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News clips

- Novelist E.L. Doctorow conducts a public lecture at the University of Central Florida's student center auditorium on Tuesday, Jan. 22, at 8 p.m.

Doctorow is the author of the recent bestselling novel "Billy Bathgate," recipient of the 1989 National Book Critics Circle Award. Set in the underground of the 1930s, "Billy Bathgate" tells the story of a 15-year-old boy's apprenticeship to the infamous gangster Dutch Schultz, and his induction to a new world with a moral code all its own, lucidly and unabashedly defined by crime and violence.

"World's Fair," his eighth novel, was the 1986 winner of the National Book Award. It is a poignant creation of a New York City boyhood in the 1930s.

Doctorow is also known for his first blockbuster bestseller, "Ragtime," which went on to become a movie.

The lecture at UCF is free. Tickets for a reception that will be held in the faculty dining room at 6:30 p.m. are $7.

For information, call the English department, x2212.

- Approximately 75 Central Florida African-American elementary and high school students, more than double that of the summer ceremony, were recognized for academic excellence and cultural accomplishment by the UCF Center for Excellence last month, and installed into the McKnight Achievers Society.

More than 4,000 African-American students in Florida, selected as young role models within their communities, have been inducted into the society the past five years. The Central Florida program is administered through the UCF McKnight Center of Excellence, one of 10 such centers throughout Florida.

- Season tickets are still available for the Orlando Shakespeare Festival, March 20-April 21. Performances are "Macbeth" and "Twelfth Night." The festival is co-sponsored by UCF. For information, call 841-9787.

Budget may derail UCF plans

Altman asks Board of Regents to consider law school

While contemplating a future that might double enrollment, add more than two dozen new degree programs, and see a law school built, the University of Central Florida also entered 1991 facing the immediate reality of a second cut in its 1990-91 budget.

Due to faltering state revenues in a softening economy, UCF last month absorbed a budget reduction of nearly $1.8 million, which, combined with the October cut of $1.76 million, accounts for 5.2 percent of the general revenues initially allocated for the current fiscal year. Spending controls put in place earlier in the year in anticipation of as much as a 5 percent slash will enable UCF to weather the latest cut without further reducing Spring term classes or paring down the summer class schedule.

The announcement of the second budget reduction came Dec. 12, the same day UCF officials and community representatives appeared at a Board of Regents hearing to outline educational plans and aspirations. The Orlando hearing was the last of four held throughout the state to help the board map a master plan for the State University System for the period 1993-2000.

President Steven Altman, making clear that UCF's first priority is to negotiate current and anticipated fiscal cutbacks before new projects will be launched, told the BOR's master plan committee that growth for the university is inevitable because the region UCF serves is one of the fastest growing in Florida. Based on demographic data, he estimated that the UCF student head count could range between 43,000 and 53,000 by the year 2000. Even if the future is now

Israel Tribble Jr., president and CEO of the Florida Endowment Fund for Higher Education, and newly-elected Orange County chairman Linda Chapin speak to graduates at commencement ceremonies at the University of Central Florida, Dec. 14. A third speaker, Florida's commissioner-elect of Agriculture Bob Crawford, is not pictured. More than 1,600 degrees were awarded at the three ceremonies. Nearly 42,000 have been granted by UCF since its first commencement ceremony in 1970.
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UCF was to expand at a modest 6 percent annual rate, he said, enrollment would exceed 38,000 by the end of the decade (see size/configuration estimates table).

The dramatic increase should be accompanied by important changes in the profile of the UCF student body, Altman said. Besides greater ethnic, racial and geographic diversity, the profile should reflect a much larger proportion of full-time students, the president said.

He said UCF's ratio of full-time-equivalent to head count students should rise from about 6 to 7 by the end of the decade. Similarly, he said, UCF must draw more first-year-in-college students, perhaps to the extent that the lower division numbers between 5,500 and 6,000 students.

UCF's growth-generated development, which hinges on sufficient funding, will be guided by tightly focused goals, he said. The institution's growth plan, he explained, involves leveraging existing strengths to become a preeminent urban university, with nationally distinguished degree programs that correspond to its mission of serving a metropolitan area. Research connected to regional needs figure in that mission, he said.

The 25 new degree programs proposed for inclusion in the master's plan (see listing of individual plans) reflect the additionally, Altman said, focus on the health and helping professions, build up UCF's arts offerings, round out the sciences, and familiarize an undergraduate curriculum that has been skewed towards the sciences, or respond to the needs of Central Florida's economy.

