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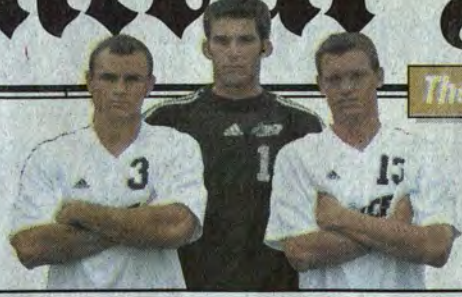
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Budget talk on the table

Trustees convene for ongoing discussion about money woes

PATRICIA XAVIER
Senior Staff Writer

The UCF Board of Trustees meets today to discuss a variety of issues facing students, faculty, and the educational process.

Administrators and members of the board, including Student Government Association President Brian Battles, are expected to discuss items ranging from the 2004-2005 budget to new degree programs. The meeting will run from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Cape Florida Ballroom in the Student Union and is open to all.

On the agenda is approval of the operating budget for the current school year. Although budget decisions were made this past summer, "this is just the final approval to get everything up

Legislature that left UCF with the bill for 4,000 students that the state couldn't afford to subsidize this year.

"We're going to try to influence the process," Lee said.

"We'll do that by lobbying Tallahassee, and try to get them to see the wisdom in funding these unfunded students because right now it creates a problem,

no doubt about it. The board is working very hard with what they have, and we're doing all we can to get a little ground."

But Chase said despite efforts by the board, nothing can be done to help alleviate the budget cuts. He said the board has no power over the legislature's decision at this point, and that if students want these issues to be addressed, they will have to put forth the effort to challenge the legislature.

"There's nothing we can do about that," he said. "Unless the students bring a lot of pressure to the Florida Legislature, I don't see them doing anything. So lobby your legislature."

Lee said other priorities for the committee will include discussion of student funding, preparing teachers more quickly for education due to critical teacher shortages, and stimulating the economic development of the high-tech work force.

The board also is expected to approve proposals for new degree programs. The programs that already have been approved by the state will focus on a new master's degree program in

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—RICHARD LEE
MEMBER, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

and running," said trustee Arlen Chase, chairman of the UCF Faculty Senate.

Trustee Richard Lee, a member of the board's finance committee, said the board will continue to address budget needs, including recent funding approved by the Florida



PHOTOS BY JAN SVOBODA / CENTRAL FLORIDA FUTURE
The Center for Teaching, Learning and Leadership, above and below, took two years to build and creates a new home for students and faculty who had been relegated to portable spaces.

\$11 million education center opens

AMY CASSEL
Staff Writer

The Education Building no longer stands alone. Construction of the new UCF Center for Teaching, Learning and Leadership is now complete, and the two buildings now stand side by side as UCF's newly renovated Education Complex.

More commonly known as the Teaching Academy, the UCF Center for Teaching, Learning and Leadership has just opened its doors for the fall semester. The building houses offices, classrooms, and labs for education professors and students. The project, which began construction with a groundbreaking on Aug. 29, 2001, took about two years to complete. The project cost about \$11 million.

As well as holding offices and classrooms, the academy is home to two notable centers.

The Toni Jennings

Exceptional Education Institute was created to develop educational opportunities and support for children and adults with special needs. Jennings, a former state senator who helped secure state funding for the institute, is currently Florida's lieutenant governor.

The Family Literacy and Reading Excellence Center, also located in the Education Complex, uses scientific research to ensure adequate reading and writing skill levels for children in Florida.

Kevin Miller, an assistant professor for the school's exceptional education program, said, "I really like the new building and its layout."

He added: "It provides a professional look and gives the message that we are serious about our mission of providing quality education programs. As a faculty member, I feel the new

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Cast votes for SGA Senate starting Monday

Partisan campaigns get set to elect many new faces

BEN BAIRD
Senior Staff Writer

Nearly 100 candidates have been approved to run for the 52 SGA Senate seats, with online balloting starting at 8 a.m. Monday at <https://connect.ucf.edu>.

Missing from the ballot are the names of several Senate veterans, thus

making way for many new faces. In addition, election contests appear to be shaping up between three rival factions, despite Student Government Association rules against the forming of political parties.

Voting in those contests concludes at 5 p.m. next Wednesday.

Partisan campaigning is apparent in that every race with multiple candidates has both a Greek and a Progressive candidate running. In contests where there are more than two candidates, an inde-

pendent student bloc calling itself United Students also has put up a nominee.

Initially, one Web site set up to provide voters with candidate information even steered students from the complete list of candidates to a list of those endorsed by the Progressive Council [see article, below]. That link has since been removed.

One potential shakeup in the Senate power structure is taking place as Gabrielle Gibson challenges Kevin

Ortiz, the speaker of the Senate and a former SGA vice presidential candidate. Both seek a seat representing the College of Engineering and Computer Science.

Currently there are 99 candidates on the ballot, but that number will rise to at least 103 as write-in voting occurs for seats, especially in the College of Education, where representative positions failed to attract any candidates.

While many seats have a full slate of four candidates competing for the one-

year terms, two seats in the College of Education went unclaimed. Every other Education seat has only one candidate. The seats for the School of Optics and the Brevard campus also have gone unclaimed.

These vacant positions can be filled in one of two ways. First, they may be filled by a student who decides to run as a write-in candidate; students voting online would simply click the option for

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upcoming events

SGA Student Senate Elections begin
September 29, 2003 - 8:00AM
Student Senate Elections
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Chapter Meeting & Committee Planning
October 01, 2003 - 8:00PM
Chapter Meeting & Committee Planning
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UCF Class Withdrawal Deadline
October 17, 2003 - 5:00PM
Deadline ends at 5:00 p.m., don't be a late slacker.
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NORML Web site 'misdirects' voters

BEN BAIRD
Senior Staff Writer

A link put on the Student Government Association Web site by a liberal student group began causing controversy just one day into the SGA Senate election campaign, which kicked off on Monday.

The link turned up in a section of the site — www.sga.ucf.edu — on which Senate candidates are allowed to post a bio, resume and a platform stating their goals. The intent is to let students become more informed about each of the candidates prior to voting in the election, which opens online at 8 a.m. next Monday and concludes at 5 p.m. next Wednesday.

However, when anyone clicked on the name of a candidate who had been endorsed by the UCF chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws or the UCF Progressive Council, a link would show up reading "back to candidates."

Upon clicking the "back to candidates" link, students were not returned to the

complete list of candidates, but rather were redirected to NORML's Web site. There, they would discover a page containing only the names of those candidates favored by NORML or the Progressive Council.

The action was first reported to SGA officials by senatorial candidate Sean Lavin.

"Bear in mind that all the students who see this information were never informed that they left the official SGA site," Lavin wrote in an e-mail. "All they clicked was text that said, 'Back to Candidates.'"

"Many people will assume that they were redirected back to the official SGA [election] site of candidates, when in fact they were actually redirected to the NORML/Progressive Council-endorsed list of candidates."

Upon being informed of the issue, SGA election commissioners took swift action and removed the link.

Michael Romero, SGA's supervisor of elections, said he did not expect to take any further action against either the Progressive Council or NORML or any of

the candidates endorsed by the groups.

"I don't feel that anybody has been shortchanged in any way," he said. "We took care of the problem before it became a problem."

However, some candidates, including Lavin, said the activity represents an injustice, and that it has hurt their campaigns. Lavin said the matter deserves additional consideration.

"It was there, and I don't think that we can just forget about it," he said. "I'd like a declaration of wrongdoing from them."

SGA President Brian Battles said only that he wished to stay out of the situation and allow the election commissioners to handle it.

NORML President Josh Edmundson, a veteran senator who is seeking re-election in a contested race, did not return multiple phone calls or respond to e-mails seeking comment by press time.

Candidates who have met the requirements to run in the election may revise their platforms on the SGA Web site until 5 p.m. tomorrow.

Candidate endorsements on this Web site were a cause of concern until they were removed this week.

Around Campus

Miss America's reign begins
 "For those who didn't believe in me, and that I didn't deserve it: Ha, ha, ha, I'm Miss America," Ericka Dunlap, the UCF student who is Miss America, told reporters the day after she was crowned. "No," she clarified, "it's a matter of staying grounded and staying humble."

Following Dunlap's win at the Miss America competition in Atlantic City, N.J. on Saturday, her life has become a whirlwind of speaking events. The newly crowned 21-year-old has to put her education on hold for now; if the past is any guide, she'll be in a new town every couple of days for the next year.

During her reign, Dunlap, the first black Miss Florida, plans to continue promoting cultural inclusiveness. "This crown on my head is not just a crown, it's a symbol to me," Dunlap said, according to the *Press of Atlantic City*. "It's a propeller, so to speak, to bring cultural diversity to greater heights." Miss America's public tour began with less than three hours of sleep Sunday, when she shipped off to New York in a limo to start hitting talk shows:

In 24 hours, she visited the NBC morning talk show "Today," "Live with Regis and Kelly," "Late Show with David Letterman," "On the Record with Greta Van Susteren" and "Last Call" with Carson Daly.

Diffuse a dangerous situation

Learn how to handle violent situations in the workplace at a seminar at 12 p.m. Friday in the Student Union Cape Florida Room. A 25-minute video will be followed by a discussion. Guests can learn how to identify the warning signs of a potentially violent person, and actions to take if a potentially violent situation arises. The seminar is sponsored by The Allen Group; call 407-823-0440.

Work out your creativity

UCF's first Improv Gym for the fall semester takes place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday in Trailer 534, Room 105, of Portable Cluster 7. Improv Gym is a drop-in studio and workshop experience open to all and blending a lively environment conducive to spontaneous creativity with art forms such as acting, music and writing. Contact Jason Burdick at jburdick@mail.ucf.edu.

Cope with college newbie blues

A UCF Counseling Center program at noon Monday in Room 221 A&B of the Student Union will address common issues that students face being away from home or on their own for the first time. Presenters include Germaine Graham, a Counseling Center psychologist; call 407-823-2811.

Graduation dates announced

Fall 2003 commencement ceremonies, announced this week, will take place Dec. 15-16. By college, the specific times and dates are:

10 a.m. Dec. 15, College of Business and Rosen School of Hospitality Management; 2 p.m. Dec. 15, College of Health and Public Affairs, College of Engineering and Computer Science, and School of Optics; 10 a.m. Dec. 16, College of Education; and 1:30 p.m. Dec. 16, College of Arts and Sciences.

