Eight Minority Professors To Join UCF
President Altman Makes Announcement At First University-Community Forum

The fall semester will begin with eight African-Americans added to UCF's regular faculty roster, President Steven Altman announced last week at the university's first community forum at the Carter Tabernacle Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in West Orlando.

The eight minority professors, which Altman said represent a start in UCF's cultural diversification efforts, completed their high school education with the largest minority group in their class. They will teach in the colleges of Engineering, Arts & Sciences, Education and Health & Professional Studies.

In introducing the session on "UCF's Role in the Minority Community," before a group of about 90 university staff and area residents, Altman said that two of his highest priorities include "forging new partnerships with the communities we serve and diversifying the student body, especially from the standpoint of minority students."

UCF officials presented information on recruiting, financial aid, and outreach programs before non-UCF people weighed in with questions and suggestions about how UCF might do a better job serving the minority community.

A recommendation from Barry Hensen, the City of Orlando's coordinator of affirmative action, that UCF establish a "physical presence" in the minority community, drew support from several participants, including Kattie Adams, an Orange County School Board member. Henson said a UCF operation in a minority area would prove UCF's intentions of attracting more African-American students. The operation should offer selected academic programs and counseling to potential students, Henson said.

Adams said she has been urging the Orange County School System's administrative offices on Tampa Avenue, which will be vacated for larger facilities, be jointly used by the county school system, Valencia Community College and UCF.

Construction Dominates Campus

With a dozen construction projects currently under way, the hard hat has become the most prominent fashion item on campus.

Most projects will be completed before fall, and workers are hurrying to complete four jobs before funding expires June 20, according to campus civil engineer Mike Spinnato.

The projects, which the state Department of Transportation has assured us we'll be happy with it," he said.

The issues of relocating power poles and resetting of traffic control devices have yet to be resolved, however. "That's up to Florida Power and the DOT," said Spinnato. "We're at their mercy."

The projects under way include a connector road running behind the HVAC plant to CESA; mall parking that will provide 1,100 temporary spaces and include sidewalks around Pegasus Circle and along both sides of Centaurus Drive; drainage control along the west side of Gemini Boulevard West from University Boulevard to Centaurus Drive, which will make driving safer on Libra Road by limiting access to parking lots D1 and D2. Work includes building curbs to prevent through traffic in the lots.

Other projects to be finished this summer and their anticipated completion dates are roads that will provide access to the fieldhouse and track complex under construction, and cul-de-sac for Greek Park Drive (Aug. 10); 71-space Central Reception parking lot (July 27); preparation of Greek lot number 5 (June 1); berm at Lake Claire to shield traffic from the recreational area (June 1); and installation of a chain-link fence along the rear property line of Greek Park (June 22).

Two projects that won't be finished any time soon are the fieldhouse and track complex, expected to be completed by February 1991, and the new art complex, scheduled for completion in August 1991. Both projects were begun in February of this year.

Forum participants generally gave UCF high marks for seeking advice in the black community on how to better serve minority needs. At one point, though, Gabe Kaimowitz, an Orlando lawyer, charged that at the forum was ignoring the issue of institutional racism at UCF. Several community members, including a UCF student, took exception to some of Kaimowitz's remarks.

In closing, Altman said all suggestions would receive careful consideration.

The next community forum is June 18 at 7 p.m. in the Orlando Museum of Art.
Publication of these memoranda and announcements about University policy and procedure constitutes official notice to faculty and staff.

Change in traveler reimbursement rule

Recent correspondence from the State Comptroller's Office requires a significant change in the way certain travel reimbursements are made beginning July 1, 1990. Briefly the rule change is as follows:

1. The rule change applies only to Class C travel - this is travel in which the employee is gone for 24 hours or less and does not stay overnight away from home. Examples of such travel include off campus instruction, flights to Tallahassee for classes where the traveler returns the same day, and travel by automobile to meetings where the traveler returns the same day.

