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WINDY DAY AT MIAMI MARATHON

Thousands faced strong winds to take part in the Fitbit Miami Marathon and Half Marathon on Sunday. Among them: a group of first responders — Miami and Miami Beach police officers and firefighters, some in full gear — who walked across the MacArthur Causeway to bring attention to first responders battling post-traumatic stress syndrome. Lyubov Denisova, 46, a Russian woman, and Hillary Too, a Kenyan man, won the marathon. Story, 1B

NATIONAL PARKS | THE EVERGLADES

Aging facilities in park have fallen on hard times

It's been more than a half

POLITICS Rubio fires his chief of staff

Senator Marco Rubio fired his chief of staff Clint Reed after determining that his top staffer violated office policies regarding proper relations between a supervisor and subordinates.

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WASHINGTON

As the nation grapples with a wake-up call on workplace sexual harassment and assault, Sen. Marco Rubio, the most prominent figure in Florida politics, abruptly fired his top staffer.

But Clint Reed's dismissal shortly before midnight Saturday is largely a mystery.



A four-paragraph statement issued by Rubio mostly served to absolve the Florida Republican for any potential political fallout, and the misdeeds of a man who was earning more

Reed

than \$165,000 a year in taxpayer funds are largely unknown.

Rubio was apparently made aware of Reed's conduct directly on Fridav afternoon. Within 24 hours a man who held senior positions on Rubio's presidential and senate campaigns before transitioning to



century since the U.S. gave its national parks a makeover with the Mission 66 project and in South Florida, battered by hurricanes and harsh weather, the parks are showing their age.

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It's high season at Everglades National Park, the cool months when tourists finally start to outnumber mosquitoes, and the simple construction of sawgrass, sky and clouds appears most beautiful. But not everything is so pretty.

Near the main entrance in Florida City, drivers head into a visitor center parking lot worn down to gravel. Picnickers lunch near barricades and caution tape blocking steps to a shuttered dining hall at Flamingo, the park outpost on Florida Bay. Shivering campers endure broken solarpowered showers at the only



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The Flamingo Visitor's Center at Everglades National Park was already in disrepair when Hurricane Irma caused more damage in September.

overnight accommodations more than a dozen years after a hurricane demolished the old Flamingo hotel and cottages, the promises to rebuild them still unmet.

On the Southwest Coast, a trailer greets visitors at the Everglades City entrance rather than a new welcome center first approved, but left unfunded, since the first Bush presidency.

Four months after Hurricane Irma buzz-sawed its way across South Florida, the state's busiest national park is understandably still recovering. But the shoddy conditions date way before the latest storm. Over the decades, the park and two other vast national wildernesses in South Florida have amassed enor-

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in Havana

now rides

Replica of

Martí statue

A replica of the horseback statue of José Martí that sits in Central Park was dedicated in the Cuban capital. It was cast in Philadelphia and shipped from Port Everglades.

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HAVANA

CUBA

A bronze replica of a famous statue of José Martí that has graced New York's Central Park for more than half a century was dedicated to the people of Cuba just as the sun cast a rosy glow over Havana on Sunday morning, the 165th anniversary of the Cuban patriot's birth.

Cuban leader Raúl Castro attended the brief dawn ceremony at the 13 de Marzo park but did not speak. The current tense relationship between the

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Capitol Hill was gone.

The statement said a hasty investigation by Rubio and his top lawyer determined that Reed en-

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AARON P. BERNSTEIN Getty Images file/May 2, 2017 Sen. Marco Rubio traveled from Florida to Washington on Saturday to fire his chief of staff, Clint Reed.

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Bitcoin and real estate

The buzz in South Florida keeps growing, but questions abound

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ARTS

Chana Budgazad Sheldon has been named executive director of The Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), North Miami. She was the Miami director and national program advisor for ProjectArt.

EDUCATION

Gustavo Trindade has been named director of Babson Miami, Massachusetts-based Babson College's newest campus. He was most previously in the fixed income and foreign exchange solutions team at Santander Bank. Trindade has an MBA from Babson and a master's in economics from Ibmec Business School in Brazil.

Craig Storch has been promoted to managing director and principal in the Miami office of Bernstein Wealth Management. Storch had led the planning, development and implementation of Bernstein's New England practice. Storch has a bachelor's from Ithaca College.

INSPECTION/ CERTIFICATION

Dan Braz has been named merger and acquisition vice president at



Bushman

DiGregorio

Goldstein



Neufeld



Moskowitz

newly formed:

Sheldon

• Adam Moskowitz is

managing partner of the

primarily on representing

commercial matters. He

was previously at Kozyak

Tropin & Throckmorton,

where he was chairman of

plaintiffs in class action and

firm, which is focused

Trindade

homeowners' association law, lien foreclosures, landlord and tenant law, commercial litigation and construction litigation. He has an undergraduate degree from Tulane and a J.D. from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law.

Marla Neufeld has been promoted from associate to partner at Greenspoon Marder and will head up the firm's surrogacy law practice group within the marital and family law department. Neufeld has a bachelor's from American University and a J.D. from the University of Miami.

This column lists high-level promotions of senior executives who are based in Broward, Miami-Dade or Monroe counties. These announcements, which also are at miamiherald.com, are for full-time, paid positions. Send items to movers @miamiherald.com. Put "Movers" in the subject line.



the firm's class action practice. • Howard Bushman is partner. He was at Harke, Clasby & Bushman.

At Haber Slade, P.A., based in Miami, two have been promoted to partner from senior associate:

• Lauren S. Fallick's practice areas include complex business and commercial litigation, insurance coverage litigation, insurance agent liability and real estate disputes, among others. She has a bachelor's from the University of Florida and a J.D. from Nova Southeastern University.

• Jonathan S. Goldstein's practice areas include condominium and

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Mover's spotlight

Name: Mary Rogers

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Position: Vice president and general manager of Fontainebleau Miami Beach.

From: Vice president of operations, rooms.

About: She is the first female general manager of the resort, which has 1,504 guestrooms. She joined Fontainebleau in 2009

and has held many positions there, including executive assistant manager of rooms and senior director of catering and conference services. Prior, Rogers held leadership positions at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company. She is vice chair of the Miami-Dade Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association and a founding member of the South Florida Chapter of Women in Lodging.

Education: Bachelor's in hotel and catering management from the Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology; she is a certified meeting professional (CMP).

Best advice: Simply put, the best advice I have received that holds true for me is that communication is key: Communication allows me to obtain the guidance I need from co-workers to be successful in my role, and it allows me to build stronger relationships and to network more efficiently. It also reminds me to speak to our guests and team members in the same manner that I would want them to speak to me, in both tone and content.

Bureau Veritas in Fort Lauderdale. He was the global head of industrial investment banking at PI Capital International.

INSURANCE/ PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Matt DiGregorio is senior vice president in the South Florida operation of Lockton and will be based in Miramar. He was a principal with Mercer Health &

Benefits based in Fort Lauderdale. He has a bachelor's in risk management and insurance from Temple University.

LAW

At The Moskowitz Law Firm in Miami, which is