Regular commencement updates can be found at the Web site of the Registrar's Office, at www.registrar.ucf.edu

Let us know

The *Future* wants to hear from you! If you have a club, organization or event and want your information to be considered for the Around Campus column, send an e-mail to editor@UCFnews.com or send a fax to 407-447-4556. Deadlines are 5 p.m. Monday for the Thursday edition, and 5 p.m. Friday for the Monday edition.

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Challengers are taking aim

Candidates for SGA Senate

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FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	COLLEGE	SEAT
Frank	Koshel	CAS	1
Natalie S.	Taylor	CAS	1
Kelly A.	Morrell	CAS	2
Mikaela	Nix	CAS	2
Andrew	Dilliner	CAS	3
Nathan	Mitchell	CAS	3
Rachel	Navarre	CAS	3
Michael J.C.	McLaughlin	CAS	4
Kailon	Shrum	CAS	4
Andrew	Houchins	CAS	5
Alicia	Reich	CAS	5
Brittney	Rutledge	CAS	5
Kevin	Buck	CAS	6
Josh	Edmundson	CAS	6
Kelly	Travis	CAS	7
Tarah	Tucker	CAS	7
Mary Chris	Ellett	CAS	8
Sara M.	Hunt	CAS	8
Aida	Latorre	CAS	8
Arienne	Buchanan	CAS	9
Matt	Coyale	CAS	9
Makisha	Lester	CAS	9
Matt	DeVlieger	CAS	10
Nick	Merolle	CAS	10
Joshua H.	Eggatz	CAS	11
Rachel	Olander	CAS	11
David	Brown	CAS	12
Brian	Margolis	CAS	12
John	Avola	CAS	13
Luiz	Bravim	CAS	13
Skip	Moedinger	CAS	13
Matt	Shannon	CAS	13
Cassandra	Caceres	CAS	14
Jillian	Kipp	CAS	14
Mark	Lim	CBA	1
Benjamin	Reid	CBA	1
Jennifer	Helman	CBA	2
Anthony	Soroka	CBA	3
Peter A.	Cimino	CBA	4
Michael	Pascucci	CBA	5
Jared	Schiller	CBA	6
Alex	Sigal	CBA	6
Sammy	Mamdani	CBA	7
Kyle	Considder	CBA	8
Kasper	Christensen	CBA	9
Sean	Lavin	CBA	9
Kristen	Perpall	CBA	9
Karen	Shim	CBA	9
Ken	Ebbert	CBA	10
Jonathan	Edwards	CBA	10
Amanda	Forbes	CBA	11
Jason	Quick	CBA	11
Julie	Reeves	EDUC	1
Lindsay	Fox	EDUC	2
Write in only	Write in only	EDUC	3
Teresa	Raines	EDUC	4
Write in only	Write in only	EDUC	5
Kevin	O'Grattan	EDUC	6
Max	Biggar	ENGR	1
Dan	Reiner	ENGR	1
Joshua A.	Smith	ENGR	1
Pavan	Talakala	ENGR	1
John	Kaiser	ENGR	2
C. Hunter	Singh	ENGR	2
Jeffrey	Tuell	ENGR	2
Gabrielle	Gibson	ENGR	3
Kevin J.	Ortiz	ENGR	3
Minh	Nguyen	ENGR	4
Ajwad (AJ)	Ansari	ENGR	5
Eric	Mohlenhoff	ENGR	5
Matthew W.	Reaves	ENGR	5
Jean-Philippe	Perrault	ENGR	6
Keith	Rea	ENGR	6
Mark	White	ENGR	6
Nichole	Ederer	ENGR	7
Bryan	Herde	ENGR	7
Luis	Lopez de Quintana	ENGR	7
Greg	Stevens	ENGR	7
Olu	Aduloju	HPA	1
Amy E.	Ridge	HPA	2
David	Rosenthal	HPA	2
Julie	Taylor	HPA	2
Andreina	Ramones	HPA	3
David	Stella	HPA	3
Curtis	Barnes	HPA	4
Malik	Sawan	HPA	4
J. Ryan	Schroeder	HPA	5
Curtis	Proctor	HPA	6
Jen	Schunatz	HPA	6
Joshua	Wagoner	HPA	6
Evan	Rosenberg	HPA	7
Imaney	Siddiqui	HPA	7
Michelle	Hipps	UND	1
John Benjamin	Zimmerman	UND	1
Ansley	Godber	UND	2
Jose	Sepulveda	UND	2
Brooke	Emerald	UND	3
Matt	Oberlander	UND	3
Erin	Heil	HOSP	1
Write in only	Write in only	OPTICS	1
Write in only	Write in only	BREVARD	1
Michelle	Dragovich	DAYTONA	1

CAS = College of Arts and Sciences
 CBA = College of Business Administration
 EDUC = College of Education
 ENGR = College of Engineering and Computer Science
 HPA = College of Health and Public Affairs
 UND = Undeclared Majors
 HOSP = Rosen School of Hospitality Management
 OPTICS = School of Optics
 BREVARD = Branch Campus
 DAYTONA = Branch Campus

write-in candidates and type in the name of their choice. The vacancy can also be filled through appointments by SGA President Brian Battles and confirmation by the Senate.

Veterans such as Manny Amores, the recently named SGA Senator of the Year, is among the candidates who didn't meet the requirements to run, which range from not securing the necessary 50 signatures to having a GPA below 2.5.

Yet getting rid of veterans appears to be the theme for this year's election, as nearly every major player in the Senate is being contested. For example, newcomer Kevin Buck, chairman of UCF's College Republicans, is challenging incumbent senator Josh Edmundson, the president of the UCF chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, for the same seat representing the College of Arts and Sciences.

Said Buck: "I wanted to give him some competition." He added that he did not want to see anyone go unopposed.

Edmundson, like many other incumbents, is taking the threat seriously. He has constructed an elaborate candidate information page in an effort to woo support.

However, some candidates, such as incumbent Sammy Mamdani, who occupies a seat representing the College of Business Administration, are running unopposed.

"It just feels really good," Mamdani said of his competition-free campaign. "I wouldn't mind competition, but I won't complain about it." Mamdani added that he was honored no one felt the need to unseat him.

Newcomers to SGA find that election time encourages them to take stands on issues that matter to them.

Minh Nguyen is running with a plan to change the Department of Mechanical, Materials and Aerospace Engineering. "I would try to get tutors for engineering, specifically because courses are getting tough, and the students need more help," he said. The newcomer should have his chance; he is the only candidate for Engineering Seat Four.

At SGA computer lab, prepare to get carded

DANA DELAPI
Senior Staff Writer

As of this fall, the Student Government Association requires students to present a UCF ID card to use its computer lab. All other public access computer labs on campus request student NID verification before students can use the services.

In the past, students using the SGA lab only needed to sign in before sitting down at a computer. Now, without a valid UCF ID, anyone wanting to use the lab will be turned away.

The new ID policy began when a student used one of the computers to threaten a professor, according to lab assistant Lucas Cipolla, 22, who is a graduate student studying computer science. Cipolla said the SGA lab is the only one on campus that does not require a student NID for access. "[SGA] needed to keep track of who is

using the computers," Cipolla said. "People can write down any name [on the sign-in sheet]." By asking for ID, the verification is more accurate.

The 14 other public-access labs on campus have had no trouble with students misusing equipment or non-students taking advantage of free services. Bill Branch, director of computer services and teleservices, said students need only a valid NID to log on and use those computers. Since enacting the login screen, Branch said there have been no problems in these labs. Students will only be asked for a UCF ID when using print services. "Students use the ID card to pay for printing," Branch said.

Branch said the public access labs are strictly for enrolled UCF students. There are 106 other departmental labs on campus as well. These labs have various sizes and uses. Restrictions and policies differ among departments.

Forensic science program will offer new master's degree

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forensic science and a doctoral program in conservation biology.

Once approved, the forensic science program will consist of two tracks: forensic biochemistry and forensic analysis. UCF's course of study would emphasize analysis of forensic DNA and physical evidence. The proposal recommended by a committee of department, college and university graduates comes two years after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, when forensic science was crucial for gathering evidence at the sites of the attacks. The proposal said, "Educating forensic scientists who are scientifically-based is crucial to responding to terrorism and providing homeland security to the U.S."

Forensic science major Kara Estes said she was happy to find out the program for her area of studies would be improved with a doctorate degree. "I want to stay at UCF and get my doctorate in forensic science so this decision is a great idea," she said. "I also agree that after 9-11 we learned that forensic science solves everything and can help a lot of people. The program will be great for UCF for students, and for people in general."

The conservation biology doctorate will also consist of two tracks, which will focus on conservation and government agency work. The proposal argues that with Florida's environmental conservation employment creating more than 2.5 million jobs nationwide the state will need 2,500 life scientists by 2009 to solve conservation problems facing Florida.

Biology major Chelsea Stone said that expanding the biology programs would benefit both UCF and the student body. She said the program would encourage her to stay at UCF for a doctorate degree.

"The biology department is in desperate need of being expanded," Stone said. "I have considered going to the University of Florida just because they have more options, but if the biology program were to be

expanded, I'd definitely stay here. I can't see why our biology program can't be as good, if not better than theirs. We have more opportunities here than they do in Gainesville. And our advantages lie in the fact that we live in an area with such a beautiful environment, but we also have a major city. We can balance our studies in those environments. It's perfect for biology."

"This is simply the final piece of acceptance," Chase said. "There's no doubt it will be approved, and then all the pieces are going into processing."

Both programs are scheduled to begin as early as 2004.

In a process traditionally aimed at attracting high quality faculty, the board will also be formally recognizing and approving 32 faculty members hired this year with tenureship status already in place. The formal process will approve faculty from various departments on campus, including Provost Terry Hickey.

In another move aimed at attracting high-quality faculty to UCF, the board will be approving a proposal which gives the president and provost the power to authorize how many additional trustee chairs will be added to the board each year. The number of appointments to the board would depend on the funds available. A committee consisting of the Pegasus professors and the president of faculty senate would select the candidates. Candidates would in turn receive a \$50,000 stipend which could be used as a salary supplement and a 5-year renewable appointment.

