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FIU's first-ever Homecoming football game, versus Gardner-Webb University, is the centerpiece of this year’s Homecoming Week, Oct. 21-26. The Gardner-Webb University Bulldogs take on the Golden Panthers at FIU-University Park at 3:30 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 26.

In addition to the football game, both campuses have multiple Homecoming events scheduled. FIU-University Park will be the site of Moonlight Madness at 8 p.m. on Mon., Oct. 21, at Golden Panther Arena (GPA); a lip sync contest at 8 p.m. on Wed., Oct. 23, in the GC Ballrooms; the Panther Prowl comedy show at 8 p.m. on Thurs., Oct. 24, in GPA; and the Homecoming Parade starting at 12:30 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 26. FIU-Biscayne Bay Campus festivities include a fashion show from 7 to 10 p.m. on Tues., Oct. 22, at Panther Square in WUC; a Panther Power pep rally from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thurs., Oct. 24, also at Panther Square in WUC; and a black-tie Homecoming Dance/Concert from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Fri., Oct. 25, at the Kovens Conference Center.

FIU's Office of Alumni Relations has planned several events as well, including a golf tournament at 8 a.m. on Fri., Oct. 25, at The Biltmore Hotel in Coral Gables. The golf tournament will be followed at 7 p.m. by the Alumni Torch Awards, which honor outstanding FIU alumni and faculty, at the Wyndham Miami Airport Hotel. At 1 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 26, there will be an alumni tailgate...
Go with the flow: noted professor to speak on psychology of creativity and human happiness

Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi, one of the world’s foremost authorities on the psychology of creativity and human happiness, will present a Phi Beta Kappa Lecture as part of FIU’s 30th anniversary celebration on Mon., Oct. 21, at 7 p.m. in University Park’s Graham Center, GC Ballroom. Csikszentmihalyi will discuss “Flow: The Psychology of Optimal Experience.”

Davidson Professor of Psychology and director of the Quality of Life Research Center at the Drucker Graduate School of Management at Claremont Graduate University, Csikszentmihalyi invented the concept of “flow” as a metaphorical description of the rare mental state associated with feelings of optimal satisfaction and fulfillment. Among his books are Flow: The Psychology of Optimal Experience and Finding Flow: The Psychology of Engagement with Everyday Life.

Venture this: Colleges of Business Administration and Engineering announce new collaboration

FIU’s College of Business Administration (CBA) and the College of Engineering have partnered to launch the Howard J. Leonhardt New Venture Challenge: An International Business Plan Competition. This joint venture highlights the importance of combining technological innovation with business acumen to bring innovations to market.

The competition evolved from CBA’s Net-Biz Challenge Business Plan Competition, which was launched in 2000 and grew out of the CBA’s long tradition of sponsoring an annual business plan competition to support its educational emphasis on entrepreneurship.

“Nurturing innovative ideas and entrepreneurship in our students is critical to accomplishing our educational mission,” said CBA Executive Dean Joyce J. Elam. “The College’s business plan competition has gained significant support and, through our new partnership with the College of Engineering, we’re hoping to encourage the formation of interdisciplinary student teams comprised of engineering, computer science and business students.”

The New Venture Challenge is named for and made possible by a generous contribution from Howard J. Leonhardt, founder, chairman and CEO of Bioheart, a company focused on the development of cellular-based products for the treatment of cardiovascular diseases. Additionally, this year’s Challenge is supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) as part of its Partnerships for Innovation Program.

“We’re working with the NSF through its Partnerships for Innovation Program and are striving to increase the technology enterprise in the U.S. by helping universities transfer their focus on
technology to the marketplace,” said Richard Schoephoerster, professor and director of the Biomedical Engineering Institute at FIU’s College of Engineering. “FIU is expanding its biomedical programs significantly, which is exciting to us as South Florida has the potential to be a leader in the biotech industry.”

Applications for the Challenge, which is open to all full- and part-time students (upper-division undergraduate and graduate) enrolled for the 2002-03 academic year in an accredited four-year college or university in the state of Florida, the Caribbean or Latin America, are now being accepted.

For more information about the New Venture Challenge, including deadlines, call 305-348-4227 or visit www.fiu.edu/~nvc.

**Such a deal: Cinema Society offers special rates to FIU family**
The FIU Cinema Society is back and better than ever, with a special membership category just for FIU students, faculty and staff.

For a mere $35 (the rest of the world pays $125), FIU Cinema Society members will receive advance notice of 2003 Miami International Film Festival events and film selections; have the opportunity to purchase two tickets to the 2003 Festival opening and closing night films at Gusman Center, as well as the opening night 20th anniversary gala and closing night wrap party, prior to the public sale; have the opportunity to purchase 2003 Festival screening tickets, prior to public sale; receive recognition in the Festival Commemorative Program as a Festival supporter; and receive invitations to free “sneak preview” screenings and film-related events at Miami venues throughout the year.