Altman included a law degree in the inventory of programs he asked the regents to consider in framing a master plan. A law school, he said, is needed. Central Florida, he said, suffers from poorer access to lawyers than the state average for person per lawyer. Although there are 353 persons per lawyer in Central Florida, the average improves to 380 statewide, he noted, with such metropolitan areas as Jacksonville, Miami-Port Lauderdale, and Tampa-St Petersburg-Clearwater offering better access than here.

A UCF law school, Altman said, would provide a solid, accredited education, but would be distinctive by relating to current areas of program strength. In that connection, the president said environmental law, space and aviation law, entertainment law, intellectual property law, corporate law and educational law each were candidates for potential distinction.

A law school for some 350 full-time students would cost about $50 million to build and $5 million to operate annually, Altman estimated. He stressed again that the project would be contingent on earmarked funding beyond current funding requirements. The proposal gained the support of others testifying at the hearing, including Lawson Lamar, state attorney for the area, and Fred Loos, also a partner in the law firm of Holland & Knight and president-elect of the Greater Orlando Chamber of Commerce.

**Memorandum**

**To:** University community

**From:** Linda Bonta, controller

**Subject:** Approving payments to vendors

Florida Statue 215.622 allows only five days after receipt of goods or services to inspect and approve payment to vendors unless there is a dispute with the vendor. Finance & Accounting and the Florida Office of Comptroller also have specific time limits for handling payments. Approval should be carried out by submitting a dated receiving report, with two department signatures, or a similarly signed, dated copy of the invoice to Finance & Accounting as soon as possible after receiving the goods or services.

Failure to certify the receipt of goods or services within five days, may incur interest penalties payable to the vendor and chargeable to your department.

**To:** All departments

**From:** W.H. Branch, Computer Services/Telecommunications

**Subject:** SUNCOM service rates

Due to more competitive pricing from telephone common carriers, UCF SUNCOM service rates will be reduced from 18 to 14 cents per minute for in-state calls and from 21 to 12 cents per minute for out-of-state calls, effective now.

**To:** All departments

**From:** Jack Winniad, purchasing

**Subject:** New bidding levels

The 1990 Florida Legislative enacted major changes in purchasing laws, the most significant being an increase in the formal bidding level, from $5,000 to $10,000. In accordance with a recent recommendation by the Interinstitutional Committee on Purchasing for the State University System, the following guidelines for indicated monetary levels are hereby established for UCF:

- $0-$8,500: Purchases will be made based upon the best judgment of the purchasing agent, with two or more informal price quotations, or a similarly signed, dated copy of the invoice to Finance & Accounting as soon as possible after receiving the goods or services.

- $8,500-$10,000: Purchases will be made based upon informal price quotations, received by telephone, fax, or mail.

- $10,001-$25,000: Purchases will be made based upon informal price quotations, or two or more informal written price quotations, received by fax or mail.

- More than $25,000: Purchases will be made based upon formal competitive bids or requests for proposals with public openings on designated dates and times.

Exceptions to informal quotation requirements may be made upon documentation of extraordinary circumstances and approval by the director of purchasing or the assistant director.

For information, call x2661.

**To:** Faculty

**From:** Phyllis Ruscella, library

**Subject:** Library program

The UCF Library is asking faculty members to inform students of a class being offered at the library to familiarize new transfer students with the library resources and services. Brochures detailing dates, times and location are available at the reference desk on the second floor of the library. For information, call x2590.

**To:** All faculty

**From:** Louis Trefonas, academic affairs

**Subject:** Library research carrels request deadline

All requests for the spring semester must be received by Friday, Jan. 11, in the office of dean of graduate studies, ADM 146.

Assignment of research carrels in the library will be made by the dean of graduate studies. Keys will be issued at the circulation/reserve desk to faculty members authorized in writing by the vice president.

Carrels have been built in the library. A few of these have been allocated on a temporary basis to alleviate space problems. At present, at least seven carrels will be available on a semester basis. These rooms must be applied for by the end of the first week of classes. An eighth room will be available upon the discretion of the dean of graduate studies for up to seven days, to be used for short-term projects.

Preference to use any of the above carrels will be given to faculty members involved in sponsored research.

All rules and regulations of the library apply to the use of research carrels. No eating, drinking or smoking is permitted. Faculty using these rooms are expected to cooperate. Supplied carrels will remain in management of carrel privileges.