The board will also be briefed on a proposal by the Florida Department of Education and Board of Governors that would develop an accountability plan for each level of education in the state. The proposal, which has yet to be fully defined, would develop committees to measure the performances for educational institutions from kindergarten to the university system.

Committee meetings will precede the board of trustees meeting and will last from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Education building offers reprieve from portables

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building provides us a quality place for our quality programs."

The new building has 18 classrooms, with the largest holding up to 96 students. The offices are located on the fourth floor, where there are more than 50 work stations. The new building will be able to accommodate about 7,000 students at one time, said Allison Jefferson, the building manager.

For those faculty and staff members who had offices in trailers, the new building is a substantial upgrade. "It is a lot more cheerful and sunny [than the trailers]," said Rodney Ellison, the technical specialist for the Center for Educational Research and Development.

Although construction has finished, miscellaneous ladders and construction equipment still lie around the building. Boxes upon boxes of office supplies still sit stacked, waiting to be unpacked. There is some work to be completed, but the continuing expansion of UCF's education program continues.



With classrooms, workstations and four floors, the new building can accommodate about 7,000 students at one time. It comprises half of what will now be called the Education Complex.

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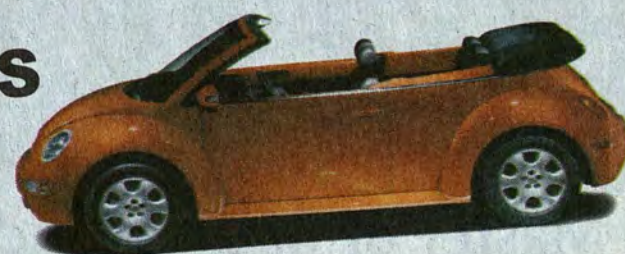


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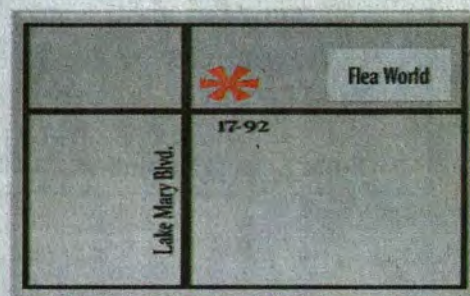
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Panel: Poor leadership facilitated assaults at Air Force Academy

WASHINGTON — A failure in leadership and lack of accountability allowed sexual assaults against female cadets at the U.S. Air Force Academy to continue for a decade, according to an independent panel that investigated sexual misconduct at the school where future Air Force leaders are trained.

"We found a deep chasm of leadership during the most critical time in the academy's history, one that extended far beyond its campus in Colorado Springs," said former Florida Republican congresswoman Tillie Fowler, who led a seven-person civilian commission. "Sadly, we believe this chasm in leadership helped create an environment in which sexual assault became a part of life."

The panel's investigation "found an atmosphere that helped foster a breakdown in values which led to the pervasiveness of sexual assaults," the report said. Between 1993 and 2002, there were 142 allegations of sexual assault.

Nearly 70 percent of female cadets at the Air Force Academy experienced sexual harassment, nearly 19 percent were the victims of sexual assaults and 7 percent were raped, according to a recent report by the Defense Department's inspector general's office.

If you're a theology major in Missouri, don't expect financial aid

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Warning to Missouri college students planning on majoring in theology or divinity: There's no need to apply for state scholarship money. You can't have it.

In Missouri it's against the law to use state funds for those two specific academic degrees. No such restrictions apply to other academic majors.

Missouri is one of 11 states prohibiting the use of state funds for theology or divinity degrees. Two other states are Washington — a lawsuit challenging that state's law is to be argued before the U.S. Supreme Court this fall — and Michigan. In July a federal judge temporarily barred Michigan from enforcing its law in the case of Teresa Becker, who lost her \$2,300 state scholarship once she declared her major to be theology.

At issue is whether qualified students are being discriminated against when they are denied state aid only because they are majoring in theology.

"Students like Teresa should be free to study the subjects they wish to study without being penalized by the state simply because they take religion seriously," said Patrick Gillen of the Thomas More Law Center, which is handling Becker's case.

Appeals court rules recall election must proceed Oct. 7

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. — California's gubernatorial recall election must occur Oct. 7 as scheduled, a federal appeals court ruled Tuesday, overturning an earlier court order postponing the his-

toric vote until March.

The American Civil Liberties Union, which had sought the delay, said it wouldn't appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. That cleared what is likely the last legal obstacle from the path to Election Day.

"With the election just two weeks away, we do not believe we should prolong the uncertainty any longer," the civil rights group said in a statement. "At this point, it is important that the candidates, the campaigns and the voters know that the election will be held on a date that is certain."

Tuesday's decision by an 11-member panel of the San Francisco-based 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals came less than 24 hours after the judges, in a courtroom packed with news media and the public, heard vigorous arguments for and against delaying the election.

At issue was whether six counties' planned use of error-prone punch-card ballots — the kind used in Florida's controversial 2000 presidential election — would disenfranchise some 40,000 voters when voters go to the polls. The ACLU argued that using the punch cards would violate the Constitution's assurance that all votes would be counted equally. It also contended that the balloting would violate the federal Voting Rights Act, which bars voting discrimination on the basis of race.

California Gov. Gray Davis outlaws spam, threatens violators with fines

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Gov. Gray Davis on Tuesday signed into law a groundbreaking bill aimed at banning unsolicited and often offensive "spam" advertisements from the online mailboxes of millions of California computer users.

The measure, by Sen. Kevin Murray, a Democrat, makes it illegal for spam marketers and their advertisers to send e-mail to Californians, unless the recipient specifically requests it or has a business relationship with the advertiser, such as a bookseller.

Violators are subject to a fine of \$1,000 for each unsolicited message and up to \$1 million for blitz campaigns in which hundreds of thousands or even millions of unsolicited sales pitches fill electronic mailboxes.

Judge blocks do-not-call list, says FTC overstepped its authority

CHICAGO — Just days before Americans could expect to eat dinner without interruptions from an unwanted telephone pitch, a federal judge handed a reprieve to telemarketers.

U.S. District Court Judge Lee West of Oklahoma ruled that the Federal Trade Commission had overstepped its authority in setting up a do-not-call list to protect consumers from unwanted phone solicitations. The FTC said it will appeal the decision and asked the court to hold off implementing its ruling.

The registry was to go into effect next Wednesday, and West's decision appears to block that. But legal experts said the ruling confused them, noting that West

did not order the FTC to do or not do anything, thus clouding the significance of his decision.

Approximately 50 million telephone numbers have been entered into the congressionally authorized do-not-call list. Telemarketers contacting those on the list are subject to a fine of \$11,000 for each violation.

Yee arrest sheds spotlight on potential security leaks

For 10 months, U.S. Army Chaplain James J. "Youssef" Yee was the designated Muslim confidant for the 660 prisoners of Camp Delta, the Pentagon's seaside Cuban prison for alleged al-Qaida foot soldiers captured in Afghanistan.

He listened to their gripes, counseled them in matters of faith, and passed along requests for special dietary and religious needs. Although American interrogators sometimes sought his advice on what incentives might loosen the lips of prisoners, Yee made it clear that he wasn't in the business of informing on his charges. And apparently that was OK with Maj. Gen. Geoffrey D. Miller, commander of the task force of 2,800 soldiers and civilians who run Camp Delta at Guantanamo.

"Gen. Miller has given me guidance," Yee said in an interview last month. "He told me he never intends to use me in any way as an intelligence source. Just as, in battle, the chaplain never carries a weapon."

But by the time Yee returned to the United States two weeks ago on a flight from Guantanamo Bay, military authorities suspected he had been doing just that — acting as an intelligence source — only for the other side.

Last weekend's news of Yee's arrest, followed by Tuesday's reports that an Air Force translator at Camp Delta, Ahmad I. Al-Halabi, had been charged with espionage, and Wednesday's revelation that an unnamed member of the Navy assigned there was under investigation, has focused new and unwanted attention on the prison complex, if only by showing how easily even the most cloistered location — a naval base on a remote corner of Fidel Castro's Cuba — can spring security leaks.

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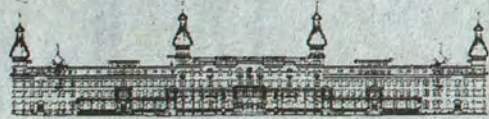
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Despite interest in Clark, Dean is still top target of candidates

DICK POLMAN

Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

As the 10 Democratic presidential candidates prepare to debate in New York City on Thursday, the most compelling mystery is whether Wesley Clark will command the stage like Dwight Eisenhower — or crash and burn like Pete Dawkins. (Remember him?)

Eisenhower was the fabled military hero who rescued the leaderless and powerless Republicans in the 1952 election. Dawkins was the retired brigadier general and Vietnam War hero who was hailed as the next U.S. senator from New Jersey back in 1988 'X until he was trounced on Election Day, his wallet depleted and his ego bruised by the rough political combat.

Today's debate — being shown live at 4 p.m. EDT on CNBC and rerun five hours later on MSNBC — will be Clark's first encounter with the nine Democrats who have been slugging it out since spring. And it is widely believed that the retired general and Vietnam War hero will need to show that he is more than the flavor of the week, that he can keep cool and talk policy in the face of enemy fire.

Weeks will pass before Democrats decide whether he's the new Ike. In fact, a different comparison is more apt at the moment: He's the Democratic version of Arnold Schwarzenegger — another high-profile novice entering the game at the big-league level, trying to learn on the fly, offering himself as the savior of a party starved for victory.

And it's doubtful that the Democratic candidates who have been diminished by his entry will pick many fights with him Thursday. Clark faces an important audition, but it's Howard Dean who still rules this race. It's Dean, the ex-Vermont governor, who may draw the most salvos from the underdogs.

True, Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry charged Tuesday that

Clark was not a real Democrat because he had voted for Ronald Reagan and Richard Nixon. But many analysts believe that Kerry and the others are more worried about stopping Dean's surprisingly steady march in the early primary states.