In addition, there will be screenings of selected Festival films on the FIU campus, as well as panel discussions and/or seminars about filmmaking, that will be open to anyone in the FIU family.

The Miami International Film Festival will celebrate its 20th anniversary in 2003 (Feb. 21-March 2, 2003) with an exceptional program of films from around the world, including a special focus on Ibero-American cinema. Watch for an exciting line-up of premieres, filmmaker tributes, panels, seminars, special parties and events, and the “Cinema on the Sand” series in South Beach.

For more information, or to obtain your membership today, call Jesus Montano at 305-348-4722 or Nikki Lowry at 305-348-0249. If you go to www.miamifilmfestival.com, you can see membership details for others, as well as sign up for email updates. As with all membership categories for the FIU Cinema Society, registration must be received prior to Dec. 15, 2002.

**Many happy returns: Student group donates $1,000 to SJMC**
The FIU chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) donated $1,000 recently to the School of Journalism and Mass Communication (SJMC) in recognition of the school’s staff and faculty, who have been “instrumental to PRSSA’s success since its inception here in 1989,” according to FIU PRSSA chapter President Nazly De La Rosa.

“The School of Journalism and Mass Communication has been very supportive of the students’
efforts over the years, and the PRSSA chapter wanted to give something back to the school,” said Associate Professor Bill Adams, FIU PRSSA faculty advisor.

**SoBe it: College of Continuing and Professional Studies to offer courses in Miami Beach**
FIU’s College of Continuing and Professional Studies is offering four courses Jan. 6-18 in South Beach, affording students from around the country an opportunity to earn 3-6 credits during winter break. Courses may also be taken without credit so that the local community, as well as visitors, may benefit from this opportunity to explore South Beach while experiencing intellectual growth.

Courses include “The Architectural Landscape of Miami – Visions and Constructs,” “Films of Woody Allen,” “Special Topics in Architecture,” and “Creative Concepts.”

Classes will be four to six hours a day, five days a week, and will be held at The Wolfsonian-FIU. Hotel accommodations, if needed, will also be in South Beach.

“We offer students an enriching and valuable experience by setting standards of excellence in innovative curriculum design, teaching, professional development and cross-cultural understanding,” said David Grossman, dean of FIU’s College of Continuing and Professional Studies.

Interested participants can visit [www.caps.fiu.edu/southbeach](http://www.caps.fiu.edu/southbeach) or call 305-348-5669 for program information and registration details.

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**FIU In View**

*FIU In View* – FIU’s public affairs TV newsmagazine – airs three times weekly on Miami-Dade County cable systems via WLRN-Cable TAP. Members of the FIU community are encouraged to tune in for a lively half-hour of conversation and news. Show guests, topics, airdates and times are as follows:

**Topics:**

High Technology and Florida Elections -- Professors V. Renogopalakrishnan and Eric Crumpler from the College of Engineering discuss FIU's exciting research forays into world of nanotechnology. In the second half of the show, Political Scientist Dario Moreno, director of the FIU Metropolitan Center, gives viewers the lowdown on Florida’s upcoming general election.

**Date/Time:**

Tues., Oct. 22, noon; Thurs., Oct. 24, 8:30 p.m.; Fri., Oct. 25, 9 a.m.

**FIU In View airs on the following cable systems and stations:**
Questions regarding *FIU In View*? Please send them to todd.simmons@fiu.edu.

### Coming This Week

**Mon., Oct. 21, 1:30-2:30 p.m. – “Business Risk in Latin America: Assessing the New Investment Climate”**: Frank Holder, head of Latin American Operations, Kroll Worldwide, will speak at this lecture sponsored by LACC and the College of Business Administration. FIU-University Park (UP). Green Library (GL), Room 220.

**Mon., Oct. 21, 2-5 p.m. – After Graduation: Options for International Students**: This two-part program includes “Overview of Options” and “H1B In-Depth.” Sponsored by International Student and Scholar Services. To sign up, please call 305-348-2421 or stop by GC 242. UP. GC 243W.

**Mon., Oct. 21, 8 p.m. – Nosferatu the Vampyre**: Werner Herzog’s 1979 remake of the silent horror classic. Sponsored by the FIU Humanities Club, in conjunction with the FIU-Biscayne Bay Campus Library. Free admission. FIU-Biscayne Bay Campus (BBC). Wolfe University Center (WUC) Theater.

**Tues., Oct. 22, 12:45-2 p.m. – Workplace Topics Forum**: “The Role of Universities in the Field of Labor Education: A Study,” by Bruce Nissen and Silvana Ianinska-Toneva, program director and research assistant, respectively, in the Center for Labor Research & Studies. UP. Labor Center, Room 309.

