murray, director of employee relations for BCC, the state of Florida changed paragraph three of the Florida Administrative Code on Dec. 31, 1984 to read "shall encourage and provide

for improved experience including recognition of training and experience, and may reward for excellent performance," he said.

Additionally, Murray stated that non-union employees have been successful in receiving payraises and that the UFF has been the only source of continuing conflict on this issue with the administration.

'In attempting to discredit current members of the Board, I believe a great disservice is done to those five individuals and to this institution.'

— Dr. A. Hugh Adams

On Aug. 19, 1986 Dr. A. Hugh Adams, president of BCC, submitted a letter to Maxwell relative to the forthcoming petition to the governor of Florida requesting that he replace this institution's Board of Trustees. Adams stated in his letter, "In attempting to discredit current members of the Board, I believe a great disservice is done to those five individuals and to this institution."

Adams further stated in his letter, "In summary, I see little value in efforts to promote one set of aims and objectives by damaging or diminishing another individual, whatever the area of endeavor."

Additionally, in his Sept. 2 letter to Maxwell, Wilson stated, "Faculty dissatisfaction with our present Board is not a new phenomenon. In 1980, 64 faculty members signed a statement of 'no confidence' in this Board. Faculty input into college decisions, both academic and contractual, has neither been solicited nor considered..." Wilson said.

Wilson added in the same letter that, "We need a president and Board who will discuss issues facing the college with the faculty, rather than isolate themselves from their employees."

Mrs. Pat Matthews, English professor at BCC-N, believes that the learning resources at all the campuses are suffering and that no money is being allocated to maintain functions within the school. She also pointed out that she is dedicated to her position as a teacher (she has been with BCC for approximately 20 years), but "the tension among the faculty and the administration makes it difficult to be happy in the job."

Negotiations relative to faculty and administrative personnel salaries have not yet been resolved, and many other issues for negotiation face the faculty and the administration.

Presidential candidate list cut; BCC hopefuls out

KARI DORNER
North Staff Writer

Members of the presidential search committee for Broward Community College have reduced the field of eligible candidates from five to three.

In a decision reached on Thursday, Sept. 25, the committee eliminated BCC executive vice president Clinton Hamilton and North Campus Provost Carl Crawford from consideration. The two were the only candidates presently within the BCC administration.

Among the remaining candidates are Willis Holcomb, vice president at Brevard Community College in Cocoa and former BCC provost; Carl Andersen, president of the largest of the Sacramento City College campuses; and C. Robert Bennett, president of Michigan's Gogebic Community College.

Dr. George Young, vice president for student development and vice chairman of the search committee, said, "The decision, which was an assessment of all the qualifications each candidate presented, showed those three as having the credentials for the future growth of this college."

Holcomb, the only Florida administrator selected, was educated at the university of Florida where he earned a doctorate degree in community college administration and a master's degree in education.

The committee eliminated Hamilton and Crawford, the only candidates presently within the BCC administration.

Andersen received both a doctorate in higher education from Florida State University and a master's degree in international relations from American University.

Bennett earned a doctorate in educational administration from Iowa State and also attended Northeast Missouri State University, where he received a master's degree in history.

Although he would not venture a guess as to whom the committee would choose, Young stated that among the qualities sought by the committee are "that he be a dynamic, educated leader, open in his administrative style to the staff, students, and community; have a commitment to and demonstrated record of excellence in educational administration; and be able to communicate with the community, staff and administration."

Qualities which, he maintained, the three remaining candidates possess.

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South's atmosphere boosts enrollment

JOANNE ACOSTA
South Editor-in-Chief

"This has been a wonderful term for student enrollment at South," says Elaine Palmer, the campus registrar. "It has increased considerably over the past year."

The latest statistics provided by the Registrar and Institutional Research of BCC reveal that South's enrollment, measured by total student semester hours, has risen 5.9 percent, North's is up 3.3 percent, but Central's is down 3.2%.

Susan Malter, dean of student development, feels that the increase in South's registration is a result of the location. "This is a highly populated community and the college is close to home. But we are also receiving students from the North-Dade area."

Dr. Eric Reno, provost at South adds that the atmosphere at South is relaxed and welcoming. The college is "accessible" and "we are getting more visibility."

Collegewide, there are more than 18,000 students with approximately 13,500 attending part-time and 4,900 full-time. These figures are expected to reach 20,000 including the American Institute of Banking (AIB) programs.

According to Palmer, students these days are career-oriented and show enthusiasm about getting an education. She comments, "I've worked at all three campuses and I'm always looking at bodies. For instance, the

total number of students at South as of late September is about 5,500. The majority of these students are here on a part-time schedule."

Several students expressed opinions on why they chose to attend BCC rather than a major university.

Angela Messina, a freshman, said, "BCC South is closer to home and is affordable."

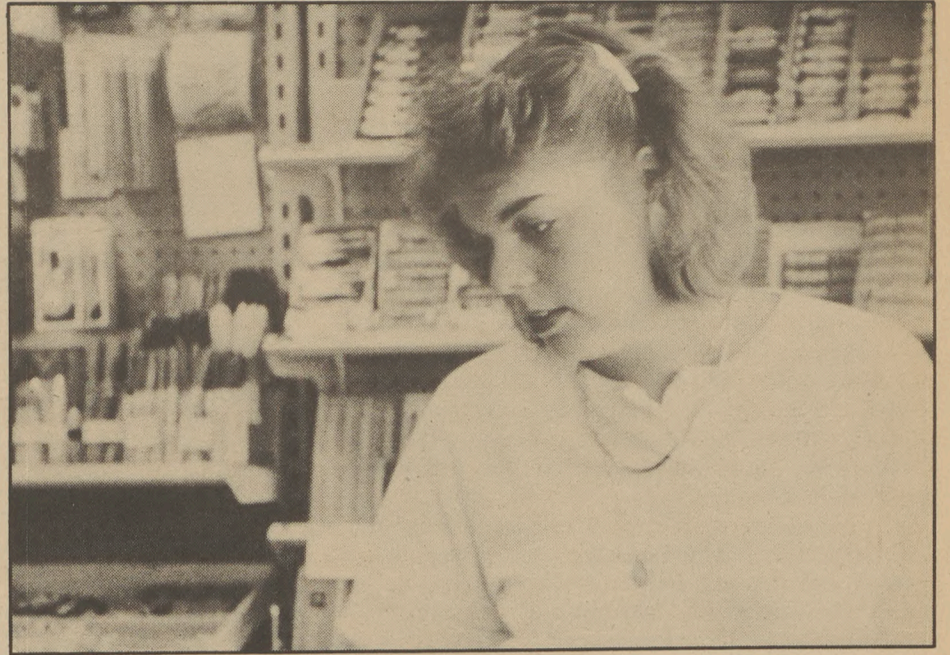
Ferdose Irani, sophomore pre-med., commented, "The science courses are interesting, the labs are well-equipped and there is more student contact."

"Students don't lose their identity, the atmosphere is nice, and there is a one-on-one relationship between students and teachers," offered Ednamae Saunders.

Marcia Silvers, a sophomore psychology major, said, "As an older student returning to college, I feel more comfortable and receive encouragement from both counselors and teachers."

Freshman Michael Damiano, studying business, suggested proximity and economy: "I live two miles away from South, so it's convenient. It is also much cheaper than going to a major university."

"The South registration staff operate on an individual basis with the students. They are not only known by a number, but by name," states Palmer. "We are happy to serve students, staff, and the administration in any way possible."



Deborah Warner, bookstore employee

Staff Photo / LEON ELALOUF

Bookstore diversifies; prices throw students

GARY RIVERA
South Staff Writer

"Go for it," BCC's slogan, which has been in effect for a little over a year, was taken to the extreme this semester by an irate student, who threw a textbook at a bookstore employee that informed the student the book had no buy back value.

"I told her that we couldn't give her any money for the textbook," said Deborah Warner, part-time bookstore employee and intended victim. "While I was closing the buy back window, she flung the textbook at me and said, 'Maybe you can get some use out of it.'"

Fortunately, the book hit the window and not Warner; but, do all students react so intensely when they visit the bookstore to buy or sell back textbooks? Mary Darbro, who has been working or managing BCC bookstores for 13 years, says no. "Students have come in to yell at us, either because the prices are too high, or the buy-back value is too low. Later on, after they have let off some steam, they come back, not to apologize, but to say that they feel better, and to do their shopping."

"Although some students have complained about our prices," said Carlton Wright, another part-time employee at the bookstore, "they don't understand that we are not the ones who set the prices."

The bookstore's policy is to mark up all new textbooks 20% above what the publishers listed in a binder, which contains the prices that the textbook companies are willing to

pay.

"Badly worn books and old editions are of no value to the textbook companies," Darbro said. "So we don't buy them back from the students."

Inside the bookstore, there are notices informing students of its policies. There are also reminders to the students to save their receipts. "A textbook with no receipt has to be sold back to us at the buy-back rate," Wright said.

The bookstore employees are quick to point out that textbooks are not the only commodity they sell; they stock many other school supplies. Items such as stuffed animals and ice cream are on sale to try and attract students who would only go to the bookstore during the first and last weeks of each semester.

"Some students come in daily just to say hello and talk to the animals," Darbro says.

Bumper stickers, visers and other items with the "Go for it" slogan can also be purchased at the bookstore. Coffee mugs with the BCC logo are in stock for the first time in over five years.

As Darbro put it, "It gives students a chance to remember the time that they've spent here."

In addition, the bookstore will be holding its bi-annual side-walk sale, Oct. 14-16. Items can be purchased at special prices, and old textbooks can be bought for as little as 50¢.

The bookstore's hours are: 7:45 a.m.—7:15 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays; 7:45 a.m.—3:30 p.m. on Fridays during terms I and II.

Student helps pick president

LEON ELALOUF
South Staff Writer

"Why me?"

This was the first reaction of South student Schennell Cricklow when



Staff Photo / LEON ELALOUF

Schennell Cricklow

chosen last term to help select the new BCC president.

A native of Trinidad, Cricklow has made Florida her home for over two years.

She is now 19 years old which makes her the youngest person on the Presidential Search Advisory Committee.

It was a total surprise to Cricklow when Vice-President of Student Development, Dr. George Young contacted her to ask her if she would represent the student body on the committee.

"Definitely, B.C.C. needs a representative to speak for the student body," says Cricklow when asked whether it is a good idea that there is a student on the committee.

Cricklow says that other members of the committee were pleased and impressed that there is a student representative on the committee.

Cricklow thinks the students want "a president who can run the school effectively, and who will come out of his office and get to know the students on a one-to-one basis. Also someone who can lead us in the right direction to becoming a more prestigious college."

Cricklow, a sophomore Business Administration major planning to graduate in the spring, spends much of her time on committee business and at monthly search committee meetings.

Along with her work on the committee, Cricklow works part-time in a children's clothing store. This summer she also managed to record a 12" dance record under the name of "World Glamour," which will soon be released.

Cricklow feels that it is a "great honor to be chosen for the committee." Cricklow refused to comment when asked who the favorite candidate is.

Irony becomes miracle for S.A.D.D. promoter

MAX BECKER
South Business Editor

On September 16, tragedy struck the family of Bill Dery, cooperative education department head at South.

Dery's daughter, Irene, a Florida State University senior, was injured in Tallahassee by an alleged drunk driver. Irene was travelling to the F.S.U. pool to teach an advanced life-saving course, and was driving east approximately 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, when an approaching car driven by 26 year old Stan Beswick of Tallahassee, sideswiped the car in front of her, and then struck Irene's car head-on.

Beswick is charged with driving while under the influence; failure to drive in a single lane; driving without headlights after sunset; and possession of marijuana.

Dery was shocked when he learned about his daughter's condition.

The next day, Dery, his wife, Rose, and

their daughter Angela, flew to Tallahassee.

Irene is presently in Tallahassee Memorial Hospital. She has a broken neck and is in a neck brace, which is called a "halo" to prevent any neck movement.

Dery said, "Irene will recover completely from the accident." He also stated that "the doctors were amazed that she is not paralyzed," because of the injuries she sustained.

According to Dery, "Irene wants to get back to school as soon as possible."

She is a Psychology major, and a 1983 graduate of Madonna Academy, as well as a 1985 BCC graduate.

Rose, her mother, a Miramar High School Latin teacher and peer counselor, is also a leading light of S.A.D.D. (Students Against Drunk Driving) in Hollywood.