Library materials left in research carrels must be checked out at the circulation desk. The library staff will retain the right to inspect any room at any time. Library materials not properly checked out will be returned to the shelves. Repeat episodes will result in suspension of study room privileges.

A $5 charge will be assessed to any faculty member who loses the key to the research carrel.

All assignments will be made to individuals involved in research only. No departments will be eligible to access to a carrel. In carrels secured on a semester basis, the last day of testing for the semester normally will coincide with the last day for use of the room unless arrangements have been made (in writing to the dean of graduate studies) for use of the room between semesters.

Faculty must supply each semester for use of the room and be recommended on each case's individual merit. There is no guarantee the carrel will be available to an individual who qualified the previous semester.

Depending upon the demand, two people may be assigned to the same carrel. If there is a conflict the individuals involved will be expected to work out arrangements.

**Correction**

The listing of paid holidays that ran in the Dec. 12 issue of The UCF Report was incorrect. Thanksgiving is Nov. 28, not Nov. 21, as printed. The day after Thanksgiving, Nov. 29, is also a paid holiday. Other paid holidays are: Jan. 1: Martin Luther King's birthday (observed Monday, Jan. 21); Memorial Day (observed Monday, May 27). Independence Day, Thursday, July 4; Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 2; Veteran's Day, Monday, Nov. 11, Christmas Day, Wednesday, Dec. 25.
News To Note

Graduation day

Graduates of UCF's supervisory skills series, offered last semester by personnel services, hold certificates they earned. They are, from left, Pete Cunningham, Judy Odom, G.R. Shahnami, Dan Arnold, Mary Harvard and Kay Harvard. All are supervisors at physical plant, the series' sponsor.

People

• Ronald Atwell, director of veteran affairs, was elected president of the National Association of Veterans' program administrators during the annual association conference in Kansas City, Mo. NAVPA is a national organization made up of veterans' program administrators from more than 500 schools across the country. While the major emphasis of the organization is on veterans' education programs, the organization is also concerned about other issues related to veterans, and professional development among its membership.

• Mindy Colton, director of publications in the public affairs office, has been appointed to the multi-cultural communication committee of the Central Florida chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators, by Stuart Doyle of The Orlando Sentinel.

• Philip Fairey, manager of buildings research at the Florida Solar Energy Center, received a $15,000 grant from the Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation. Fairey, UCF's researcher of the year in 1987, has conducted research at the solar center for 10 years.

• English professor Gerald Schiffrin published two books in the past year: one on poet John Milton (Continuum, 1990), used by students in his course on Milton; the other a textbook co-authored by English department chair John Schell, "Short Handbook for Writers" (McGraw-Hill, 1991), earlier editions of which were widely used in composition classes.

• Edward Sheridan, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, was recently elected chairman of the American Psychological Association Committee on Accreditation, which oversees the accreditation of more than 600 doctoral and internship programs.

• Associate nursing professor Frances Smith published "The Nurse as Therapist," a chapter in the textbook "Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing."

• Legal studies assistant professor David Slaughter conducted a mock trial at the Brevard County Courthouse in Melbourne. Slaughter, a graduate of the University of Missouri, published an article titled, "The Impact of Spontaneous Violence on the Children of the Abused," in the Journal of Independent Social Work.

Engineering technician rescues misdirected checks

Many of the University of Central Florida's employees can thank Walter Mitchell for the paychecks they received Dec. 14. Paychecks meant for UCF were incorrectly sent to the University of South Florida in Tampa on Dec. 13. Upon hearing the news, Mitchell, an engineering technician with physical plant, drove to Tampa to pick up the checks. Because of his actions, checks were distributed on time to more than 3,000 employees.

President Steven Altman said Mitchell's deed was "well beyond the call of duty." "Once again, one of our 'unsung heroes' in administration and finance have really put forth extra effort in service to others," Altman said.

Newcomers

Carol Adams (secretary clerk) graduated from UCF with a degree in management. Her hobbies include computers, reading and sports.

Alice Cannon (clerk typist/admissions) comes to UCF from her job in Merritt Island. She enjoys hiking, camping, fishing and crafts.

Gary Ellison (senior computer programmer analyst/computer services) attended Eastern Kentucky University. He likes golf and softball.

John Harper (research assistant/Florida Sinkhole Research Institute) comes to UCF from the University of Virginia, where he was a graduate student. Harper enjoys exploring caves, hiking, canoeing and cooking.

Thu-Mai Hoang (library technical assistant/library) will be responsible for copy cataloging and authority maintenance.