As Democratic strategist Anita Dunn, who is neutral in the presidential race, remarked Wednesday, "First you deal with the threat you know, not the threat you can't assess yet."

Despite a clumsy start to his campaign, new polls show that Clark is the first choice of Democrats nationwide. But national polls don't matter at this point. What matter are the polls in Iowa and New Hampshire — where Dean is on top, and Clark is a blip — and the candidates' financial reports for the third quarter. They are expected to show that Dean has raised at least \$20 million since July 1 — which would be a record quarterly haul for any Democrat, including President Bill Clinton.

So, for the less successful candidates, Dean is still the top target. Each mainstream candidate — Kerry, Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman, Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt, North Carolina Sen. John Edwards, Florida Sen. Bob Graham — is vying to become the "not-Dean candidate," the party establishment's electable alternative.

But now they must also contend with Clark, because he too wants that role. Dunn said, "He's clearly the candidate who is supported by the shadow government here in Washington" — an allusion to all the top Clark aides who have close ties to Bill and Hillary Clinton.

Dante Scala, a New Hampshire political analyst, said Wednesday: "Clark helps Dean, in a way. Clark is a roadblock for those other guys. He makes it tougher for them to go one on one with Dean."

"So, in the New York debate, expect to see Dean welcome Clark to the race, verbally slap him on

the back, basically just leave Clark alone. Dean has more pressing concerns right now. He needs to say things in the debate that can help him build a broader coalition — blacks, working-class whites — beyond his base of upscale whites and liberal elites."

Clark's prime aim is to offer a consistent, substantive message. He has stumbled thus far; last week, he muddled his own anti-war position by saying that, as a hypothetical lawmaker, he "probably" would have backed President Bush's Iraq resolution (the same stance that has tied Kerry in knots), and that earned him a rebuke from Dean on Tuesday.

But Clark spoke clearly on Monday, opposing Bush's unilateralism abroad, and Wednesday he took his first plunge into domestic policy, declaring in a speech that Bush's "massive tax cuts for the rich" should be canceled, with that money spent instead on job creation, state financial aid, and homeland security. He'll undoubtedly hit those themes again Thursday.

Some Democrats say it is essential to confront Dean on Thursday: Because the presumptive nominee will probably be known by early March, there is scant time to derail him. Besides, they say, winning the White House requires guts and boldness.

But there are risks. Nobody wants to alienate the Dean diehards who, after all, will be needed a year from now when the nominee faces off against Bush. Indeed, cautious Democrats say, the best strategy Thursday is to assail the president, who has been sliding in the national polls — taking major hits on the economy, and trailing Clark and Kerry in separate head-to-head polls.

Most significantly, the independent "swing" voters now give Bush low marks for his handling of foreign policy. At this moment of rare political opportunity, the Democrats on Thursday may ponder whether it is best to fire on some of their own.



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Many public school graduates aren't college-ready, report says

CAROLYN BOWER & ALEXA AGUILAR
St. Louis Post-Dispatch (KRT)

Less than half of the nation's public high school graduates have taken the classes they need to enter the least selective four-year college, according to a recently released study.

The picture is worse for black students. Fewer than one in five leaves public high school with the minimum courses required for a four-year college, the study said.

The situation illustrates the gap between minimum graduation requirements in Missouri and Illinois and what students need to know for maximum career options.

The study, called Public High School Graduation and College Readiness Rates in the United States, released by the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research. The group is a New York City-based think tank whose research has been used to support school choice and vouchers.

Preparation for college has become a critical issue because 70 percent of jobs in the 21st century will require some postsecondary education, said Quentin Wilson, Missouri's commissioner of higher education. Wilson said minorities, low-income students and students who are first in their families to attend college are all underrepresented in higher education.

About 42 percent of public high school students who graduated in 1999 went on to a four-year college, according to a Department of Education report. Twenty-four percent went to two-year institutions and 8 percent attended a technical school.

Students and their parents need to know by sixth or seventh grade the importance of taking strong core courses, Wilson said.

Sandra Schroeder, superintendent of the Madison schools, said a guidance counselor and principal should watch whether students take courses suited to their ability. While a principal of a central Illinois school, Schroeder said she witnessed many seniors taking ceramics instead of advanced math or science. "For students in their senior year, there can be a 'time to play' mentality," she said. "You have to change that mindset."

Researchers for the Manhattan Institute define a college-ready student as one who has graduated from high school, taken certain high school courses that colleges

require and demonstrates basic literacy skills. Researchers used the least-demanding requirements to enter a four-year college: four years of English, three years of math, two years of natural science, two years of social science and two years of a foreign language.

Compare that with minimum graduation requirements in Illinois — three years of language arts, two years of math, two years of social science and one year of science, among other courses.

Missouri's minimum requirements include only one more unit of science.

The discrepancy is why Schroeder says she's taking another look at whether Madison High School offers adequate courses for a college-bound student. In smaller schools, organizing schedules that allow students to take advanced classes can be tricky, Schroeder said. Schools may need to alternate the years they offer certain classes, so that students can fit in a college preparatory slate of classes over four years.

"You can do it, but it's more challenging," Schroeder said.

Jay P. Greene, a senior fellow for the Manhattan Institute, said one thing became clear from the report: "Anyone interested in improving minority representation in higher education has to look at improving K-12 education."

"Counseling students what courses to take could be a good idea," Greene said. "It might be a good idea to increase graduation requirements as a way to guide students. At the very least, high schools have to make available courses needed to go on to a four-year college."

Fixing the problem will require closing the achievement gap between white and black students, providing adequate counseling and making students aware of what is needed to be prepared to enter college, said Howard Denson, publisher of the *St. Louis Black Pages*. He has worked to promote academic achievement and to close the achievement gap.

"It's a really good thing that we are taking a good hard look at elementary and secondary education today and realizing that, in this day and age, we can do a lot better job for all American children," Denson said.

More information about the study is available online at www.manhattan-institute.org.



U.S. President George W. Bush speaks at the 58th Session of the General Assembly at the United Nations in New York on Sept. 23. Leaders from around the globe are attending the gathering where the 191 members of the world body are struggling to heal deep rifts caused by the war on Iraq.

Bush seeks more U.N. help in Iraq

RON HUTCHESON & WILLIAM DOUGLAS
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

President Bush on Tuesday asked for the world's help in rebuilding Iraq. But he made no concessions to get it, and there was little indication from other leaders that they were in a hurry to grant it.

In a speech to the United Nations General Assembly, Bush was unapologetic for going to war without a U.N. endorsement. "Let us move forward," he said. "The nation of Iraq needs and deserves our aid, and all nations of goodwill should step forward and provide that support."

It was clear that bitterness still lingered over Bush's Iraq policy a year after he told the U.N. that it risked irrelevancy if it failed to authorize the war. U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan criticized the U.S.-led invasion for encouraging "the lawless use of force" by other nations, while France and Germany repeated their demands for more U.N. involvement.

Response to Bush's 26-minute speech was polite but unenthusiastic. The welcome for French President Jacques Chirac, who criticized U.S. policy, was far warmer.

The United States is seeking a Security Council resolution that would encourage more international aid to Iraq. But Tuesday's debate indicated little agreement on the U.S. approach.

In his speech, Bush suggested that the U.N. role be limited to helping devise a new constitution, overseeing elections and training civil servants. He rejected requests for a speedy transfer of power to the Iraqi Governing Council, an interim organization established by U.S. officials as a first step toward Iraqi sovereignty.

"This process must unfold according to the needs of Iraqis — neither hurried, nor delayed by the wishes of other parties," he said.

Near the back of the cavernous chamber, a delegation of Iraqis led by Ahmed Chalabi, a former Iraqi exile who hopes to become the country's leader, clapped when Bush concluded his remarks. Iranian delegates seated next to them kept their hands on the desk or in their laps.

Other speakers vented their frustration with Bush's willingness to wage war without U.N. approval.

"The war, embarked on without Security Council approval, has undermined the multilateral system," Chirac said. "In an open world, no one can live in isolation, no one can act alone in the name of all, and no one can accept the anarchy of a society without rules."

Bush and Chirac failed to resolve their differences in a private meeting later. Despite their disagreements, Chirac assured Bush that he would not stand in the way of a U.N. resolution endorsing Bush's views.

Although Bush looked relaxed and confident in front of the international audience, his political standing has slipped considerably since his last U.N. visit. A year ago, 70 percent of Americans said they approved of Bush's performance in office. Now, only about half feel that way.

Polls also show strong opposition to Bush's request for an additional \$87 billion to help pay for operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. Poll results released Tuesday by the nonpartisan Pew Research Center show that 51 percent of Americans think Bush should give up some military control in Iraq to the U.N. to get other countries to send more troops. Nearly 60 percent said they are opposed to the funding request.

Critics said Bush's unwillingness to share power in Iraq could doom the effort to get more foreign assistance.

"I think the president lost an opportunity. He came before the international community and he could have made the case for more troops, for more resources. He didn't do that," said Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle.

Some supporters of Bush's policy also said the president's speech missed the mark. "The president didn't succeed in showing (that) the French plan didn't make much sense," said Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del. But Biden said the U.N. "isn't ready to do anything in Iraq."

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Health Insurers Ease Rate Increases

As companies continue to shift more of their soaring medical costs on to workers, they're also pushing back against steeper increases from insurers and winning better terms than in years past.

The tougher negotiating stance appears to be working, although employers still bemoan the big jumps in insurance rates. After six years of ever-greater premium jumps, average 2004 rate increases have slowed. When health insurers submitted 2004 proposals to companies this spring, premium increases averaged 17.7%, according to a survey of about 140 employers by benefits consultancy Hewitt Associates. But by August, employers had negotiated increases down to 11.5% on average, compared with the 17% they settled for a year ago.

What is giving many employers leverage is a moderation in medical-cost growth. Health-care inflation has been slowing since late last year, as new policies with higher co-payments and deductibles have curbed use of expensive drugs and discouraged elective hospital procedures. The arrival of over-the-counter Claritin and generic versions of popular medicines also have held costs down.

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Connect to Phones

The creators of popular music file-sharing software KaZaA have launched a Web site offering software that allows users to make free phone calls to each other over the Internet.