In the Ft. Lauderdale News Sun-Sentinel, Rose Dery was quoted as saying, "The Tuesday night accident in Tallahassee has rejuvenated my dedication to the S.A.D.D. program."

Bailey Hall sets stage for lively new season

DAVID SUMMITT

Central Staff Writer

Events scheduled for the month of October at Bailey Hall include performances by the Broward Symphony Orchestra, the South Florida Symphony Orchestra, and the Miami City Ballet.

On October 11, the Broward Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Laurence Siegel, will be accompanying the Spanish Folklorico Dance company, featuring the music of "El Amor Brujo" and "Capriccio Espanol." The orchestra, previously known as the Broward Community College Orchestra, is the house orchestra of Bailey Hall. Siegel also conducts and directs the North Miami Beach Symphony and the touring U.S.A. Puccini Festival Orchestra.

The South Florida Symphony orchestra will be appearing at Bailey Hall on October 24. Conductor James Brooks and pianist Joseph Kalichstein will be leading the orchestra in Brahms' First Piano Concerto.

On October 31, November 1 and 2, the Miami City Ballet, directed by internationally acclaimed dancer Edward Villella, will perform a repertoire featuring works of Tchaikovsky. Mr. Villella, previously of the New York City Ballet, is leading South Florida's own ballet company in its first season, which opens with the company's Bailey Hall engagement.

Register by phone
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Pierce addresses aspiring journalists

DAWN MORROW
Central Staff Writer

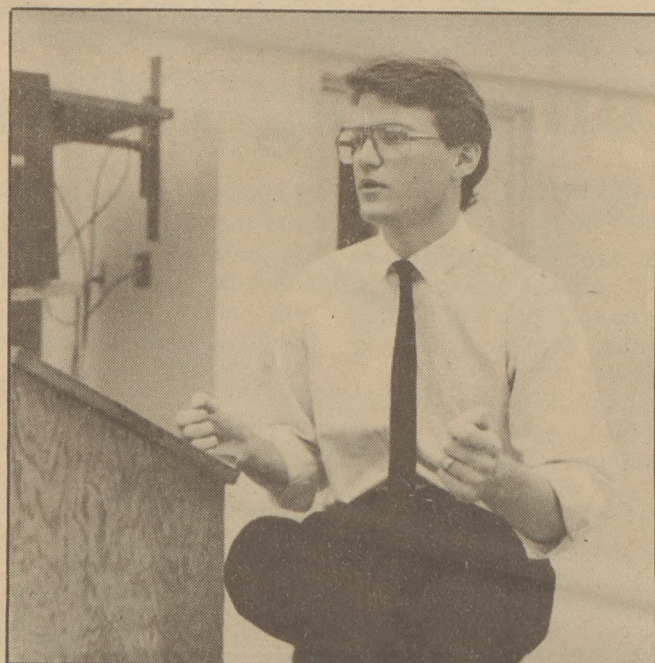
Award-winning journalist Rick Pierce, reporter for the *Ft. Lauderdale News-Sun Sentinel*, spoke to Central Campus journalism students on Friday, September 12.

Drawing on his nine years of experience in the field, Pierce offered advice on news writing and interviewing techniques. Although he enjoys his work immensely, Pierce feels the demands are rigorous: "The problem with being a reporter is that it is so competitive, it wears you down."

Pierce, originally from Highland, Illinois, was a 1980

graduate of the Southern Illinois University. At the age of 18, he began writing for a local community paper and has been employed by several other papers (mostly in the St. Louis area) prior to working for the *Ft. Lauderdale News-Sun Sentinel*. During his five-year tenure with the *News*, Pierce has covered news and issues ranging from education and city news to minority affairs and the plight of migrant farm workers.

Pierce, who has had a life-long affinity for writing, advised students that "the best way to learn how to write, is to do it every day."



Staff Photo / CYNTHIA ROBERTS

Rick Pierce fields questions.

Planetarium envisions new horizons

DAVID SUMMITT

Central Staff Writer

BCC's Buehler Planetarium is soon to receive a new projector valued at \$400,000, along with interior renovations and a new director, according to acting Director Holt Harner.

The new projector, which is being custom-built for the Buehler Planetarium by Zeiss of West Germany, is to be funded by a private donation bequeathed to the college by Emil Buehler, for whom the Planetarium is named. Mr. Buehler passed away in late 1983.

The Zeiss machine will replace the current projector, made by Spitz, which has been in operation since the Planetarium opened in 1965. Both machines operate on the pinhole-projection principle.

Renovations, including a new floor, dome, and seating, are to be funded by state grants, Harner said. The new floor will

be necessary to accommodate the Zeiss projector.

Renovations should begin in January and will continue approximately four months, during which the planetarium will be closed.

The renovations, if completed on schedule, could make Buehler the first planetarium in the US to feature the Zeiss projector, said Harner.

Harner also said that applications were being taken "from around the country" for a new Planetarium director. The previous director, Mr. Gladwin Comes, passed away early last summer.

Starbound, a film surveying the progress of astronomy and space technology from the 17th to the 21st century (now showing until Oct. 12).

Child Of The Universe, a film exploring man's relationship to the cosmos (beginning Oct. 16).

Films are shown at 2:30 and 3:30 pm Sundays, and at 7:30 pm Thursdays. Admission is free. In addition, the Planetarium offers telescope observation following the Thursday evening shows, weather permitting.

Faculty samaritan rescues students

DAVID SUMMITT

Central Staff Writer

Two BCC students faced with eviction and forced withdrawal from school found assistance through the aid of Dean of Student Development Katharine Tymeson, according to a statement the two students gave to *The Observer*.

In their statement, Paul and Richard Pelkington, both Criminal Justice majors, praised Dean Tymeson for her "humanitarianism."

The students said a bank error had resulted in the rejection of their rent check, causing the landlord to bar them from their trailer and seize their personal property, including textbooks. Unable to resolve their difficulties with the bank, the students saw no alternative but to withdraw from school until the matter could be settled. In desperation, they brought their problem before Dean Tymeson.

"Their's was an exceptional situation," Tymeson said. She arranged to expedite financial assistance to the two students.

"I tried to help them out, but if the college had not had the facilities it could not have been done," Tymeson said, eschewing personal credit in the incident.

Nonetheless, the two students insisted that Dean Tymeson, along with Al Pratt of Student Financial Services, receive due praise for their actions.

"We want to see Dean Tymeson credited for her open-door policy," said Paul Pelkington. "If it wasn't for her assistance, we would have had no recourse but to withdraw from school."

DECA begins annual membership drive, courts achievers

RICHARD KENT

Central Staff Writer

DECA, the Distributive Education Clubs of America, is holding its annual membership drive welcoming all students interested in marketing and management. The BCC Central chapter meets every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Bldg. 9, room 103.

DECA not only offers a tremendous opportunity to develop leadership skills and business contacts, but provides a wonderful social outlet as well. "In a commuter college making friends and being involved in social activities is especially important," says Dr. Jack Sheeks, faculty advisor. Already, Vice President of Social Activities Jennifer Powell is busy preparing for the first party.

On the serious side, DECA members anticipate bettering their outstanding record at state and national competitions. Last semester, BCC students received 57 of 113 awards and 10 of 17 first place awards in state competition. In national competition, BCC students took 9 of the 14 awards won by Florida students.

Election Results

The Central Campus chapter of DECA held elections of officers for the 1986-87 school year at the Sep. 15th meeting in Widdon Hall (Bldg. 9).

Officers are: President, Debbie Trotta; Vice President, Carol DeVeronica; Secretary, Wanda Fenton; Treasurer, Chris Molodowitz.

Vice President of Social Activities, Jennifer Powell; Public Relations, Richard Kent; Guest Speakers, Joanne Ciccono; Marketing Research, Linda Vedsted.

Parliamentarians are Brett Hogue, Joe Ingrand, and Betsy Dawson; Reporter Historian, Louis Blanco; Social Service Committee, Allison Silecchia, Michele Joseph, and Lorna Buchman.

DECA meets each Wednesday at 11:00 AM in room 103, Whiddon Hall. All students interested in marketing or management are encouraged to attend.

DECA also gives the student an opportunity to participate in marketing research projects -- putting into practice what has been learned in classes. The first project for this year is a survey for Taco Viva.

Social services are not neglected by DECA. Last year, toys were donated to underprivileged children at Christmas, clothing donated to victims of the Columbia earthquake, and residents of a local home for the aged were "adopted."

Chapter president Debbie Trotta reminds prospective members that "DECA looks great on your resume."

ICC promotes more involvement

PATTY ARCOS

Central Staff Writer

The Inter-Club Council/Student Council held its first fall semester meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 10, in the North Faculty Dining Room on Central Campus.

According to Tom Ryan, faculty adviser for ICC, the general purpose is to maintain a link between BCC students, faculty, and administration. Ryan also stressed that ICC is open to all BCC students and organizations on Central Campus.

"It is an excellent opportunity for BCC students to express their gripes and grievances," said Cathy Konnick, president of ICC.

Ideas were discussed for improving relations between students and faculty. Terri Lynn Sargent, a BCC freshman, said, "I feel more communication is necessary to inform the students of upcoming events."

Among the groups represented were Circle K, the International Club, Phi Theta Kappa, and the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. Items discussed included book exchanges, voter registration, developing housing referrals and having a free cook-out for BCC students.

Continuing Education meets community needs

TOM JENNEMAN
North Staff Writer

New programs highlight the 1986-87 academic year for the department of Continuing Education/Community Services at BCC-N.

Program developer, Sharon Nembhard, says parent education, adult education and career planning were identified as priority needs of the community by a regional committee authorized by the state. To meet these needs the department has increased the number of courses designed for women and opened the Parenting Resource Institute.

Courses are offered at no fee by the new Parenting Resource Institute and will be held evenings and Saturdays for the convenience of working parents. Various courses cover child development, methods of parenting and techniques for improved communication. Also, there will be classes

designed to have the parent and child together and several one-day programs and workshops.

The department's traditional wide array of courses are already in session this semester. Most courses last six weeks and are offered at no fee or at a cost of \$15-\$25.

According to Nembhard, past favorites have been "The Computer and You," "Easy Auto Care" and "For the Love of Opera," which packed over 140 apprentices and aficionados into an auditorium last year. Some students, having enjoyed the controversy and discussions, have enrolled more than once for "Current Issues in World Affairs."

Not all courses have been popular. Lack of interest in "Self Defense for Women" puzzles Nembhard who protests, "It's not karate or Tae Kwon Do; it's about using good judgement and common sense."

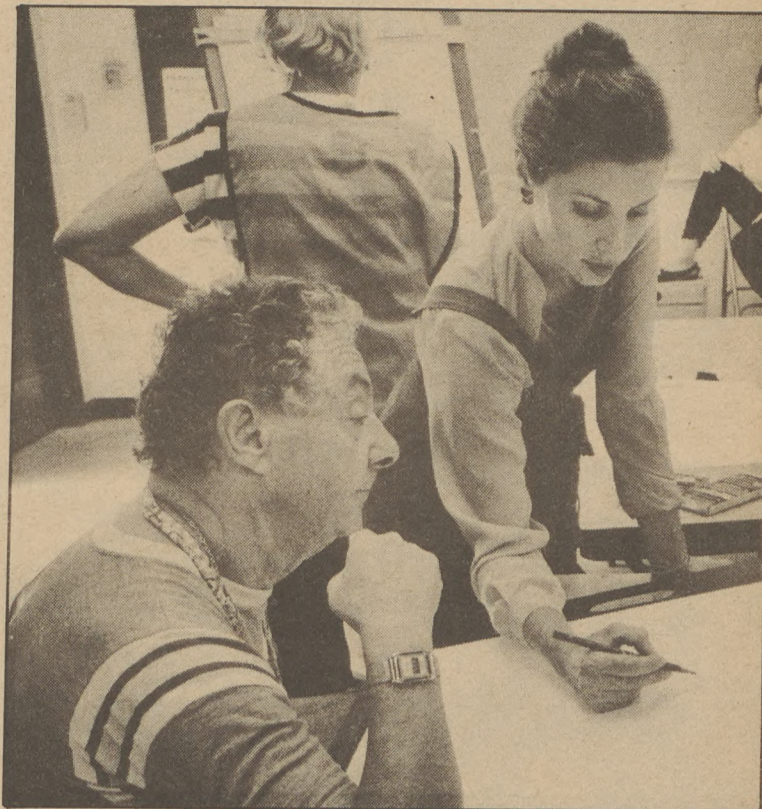
A support group course for

women returning to school from home or the workplace was cancelled for Term IA when too few women enrolled. Nembhard said she "is very interested in hearing from women on this campus who are returning to school while raising a family and/or pursuing a career and have needs that are perhaps not being met by our current services."