Toni Waters (information specialist/engineering) had been assistant sports information director at the University of Florida Athletic Association before coming to UCF. She will be developing a new position here, helping to publicize the College of Engineering's accomplishments. She graduated from the University of Missouri.

Keeping kids in school goal of urban program

Fifteen potential dropouts from two Central Florida high schools were to be selected this month to launch a unique program teaming the University of Central Florida with the Orlando/Orange County Compact. The Urban Scholars program will provide academic enrichment with after-school and weekend support and a summer session designed to assist participating students with college preparation.

The program is one of three nationally to be funded through a grant to the University of Massachusetts at Boston from the U.S. Department of Education and Jacob Javis Gifted and Talented program. Funding has also gone to City College of New York and San Francisco State University.

"It's the only one of its kind in Florida, and we're very excited about its prospects for our students," said James Blount, director of UCF's Office of Community Development.

News To Note

Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1990
**For Sale**


**Queen size bed with new frame**. $130 or best offer. **Bed**, in Orlando. **Plays** are "Macbeth" and Grasty.

**Exhibits**

- Monday, Jan. 7-13. **Federal Acquisition Management**. 8-9 a.m. in the library for the month of January:
  - Exhibits:
    - Martin Luther King, Jr., by Phyllis Riddle, x5072 or 877-7752, evening.
    - March 21, Records, Cash Flow & Taxes, Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
    - March 14, Business Plan Development, Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, 1-4 p.m.
    - April 18, Financing Alternatives for Business Growth, Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
    - April 10, Financing Alternatives for Business Growth, Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, 1-4 p.m.

**Courses**

- The Center for Executive Development will present the following courses. For information, call x2516.
  - Monday, Jan. 7-27. Tuesday, Jan. 8. **Effective Nursing Management**, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
  - Monday, Jan. 7-31. Federal Acquisition Management. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
  - Tuesday, Jan. 8-15. Three night week for 10 weeks), **Master Planning**, 6-9 p.m., $375.
  - Monday, Jan. 7-March 11. **Effective Nursing Management**, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., $300.
  - Monday, Jan. 7-Tuesday, Jan. 8 (one night a week for 10 weeks), **Material Requirements Planning**, 6-9 p.m., $295.
  - Friday, Jan. 4, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Tuesday, Jan. 11, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Friday, Jan. 18, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thursday, Jan. 24, Grammar & Usage for the Business Professional (Daytona).
  - Tuesday, Jan. 22, Problem Solving & Decision Making.
  - Wednesday, Jan. 23, **Cash Flow & Taxes**, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - Thursday, Jan. 24, **Business Plan Development**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - Friday, Jan. 25, **Marketing Plan Development**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - Friday, Jan. 25, **Records, Cash Flow & Taxes**, Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - Friday, Jan. 25 and March 22, **Financing Alternatives for Business Growth**, 1-4 p.m.
  - March 21, **Records, Cash Flow & Taxes**, Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - Friday, Jan. 25, **Marketing Plan Development**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 1-4 p.m.
  - March 7, **Records, Cash Flow & Taxes**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - March 14, **Business Business Plan Development**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - March 4, **Business Plan Development**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - Friday, Jan. 25, **Business Plan Development**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 1-4 p.m.
  - **April 11, Business Plan Development**, Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - **April 18, Records, Cash Flow & Taxes**, Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
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  - **March 21, Records, Cash Flow & Taxes**, Eustis Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - **March 14, Business Plan Development**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - **March 11, Financing Alternatives for Business Growth**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - **February 8, March 8 and April 12, Business Plan Development**, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - **March 21, Records, Cash Flow & Taxes**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - **March 14, Marketing Plan Development**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 1-4 p.m.
  - **April 11, Business Plan Development**, Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.

**Closed Classified Ads**

- **Car**, '85 Toyota Corolla. ADR sedan. AM/FM, AC, low mileage, excellent condition, $600 or best offer. **CD player**, Pioneer CD75, 52 track programmable, $70 each. **Air pressure towing machine**, 645. **Mini refrigerator** (good for juggling), $30. **Stand-up weight scales**, $70. **275/8664, leave message.**
  - **Keyboard**, Yamaha PSR 41. Versatile, this has it with stand. Less than half price, $225. **x2842 or 841-4153.**

**Wanted**

- **Lectures**
  - **March 14, Business Plan Development**, Eustis Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - **March 21, Records, Cash Flow & Taxes**, Eustis Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
  - **March 21, Marketing Plan Development**, Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 9 a.m.-noon.
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