Called Skype, the software already has 200,000 registered users since a test version was made available two weeks ago, according to the Web site. While making free phone calls over the Internet has existed for several years, Skype's user base is growing quickly and the service may benefit from its association with KaZaA, whose file-sharing software is well-known and has been downloaded more than 270 million times.

Market observers say cheap or free calls over the Internet may drive phone-call prices down further. Instant messaging already enjoys great popularity and is cutting into traditional phone-line revenue. The move away from traditional phones is expected to accelerate with the use of high-speed Internet access lines.

Skype can't be used to call existing landline or wireless numbers. But a spokesman recently said the company plans to launch a service within six months to allow people to make calls over Skype using their traditional phones. Skype intends to make money by selling additional telephone services to users, such as voice mail, the spokesman said. Phone calls will remain free.

NYSE Delays

Plan for Change

The New York Stock Exchange is expected to delay the release of its corporate-governance overhaul in order to give new interim CEO John Reed time to review the report. Mr. Reed, the former Citigroup Inc. chairman, was named interim chairman and chief executive of the NYSE on Sunday, following the forced resignation of Chairman Dick Grasso.

NYSE directors, under pressure from regulators, institutional investors and NYSE membership-seat holders to improve the Big Board's corporate governance, are preparing to propose sweeping changes to how the exchange's board operates.

Camera Phones

Pass Milestone

Global sales of cellphones with built-in cameras surpassed sales of conventional digital cameras in the first half of 2003, a milestone in the mobile-phone industry's drive to capture a chunk of the photography market, research shows.

Driven by surging demand in Japan and South Korea, mobile-phone makers shipped 25 million

Compare and Click

The top U.S. e-commerce Web sites in August 2003, ranked by unique visitors, in millions:



handsets with built-in cameras world-wide in the first half of the year, compared with four million in the year-earlier period, according to research firm Strategy Analytics. In the same period, shipments of conventional digital cameras, the fastest-growing segment of the traditional camera market, doubled to 20 million.

NEC Corp. and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. of Japan and Nokia Corp. of Finland were the top three suppliers of camera phones. Mobile-phone service providers are subsidizing the retail price of camera phones in the hope that they will be used to send lots of pictures across their networks, generating additional service revenues.

I'd Like a Smile

With That, Please

Friendly service is what keeps a restaurant's patrons coming back, not its latest sandwich or special deal, a new study contends.

The study also said "well-balanced, nutritious meal choices are not what customers are looking for when they choose a McDonald's or Taco Bell."

That may give some of the biggest fast-food chains pause even as they seek to make their menus more healthful. Only last week Burger King Corp. introduced three low-fat chicken sandwiches, while McDonald's Corp. said it is testing an adult Happy Meal that features a salad, water, exercise booklet and pedometer to encourage walking.

When it comes to good service, fast-casual chains such as Panera Bread Co. and Boston Market, a unit of McDonald's, easily outperform the traditional quick-service restaurants, or QSRs, the study by NFO WorldGroup found. "An outrageous one-third of QSR customers claim dissatisfaction with several aspects of their dining experience," starting with competent, friendly service, NFO WorldGroup found.

The top-scoring chains among those surveyed were Panera Bread, followed by Subway. Wendy's led the hamburger chains mentioned.

Odds & Ends

State spending on the Medicaid program for the poor slowed for the first time in seven years as state governments continued to cut coverage, tighten eligibility and reduce payments to physicians and hospitals. ... California Gov. Gray Davis signed the nation's toughest antispam law, which prohibits marketers from sending unsolicited commercial e-mail from California or to California residents. The law goes into effect Jan. 1 and could have major ramifications for antispam proposals being considered in Congress and other states.

By Jay Hershey

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CD Price Cuts to Squeeze Retailers

Strategy by Universal Plays to Big Chains, Hurts Independents

By ETHAN SMITH

From 1990 until July 2002, the corner of East 86th Street and Lexington Avenue in Manhattan was home to HMV Group PLC's flagship store in the U.S., where music lovers could browse through tens of thousands of titles priced at top dollar. Now operating in the same 36,000-square-foot retail space: Best Buy, which, in addition to high-volume electronics, offers half as many music titles as HMV at deep discounts.

"That's a perfect illustration of what's been happening to the market," says Michael Nathanson, media analyst at Sanford C. Bernstein & Co.

Tippling the Balance

The surprise decision this month by Universal Music Group to cut its wholesale CD prices 25% is likely to intensify the trend. As details emerge of the pricing-policy change by the world's biggest record company, it has become clear that the move—especially if followed by others—will tip the retail balance even further away from already struggling specialty music retailers.

Universal has pushed retailers to agree quickly to its new pricing terms and, according to a source close to the negotiations, the vast majority have done so. The company, a unit of Vivendi Universal SA, initially wants only a verbal commitment, but it has told holdouts that if they fail to agree soon, the prices they are charged for CDs won't drop until the end of the year at the earliest.

The new pricing structure will squeeze margins for Universal, but it will squeeze them even more for retailers. While Universal is dropping its wholesale price by just over \$3, from \$12.12 to \$9.09, it is lowering

the suggested retail price by \$6, from \$18.98 to \$12.98. Universal is also ending cooperative advertising pay-

their profit margins to as low as 10% on CDs, and charge \$9.99—something they've done in the past for

were roughly in line with Universal's 30% market share, and they made sense for mass stores like Best Buy, whose sales typically reflect those of the market overall. But independent stores with their tradition of quirky hipness were outraged at the notion. Universal responded to their complaints by lowering its prime-positioning requirement to around 27% of total space, or 33% of the space used to promote the major labels' releases. Universal will retain the right to determine which of its CDs are promoted.

Universal also modified the stickers it plans to place on CDs. They won't advertise the new suggested retail price, as the original plan called for, but will instead make a more general reference to the company's new, lower prices.

Some sticking points remain, however. With Universal apparently unwilling to negotiate, a few retailers have made noise about hiring lawyers, or perhaps giving Universal CDs Siberia-like positioning.

An executive at Universal brushes the complaints aside: "I don't know how much of that is bluster, and how much is people dragging their feet about going into a new world," he says.

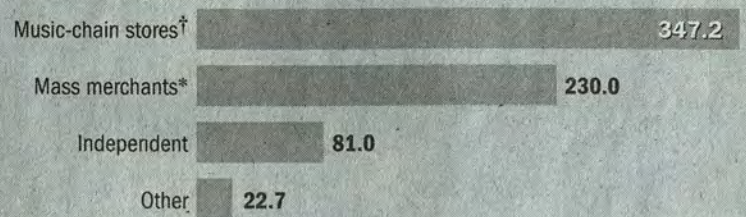
Making the Rent

Some retailers say they were especially irritated by the notion floated by Universal Music Chairman Doug Morris at the time of the original announcement that retailers could still make money by selling CDs for under \$10. "How are we supposed to pay our rent making 90 cents on a CD?" griped a small store owner. Some are also miffed that consumers may have been confused into thinking all CDs would now cost that little, including those not distributed by Universal. "They don't know the labels," says Joe Nardone Jr., owner of the 11-store Gallery of Sound chain in Pennsylvania. "They just want to see the CDs for \$10."

Nonetheless, Mr. Nardone agrees the policy is a good one in its broad strokes. "These are desperate times," he says. "They're gambling, and we're gambling."

Changes Ahead

New CD-pricing policies will squeeze music retailers. Albums sold in 2002, in millions:



†Includes Best Buy Co.

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Source: Nielsen SoundScan

ments, discount programs and other mechanisms that have given retailers incentives to sell some CDs at lower prices.

Given that retailers typically set their own prices, the upshot won't be entirely apparent until the market itself determines what price tag the CDs will carry. But estimates are coming in at the \$11-\$12 range, and that favors big merchandisers like Best Buy Co., Wal-Mart Stores Inc., Kmart Holding Corp., and Target Corp.

John Marmaduke, chief executive of Hastings Entertainment Inc., which operates 147 stores in the West, estimates that for full-price stores in shopping malls, profit margins will plunge to less than 29% from around 44%.

Independent record stores, too, will feel the pain. Many rely on used CDs to boost their bottom lines, says Mike Dreese, CEO of Newbury Comics Inc., which operates 24 music stores in the Northeast. But lower prices on new CDs will drive down used-CD prices.

Big-box retailers have more pricing flexibility and already lowball their CDs to draw customers to bigger-ticket items. Analysts estimate that CDs account for between 5% and 20% of Best Buy's sales, but that they draw as many as 50% of the store's customers. There is widespread speculation that big boxers may drop

short-term promotions. Best Buy confirmed that it would lower prices but declined to be specific.

Best Buy and other big retailers already account for more than 33% of

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music sales, up from 27% five years ago, according to Nielsen SoundScan. "The music business is never going to be a supremely profitable enterprise for Best Buy," says Matthew Fassler, a retail analyst at Goldman Sachs. "But a level playing field at a lower level of profitability for everybody would probably increase Best Buy's market share."

Universal has moved to allay one concern about its new pricing plan. Originally, certain conditions were set in order for retailers to receive the new prices. Among them: Stores would be obliged to give 25% of bin space and 33% of "prime" space—kiosks, displays and the like—to Universal products. Those numbers

Virus Fear Aids Rivals Of Windows

By PUI-WING TAM

In the wake of the havoc caused by the Blaster worm and SoBig virus last month, chief information officers and others in the tech industry are waking up to other potentially more damaging security risks, such as a day-zero attack.

While most tech viruses and worms take advantage of vulnerabilities that a software maker has already written a patch for, a day-zero attack occurs when a sophisticated hacker exploits a flaw that the software maker doesn't yet know about.

This growing concern is good news for Microsoft rivals such as Apple Computer Inc., Sun Microsystems Inc. and Linux.com Inc. According to Symantec Corp., which makes antivirus software, more than 4,000 viruses and other forms of malicious code have been launched against Windows so far this year. Yet there have been no viruses or worms unleashed against Apple's Macintosh operating system since 2001. And just 11 incidents of malicious code have been recorded this year against the Unix operating system and the increasingly popular Linux, a free operating system that is descended from Unix.

At GMAC Commercial Mortgage Corp., Chief Information Officer Niraj Patel introduced 200 non-Windows desktop computers earlier this year. The PCs use software from VMware Inc. that isolates operating systems from the hardware, and can allow them to run both Linux and Windows. "I'm happy with Windows for general use," he says. "But for business-critical situations, it makes sense to have diverse operating systems."