Flexibility in programming is an obvious trait of the department. "Anything the students want we can more or less do," claims Nembhard.

An example of this is the Outreach program, whereby a community group of 15 or more can contact the department to arrange for a class.

Continuing education courses are offered Monday through Saturday at various times. A schedule is available in the Continuing Education/Community Services office located at BCC-N in Building 48-317, or call 973-2205.



CONTINUING EDUCATION Photo
Dana Michelman, Continuing Ed. instructor, assists a student.

New officers and plans for Student Government

KIM FOLKS
North Staff Writer

On Thursday, Sept. 18, the Student Government of North Campus (SGNC) officially started the 1986-87 school year with the election of officers.

Re-elected to previous positions are Chris Treber, president and Skip Sasson, secretary. The new treasurer is George Hricik.

At a meeting two weeks earlier, ideas for "improving and rebuilding" student government were discussed, Treber noted. The fact is, not many people are aware of student government or what it stands for. More people need to become involved to make an active statement, SGNC members agreed.

However, the history of the student government at North Campus has been a shaky one. In 1979, a student government election resulted in a dog winning the presidency. Student government was abolished shortly thereafter. "SGNC is now reformed," Treber said.

Many members of SGNC feel that students need to become more involved in campus activities and grasp a positive approach to the school.

Colleen Martorano, an enthusiastic member of SGNC, stated, "I would like to see North Campus' student government as popular as Central Campus'." Martorano feels many students are drawn to Central Campus due to their superior game room, which may help to create a more enthusiastic environment.

In the past, South Campus representatives have gone to Tallahassee and petitioned for more college funds. Sasson feels this is a prime example of a beneficial activity SGNC members could participate in this year.

SGNC has proposed to the college that a new student union building be built at North. This building would house all the clubs and give them an official place to meet, raise funds, plan activities and relax. A student services building, which would house student activities and administration, is possible in a couple of years according to the BCC-N Dean of Academic Affairs Stephen Barker.

So far, a cookout, a book sale and a pie throw have been on the agenda for SGNC. However, student government needs more support through more members, fresh ideas and more input to make the organization as active as it could be. "We're trying to rebuild it," concluded Sasson.

Regular meetings of SGNC will be held first and third Thursdays of each month, at 1 p.m. upstairs in the library conference room. Any questions or input should be directed toward Skip Sasson at the Student Activities office.

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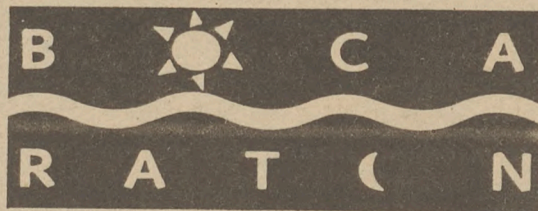
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CLAST scores better, but still low

ROBIN LASH
North Staff Writer

BCC ranked 27th out of the 37 Florida state institutions participating in the March 1986 College-Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST). One reason for this low standing may be because, unlike BCC, many institutions require students to take a review course and/or practice CLAST before actually completing the test requirement.

Dr. Stephen Barker, dean of academic affairs at North Campus, said, "Although BCC does not require students to take review courses or a practice CLAST, BCC does offer it."

Another reason for BCC's ranking could be due to South Florida's large number of international and bilingual students. For these students, subtests of CLAST, such as English and essay, can be more difficult.

State statistics from the March 1986 CLAST show that, of the 556 BCC students who took the test, 88.2 percent passed all four subtests. This indicates a 5.3 percent improvement compared to October 1985, and a 2.1 percent improvement compared to March 1985.

CLAST is one of Florida's methods of assuring students they have acquired the skills expected of them by the time they complete their sophomore year.

CLAST is an achievement test, which measures a student's skills in English, essay, reading and computation. Passing the CLAST is necessary for students who wish to receive an associate of arts degree at BCC, or to transfer to an upper-division state university.

According to Dr. Leonard Bryant,

dean of student development at BCC-N, "If you take the test and do not pass all four subtests of the exam, you cannot receive a degree at BCC."

Students who wish to be admitted to upper-division status at a state university must pass three of the four subtests. According to Bryant, "These students must make up the subtest failed within their first year at that institution."

Statistics show 95.4 percent of the BCC CLAST examinees wishing to go on to a state university passed three of the four subtests and are now eligible to transfer.

The state of Florida began giving CLAST when the legislature became concerned with the quality of education. Results from the CLAST show areas in education needing improvement.

For example, six of the nine ENC 2210 students who failed the writing subtest earned an A or B in ENC 2210. The same is true for seven of the 12 ENC 2210 students who failed essay.

There has been and still is much conflict over the necessity of CLAST and similar tests. In reply, Barker stated, "There are many factors which determine if a student is successful, and this test is only one measure. We need more time to see if CLAST is a good indicator of a student's learning outcome."

Bryant added, "The CLAST isn't a bad idea; maybe we've gone a little test-crazy, but it does have its merits."

For information on future CLAST testing dates or on prep classes contact the campus registrar or special services.

CLAST STATE STATISTICS MARCH 1986

SCHOOL	# OF STUDENTS	% OF STUDENTS WHO PASSED ALL SUBTESTS
1. Indian River CC	89	97.8%
2. Golf Coast CC	161	96.3%
3. N. Florida Junior	52	94.2%
4. S. Florida CC	34	94.1%
5. U. Of Florida	1958	93.9%
6. Pasco Hernando CC	64	93.8%
7. Lake City CC	47	93.6%
8. Brevard CC	370	93.0%
9. Florida State U.	1581	92.7%
10. Lake Sumter CC	53	92.5%
27. Broward CC	559	87.3%

★ Top ten institutions who took CLAST in March 1986. (BCC ranked 27th out of the 37 participating schools)

Source: Donna Wilkinson, CLAST Coordinator
Chart designed by: Robert H. Dobbins

North Security:

Don't do the 'crime' if you can't pay the fine

PATRICK HACKSHAW

North Staff Writer

Are you aware of the traffic and parking regulations governing BCC, laid down by the Board of Trustees? These regulations are spelled out in a booklet obtainable from your local campus security office.

The speed limit on campus roads is 10 mph, and in parking lots 5 mph. However, according to Susan Biggs, coordinator of BCC campus security, the speed limits on campus are "rarely" enforced, while parking violation tickets are given out quite often.

Offenders have up to three days to report to the security office to pay their \$3 first violation fine. Failure to do so results in an addition of \$5 to the fine, and after 10 days, an extra \$10 is added on to the ticket.

Aside from monetary punishments, a person failing to report within three days gets a note on their school record which freezes any school transactions they might wish to make. This means that a student cannot drop or add a course, receive a transcript or even graduate. All this for failing to pay \$3 in three days.

Of course repeat offenders are fined \$10 and \$15 respectively for second and third offenses. Believe it or not, some students have never paid their fine, and yes, never graduated.

However, these parking and speeding violations do not seem to be rigidly enforced. According to Biggs, administering and supervising these rules is only "one of several duties" of the security

officials. Biggs said that there is a limited security staff, however, she hastened to add that there is sufficient staff to deal with the size of the campus.

While the campus security office is responsible for enforcing these rules, they do not have the power to arrest anyone. If any "problems" arise, the Coconut Creek Police would be called.

According to Lt. Stanley Cohen, of Coconut Creek Police, BCC-N is private property and the police basically try to prevent reckless driving on campus. However, the short drive on Coconut Creek Boulevard (when one turns into BCC off of Coconut Creek Parkway), is city property, and the police have been known to issue tickets to students and staff who ignore the "Do not enter" sign.

A recently erected stop sign on the east side of campus has amused some of the students who simply ignore the sign. According to George Creelman, physical plant director of BCC-N, Dr. Crawford (Dr. Carl Crawford, provost of BCC-N) asked that the traffic be slowed down. Another reason for the sign is to allow students to cross to the athletic fields.

Creelman said that students will have "a couple weeks to get accustomed to it." After this a police officer will patrol the area for a couple days to ensure that the sign is obeyed. When asked whether speed bumps would have been more effective, Creelman replied they did not want to cause damage to the cars.

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Bruce Woliver (center) slams volleyball for South Students against Faculty. Greg Eisman (hidden) by English Dept. colleague Chris Reiss try to defend. The Faculty won 2-1. Student

players Gary Rivera (back to camera) and Kevin Terrel (left) look on. Spectators are John-David Checkett (left) and Mike Zuazo, assistant director of Student Activities. LEON ELALOUF Photo

Intramurals need sign-ups

JEFF DAVIS
South Staff Writers

Students at BCC who have not participated in a varsity sport during the current academic year are eligible to participate in the intramural sports program at South.

The program consists of 11 sports: full-court basketball, half-court basketball, bowling, golf, sailing and canoeing, turkey trot, four-wall raquetball, softball, volleyball, racquetball and flag football.

Men's and women's divisions are made up of new and established groups including fraternities, clubs, service organizations.

Each event, with the exception of basketball, is worth a total of 100 points to the winner. The second place team gets 90, while third place is worth 80. For basketball, the first place team will get 150 points; the second, 135; and the third, 120.

After all events are completed, the teams are entered into a single elimination tournament, the winner will be awarded the President's Cup. Last year, the men's division from South finished second, 30 points behind the Fat-Cats (Central's staff/faculty team).

The following sports are offered:

Full-court basketball is every Wednesday and Thursday, and will continue through Dec. 4.

Intramural co-ed Golf tournaments will begin Sunday, Oct. 12 at the Holiday Springs Country Club.

Men's and women's bowling tournaments will be held at Brunswick Lanes in

Ft. Lauderdale starting Sunday, Oct. 12. Games and shoes will be free.

The co-ed Volleyball league will begin in the Central gym on Thursday, Jan. 15. The season will end April 23.

The sailing regattas will be held Sunday, Oct. 19, and March 8 at Tigertail Lake.

Sign-up sheets for all events will be posted in the Student Activities Office, located in the student lounge in Schlesinger Hall. Further information can be obtained from Sean Gallagan in the Students Activities Office, or by phoning 963-8869.

According to South Provost Eric Reno, there is no limit to the people that can sign-up.

"The more, the merrier," said Reno. "The more people that play these sports, the better the sports will be. The more that a student participates in these events, the better his college experience will be."

The experience of the future intramural sports participants may be a little happier. In the first issue of the South Campus Newsletter *Southern Breezes*, it was announced that South will be in on the State Capitol Outlay List for a Health Physical Recreation and Dance (HPRD) building in 1988-89.

"We are on the list, but this is still in the planning stages," said Reno. "We wish we could start building it today, but we won't know if we will get it until 1988. That is down the road, but we don't want to get anyone excited."

If approved, the building would consist of classrooms, offices, tennis courts, handball and racquetball courts, as well as showers.

Student Activities wants you

JOHN-DAVID CHECKETT
South Features Editor

"I want people to know that we're here to help people - what we are is help. If we don't know the answer, we'll find out who does," explained Sean Gallagan, this year's new Student Activities coordinator at South.

The office of Student Activities, located in the cafeteria, is open to all students from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday. "We'll have faculty/student volleyball day, caricaturists, more picnics, and contests: shirt day, hat day and costume day. The next cookout is on Oct. 10th," said Gallagan, commenting on some of the activities coming up this year.

"We want to get more students involved," commented Mike Zuazo, the assistant coordinator who handles the office in Gallagan's absence on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

"Last year," according to Student Activities Director Tom Ryan, "only about seven-teen or eighteen percent of all the student body got involved with the activities that we have. So I want to change that for the better."

"I'd like to see more clubs," said Dean of Student Development Susan Malter.

"I'd like students of different interests finding people similar to themselves. If I had my choice, we'd have twenty-five different clubs."

Currently, six clubs are in existence, including F-Troop, Student Council, TS2, RSVP, Phi Theta Kappa, and Alpha Eta Rho. Details on these clubs are available in the student activities office.

Gallagan added, "We need people for student council, and for intramural football, volleyball, flag football, and basketball. Come offer your support and make BCC a winning team!"

