September 12, 2014

Dear Panther family,

With Homecoming week just 30 days away, it is time to kick our preparations and Panther pride into high gear.

Panthers far and wide will return home in anticipation of one of FIU’s biggest celebrations to date. This year we will welcome back our Panthers from around the globe with exciting events that highlight our university’s traditions, accomplishments and sports, including volleyball, soccer and football! Feel the anticipation for FIU’s most exciting week in the fall and get ready to trample the Marshall University Thundering Herd!

Join us October 12 - 18 for fun concerts, free food, and more! Highlights include:

- This year we are excited to present electronic music legend Tiesto and hip-hop recording artist Ty Dolla $ign for the highly-anticipated Panthermonium Concert on Sunday, Oct. 12. For ticket information, click here.
• Unleash the spirit for this year’s Panther Prowl. Meet us at the FIU Arena at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 15 for a chance to see comedians D.L. Hughley and Eddie Griffin live! For ticket information, click here.
• Come out and cheer on your fellow employees and students at Panthers Got Talent. Space is limited for performances, so don’t delay and register today by clicking here!

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• New traditions are on their way, and for the first time ever we are hosting the FIU Faculty/Staff Homecoming King and Queen competition. Be sure to follow HR Relations on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to be among the first to learn the names of the top 10 nominees on Thursday, September 18th! Once these finalists, are announced, the university community will then have an opportunity to cast their final votes for the 2014 Faculty/Staff Homecoming King & Queen!
• This year’s office decoration competition will be bigger, better and fiercer than ever. Can you outdo last year’s winner, the College of Business? Now is your chance to release your inner Roary and demonstrate your true Panther spirit. Make sure to register your department by Friday, September 26th!
• **Register your unit name** to participate in the first ever **Spirit Hashtag Competition**! We will take to social media to see which colleges/units can tweet, share and “like” the most!

• Everything will culminate with our 2014 **Homecoming Parade** on Sunday, Oct. 18 at 3 p.m., which is shaping up to be our best yet! The **parade will begin** at the Panther Garage past the FIU Arena, go through Parkview Hall, turning left at FIU stadium and then into Tamiami Park, where our tailgating activities will ensue. Then, at 6 p.m. our football team will rattle the cage for our **Homecoming Game** against Marshall’s Thundering Herd. That's when we will announce the 2014 student Homecoming King and Queen and continue the tradition of the Lighting of the Torch.

For a slideshow of the 2013 parade click [here](#)
A video of the 2013 parade is available [here](#)

For a full list of events and ticketing information, please visit [hc.fiu.edu](http://hc.fiu.edu).

I urge you to take part in the Homecoming festivities, give back and support our FIU, because there is no gold and blue, without F-I-YOU! Let them hear us roar!

Go Panthers!

Sincerely,

Mark B. Rosenberg