2. The rule change applies to meals claimed during Class C travel as defined above.

3. Meals claimed during Class C travel must be separately itemized on the travel reimbursement voucher and must also be placed on a special payroll voucher. The revised travel reimbursement form and the payroll voucher form will be available from Finance and Accounting by July 1, 1990.

4. Meals claimed and itemized will be paid through payroll, after income and FICA tax deductions. Travelers will receive a separate check for these meal reimbursements. Class C travel meal reimbursements and the taxes withheld must be reported on W-2 tax statements as the end of the year.

Please review and convey this information to appropriate individuals in your area. Finance and Accounting will be conducting workshops to inform departments of the changes which will need to be made in preparing travel reimbursement vouchers.
NEWCOMERS . . .

Leah J. Brodgen (senior environmental health and safety specialist/environmental health and safety) earned a B.S. in physical science from Troy State University. She and her husband Tony live in Oviedo. She enjoys skeet shooting, tennis and sewing.

Diane E. Brown (senior computer support specialist/computer services) attended Ohio State University and Cleveland State University before moving to Florida. She majored in English, music, and computer science. She was a tech writer in Polk County for a large citrus company before coming to UCF. She and husband Steve Kullig have two cats. She enjoys teaching piano, camping, reading, outdoor activities and singing in the church choir.

Stephan C. Delawar (editorial assistant/graduate studies) enjoys tennis, horseback riding, reading, writing and film studies. He formerly worked for NBC news in Chicago, Ill., as a news writer/researcher. He earned a B.A. in theology/communication from Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, and an A.A. in liberal studies from the Borough of Manhattan Community College. He and wife Dana live in Wekiva Springs.

Neelesh G. Dhere (principal research scientist/FSFC) worked in Golden, Colo., as a visiting senior scientist for the Solar Energy Research Institute before coming to UCF. He earned his B.Sc. from M.E.S. College, Pune, India, his M.Sc. and Ph.D. from the University of Poona, Pune, India. He is the founder and past president of the Brazilian Vacuum Society, past chairman of the Latin American activities committee, International Vacuum Union and enjoys jogging, scientific organizations, and education in developing countries. He and wife Sucharita live in Merritt Island.

Bill Doughty (associate director of public affairs) formerly worked as the managing editor at the Destin Log/Destin. He earned his B.A. in journalism from Point Park College in Pittsburgh, Pa. He is married to Candace and he enjoys bicycling and weightlifting.

Michael A. Mullens (assistant professor/industrial engineering and management systems) has a daughter, Marianna, and a son, Sean, 4 and 7 respectively. He earned his B.S. from Mississippi State University and his M.S. and Ph.D. from the Georgia Institute of Technology. Prior to joining UCF, he held positions with Sys-Cem Inc., General Motors Corporation, and Hicks & Associates. He enjoys raising his children, playing tennis and windsurfing.

Deanna J. Pickens (assistant in instructional & research computer support/computer services) formerly worked for Stetson University where she earned her B.S. in computer science. She and husband Joseph live in Sanford. She enjoys ultra-marathon cycling.

James E. Robertson IV (assistant in grant development/division of sponsored research) earned his B.S. in computer science from the DeVry Institute of Technology. He worked for R&D Technologies, Inc. before joining UCF. He is single and enjoys bodybuilding, bicycling, camping, canoeing, jazz, reggae, and comedy.

Daane Thi Vu (senior fiscal assistant/bookstore) formerly worked for the Department of Corrections. She and her husband, Nghiem, have four children; Nghi, 16, Flora, 14, Viet, 10, and Cherry, 8. She earned her A.A. from Pensacola Junior College and enjoys music and art.

PEOPLE . . .

Steve Becker (instructor/English) published in March, the first German paperback edition of the Blue-Eyed Dog, titled Der Sharo, a novel he published a review of John Hersey’s Fling and Other Stories in the Chicago Sun-Times, April 19. He served as clinician for 10 high school bands for the festival.