Special help is available

CHERYL SPENCER
South Staff Writer

A talking book reproducer, a talking calculator, note-takers are among the many items and services available to handicapped students at Broward Community College, according to Diane King, of South Handicap Services.

King said services are provided according to a student's needs. "Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 provides that the qualified handicapped individual should have access to all on campus," she said.

"We make an assessment of what the student needs. Some students really don't need anything. They just come in and let us know they are here," she commented. "Any student seeking a degree has the services available at no charge. We really need service providers. Those students who are caring and responsi-

ble can earn \$3.35 an hour, if they would like to let us know they are interested," she said. "At least 20 students have so far identified themselves to us as handicapped," she said. "There are 12 on South right now."

"We have booklets for anyone wishing them for names to contact on all three campuses and phone numbers," she continued. Patricia Latona is on Central, and is coordinator of Handicap Services. Pat Guleff is on North and King is at South in the Financial Aid Office, Building 71, Room 213.

Central has 42 handicapped on its campus, and North has about 10 or 12 receiving direct services. Other aids available besides note-takers include testing assistance, transportation, oral and sign language interpreters. Students needing aid on South Campus may call King at 963-8868.

Handicapped students assess South's facilities

MAXINE GOLDBERG
South Staff Writer

Just getting inside the classroom can be a major problem for some students at BCC South.

Danny Meyer, who is confined to a wheelchair, is one of those students.

Meyer, who holds an A.S. in Business, was quite vocal on announcing his displeasure with accessibility for handicapped students.

"It's not great," said Meyer, who was especially critical of the narrow doorways and aisles in classrooms, which make maneuvering a wheelchair difficult.

"And I keep hitting my knees on the desks," Meyer stated. "They are too low to sit in when you are in a wheelchair."

Meyer offered suggestions for improving ac-

cessibility on campus.

"More automatic doors," was his first priority. He added that South is better than Central "where the doors are worse and there are fewer elevators."

Not all wheelchair-bound students were critical of campus accessibility, however. One student, who declined to reveal his name, said he had no problem at all with it.

A third student also confined to a wheelchair, Richard Squillace, who described himself as a person doing "independent study," said he has no complaints. "They just put a ramp in the library, and as far as I'm concerned, they're A-1."

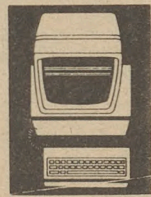
Even Meyer, who did register some complaints with BCC's handicap facilities, says that the services the school provides for the handicapped are "fine."

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Students receive 'justice' at Learning Resources Center

SONYA MUDDEEN
South Staff Writer

Sitting in her office with a big wooden tuba and posters of stuffed animals that decorate the wall directly opposite her cluttered desk, Terri Justice says the hardest part of being Learning Resources Coordinator is "keeping everybody happy."

"You have to work with so many of the different disciplines of students and teachers. There is also a lot of different materials and equipment required for each course."

Justice taught music in the Broward County school system for a number of years after graduating from BCC Central. She majored in music and was a vocalist and conductor. Later, she went on for her Masters in Learning Resources at Nova University in Davie. She now does some part-time teaching for Nova in the Learning Resources Dept.

Justice says that after graduating from Nova she was "job-hunting when a friend of hers who taught at BCC told her of an opening for a coordinator of the Learning Resources at Central. She applied and got the job.

"My first week there, I was supposed to get five days of training," says Justice. "I ended up spending two-thirds of the five days developing film in the dark room."



Terri Justice

Learning Resources started as a Language Lab fifteen years ago and gradually grew in size. Math, English and eventually other subjects like Chemistry, Physics and more foreign languages were added.

"Now," Justice says, "some work which is being done with Auto-Tech helps the Physics students."

Justice says that plans for improvement and expansion are already being implemented. "We are getting computers and word processors, which the students can learn to work on; also, at present the Lab has 121 carells, we hope to be able to expand to 140 carells."

Learning Resources Center caters for all

MARY ELLEN EMERY
South Staff Writer

BCC students, beware! There is absolutely no excuse for falling behind in a class.

According to Terri Justice, coordinator of Learning Resources, help is available. "We have materials in our collection that would go along with any course that you would take."

The Learning Resources Center is located in Building 72 and is open from 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. through 4 p.m. on Friday.

"We are very busy in the morning," Justice said. "In the early afternoon, right after lunch, we slow down a great deal. That is a good time to get a lot of personal help."

Although the majority of students are sent by instructors, the purpose of the labs is to act like a band-aid, to help out, she commented.

"The reason we make the labs a requirement is because the majority of students need it," Justice said.

Steven Baxter, a commuter from Palm

Beach County, disagrees. "These classes are a waste of the students' time," he said. "It should be an elective necessary for students that think they require the help of a teacher that sends them down for remedial aid."

The Resource Center is careful to keep track of which students are attending the labs. "We track students and send reports back to teachers to let them know whether or not they are coming," she said.

"If you are motivated enough that you want to do well," she said, "then you can do well."

Sean Anthony, a sophomore, has been helped by the Reading Lab. His only complaint, he says, is that there are not enough tutors.

Anthony Delgad, a student of the Reading Lab, finds that it "is more or less a chore, but they helped me."

Justice's advice to students? "Don't wait to come in. As soon as you start having trouble in any subject, come see us."

Where Vets can get advice

CHERYL SPENCER
South Staff Writer

Barbara Posner is Veterans Coordinator and Judith Berson is director, and they can be reached at 475-6527.

Veterans are eligible for tutorial assistance, counseling services, and Handicapped Services.

Veterans should contact their VA adviser for more information.

A veterans adviser is available on each campus of BCC to assist veterans in preparing all required Veterans Administration and school forms.

On South Campus, it is Diane King. She is in the Financial Aid Office, Building 71, Room 213. Her telephone number is 963-8868.

Central Campus adviser is Barbara Posner, and on North is Pat Guleff at 973-2313.

SECOND GRAND ANNUAL ENC 1000 WRITING CONTEST

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Lab aids 'lost' writers

DONNA VONDEREAU
South Staff Writer

"Help, I need, somebody. Help, not just anybody. Help!" are the "Beatle" lyrics many students belt out as they march in through the doors of South's Writing Lab, in the library building.

Dr. Kit Gallagher is the lab co-ordinator. Kimberly Davis and Maureen Sim assist in implementing the program.

The Lab helps students enrolled in English 1000, 1101, 1102, and required writing courses. It focuses on writing skills and specific problem areas. There is a lot of one-on-one help available.

Dr. Gallagher sees the most progress in 1000 students. She states, "We see tremendous jumps as they learn how to write. Everyone has an interesting life, therefore, something to write about."

"1101 and 1102 students," says Dr. Gallagher, "deal more with classic literature and are a lot of fun to work with."

Davis says her job is challenging, "We have a wide variety of students. For some, English is a second language; others have been out of school a long time." She says her reward is sharing in the students' achievements.

Tracy Healy-Fowke is a student returning to school after a five-year gap in her formal education. She is determined to pursue higher education. She went to the Lab to get help with a major 1102 assignment.

Healy-Fowke reports she felt "lost." To her, the classroom was filled with tension which "inhibited her." Healy-Fowke says,

"The help I received made the assignment more explicit, and I feel more confident in my writing."

Before utilizing the Lab, Maureen Nakonek, taking 1102 as her first course in 12 years, reported having a sense of frustration. "Nakonek was having difficulty interpreting an assignment so her instructor advised her to visit the lab.

The individual guidance she received clarified her assignment. Says Nakonek "The Lab has been a positive experience. I am much more confident about what I am doing."

Earl Patterson, a science major at BCC, explained, "Until I discovered the Lab in 1000, I thought I knew all I should about English. I viewed it as a requirement. But, English is not a criteria, it's an art."

Patterson continued to utilize the Lab throughout his 1101 and 1102 classes. He attributes his academic success to both Gallagher and Davis, "I cannot be a fantastic chemist or scientist without expressing myself properly," says Patterson.

Dr. Scott Feaster, English instructor, says the Lab is effective for students because it complements his teaching; he is task-oriented whereas the Lab is skill-oriented. "The Lab is an important agent for students to extend their writing skills," says Feaster.

Patterson sums up his lab experience, "It showed me anyone can succeed and bolstered my confidence. I recommend the Lab to everyone. Even if they think they know everything, the Lab has something to offer everyone."



L—R: Maureen Sim, Kim Davis & Kit Gallagher

GENIE SHAYNE Photo

Haiti

Freedom brings uncertainty, opportunity

PHYLLIS FRANKLIN

Central Staff Writer

My studies of anthropology and sociology at Broward Community College during the past year were enriched by two trips to Haiti—a land with a different culture and a different way of life. For the traveler with an open mind, this Caribbean country, with its African heritage, offers the experience of another hemisphere, even though it is only 600 miles from Miami.

The people of Haiti are gentle and friendly. Their country has been a free republic since 1804, and the absence of foreign exploitation has left the people without the negative attitudes toward outsiders found in many developing countries. As an American tourist, I feel more welcome in Haiti than in any other Caribbean nation.

In light of current concerns about travel safety, it should be noted that no foreigner was harmed or even threatened during the demonstrations accompanying Haiti's recent liberation.

While at the Grand Hotel Oloffson in April of this year, I was able to interview Aubelin Jolicouer, at that time the Director of the National Office of Tourism. Monsieur Jolicouer told me, "No tourist has ever been molested in Haiti. None has ever been harmed, even during the revolution."

President Jean-Claude Duvalier's departure last Feb. 7 resulted in a new freedom for over six million people. Jubilant Haitians tore down

the red and black flag of Duvalier's regime and replaced it with the red and blue flag of their liberation. Trees, telephone poles, and even street curbs were decorated in red and blue.

During the demonstrations, only properties belonging to the Duvalier-Bennett families and their "enforcers," the Ton-Ton Macoutes, were destroyed. Neighboring properties were left untouched.

During my visit to the pre-liberated island in November 1985, I was told time and time again, "We don't talk politics." I got the impression that it was considered unhealthy to do so. Now, however, post-liberation Haitians "talk politics" with vigor.

On my return in April 1986, I was thrilled to witness a press conference given by one of the presidential candidates. The

people of Haiti are now free to hold marches, dissent, and speak out on political matters.

On both of my visits, I had the opportunity to spend time with Joseph Namphy, brother of Lt. General Henri Namphy, head of Haiti's provisional government. Joseph Namphy is a hotelier and a businessman. More importantly, he is a raconteur who is passionately in love with his country.

Among my most memorable moments in Haiti were those spent listening to Namphy's tales.

My favorite was the one about John James Audubon's illegitimate birth on a ship in the harbor at Les Cayes and his early upbringing in that town by not one, but two of his father's mistresses.

The historical tie to Audubon is now being used to encourage the planting of trees—part of a major effort to reforest the barren hillsides found over much of the country.

Many of Namphy's other stories revolve around the Grand Hotel Oloffson and the many celebrities who have visited there, including Marlon Brando, Walter Cronkite, and Truman Capote.

The Oloffson was the setting for Graham Greene's novel *The Comedians*, the movie version of which starred Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor.

Some of my favorite stories concern President Henri Namphy. The president prefers his Toyota to any of the luxury cars left behind by Duvalier. Rather than sleep in the palace, he commutes from his modest home.

What lies ahead for Haiti? The future promises both uncertainty and opportunity, as the island looks forward to economic expansion fueled by business and tourism.