Indeed, it cost companies an average \$81,000 each to recover from a virus attack in 2002, up from \$69,000 a year earlier, according to a survey by ICSA Labs.

Still, there's no groundswell so far of companies moving to non-Windows operating systems as a protection. International Data Corp. forecasts Windows will retain its more than 90% market share of desktop operating systems through at least 2007. Any movement away from Windows would cut only one or two percentage points from Microsoft's lead, IDC projects.

And moving to a different operating system may not be a safe harbor for long. Any alternate operating system that starts becoming popular is likely to soon become a target for virus-writers as well.

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Find out what's worth your time when you're out of class. Don't stay home — GET OUT!

Thursday, Sept. 25

A group of young, California punks playing guitars — what more could a girl ask for? Rufio comes to The Social tonight bringing their Southern California sound to downtown Orlando. Despite the fact that the oldest member of the group is 19,



GET OUT!

the quartet has been touring and just finished their first full-length recording. Their mix of hardened emo-core and 90s post-punk is sure to get the guys moving too. Motion City Soundtrack, The Fight and Northstar will also perform their original punk sets. The show starts at 7 p.m. and tickets are \$10. 407-246-1599.

Friday, Sept. 26

Last night I had this dream that all my teeth fell out while I was flying through the air with Brad Pitt. And then this horse came along and he had a message for me.

Ever had one of those dreams? Well, OK, that one was really weird, but what does it mean? It might mean I need therapy, but if dreams really are the windows to our unconscious desires, then we need to interpret them. Borders Books & Music in Winter Park is hosting a free discussion on dream interpretation Friday.

The Orlando Dream Lab will give examples, meanings and a little insight into the most complex dreams. The free event begins at 7:30 p.m. No matter how hot Brad looks in your dream tonight, try not to sleep through this event. 407-647-330.



Saturday, Sept. 27

Even though most apartment complexes around UCF don't allow animals, that doesn't stop some residents. Now, I am not advocating breaking the rules, but if you're looking to be a rebel and take home a special critter of your own, head down to PetsMart in Waterford Lakes on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The store hosts a pet adoption each weekend with plenty of cute, cuddly animals looking for a home. After the adoption, all you need is a name for your new best friend. 407-658-7710

Sunday, Sept. 28

To go or not to go, that is the question. Orlando has a center completely devoted to the most famous bard of all time: William Shakespeare. The Lowndes Shakespeare Center on East Rollins Street hosts art exhibits and classic Shakespearean plays.

Currently, the center has a southern folk art exhibit on showcase called "Love Conquers All." The exhibit features art of all types during weekdays until Oct. 10.

Also on the center's schedule are performances of Edmond Rostand's comedic drama "Cyrano de Bergerac" by Orlando-UCF Shakespeare actors. The shows continue through Oct. 12, Wednesday through Sunday in the Margeson Theater. 407-447-1700.

Monday, Sept. 29

So you're over 18 and have voting privileges, but because you are away from home, voting isn't much of an option. There is that whole absentee ballot thing, but who wants to go through the hassle? Plus, who knows the people running for office back home? Now, SGA Senate elections are a different story. You can easily vote online at POLARIS, and the candidates are your peers. Senate elections begin today and run through Oct. 1. Exercise your right to vote and be heard. Hey, might as well start some time.



Thinking outside the litter box

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Scarlett O'Hare is eight months old, weighs one pound and lives on campus. She's affectionate, warm, quiet and playful. Her cage, however, is slipped under a bed while her owner is away, keeping her safe from the prying eyes of a cleaning crew or resident assistant. The secrecy is necessary because

Scarlett and her kind aren't allowed on campus.

Scarlett is a rabbit. For animal lovers living on campus, UCF's strict terms and conditions regarding pets are disheartening, but not surprising. Very few apartment complexes allow pets, other than fish, which are not known for being particularly affectionate. As a result, some students opt to break the rules in order ease the

loneliness. Scarlett's owner, "Elizabeth," is one of those people.

A friend of Elizabeth's successfully smuggled a rabbit into her apartment complex. "She convinced me" to do the same, Elizabeth said.

Indeed, it is not always difficult to sneak pets and other contraband items into the dorms, but students who are caught doing so can face major penalties.

According to the UCF Community Living Guide, students in possession of a pet, other than fish in a tank of less than 15 gallons in size, will face a \$25 penalty, as well as possible contract termination in extreme cases. Naturally, the pet can no longer remain in the apartment. The consequences, however, do little to discourage animal lovers.

PLEASE SEE **BANNED** ON A12

Cheap pets to students: 'We need love too'

MATT HEDGECOCK
Staff Writer

Most people enjoy having pets. They're cute, cuddly and provide unconditional love and companionship. Most people, however, don't like taking care of pets. They're finicky, expensive, and have no compunctions about staining even the most exquisite Persian rug.

For most college students, living in an apartment means having a landlord that won't allow the cutest, most obedient pet. So where do college students go to get their companionship?

Fortunately, there are a number of options for students burdened by tight wallets and tight rules. While nearly all apartment complexes forbid dogs, cats, birds and the like, many make allowances for pets kept in cages or aquariums, and it is a fortunate coincidence that caged pets are often cheaper than their free-range associates in the animal kingdom.

Here are a few examples of low-cost, low-maintenance pets to fill the void in your soul:

Sea monkeys and ant farms

As far as cost goes, it doesn't get much cheaper than sea monkeys or ant farms. A good setup for either can be found for \$10 or less, with the only possible extra expense being shipping charges for extra ants. Taking ants from the outside and putting them in the tank will result in carnage and death.

The obvious drawback is that the excitement of these creatures is proportionate to the price. Watching brine shrimp swim and ants dig around is only exciting for so long, and handling either species is definitely not recommended.

Male betta (Siamese fighting fish)

Fish are almost universally allowed in apartment complexes, but many species are very difficult and expensive to care for. Male bettas, however, are extremely easy to take care of. They require only a small, unfiltered tank, daily food and water purifying

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Betta fish, also known as Siamese Fighting fish, are an easy-to-take-care-of alternative to regular aquarium dwelling critters. Bettas require little attention and maintenance and usually live two or three years.

Dave Matthews launches solo debut with 'Devil'

VANESSA PASTORE
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With the release of his solo CD, Dave Matthews has strayed from the comfortable, lucrative arms of his band. "Some Devil," which spells "live demos" backward, was released on Tuesday, Sept. 23 on RCA records.

Among the many musicians accompanying Matthews on "Some Devil" are Phish guitarist Trey Anastasio and guitarist Tim Reynolds, a longtime Matthews cohort. Bassist Tony Hall and drummer Brady Blade Jr. also appear on the album, which was produced by Stephen Harris.

"Some Devil" consists of previously unreleased material except for two tracks. The two songs are "Gravedigger," a recent addition to Dave Matthews Band live shows, and "Another Thing," an evolved version of "Little Thing," which appeared on Matthews' "Live At Luther College" release.

If listeners pick up this new release expecting the same energy and style of

the Dave Matthews Band, they will almost certainly be disappointed. "Some Devil" employs a less explosive, more relaxed approach than the average Dave Matthews Band album. But there's no doubt that any fan of the band will be pleased with Matthews' solo venture.

The acoustic sounds and lyrical genius in this album are both refreshing and elevating. "Grey Blue Eyes" shows signs of Matthews' South African roots, demonstrated by the flow of the music and use of vocals.

"Oh" has a blissful atmosphere with carefree lyrics like, "I love you oh so well, like a kid likes candy and fresh snow."

"Gravedigger," the first single off the solo album, is an intense compilation of words: "Gravedigger when you dig my grave, could you make it shallow so that I can feel the rain." In this song, Dave discloses the harsh truth about death and the last doorway. In the song he reveals the dates on the tombstones of three characters. The rumor is that this is a tribute to Matthews' sister who was murdered in 1992.

Some may compare this album with the many made by the Dave Matthews Band, but doing so is unfair to the album and the artist. "Some Devil" is very different from the band's past albums, and in this case, the difference is a good thing.

For those fans that question whether Matthews will return to the studio with his band, fear not; this sabbatical is only temporary. According to an interview with MTV2, Matthews said, "I had a few songs that never really had a place with the band, so during a break I decided to go into the studio to see what might develop... It doesn't mean I'm not dying to get with the band again... I miss them."



Cover of newly-released Dave Matthews' solo CD titled "Some Devil" which features new and old tracks.

Curtain rises on 'Misalliance'



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"Misalliance" is a provocative comedy by Bernard Shaw telling the story of love and marriage. Starring Heather Friedman (Hypatia) and Toby S. Pruett (Mr. Tarleton), it opens tonight at the UCF Theatre and continues through Oct. 5. General admission is \$10, student price is \$6. Call 407-823-1500 for more information.

Massaging the menace

AMY CASSELL
Staff Writer

Many students wonder why they're feeling stiff and sore, even though they may not have done much strenuous physical activity. They also may notice that their muscles hurt while they are going through a particularly stressful time.

Backaches, muscle cramps, stiff necks and headaches are often accepted as a normal part of college life. But what if this physical and mental tension could be isolated and reduced?

Relief can be found in the hands of others, particularly the massage therapists at the UCF Wellness Center. "Absolutely, school is related to muscle tension," says Elizabeth Toro, a massage therapist who has been working at the UCF Wellness Center

for over a year. Toro says that school-related stress is most apparent during the first couple of weeks of school and then again when finals come around. Many students seek massage during these exceptionally stressful times.

It's been proven that when people have a stressful day, their bodies release a greater number of stress hormones, which causes tension in the muscles. The bulk of this tension is usually felt in the neck and shoulders. Also, if a lot of time is spent on the computer, a person may experience stiffness and pain in the forearms as well. Stress headaches may also occur.

A couple of ways to prevent muscle tension caused by stress

are to stretch the targeted muscles daily and to practice better stress management skills, such as spreading out studying and homework and not exerting the body with various activities. But if those methods are still not enough, and pain is still present, massage is another popular option for relief.

Toro is one of five massage therapists working at UCF. She's been a licensed massage therapist for two years now and is adamant that massages are beneficial for relieving stress and its related symptoms.

