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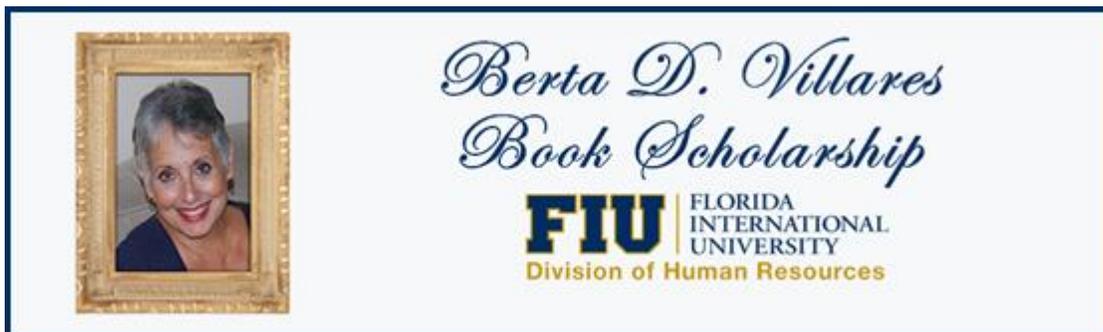
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### Equal Opportunity Programs & Diversity relocates to new office

The Office of Equal Opportunity Programs & Diversity (EOPD) has relocated to **Room 321** in the **Primera Casa (Charles Perry) Building**. EOPD is responsible for advancing, upholding, reaffirming, and monitoring policies and procedures that ensure the University complies with all applicable mandates. This is achieved by fostering collaboration and cooperation in our community and by encouraging all members to respect each other's contributions without regard to gender, race, disability, or any other protected category.

For additional information, visit the [EOPD website](#) or contact the office at 305-348-2785.

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The [Berta D. Villares Book Scholarship](#) was established to honor the legacy of our esteemed colleague, Berta D. Villares. This scholarship will provide eligible faculty/staff members currently using the FIU tuition waiver, a one-time book scholarship based on the established criteria and available funding.

Applications are now being accepted through Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. To review the criteria and to apply for the Berta D. Villares Book Scholarship, please [click here](#). Should you have any questions, please contact Trudy Fernandez, Director of HR Relations, at 305-348-0101.

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**FIU S.T.E.P.P.**  
Striving To Enhance Personal Performance

**Reinventing Ourselves**  
Guest Speaker: Ralph M. Parilla, Jr.  
President of Parilla & Associates  
Wednesday, February 26th, 12:00 p.m.  
Graham Center, MMC

A new year, a new you! At some point, most of us come to realize that life is not a sprint, it's a marathon! Maintaining the same enthusiasm and positive attitude can be a challenge at times. Join us at the next S.T.E.P.P. seminar and learn the essentials to [Reinventing Ourselves](#), both personally and professionally.

Our guest speaker, Ralph M. Parilla, Jr., President of Parilla & Associates will share practical techniques for re-energizing yourself and staying in control of your life. Join us for this upbeat and motivational seminar and explore ways to maintain a positive outlook, including charting your own career path, staying vital, keeping yourself challenged, and taking enjoyment from your work and life in general.

**Advance registration is required by Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.** To register, please [click here](#), log in and click on HR Relations. Should you have any questions, please contact Trudy Fernandez, Director, HR Relations at 305-348-0101.



Join the TLC Brigade Team & Finish The Fight Against Cancer! at the 10th Annual **Relay For Life of FIU**  
February 28, 2014  
6:00 p.m.  
Ryder Business Circle

The TLC Brigade Committee invites all faculty, staff and retirees to join us at the 10th Anniversary Relay For Life of FIU. At Relay, the FIU community comes together to celebrate our cancer survivors and caregivers, remember loved ones lost battling the disease and fight back so that one day we can live in a cancer-free world. Relay For Life is a great opportunity to come together and support our colleagues as well as family and friends who have been touched by cancer.

We invite all faculty and staff to get involved and help make the [FIU Relay For Life](#) the most memorable event yet! We extend a special invitation to all cancer survivors to register as soon as possible – **it's free** – by completing the [Survivor Form](#). This will help the committee have an accurate headcount for the special Survivor/Caregiver dinner taking place at the Relay event after the Opening Ceremony! All Survivors are encouraged to bring family and friends to cheer them on as they complete the "Survivor/Caregiver Lap", the first lap at the Relay event.

All faculty, staff and their families are encouraged to attend and enjoy the many activities including delicious food, desserts and family friendly activities such as bounce houses, dunk tank, jail & bail, and more for small donations benefiting the American Cancer Society. The more participants we involve, the greater the difference we make in the fight against cancer. As a host site, fundraising is optional and not a requirement to participate/attend. Should you have any questions, please contact Trudy Fernandez, Director of HR Relations, or Beatriz Newborn, your TLC Brigade Team Captain, at 305-348-6099 or email [HRRelations@fiu.edu](mailto:HRRelations@fiu.edu).

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## Campus Updates

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### **Ignite 2014 Kick-off**

Our faculty and staff ignite creativity, discovery and innovation – helping advance FIU toward the next horizon. Join us on February 11<sup>th</sup> (MMC) and 13<sup>th</sup> (BBC) as we kick off the 2014 Ignite Campaign and celebrate the impact of your giving! Please click here to [RSVP](#).

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### **Engage in youth sports. Play a musical instrument. Dance your way to fitness. There is something for everyone at FIU!**

FIU's Continuing & Professional Education offers professional and personal enrichment courses for audiences of all ages. Jump into 2014 by enrolling your children in a variety of youth sports or music prep programs. You too can learn to play a musical instrument or take fitness classes at FIU's Jamie R. Bernard Fitness Studio, conveniently located near MMC. **FIU Employees receive a 10% discount on all programs.**

To learn more about FIU's youth sport academies, music prep programs and JRB fitness offerings, visit [There is Something for Everyone at FIU](#). Be sure to apply your employee 10% discount when registering – enter code **fiuemployee**.

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