For the traveler seeking an adventure off the beaten path and a cultural exchange with a welcoming people, Haiti has much to offer. *Vive la difference!*



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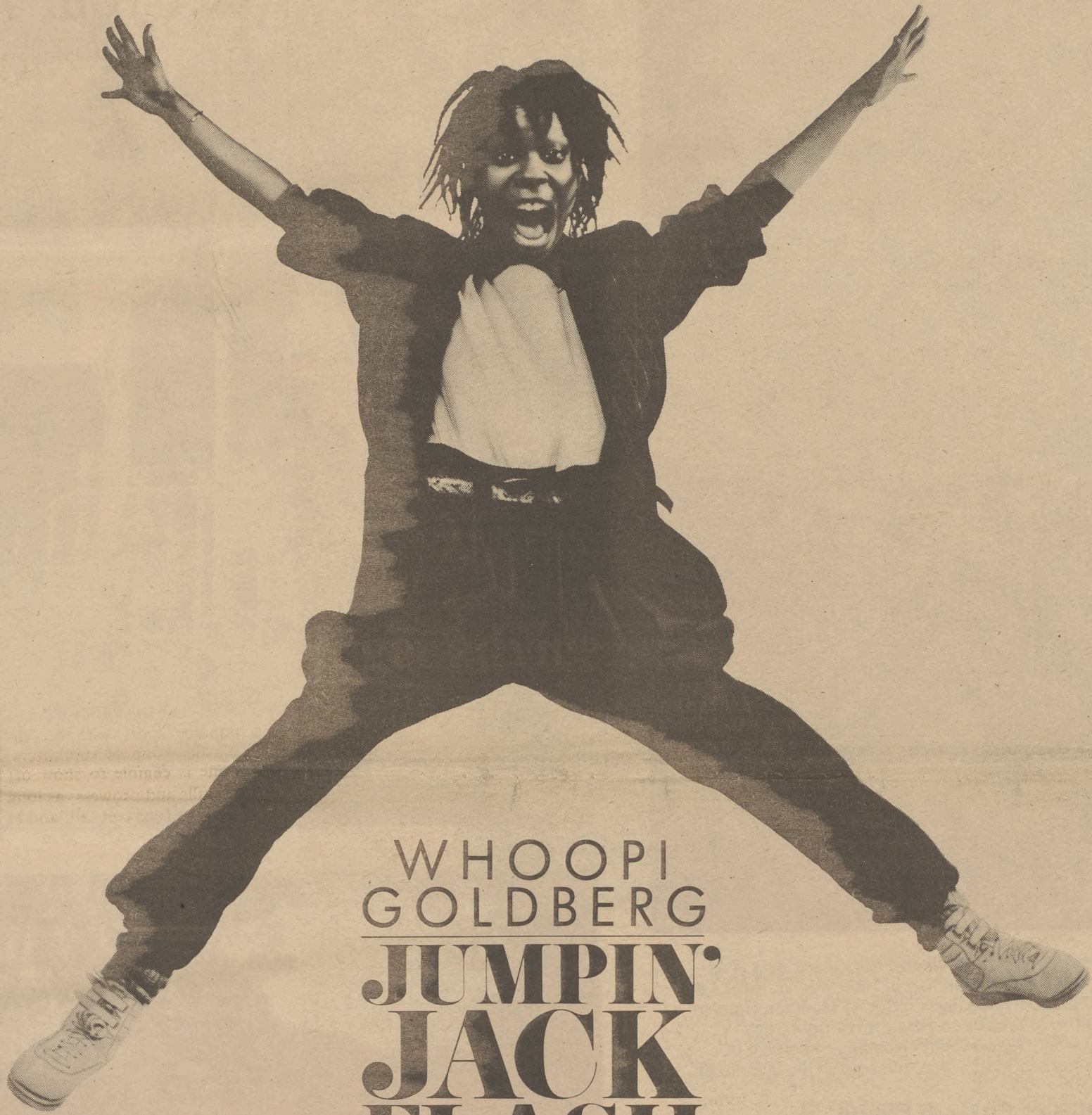


A panoramic view of Port-au-Prince as viewed from the Castle Haiti Hotel's veranda (above); the red and blue flag of Haiti flies in front of the Grand Hotel Oloffson in Port-au-Prince (top right); the Montana Hotel in Petitionville awaits the return of tourists to Haiti (below right); and Joseph Namphy, brother of Lt. General Henri Namphy, president of Haiti's provisional government, poses in front of some of his favorite art (below).

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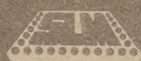
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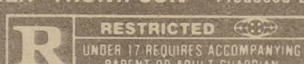


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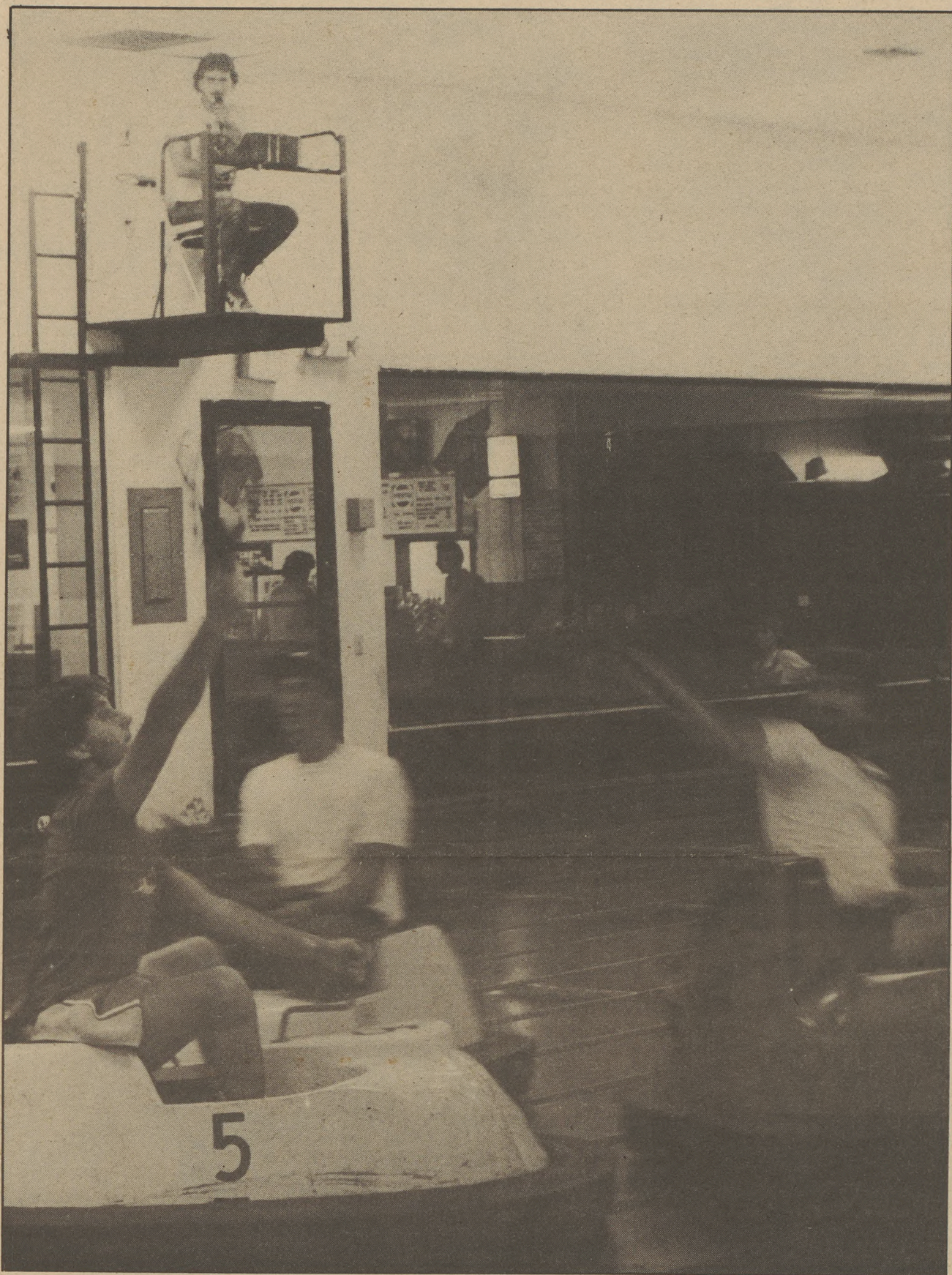
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With five players per team, Whirlyball is played in bumpercars with basketball-type rules which allow passing to other players, etc. Ball-handling is similar to Jai-alai. Above, the action is supervised by a referee, seen in his perch at top left of picture. At right, a player prepares to shoot.

Get your kicks on a bizarre court

ELIZABETH DYBIEC
North Staff Writer

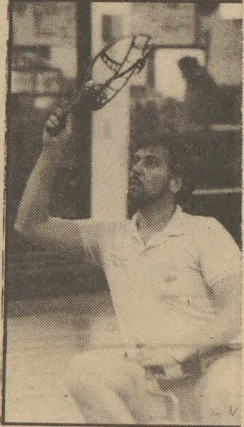
The tension is mounting...12 seconds left in the game. Suddenly you swing your bumper car to the left quickly scoop up the whiffle ball, and off you go. Zooming across the basketball court, you position yourself below the seven-foot high basket.

Bumper cars? Basketball court? If these frantic sounds conjure up images of a crazed amusement ride, then you are in for a thrilling surprise. This frenzied game is NO joke. Appropriately, it is called Whirlyball.

Whirlyball came into existence in 1980 in Las Vegas, Calif. A man named Stan Mangum frequently watched his young son play hockey with a simple stick and a tin can. The unusual aspect to the game was that his son drove a golf cart while simultaneously playing the game. Through this simple act of observation of a make-up game, the increasingly popular game of Whirlyball was invented.

Today there are 16 Whirlyball centers in the U.S. The only Whirlyball center in Florida opened two and one-half years ago on West Copans Road in Pompano Beach about three miles from North Campus.

Whirlyball has developed into a popular sport with an enthusiastic group of supporters. Anyone is eligible to show off their skills and prowess, as long as they are four feet tall, and at least 10 years old.



The price per person is \$5 for a play period of a half-hour. Each game requires two teams of five persons each to play.

Whirlyball requires an advance registration of one week for the weekdays, and, believe it or not, a five to six week advance reservation (with deposit) is required for busy week-ends. The center is open every day from 11 a.m.-11:30 p.m., Monday - Thursday, and 11 a.m. -3:30 p.m., Friday - Sunday.

Anyone not excited by the thoughts of playing Whirlyball, can observe the action through two large plexiglass windows which are situated just off the basketball-style courts. Plus, non-participants have their choice of pool tables, darts, video games and other games to display off-the-court talents.

As one plays or watches the game, Whirlyball takes on the appearance of a mixture of hockey, basketball and jai alai, played in bumper cars. The five players on each team are buckled into their color-coordinated bumper cars which have a steering

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Sonny croons, 'Miami Vice' retunes

'Heartbeat' LP a decent debut

CHRIS CERAOLO
North Entertainment Editor

Sonny Crockett turned the midnight black Ferrari on to the moonlit Biscayne Boulevard and flipped the stereo on. A hot rock tune began to blare through the speakers.

"Not bad," Sonny thought aloud. "Not bad at all."

Well, the tune that Sonny liked was "Heartbeat" by Sonny's alter-ego Don Johnson. Sonny is right; it's not bad.

"Heartbeat" is quite good and is both a mix of country rhythms and hard driving rock beats that set it apart from other albums. Johnson recruited superstar friends to help him and it shows on many of the album tracks.

Tom Petty and Bob Seger both con-



tributed songs to the album which showcase Johnson's vocal talent, while Stevie Ray Vaughn and Dweezil Zappa added impressive guitar solos. Johnson also sang two duets on the album, one with country legend Willie Nelson and the other with Bonnie Raitt.

'Vice' sports a new look: new car, colors, guest stars

CHRIS CERAOLO
North Entertainment Editor

After the dismaying second season of *Miami Vice*, many fans are hoping that this season is going to be better. Well, the hit show's producers have retooled a few props, as well as a few scripts, in order to keep the show current and more entertaining.

First, Sonny Crockett's fake Ferrari has been replaced with the real thing. The color of the car is still black, of course.

The next change is in wardrobe. The familiar light-colored clothes have been replaced by darker colors, thanks to their new costume designer, Milena Canonero. Canonero is responsible for

making Robert Redford look so good in *Out of Africa*.

Also, the writing of the show, which was so awful last season, is said to be improved. Michael Mann has commissioned a higher number of scripts this year, so there will be more possibilities to choose from.

There will also be a new group of guest stars. One guest is country singer, Willie Nelson. G. Gordon Liddy will return in his role as "The Colonel."

Finally, contrary to many rumors, Jan Hammer's music will remain (along with the usual cuts from the Top 40).

So, the new *Miami Vice* season appears to be, in Ricardo Tubbs' terms, "hot." Let's just hope it stays that way.

HOROSCOPE: Checkett Out!

I daresay that practically all literate, English-speaking human beings who get their hands on this paper are familiar with horoscope columns, so I won't presume to elaborate upon the overwhelmingly obvious. I will, however, point out that the futuristic insight herein is simply a general guideline for the entire two week period (this paper is released every two weeks). The information for each sign is applicable to most of the people born then, although there are, of course, exceptions. So, Checkett Out—I think you'll find I'm on target more times than not.