"If I could afford it, I would definitely get a massage every week."

— JENNIFER SMITH
SOPHOMORE

"There is definitely less stress [after a massage]," Toro says. Toro also lists better sleeping habits, less headaches and a shorter recovery period for injuries as some of the many benefits of massage.

Toro also says that massages are not for everyone. "Some people love it and other people are just OK with it," she explains. "It's a personal choice." Toro does suggest that if the muscle tension does not go away after trying other methods, massage is worth a shot.

Massages can be very pricey, which can be a problem for college students, who are usually on a budget that does not include luxuries like a massage. "If I could afford it, I would definitely get a massage every week," said sophomore Jennifer Smith, 19, an art major who occasionally experiences muscle tension caused by stress.

What most students do not know is that UCF does have massage therapists on campus,



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Elizabeth Toro, a massage therapist at the Wellness Center, relieves tension from Chad Kramer, a criminal justice major. Most students don't realize how affordable on-campus massages can be.

and that they offer hour-long massages at an affordable rate. It's only \$30 for a massage session, which is cheaper than massage parlors off campus, where rates range from \$45 to \$75 for the same service.

UCF's massage therapy offices are located in the Wellness Center, which is on the lower level of the Recreation and Wellness Center.

Toro suggests that if stu-

dents want a massage they should book their appointments about two weeks in advance. She also says to note that the center's busiest times are the first couple weeks of school and during finals. If students would like to book an appointment around those times, they should do so about a month in advance.

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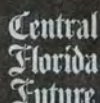
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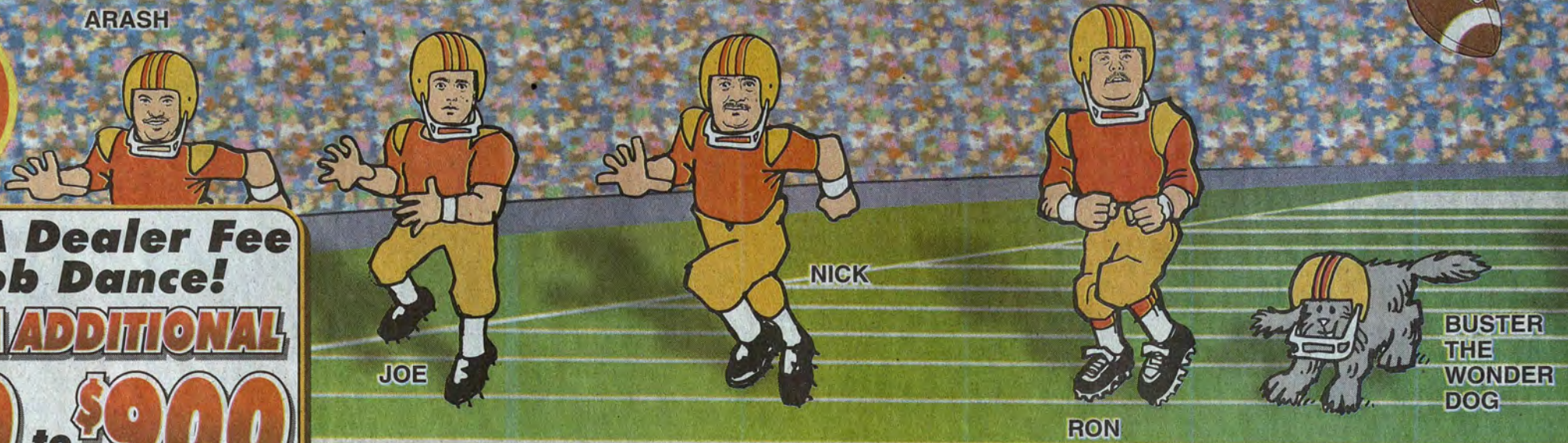


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Banned critters cause problems

FROM A8

"The only thing I'm worried about is if she gets taken away," Elizabeth said. "I don't care about the fine."

It is not known how many students on campus own animals, but the Housing Administration handles, on average, three cases each semester. In all likelihood, there

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—"ELIZABETH" RABBIT OWNER

are a number of other pet owners who are not caught. Roommates are the ones most likely to report a violation, though most roommates will not report an animal unless it is causing problems.

"My roommates don't have a problem with [Scarlett]. They think she's cute," Elizabeth said.

There are multiple reasons for the banning of most animals. One is that animals that are not properly supervised can easily cause damage to a room or personal possessions. Cats can scratch up furniture and upholstery, and rodents can damage electrical cables and wiring.

A second reason is to prevent the spread of disease or allergies. More than 6 million Americans are allergic to cats, and many animals' feces con-

tain bacteria that is harmful to people. Also, animals can cause excess noise, though this reason is not usually an issue since most students choose pets that are relatively quiet to avoid being caught. Dogs and parrots aren't very prevalent on campus.

"I don't think [the ban on pets] is silly because a lot of people wouldn't clean up properly, and some pets would make noise, like rats or guinea pigs," Elizabeth said. "If pets were allowed, they would just end up getting banned again."

Possibly the most serious problem that results from pets in dorms is the subsequent proliferation of stray animals. Cats are the most common animal reported for violation, and students who are caught with them or no longer want to care for them will often just release them onto the campus instead of attempting to find them another home.

These cats quickly become nuisance animals, as they threaten the local wildlife and often carry diseases. This may sound tragic, but students are still discouraged from feeding stray animals, and can face fines or disciplinary action if caught doing so.

Stray animals considered to be a threat are detained and turned over to the Orange County Animal Control Division. Stray dogs are considered to be more of a danger than stray cats, but nearly all cases involving dogs are a result of one wandering onto campus, rather than having been released by a student.

The root of the problem may not be the pets, but their irresponsible owners, it doesn't seem likely that pets will be allowed on campus in the foreseeable future. For now, students who choose to keep pets in their dorms will have to do it in secret.

Either that, or learn to appreciate goldfish.



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Though the name is rather deceptive, the hermit crab is neither a hermit nor a crab. Actually, as a pet, hermit crabs are quite sociable and do well in groups of their own species.

Scorpions, hamsters make low cost, low maintenance pets

FROM A8

drops, all of which can be purchased for about \$15, including the fish.

In fact, many pet stores offer special betta kits which include all the basics, as well as a few extras. Never put two fish in one tank, though; they're nicknamed "fighting fish" for a good reason.

Emperor scorpions

Though large and quite fearsome looking, emperor scorpions are usually quite docile, and their venom is not harmful to humans, making them a good choice for a low-maintenance, exotic pet. Though the scorpion itself usually costs about \$15 and their setup is about the same, they are supreme money savers in the long run. They eat only two adult crickets a week, which will run about \$0.20. That brings the total yearly food bill to about \$10.

Hermit crabs

Hermit crabs are a relatively

cheap pet, averaging about \$5 for the pet itself, but they have a reputation of being very boring. This is often because the owner of a boring crab supplies it with just the minimum living requirements of a very small tank with very little gravel. The larger a crab's tank is, the livelier it will be. Prices on hermit crab homes are pretty open-ended, but be willing to pay at least \$15 for supplies to keep the crab active and happy.

Also, despite their name, hermit crabs are actually quite social, so more than one crab is recommended for maximum enjoyment.

Hamsters

Hamsters have long been known as a classic stand-by for kids without dogs. They are simple to take care of, and they're much cuter than their rat cousins. They only cost about \$8, but they are more expensive to outfit. A good cage with litter and food will end up costing about \$25 to \$30, plus additional treats and toys.

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Briefs

Former UCF cornerback Asante Samuel had a spectacular game with the injury-ridden New England Patriots this past Sunday. Samuel not only recorded his first interception of his young NFL career, he also returned the pick for a 55-yard touchdown.

Not to be outdone by Samuel, former UCF cornerback Travis Fisher of the Rams intercepted a Matt Hasselbeck pass and returned it 65 yards, barely missing his own defensive touchdown.

Daunte Culpepper had a brief scare as he left the Vikings game Sunday with a neck injury. All tests were negative and the stellar quarterback was diagnosed simply with a bruised back.

Former UCF wide receiver and current Oakland Raider rookie Doug Gabriel capped off the weekend of firsts for UCF players in the NFL, when he made his first NFL reception on Monday Night Football against the Denver Broncos. Gabriel is one of a few receivers seeing playing time due to Jerry Porter's injury.

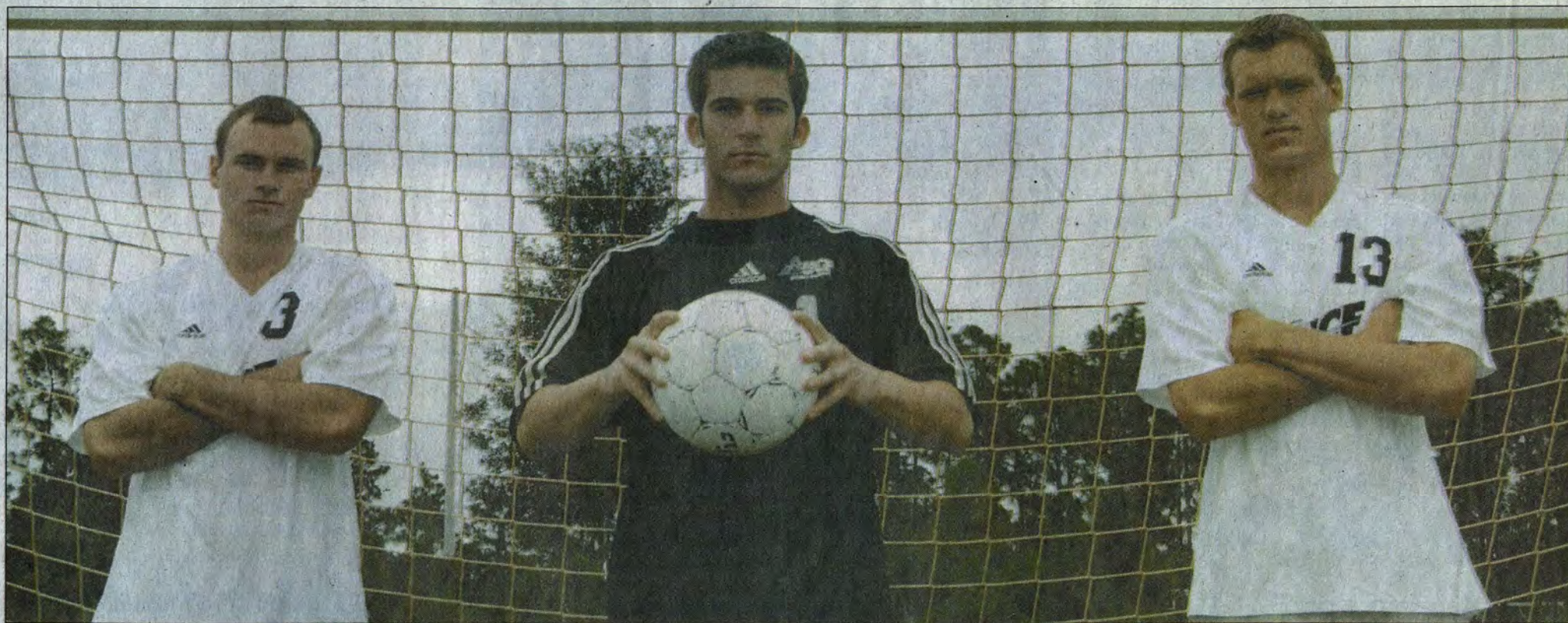
Quotables

"It doesn't shock me. I've been saying all along how good this conference is and how good to a team they can be. I'm proud to be a member of this conference."