**Tues., Oct. 22, 6 p.m. – FIU Honors College Excellence Lecture Series**: The Honorable Roberto Pineiro, Miami-Dade Circuit Court Judge, will discuss “Judgment and Justice in America.” UP. Wertheim Performing Arts Center (WPAC).

**Tues., Oct. 22, 6-8 p.m. – Retail Management Guest Lecture**: N.K. Tripathy, executive vice president of Administration, Burdines. Interested faculty and students are encouraged to attend this talk by one of South Florida’s newest top executives in the retail industry. RSVP to catoggio@fiu.edu. UP. MARC, Second Floor Conference Room.

**Tues.-Fri., Oct. 22-25 – Second Health Seminar for Brazilian Health Specialists**: This four-day hospital administration program will focus on specialized health education and training programs. Presented in partnership with the Centro Universitario Sao Camilo in Brazil. For more information, call Betty Duenas at 305-348-2893 or visit [http://lacc.fiu.edu](http://lacc.fiu.edu). Sheraton Hotel, Miami Beach.

**Wed., Oct. 23, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. – Wednesdays After Hours**: This week features a poetry
reading by the Societa Dante Alighieri. UP. PC 110.

**Wed., Oct. 23, 7 p.m. – The Wolfsonian-FIU Lecture:** Conrad Hamerman, who represents noted Brazilian landscape design architect Roberto Burle Marx’s firm in the United States, will speak about the integration of art and landscape design in his work, which led to some of the most spectacular and colorful gardens in the world. The Wolfsonian-FIU, 1001 Washington Ave., Miami Beach.

**Thurs., Oct. 24, 12:30-1:30 p.m. – Faculty Lunchtime Symposium Series:** Suzanna Rose, director of Women’s Studies and professor of Psychology, will present “Homophobic Violence and Social Action Research.” UP. Faculty Club.

**Thurs., Oct. 24, 2-4 p.m. – “War In Iraq?”**: This teach-in is sponsored by the Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy & Citizenship Studies and the Center for Transnational and Comparative Studies. UP. GC East Ballroom.

**Thurs., Oct. 24, 7-8:30 p.m. – The Wolfsonian-FIU Documentary:** *The Good Fight*, a film presenting the experiences of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade during the Spanish Civil War. Free, but seating is limited. The Wolfsonian-FIU, 1001 Washington Ave., Miami Beach.

**Thurs.-Sun., Oct. 24-27, 8 p.m. Thurs.-Sat. & 2 p.m. Sun. – Marvin’s Room:** FIU Theatre’s production of Scott McPherson’s play about one woman’s commitment to loving others first. Tickets are $6, $8 and $10. UP. WPAC.

**Fri., Oct. 25, 9-11 a.m. – The Fifth Annual Joan & Harry B. Smith Lecture Series:** “How Does Noise Pollution Affect the Quality of Children’s Lives?” UP. GC Ballroom.

**Fri., Oct. 25, 3-5 p.m. – “Brazil at the Crossroads: 2002 Elections and Beyond”:** Plenary session with FIU’s Eduardo Gamarra, Timothy Power, Maria Willumsen; University of Miami’s William Smith; and University of Connecticut’s Peter Kingstone. Cosponsored by LACC, FIU’s Department of Political Science and FIU’s Brazilian Culture Club. UP. GL, Room 220.

**Fri., Oct. 25, 7 p.m. – Volleyball:** FIU vs. New Mexico State. UP. Golden Panther Arena (GPA).

**Fri., Oct. 25, 7:30 p.m. – African Diaspora Film Series:** *Belly Pain* (Jamaica), directed by Karl Ross and Keeling Beckford. Sponsored by the African-New World Studies Student Association, The West Indian Student Association and the FIU-Biscayne Bay Campus Library. BBC. Wolfe Theatre.

**Fri., Oct. 25, 8 p.m. – School of Music Concert:** Percussion concert. UP. Wertheim Concert Hall.
Fri.-Sat., Oct. 25-26, 8 p.m. – Dance Now! Dances: With guest choreographer Michael Uthoff and directors Hannah Baumgarten and Diego Salterini. UP. Studio Theater VH 100. For information call 305-975-8489.

Sat., Oct. 26, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. – United Way Flea Market: Free door prizes will be given away during the event and Party 93.1 Radio will broadcast live as FIU celebrates 30 years of giving to the community. UP. In the parking lot of the Campus Support Complex, opposite the Baseball Stadium.

Sat., Oct. 26, 7 p.m. – Volleyball: FIU vs. Denver. UP. GPA.

Sun., Oct. 27, 1 p.m. – Men’s Soccer: FIU vs. South Florida. UP.

For more events listings, visit the FIU Events Calendar