ARIES Mar. 21—April 19: Expect some good times during the next couple of weeks. You should get what you want to a large extent, and your chances would be improved if you maintain a strong sense of self-confidence. You should not take things for granted 100%, but rest assured that most matters will go your way for a while if you stay positive.



TAURUS April 20—May 20: Romance is in the air for many people of Taurus now, romance and all that involves: preoccupation with your lover, emotional fulfillment on the one hand, emotional disruption on the other. Avoid jealousy and possessiveness and these matters should proceed well. Regarding the rest of your life, there are other parts of life, remember? An attitude of notable calmness, of emotional and mental control, should be just the right approach now.



GEMINI May 21—June 20: This is a happy and productive time for Gemini: life is largely under your own control and the immediate future looks prosperous. You probably have a submerged fear of failure, which is a good thing since you can use it to steer clear of defeat. The major adversary ahead of you these next two weeks is yourself; or, more specifically, losing control through laziness or over-indulgence made possible by the present good conditions.



CANCER June 21—July 20: Right now you may feel torn between keeping things basically as they are in your life, and accepting more responsibilities or otherwise affecting major changes. Caution: don't act impetuously, examine and re-examine all relevant information. There is quite possibly some mis-representation of the facts involved, so be sure you know what you're getting into.



LEO July 21—August 20: Leos can expect the fulfillment of several important goals during this time. With an attitude of victory and willingness to work and build, you will find that the recent rocky road is a thing of the past and that you've got a smooth run ahead of you for a while.



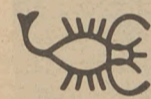
LIBRA Sept. 21—Oct. 20: Libra! Usually you're patient and good at evaluating situations; what happened? It looks like you're pushing yourself too hard, and being too impetuous. Slow down. Don't let the emotions of other people mess you up.



VIRGO Aug. 21—Sept. 20: Confidence, Virgo, is your answer. You are naturally capable, yet you mustn't doubt your abilities. Be decisive: get your information, make your choice, and conclude, "That is my decision and I'm sticking to it." Don't allow yourself to worry or let a temporary setback get you down. Press on and success will be yours.



SCORPIO Oct. 21—Nov. 20: Don't give in to your lower nature. Although this is possibly a difficult time, don't allow yourself pessimism or anger. Maintain your hopeful outlook, because the new beginning you're looking for is forthcoming, amidst numerous other good changes. If you feel like experimenting, go ahead and do it, as long as you keep positive.



SAGITTARIUS Nov. 21—Dec. 20: This is apt to be a time fraught with obstacles for you. Fortunately, however this is also a time of very clear perception and even inspiration and ESP. Therefore, just by getting away from demanding situations and thinking about them, it should become clear to you just how to handle these matters.



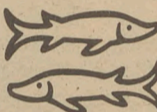
CAPRICORN Dec. 21—Jan 20: Capricorns are probably very busy right now! You'd like to spend more time with friends, but you probably won't have much of a chance to do so. Do yourself and everyone involved a favor and arrange some time for yourself, away from your responsibilities on a regular basis. If you need justification for this, realize that ultimately you will be more productive this way.



AQUARIUS Jan. 21—Feb. 19: Aquarians will have many choices during this time, and among these choices, travel is very favorable. You may find this to be psychological travel, however, since this is a time wherein an attitude of introspection (looking within yourself) will be one of the best instruments of success.



PISCES Feb. 20—Mar. 20: Present difficulties can be overcome by being particularly alert to your surroundings. Currently friends are reliable and life in general is good, and there is a distinct possibility of new, productive opportunities being available to you by or before Oct. 10. However, there is also a chance that you'll miss them due to lack of motivation - don't let that happen!



John-David Checkett

Registration for term II starts Wednesday, October 29 and classes will begin January 7.
Phone-in registrations are welcome from Oct. 23 to Nov. 18 between 12:30—3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The special number to call is 761-7499.

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electrifies audience again

By JODI RUBIN
South Production Editor

The atmosphere was electrified as the lights began to dim. The crowd roared in anticipation. He stepped out onto the stage in a red spacesuit-like jumper with a gold lame robe, topped off with long red plumes. To complete his fashion statement he sports a pink mohawk.

Yes, this is Elton John — in concert at the Sportatorium, Sept. 20.

After his entrance, he crossed the stage and began to play "Tonight." It was easy to see that the man was one with his piano. His music and stage presence are overwhelming and his assault on the senses is nothing less than phenomenal. Elton John is a master, and he commands the attention of his audience. On stage he is omnipotent. He walks with arrogance, an arrogance also present in his music. A twentieth century Mozart, perhaps.

His passions stem from his music: this he proved during his rendition of "Benny and the Jets," when he cuts to a five-minute solo, during which he played with sustained brilliance while he crawled up, down, and around the piano without missing a note.

He then treated the fans to some of their favorite oldies, such as "Someone Saved My Life Tonight," "Levon," and "Philadelphia Freedom."

Next, after a change of costumes as if changing modes, he returned to play his newer material: "Nikita," "Restless," and a new romantic song titled "Paris" from an upcoming album.

The sell-out crowd danced and screamed its praises to his name. He closed with a third costume change, donned a Miami Dolphins cap, and played the engaging tune, "Your Song," as the crowd cheered for more.

I have only two complaints about the concert, the first being the arrangement of the songs. The program sounded "out-of-whack," and did not flow like some of his earlier concerts. And to my personal dismay, Elton John left out some favorites such as, "Funeral for a Friend," "Goodbye Yellowbrick Road" and "Pinball Wizard."

My second complaint is with the Hollywood Sportatorium itself. Its outdated design and atrocious sound system do not do justice to any artist who plays there. At times during the concert, Elton's music was slaughtered by the echo and the sound system. As the concert ended, a sense of impending doom set in. The two and one-half hour concert was over, and now the battle to get out of the parking lot began. During the one-hour wait to reach the gates and freedom from vehicular insanity, my friends and I agreed that the concert was well worth it and we vowed to return for his next tour. After all, he is Elton!



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Dundee's no croc

By CAROL E. MAGARY
Entertainment editor

"G'day mate" could become the next catch phrase if the new movie "Crocodile Dundee" is as popular as it should be. Comedian Paul Hogan stars as Mick "Crocodile" Dundee, a fun-loving Australian crocodile hunter. An American reporter named Sue (Linda Koslowski) is sent to Australia to watch Dundee in action for a story. What follows are beautiful scenes of Australian wildlife and nature, and the development of a relationship between the city-bred Sue and the simple, unpretentious Dundee. The movie then changes pace when Sue brings Dundee back with her to New York City. Dundee has never been in any city before in his life, so much of the comedy comes from his misunderstanding of American city life. Through it all, however, Dundee is still the hero; he handles all problems with a friendly attitude and clever ingenuity. "That's not a knife", he scoffs at the mugger who holds up a switchblade. "This is a knife", he says smiling, and pulls out a hunting knife with a 10 inch blade. Sue also has her share of problems because her editor is

her fiance as well, but she isn't sure of her feelings for him after meeting the charming Dundee.

"Crocodile Dundee" has very funny moments, but it is more humorous than wildly hilarious. The main attraction is the relationship between Sue and Dundee, two characters who are vastly different but still care for each other. Another enjoyable feature of the movie was experiencing the sights and sounds of Australia, a region of the world which many Americans know very little about. Yes, there are kangaroos and aboriginals and rowdy beer drinkers. But seeing Australia on film makes the audience want to travel there to learn more about it.

Paul Hogan also co-wrote the script of the movie. He is perfect in the role as the care-free adventurer. Hogan has a show shown at various times on PBS in which he pokes fun at Australian life. But he obviously loves his country—his jokes are witty without being insulting. "Crocodile Dundee" is rated PG-13 but there is no extreme nudity or violence. This movie could easily be enjoyed by children as well as adults. So, mate, next time you're on a walk-about, walk on over the theatre and catch "Crocodile Dundee". G-day!

TV's new season: What's hot; what's not

Compiled by GARY RIVERA & CAROL E. MAGARY

Once again the medium which has been called both "a vast wasteland" and "real life in a box" has unleashed its crop of new fall shows. Television hopes to amuse, provoke and generally entertain you.

ABC will probably push CBS (which has a strong returning audience for its veteran shows) to second place, and NBC will strengthen an already good schedule.

Here's a guide to **what's hot** and **what's not**:

Sunday 7—8 p.m. "Our House" NBC: "Eight is Enough Minus Three" could be another suitable title. Wilford Brimley is excellent as the head of the house coping with his daughter-in-law and three children. But it's opposite "60 Minutes," so it's going to be rough-going if it stays on Sunday nights.

Monday 8—8:30 p.m. "ALF" ABC: An Alien Life Form crashes to earth, speaks perfect English, and is immediately adopted by the family he has dropped in on. In addition to this ridiculous premise, the show lacks humor, and is played a bit too seriously by the show's creators. "Kate and Allie" should clean up on this one.

Monday 9:30—10:30 p.m. "Designing Women" CBS: This show has good actresses and a good time slot (between "Newhart" and "Cagney and Lacey"). It will be up to the viewing tastes of the audience whether it makes it or not.

Tuesday 8—9 p.m. "The Wizard" CBS: David Rapport as adventuresome dwarf Simon McKay, gives his role what Edward Woodward gives to his on "The Equalizer"—a mystique which would be hard to duplicate with another actor in the role. Unfortunately, the show is opposite "Who's The Boss?" and "Growing Pains," both on ABC, so has a slim chance of surviving.

Tuesday 10-11 p.m. "Jack and Mike" ABC: This entry is basically a toned-down "Hart to Hart." The only positive for it is that it follows "Moonlighting." There is no strong competition against the show, so Tuesday is an early-to-bed night.

Tuesday 9—10 p.m. "Crime Story" NBC: The cars are hot, the action is hotter, and the '60's music is the hottest. Filmed in Chicago, it stars Dennis Farino as Lt. Mike Torello, a genetic crossing of Lt. Castillo of "Miami Vice" and "Dirty Harry" Callahan. Bad guy Ray Luca (Anthony Denison) is J.R. Ewing with a six-shooter. Better than "Miami Vice" in writing and story lines, but some viewers may not be ready for the second coming of "Miami Vice."

Wednesday 8:30—9 p.m. "Head of the Class" ABC: Charlie Moore, well played by Howard Hessman, is a teacher in a class of intellectuals who suffer from a sort of "social retardation." Picture, if you will, a girl who

grounds herself for getting a 'B' on an exam. Although the show doesn't explore any new material, Hessman is a good comedian when placed in the right role (i.e. Dr. Johnny Fever of WKRP). The show follows "Perfect Strangers," a good sitcom returning from last season. Although it opposes "Highway to Heaven," the audience may be switching to ABC instead.

Friday 9—9:30 p.m. "Sledge Hammer" ABC: Although the idea of Maxwell Smart joins "Police Squad" isn't bad for the style of the show, there wasn't very much humor in it. If it were on a strong night, it might find a following. Opposite "Miami Vice" and "Dallas," however, it stands as much chance as Sam Malone becoming a ballet dancer!

Friday 10—10:30 p.m. "Starman" ABC: This show, loosely based on the movie of the same name, has the lead character as a fugitive. It has just enough laughs and special effects to make it worth watching once.

Friday 10—11 p.m. "L.A. Law" NBC: This drama is the top pick of the season. It has the realism of "Hill Street Blues" without the violence. Well worth watching for those interested in law or just good characters and situations. A definite winner, and the fact that it follows "Miami Vice" won't hurt the ratings.

Other new shows could not be reviewed at the time of this writing, but we'll keep you updated, and review some returning shows. Now, didn't you just know that it was Diane that Sam proposed to on "Cheers?"

Disabled students receive special services

R. KEITH BELL
Central Staff Writer

Pat Latona prefers the word "disabled" over "handicapped."

"Disabled has a more positive connotation," says the energetic coordinator for the Office of Handicap Services on BCC Central Campus.

This term BCC has the highest number of disabled students in its history. Although Latona is hesitant to name an exact number, she does admit that the figure is over one hundred.

It is not only the physically disabled—such as the blind, deaf, or those confined to a wheelchair—that receive the office's aid, but also those students with any type of perceptual disorder or emotional problem.