Dan Jones (associate professor/English) presented a paper titled “Teaching Student Strategies for Writing to Multiple Audiences at the Sixth Annual Florida Technical Writing Conference, March 2.

Ben B. Morgan (professor/psychology) has been selected to serve as a member of a study panel which has been convened by the National Academy of Sciences-National Research Council to conduct a congressionally mandated study of Future Carrier Technology. Dr. Morgan will serve as one of eleven scientists on the Human Factors Technology Group. The purpose of this study is to determine those technologies available to the design, construction and operation of the next generation aircraft carrier and to make judgments as to the impact on carrier size, cost and effectiveness.

The Human Factors Technology Group will survey the applicable human factors technologies and estimate their likely impact on future aircraft carrier design.


Harry W. Smith (chair/theatre department) was elected chairman of the Florida Higher Education Arts Network at its meeting in Pensacola on May 18, 1990.

Susan Strasshofer (instructor/English) presented a paper titled “Teaching Computer Graphics to Technical Writing Students” at the Sixth Annual Florida Technical Writing Conference, March 2.

Edward K. Suh (associate professor/social work) presented “The Psychological Factors of Child Abuse in Valparaiso and Vina del Mar, Chile” and, “Treatment of Abused Children and Their Families: A Case Experience,” at the International Conference About Family Violence, organized by the Catholic University of Valparaiso, May 11 and 12. He also participated in a roundtable discussion on family violence from an interdisciplinary point of view.

CREATIVE SCHOOL
Pre-kindergarten is available for Seminole County residents, tuition free, who meet the following family income requirements:

Family of 2: $10,400.
Family of 3: $13,078.
Family of 4: $15,730.

Kindergarten is available tuition free, for Orange County children of students, faculty staff or Research Park employees.

For more info call 275-2726.

Calendar

When submitting items for the Calendar please include a contact name and telephone number.

On Display - The following exhibits will be on display in the Library:

All Contributions of Ancient Hindus to Science and Technology, by Dr. Anthony Cervone, June 1-30.

Glimpses of the Classical World, by Dr. Anthony Cervone, June 1-30.


On Campus - The following exhibits will be on display in the Library:

Family of 4: $15,730.

Family of 3: $13,078.

Family of 2: $10,400.

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Wednesday, June 6, 1990
Grant Opportunities

FLORIDA HIGH TECHNOLOGY AND INDUSTRY COOPERATION APPLICATION RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM will be soliciting proposals, this summer, for submission in early August. Interested faculty should contact DSR to be placed on the mailing list for complete solicitation. Faculty that will not be on campus this summer should provide DSR with alternate mailing instructions to ensure their prompt receipt of materials.

U.S.-U.S.S.R. COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF BASIC SCIENCE NATION~A SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION PROGRAM (NSF) - NSF encourages and supports U.S. participation in international science and engineering programs and activities that promise to benefit the U.S. research effort. Its program for U.S.-U.S.S.R. Cooperation was established to contribute to the advancement of scientific knowledge by conducting the complementary efforts and capabilities of leading research institutions in the United States and the U.S.S.R. Areas of interest include: 1) Mathematics, 2) Theoretical Physics, 3) Scientific Problems of the Arctic and the North, 4) Condensed, 5) Chemistry, 6) Life Sciences, and 7) Engineering Sciences. DEADLINE: Various.

EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM - U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - This program encourages the creation of alliances between public elementary or secondary schools or institutions of higher education and the private sector in order to 1) Apply the resources of the private and nonprofit sectors of the community to the needs of the educational institutions in the community to encourage excellence in education, 2) Encourage businesses to work with educationally disadvantaged students and with gifted students; 3) Support businesses to work with gifted students, and provide exposures to secondary or postsecondary school students. DEADLINE: Various.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER (ERC) - July 9-12, Orlando, FL. Topics to be included are the latest requirements of the law, new toxicity characteristics, land disposal restrictions, proper disposal procedures, accumulation, storage, transportation, disposal, hazardous waste and procedures for developing a contingency plan. DEADLINE: June 15, 1990.