The stated purpose of handicap services is to provide these specific students with a "barrier-free environment" as described in section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

In brief, this act states "...no otherwise qualified handicapped individual... shall solely by reason... of handicap, be excluded from the participation, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activities..." It is this federal law which Latona refers to as her "Bible."

"The concept of the program is to enhance the student's success," she said.

The actual mechanics by which the services work are far more complex than the law by which they are governed. The

student must register by identifying him or herself, and particular problem, to the office. Latona encourages students to come forward and not be embarrassed or inhibited by their disabilities. "I feel strongly that others be aware of an individual's problem...that's how problems are eliminated," she said.

Once the student is registered, memos are sent to his instructors, identifying the student and indicating his specific disability. If necessary, the student will be accompanied by a "service provider" (usually another student) who, if necessary, will discreetly make himself known to the teacher. The service provider assists the student in whatever way is necessary.

Each student needs a different type of "provider." Blind students will need a notetaker in class, a reader outside class, and a writer during tests.

A deaf student unable to lip-read will need a sign-language interpreter and a notetaker.

A student without the use of his hands will also need a note-taker.

The complexity of the situation becomes apparent when one realizes the scope of disabilities.

David Baier, a 23-year-old sophomore, has dyslexia, a disease which causes him to visually perceive all written material backwards or jumbled. Many dyslexic people are illiterate, but David Baier is not. A well above-average student, David can read and write although it takes him a little longer. The effects of David's disability are most apparent in his spelling and punctuation.

"Just like a person in a wheelchair needs a ramp, I need a writer," says David.

The presence of disabled students sometimes creates special contingencies in the classroom. In the case of a deaf student who is lip-reading, for example, the instructor may forget that turning away from the class totally eliminates communication with that student.

Testing situations sometimes present problems. Handicapped students who take their test orally must have a private room, reserved in advance, with a tester and proctor.

Not all disabled students register with the OHS. Some—owing perhaps to embarrassment, nervousness, or denial—try to handle their situation themselves.

For many, however, the OHS is an ongoing source of guidance and support.



"The Human League"
"Crash"

HAYDEN BLACK
Central Staff Writer

After a two year hiatus, the Human League is finally back with *Crash*, produced by two of the hottest producers around, Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis. Responsible for Janet Jackson's amazing last LP, these two men have redefined the Human League and given us the logical extension to the League's first LP, *Dare*.

When the Human League first appeared in 1980, they introduced the world to technopop, using only synthesizers. Their unique sound has since become the mainstay of current pop music -- their pioneering techniques having evolved into the Black-Latin beats that characterize most of today's Top 40.

And now the League has returned, with an album better structured to fit with recent trends in music. The *Crash* LP is very poppy and very electronic, but not irritatingly so. The album is highly accessible, and all the tracks are esthetically pleasing. Phil Oakey's tortured voice lends itself quite well to the music, blending easily with his two back-up singers and the multitude of synths.

Lyricaly, the League creates some catchy verse -- consider the fun they have with these lines, from *Swang*: *Swang me a girl who thinks she's cool/swang her till her face turns blue./And if that girl can't swang with me/I'll swang me another girl yessirree.*

Though not in danger of being named Poet Laureates, the League does have a way of fitting words to music.

Personally, I like the album immensely, and it far exceeded my expectations (their last LP was an unmitigated disaster). To sum up, *Crash* is an album worthy of a listen in a market currently filled with a lot of rubbish.



Lou Mowad returns to Central with his wife, Yasemin, to teach music.

Guitar duo returns

DAVID SUMMITT
Central Staff Writer

Central Campus' guitar instructor Lou Mowad has returned to the faculty after a two year absence, bringing his wife and former student Yasemin with him.

Lou earned his Master's degree and Yasemin her Bachelor's degree at the University of Arizona. The Mowads are currently teaching guitar at Central Campus and performing regularly at Le Pavillion on Key Biscayne.

"We're both excited about returning to BCC," said Lou. "We're looking for-

ward to enlarging the guitar program."

Lou also said that they hope to schedule a performance for the students, possibly in Bailey Hall or the lecture theater.

"We definitely will try to do something, probably in January," said Lou. In the meantime the Mowads will perform before Music Appreciation classes, he said.

In addition to college instruction, both Lou and Yasemin give private lessons. Those interested can leave a message with the Music Department at 475-6727.



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Leaner, meaner, merged teams: BCC's new look

PETE BILINSKI
North Sports Editor

Just a few years ago, there was an intense rivalry between BCC-N and BCC-C teams. It wasn't like the Boston Red Sox vs. New York Yankees type rivalry, but it was there. Now, those days are gone.

Financial difficulties caused the two campuses to combine their separate teams. Mens' and womens' basketball, tennis and womens' softball teams were

combined into one.

BCC-N became home to the mens' basketball, mens' tennis, womens' volleyball and womens' softball. Mens' soccer, golf baseball, swimming, womens' basketball and womens' tennis all call Central Campus home.

BCC-S has no sports teams on their campus. Softball, tennis and mens' soccer were tried there, but the campus lacked the facilities to house any athletic teams.

"It was a good decision financially. It hurt the competition between the schools. It just cost too much (to have separate teams)," commented Rex Brumley, Director of Athletics and Facilities.

Under the current situation the school saves money. The money saved goes toward expenses, scholarships and coaches supplements.

"It is hard to get part-time coaches to do recruiting because they have other

jobs," admits Alton Andrews, BCC-N Athletic Director.

What makes it extra hard is the fact that there are only four full-time coaches on both campuses. One at North Campus and three at Central. The coaches may not get to see or hear about some athletes who could benefit the BCC sports programs.

Other than the recruiting problem the system has been running smoothly.

"I've had no complaints from the athletes," said Andrews.

BCC students form top-ranking softball team

THERESA O'DONNELL
Central Staff Writer

Imagine that you and a friend of yours both enjoy softball. You guys were involved with athletics in high school a few years ago and would like to be again. Both of you attend the same college, but you want to play softball and your institution does not have a men's softball team.

Well, the two of you could sign up for a summer league at one of the city's parks, but you guys want some of your friends as teammates. What will you do?

One of you gets the idea to start a team of your own and the both of you really begin to like this brainstorm. But how do you go about starting your own team?

The one who had this idea lets his buddy take over from here. This guy goes out and gets a sponsor who is willing to pay \$450 to enter the league and who will also provide the team with uniforms.

Then he and his buddy round up

enough of their friends to make a team. He even gets his brother to be the player-coach. To top it all off, your team goes and defeats the favorite in the championship game!

Sound to good to be true? Well, this is exactly what happened to BCC Central Campus students Gary Steuber and Angelo Gadalata. Gadalata had the brainstorm and Steuber made it a reality. Gadalata is a sophomore and Steuber is in his second semester. They are pre-chiropractic students.

Their team is Spinal Tap, sponsored by Dr. Bruce Habberman, Chiropractor. They defeated Hammering Hanks 8-1 at J.C. Field in Sunrise on Thursday, September 18th.

The league is made up of three divisions: B-1, B-2, and C. Spinal Tap competed in division C, with the season starting in July. A total of 12 teams participated in a 22 game season in which a team played each of the other teams twice.

Spinal Tap finished the regular season

with a 14-8 record, making it into the playoffs along with seven other teams. In the playoffs, each team played three games.

Spinal Tap and Hammering Hanks were the survivors of the playoffs. In the championship game, the older, more experienced team who was favored lost to a rookie team that had put it all together.

"I didn't think we were going to win the championship at the beginning of the season. We were 1-3 after four games. When our record went over .500 (6-4), I started believing we had a chance," Steuber said.

"I play to win and I think they (his teammates) had the same attitude. We were strong defensively. The team that wanted to win the most did," said Gadalata.

Steuber, number 10, is the team's co-captain, shortstop and hits second in the batting lineup. He had a .484 season average and a .339 average during the playoffs and championship game. He

went three for nine in the playoffs and one for three in the final.

Gadalata, number 13, is the captain and third baseman for the team, hitting sixth in the lineup. His season average was .400, but he jumped to a .570 average in the post-season games. He had three runs-batted-in, RBI's, in the playoffs and hit two for three, with two runs scored, in the final.

The members of the team range from ages 19 to 36. Chuck Rich, number 11 and the oldest member, had the team's best season average at .547. Power hitting came from Mike Harris, number 7, who had five home runs for the season, plus one in the playoffs.

The other team members were: Stewart Bogue, number 6 and also a student here at BCC, Mark Coffey, number 14, Brad Cooper, number 4, Joe Garson, number 5, Bob Lang, number 15, Mike Panzo, number 9, Frank Perdomo, number 2, and Dan Steuber, number 3 and the player-coach.

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(S)Accounting clerk-Hollywood. Part-time, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., M-F. Shorthand a plus. Some knowledge of bookkeeping required. Light typing; answer phones.

(C)Assistant bookkeeper. Accounts payable, accounts receivable, delivery tickets. Accounting background necessary. Will train. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F-Pompano Beach. Salary: \$250-300/week.

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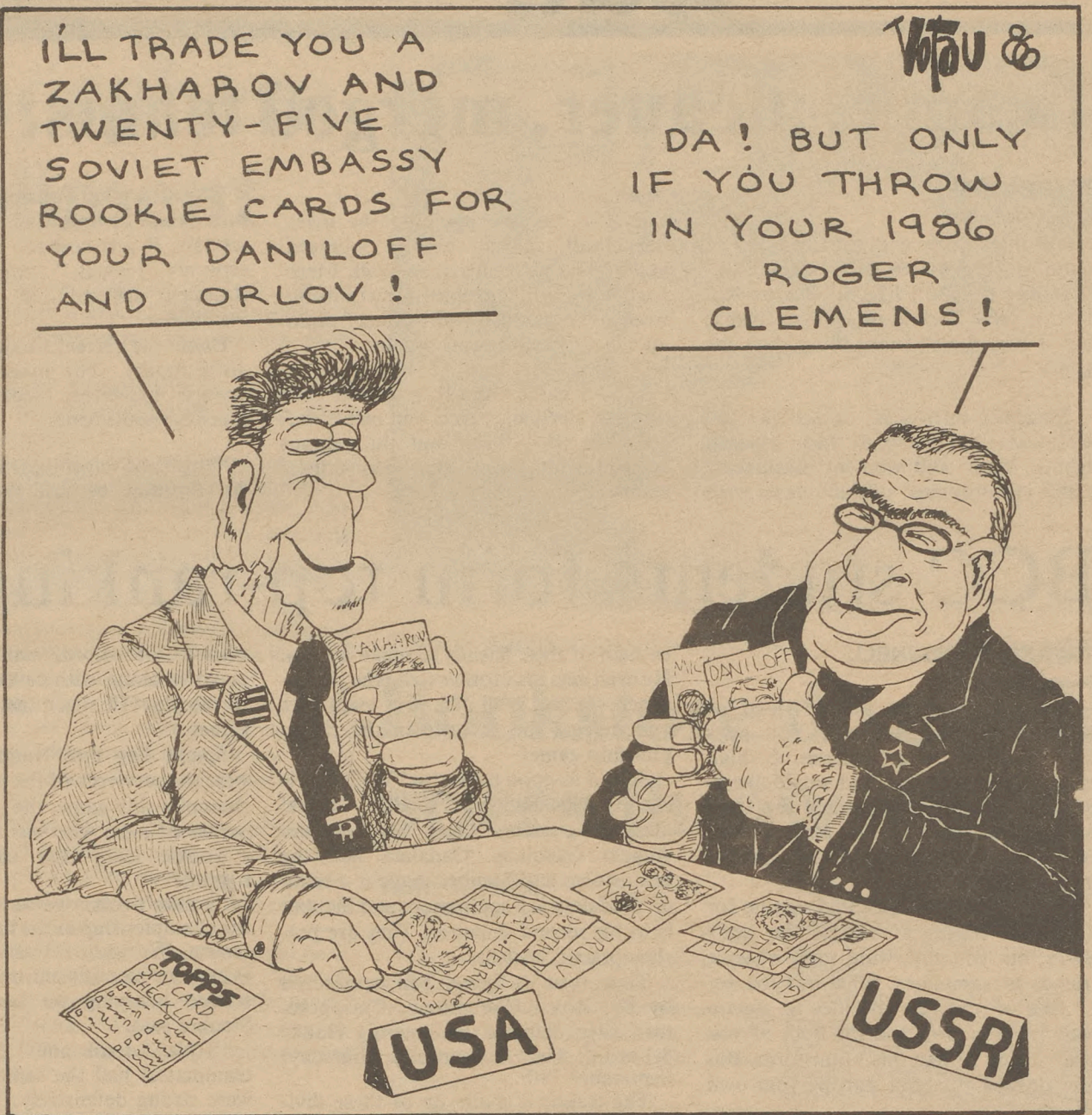
JUANITA HARMON
Central Editor

Consolidation, an impressive 13-letter word, normally not prone to unpleasant connotation, is fountasting on the tongues of 99 percent of the current Central newspaper staff. Consolidation means that all BCC campuses will be represented by one newspaper. That translates into at least two goal-oriented reporters, two copy editors, two paste-up artists, and two photographers denied the opportunity to cover college-wide stories. Forget intermediate algebra or statistics. Simple arithmetic says that three (North, South, and Central reporters) into one (college-wide story) will not go. Do the approximately 100 reporters gain experience by interviewing each other? Would you bother to read three stories about the same subject unless you are mentioned or quoted in each one?

Consolidation means that two, merely two issues will totally emanate from your home campus this semester. Of course, the paper will be bigger and maybe even look better, but this type of strength is similar to the cool, aloof facade of those emotionally distant, lofty corporations. Commuter colleges already have a tough enough time engendering a sense of community. BEATRICE, a conglomerate, has spent millions trying to regain the same sense of people-oriented recognizability that *The Phoenix*, *Polaris*, and *New Horizons* have tossed aside. I still do not feel any warmth from or even know exactly what BEATRICE is except for a hazy assumption that juices, diapers, lamps, and breads have consolidated under one unseen corporate mentor. Inanimate objects, all of them. *The Phoenix*, now ashes, lived.

Although the staff at Central still stands opposed, in principle, to consolidation, we do accept it as fact and sincerely intend to expend the full spectrum of our talents, determination, and capabilities to make it work.

We commend Dr. George Young, vice president for student development, on his foresight in assigning a faculty adviser to each campus. Our gratitude is also extended to those faculty and students who voiced their support. Now, let us move forward in a true spirit of collegiality.



New possibilities, not controversy

BILL DUKE
North Managing Editor

This fall, returning students may notice that the summer has brought with it a number of changes to BCC. Foremost among them is the consolidation of the three campus newspapers into one all-encompassing college-wide publication. With this, its maiden issue, *The Observer* will attempt to harness the combined talents of all BCC journalism students and faculty from their respective campuses. We on the North Campus staff of *The Observer* see this as a good move.

It would be disingenuous to suggest that any changes this sweeping could be approved without controversy and, in fact, voices of dissent were initially raised from several quarters. In the end, the students involved and the advisers overseeing them were agreed that the untapped potential was there to more than offset any provincial campus concerns.

What was formally an administrative decision reflecting budgetary constraints can now be viewed as an opportunity to allocate our most valuable resource, the students themselves, in a way that is to everyone's advantage. The journalism departments will no longer work in tacit competition with one another, but can pool their talent, experience and energy to work in concert and help make *The Observer* the best it can be.

This new, consolidated paper brings with it other advantages. Circulation is expected to be several times what it was for any single campus publication and advertising rates and revenues will increase proportionally.

The new paper will integrate the college and promote a sense of fraternity among the combined readership as it will address not only campus-wide, but collegewide issues. While not sacrificing its independence, each campus will have access to policies and decisions that affect all BCC students, regardless of campus affiliation.

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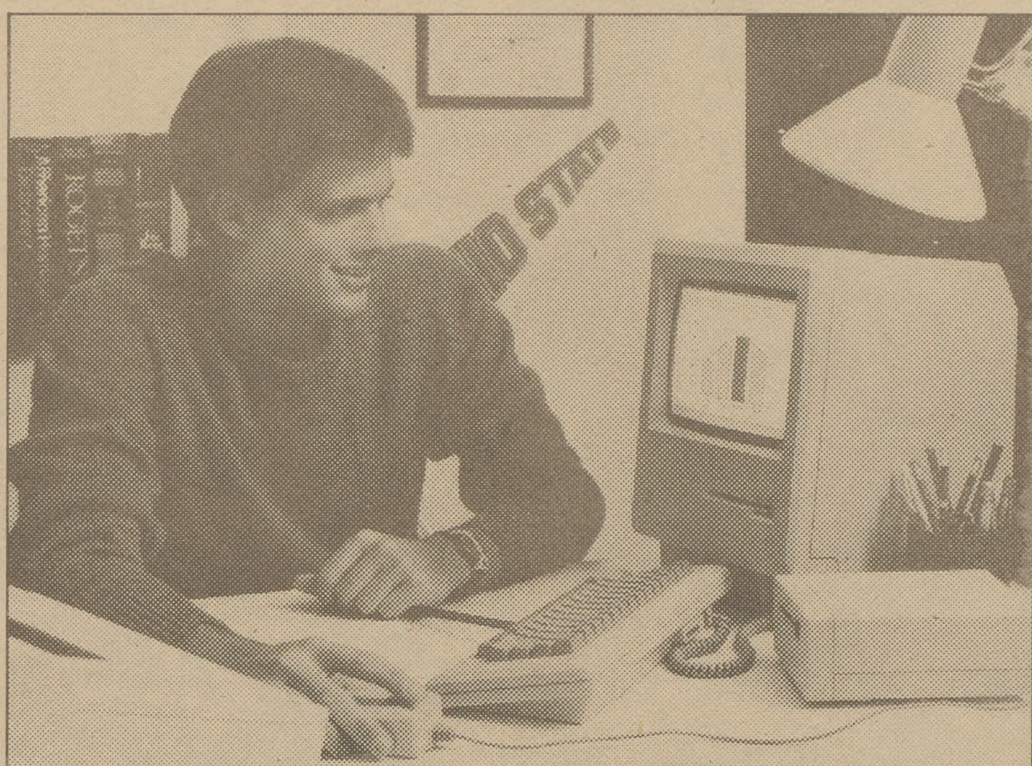
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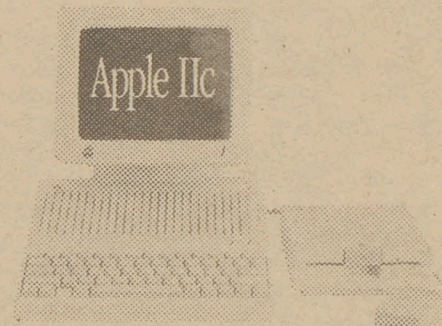
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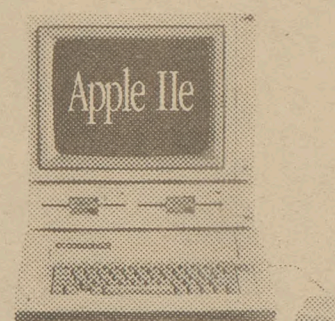
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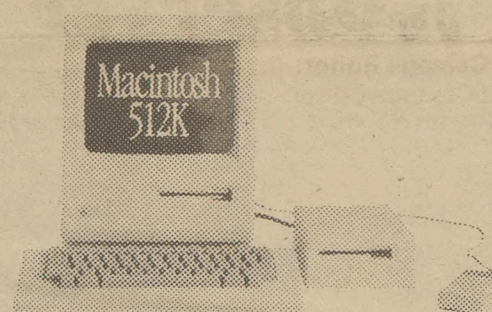
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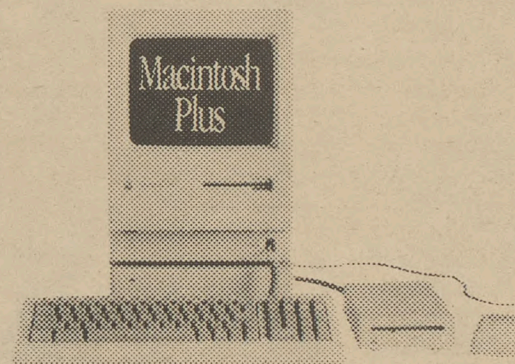
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Murder

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solve it," says Vernon positively. "I hope," he adds quickly. He believes that they have 90 percent of the investigation completed. They are pretty sure that it was a premeditated crime and that it is possible they are dealing with a repeat offender.

The Coral Springs Police Department is in charge of this case. The other detective responsible is Detective Riley. Although the case is not yet solved Vernon and Riley have spent endless hours following leads and collecting information to resolve this complex mystery.

Linda was reported missing Thursday night, Feb. 20, and she was not discovered until Sunday morning. Her body was found near Coral Ridge Dr. and Riverside Dr. in Coral Springs.

Although her husband had offered to buy her a car, she preferred to pedal her bike to and from work, enjoying the freedom and the exercise.

Later, some information obtained by the police led to the retrieval of her bike and personal effects from a waterway next to a bike path alongside St. Rd. 84. Linda biked this five-mile path almost daily. A week or so earlier nine-year old Staci Jazvac was murdered and dumped 150' away from where Linda's body was found.

The case is even more bizarre: according to Vernon, a year before, a woman was murdered. She was also found in a neighborhood canal, but the cause of death was different and she was clothed. She worked at a local McDonalds. No link between these two deaths or between Linda's and Jazvac's have been established.

According to Vernon, the first 48 hours are the most crucial to a case when a homicide is involved. The following day, Vernon and his partner attempted to obtain information from

BCC, which they felt would be useful in their investigation.

Unfortunately, Registration could not cooperate with the officers' requests for information about Linda's classmates because of Florida's privacy statutes. "We were trying to find who talked to Linda or had direct or indirect contact with her," says Vernon.

"There seemed to be a great emphasis on orders and subpoenas, we were just trying to find out whom she had classes with, to get better insight and talk to more people, and was refused us." Although the detectives can sympathize with the school, to a small extent it proved to be an obstacle during the first critical hours.

Vernon mentioned that they were very fortunate to have a few of her student friends call the police department and volunteer information. "Unfortunately, something that one person might think is insignificant might be the

one piece of the puzzle we're looking for," explained Vernon.

Channel 7 and Crimestoppers did a re-enactment of the murder. It was recently on the air three times a day, following each news broadcast, for the duration of one week. Other re-enactments of unsolved crimes are shown weekly. Linda's case will run again, unless of course, it is solved.

A homicide case is open until it is solved. In Linda's case, a new tip or lead is under investigation every few weeks. When you get arrests of other people in the state or the United States," explains Detective Vernon, "If something in the pattern of another crime fits the pattern we're looking for, then of course we look into that individual."

Vernon says that Linda's husband, Steve, had a solid alibi and is not a suspect in the homicide.

Steve remains hopeful that the criminal will

be apprehended. "Can you really publish a story about Linda's death in your newspaper?" Steve asked. "I would be very pleased to see a story written in the school newspaper."

Steve works as a carpenter and, now, as a single parent. "The boys have adjusted very well" he said. They are attending school in Fort Lauderdale, where the family plans to move.

Vernon says that he hears from the husband approximately every week. "He's a very nice guy and he has two cute little boys."

After working on Linda's case for some time, Vernon believes they now know almost everything about her and also have come to know her family well. "We have developed insights through talking to different people about Linda," explains Vernon. "She can probably best be described as a person you'd like to know."

Whirly

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mechanism and are fully equipped with a Whirlyball scoop. By passing the ball through the air with quick, flowing strokes, players attempt to score points by making a basket. The games are supervised by a referee who sits high above the floor and calls the plays much like a sports commentator but while officiating the contests. He/she is also responsible for keeping score and issuing penalties to those who break the rules, such as unnecessary roughness or spearing with a bumper car.

The rules of the game are quite lax. Most of them are designed specifically for the safety of the players. For instance, getting out of your bumper car or hitting people with your scoop are prohibited for obvious reasons. Slamming another player's bumper car with your own, or indiscriminately using your hands will result in an immediate penalty, or if repeated, possible ejection. And one more rule not to forget - you cannot drink and drive!

All BCC students are welcome at Whirlyball, according to Russ Cohen, assistant manager. With a BCC student I.D., you can play any afternoon during the weekdays for the minimum charge of \$4. And, as Cohen says, "It's never too early, whirly."

Tower

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Lauderdale has not really been (adequately) served by BCC," the college has high hopes for filling these needs when the University Tower opens for Term II.

No plans for specific course offerings have been released yet, Thomas explained, because the tower is under the joint jurisdiction of FAU and FIU. BCC scheduling and utilization of the tower must first be approved by the university.

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