CARNegie CORPORATION - The Corporation operates grant programs in four broad areas: 1) Education Science, Technology, and the Economy, 2) Toward Nafiity Child Development: The Prevention of Damage to Children, 3) Strengthening Human Resources in Developing Countries, and 4) Avoiding Nuclear War. DEADLINE: Open.

For additional information on these and other grant opportunities, please contact DSR at 275-2886.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE

Saltbead, Watkins 25 ft. Quality island cruiser '85. Mint con. Sloop rig, dependable, top name equipment. Ready to cruise Florida Keys and Bahamas. $23,000. Serious inquiries only. 679-4835.

Land, Seminole Woods- five wooded acres, private secured community, lake access, community park, paved streets, public utilities. $69,900. Call ext. 2488 or 349-9357 after 5pm.

Estate, beautiful country estate. 4,200 sq. ft plus 4 acres, Ten minutes from UCF and Northern Florida. Orange County. $320,000. 679-8788.

Condo, large one bedroom, Mar- beya Club, Casselberry, completely remodeled, extra, access to lake, pool, tennis. $32,900. 671-8434.

Onkyo home stereo with spectrum analyzer and techniques speakers (remote) $1000. Four head stereos Tested $540. Call x5841 or 978-9582.

Microwave Large Touchscreen. Radarange/Amana with sensor tip. Three years old. Excellent condition. $130. After 4:00 p.m. 677-4412.

Couch brown, herculon, very well kept. Contemporary style. Asking $750. Call evenings 657-4457 and ask for Dottie.

Mattress, orthopedic, queen size, excellent condition, $115. After 4 pm, call 658-1373.

White wicker chaise lounge, $75; 4 white wicker club chairs, $75 total; no cushions; call Bv at x2701.

1971 VW Super Beetle, new engine, original German radio. Mint condition, $2500, firm. Call x2759 or 360-7035 after 6 p.m.

Pontiac, Bonneville, 1984, 6 cyl., 4 door, very good condition, auto, PB, PS, air, radio, new brakes, 75,000 miles, 92,600. 671-8434.

WANTED

Camping Equipment- used Tent, lantern, etc... needed. Contact Chic at ext 2359.

COLLIE, old, partially deaf, brown and white miniature collie. Free to good home. Found starving, but has been very loving and responsive to lots of tender loving care. Contact Chic ext. 2359.

FOR LEASE

Home for lease in Park Manor. Option to buy. Ten minutes from UCF. Three bedroom, large eat-in dining room, rec room, large living room and a Florida room and a built-in pool. Call Jocelyn for details after 5:30 p.m. 282-7943 or ext. 2573 from 9:5.

FOR RENT

Executive home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, family room, fenced yard, large kitchen, airium, cathedral ceiling. $800 per month. Near UCF. Call 678-3384.

Mountain tower cottage between June 17 and July 14 in heart of rhododendron bloom. Near both Crangy and Shadow leaf, at a Ridge Parkway. Private mountain; developed but not commercialized. $350 a week. Call 647-0053.


ROOMATE WANTED

Private room, share bath, 2-story apartment, $142 rent, 1/3 utilities. Available June 1. Call Mary 275-2844. After 5 p.m. 823-9504.

Roommate: Private room-share bath, two story apartment, $142 rent, 1/3 utilities. Available June first. Call Mary at x2486 or 673-5504 after 5 p.m.

Roommate, female, non-smoker wanted to share 3 bedroom house in Southeast Orange County. No pets. Private room, share bath. $270 per month includes utilities. Available June first. Call Margaret at x2347 or 273-0571 after 5:30 p.m.


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Callie, old, partially deaf, brown and white miniature collie. Free to good home. Found starving, but has been very loving and responsive to lots of tender loving care. Contact Chic ext. 2359.

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