—HEAD COACH MIKE KRUCZEK ON THE UPSET VICTORIES OF MARSHALL, TOLEDO AND NORTHERN ILLINOIS

"I bobbled it at first because I was looking towards the end zone and I wasn't concentrating, but I got myself together, concentrated and kept my eyes on it. And I scored a touchdown. It was a great feeling."

—ASANTE SAMUEL ON HIS FIRST INTERCEPTION AND DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWN



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Left to right, Tim Sobczak, Ryan McIntosh and Brian Malec have led UCF to a 4-2-2 record, as well as four shutouts.

Last line of defense

Talented trio performs on and off field

ASHLEY BURNS
Sports Editor

Being the defending Atlantic Sun Conference champions doesn't make anything easy for the men's soccer team. However, when players have more than just being on a team to look forward to, the work becomes something different than expected.

The 2003 men's soccer team is off to a winning start. With a 4-2-2

record, the Knights are showing that last season was anything but a fluke. With new additions and stronger leaders, the team has proven that it can be stronger than the 2002 squad that won it all.

Talent is a good reason for this team's early success, but a better reason is its great defense. As in any sport, team unity begins with friendship. For this team, Ryan McIntosh, Brian Malec and Tim Sobczak are not only the core of the defense, but they are friends.

They are three men that stand on a field with one common goal, and walk off that field indifferent to each other no matter the outcome. With their friendship as a catalyst, these teammates have created a promising defense that could take the Knights to a conference repeat.

McIntosh has been grateful all

along of the work his defenders have done in front of him. McIntosh has already recorded four shutouts on the season, one more than he recorded during all of 2002. However, he is quick to note that the shutouts don't solely belong to him.

"It's not me," said the sophomore goaltender. "It's my defense. We're the core three. We've got some injuries and we're the only ones left standing. I think its because of the click overall. Last year we were really struggling to find that rhythm. Christian Spong and Alejandro Gessen have really busted their butts in front of us."

Malec and Sobczak agree with McIntosh.

"We've had two years to work together," Malec said. "Tim and I last year worked a lot in the back together. We're comfortable. A lot of

it comes from the midfield as well. They're playing the defense that they're supposed to this year."

As much as the trio agrees that they have come together well, they do not believe this team is living up to its full potential.

"I think we started off okay but not great," Sobczak said. "The teams we beat weren't that great. The teams we needed to beat, we didn't. I think it's an average start."

"The first eight games have just been a bit of a show for the new guys," Malec said. "It has given us a chance to see their potential. Once we get everything clicking with the conference, we should be pretty good."

McIntosh, like his fellow defenders, is more focused on the trials of A-Sun competition ahead.

"It's been a lot better start than

last year," McIntosh said. "As far as team unity, everyone on the field is working hard."

"You always want to be on top, no matter before or after. It's not so much easier; it just gives everyone a little more confidence. It gives everyone a little bit more pressure, and you always work better under a little bit of pressure. The A-Sun conference isn't the biggest hype in the country, so it's not like we have the greatest expectations like some of the top national teams. In our own conference, we're the big dogs. To the rest of the country we're underdogs. Nobody really knows us."

The men's team was the heavy favorite in the A-Sun preseason polls to win the conference. This is the second consecutive year that the

PLEASE SEE DEFENSIVE ON A14

MAC run starts with some Flash

Kent State off to unexpected start with early upset

ASHLEY BURNS
Sports Editor

Starting the season 1-2 is never ideal, especially for a team whose expectations were as high as UCF's coming into 2003. But the Knight's season goal of qualifying for its first ever bowl game is very much in reach with a stretch run in the

much improved conference.

Looking to amend for their early season disappointments, the Knights go back on the road this Saturday for its Mid-American Conference opener against Kent State, who along with other MAC teams have made it perfectly clear that they are not going to lay down as in seasons past.

The Knights, who have yet to contribute in the rejuvenation of the MAC, are coming off a third consecutive loss to the Syracuse Orangemen and are looking to overcome a nagging list of injuries.

Saturday

UCF (1-2) at Kent State (2-2)

Dix Stadium, 2 p.m., Sunshine Network (LIVE)

UCF lead the all-time series 2-0 against Kent State, including a 32-6 rout of the Flashes last season in the Citrus Bowl. Kent State is currently atop the MAC-Eastern division standings.

"I think the kids prepare differently for a conference game," Head Coach Mike Kruczek said. "Having been in the conference for a year, I think the kids understand how critical each and every week is when you play a member of the conference. I hope that the difference in attitude and focus will be clear on the practice field."

The Golden Flashes (2-2) have already made some noise in the MAC east this season, as they upset the Akron Zips in the first game of the season, 41-38. Kent State's surprising play is led by the arm of Joshua Cribbs.

Cribbs has the ability to be a high profile quarterback. However, he has never had the ability to stay healthy. In the season opener against Akron, Cribbs battled fellow MAC standout Charlie Frye, passing for 340 yards and three touchdowns on 25 attempts.

Cribbs and the Golden Flashes looked to be part of the MAC's upset weekend last week as they held a 10-7 lead over Penn State early in the game. Unfortunately for the Flashes, the Nittany Lions soon picked them apart in typical



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Junior running back Alex Haynes, pictured here in scoring territory during last year's Kent State home game, looks to pick apart a shaky Kent State defense on the road Saturday.

PLEASE SEE RUNNING ON A14

Volleyball looks for revenge

MATT DUNAWAY
Staff Writer

Every year, when two teams match up against each other, a rivalry forms.

"They came into our house last year, and we lost in five (games)," said outside hitter Emily Watts. "We're out to get a little revenge, so I'm definitely looking forward to it."

Bitter feelings towards one other only add fuel to the fire.

It is only natural that UCF (7-3) and USF (6-9) play each other every year since the only thing separating the two schools is a Sunday drive down the Mickey Mouse expressway.

Friday night at the Corral will be the latest installment of this volleyball rivalry. USF is extremely tough at home since the Corral opened in 1992 posting a 119-19 mark.

"They are a totally different team from last year, and so are we," said head coach Meg Colado. "It's going to be an exciting match."

The Knights come in winners of six straight games, running on all cylinders.

"We are all coming together," Watts said. "It's been a total team effort with everyone contributing."

The Bulls' 6-9 record can be misleading.

Four of the nine losses, including the last three, have come at the hands of ranked opponents. The most recent was Tuesday night's setback to third ranked University of Florida.

USF is led by middle blocker Shameka Mitchell, outside hitter Fran Pozzi, and middle blocker Bonnye Glover on the offensive end. Each have over 100 kills on the season.

The offense is led by setter Melayne Wooten, who has 602 of the team's 645 assists.

Since 1983, the two teams have played every year with the school to the west leading the all-time series 40 to 20.

"We try to improve on what we do everyday," Colado said. "We make sure we take care of the little things, and better our game each day in practice."

USF has won the last nine meetings in the series with the last UCF victory coming in the pre-Colado era in 1996. The Knights are 0-10 all-time at the Corral.

"We're all coming together. It's been a total team effort with everyone contributing."

—EMILY WATTS
SOPHOMORE



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Outside hitter Emily Watts, ranked one of the best in the conference, was named last week's A-Sun Player of the Week.

Defensive standouts focused on trials ahead

FROM A13

Knights earned this recognition.

"We've always been the conference favorites or near the top two in the preseason polls," Malec said. "Given the size of our school, we're kind of expected to be at the top. For the new guys it may give them a little too much assurance. For the returning guys we know what's at stake and what we have to do."

"I haven't really thought that we've had that high of expectations on us," Sobczak said. "Once we hit conference, that's when the expectations really matter. All these games that we've been playing have been against teams that don't even know us. Kentucky and Louisville and all those teams didn't know who we were and they didn't care."

Despite their views of the

pressure, these three stand by each other and their individual contributions to this successful defense. Above all else, these three are comfortable with each other and it shows on and off the field.

They respect each other. They know that they could probably be successful without each other, but they wouldn't have any fun.

"This past weekend, Ryan received all-tournament honors, but I only remember him making one save," Sobczak said. "I'm just joking. It's us three right here. We're the only ones that our coach has kept in the same position. We're all solid players and we're right in the middle. He hasn't changed us. I think we're all solid, smart players and that's helped the most."

Whether they're joking or being serious, these three are poised to lead the Knights to another A-Sun championship.



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Ryan McIntosh has turned back 26 shots in eight games this season, and is unbeaten at home.

UCF soccer takes to the road

Both UCF soccer teams were in action on the road Sunday afternoon.

The women's team, led by junior midfielder Allison Blagriff's two goals, defeated Atlantic Sun opponent FIU, 2-1. The men's team, who traveled to Kentucky for the UK Invitational, lost to the University of Louisville 1-0.

Both of Blagriff's goals were assisted by junior forward Becca Eschelmann as the UCF women's soccer team improved their record to 5-3.

"She is starting to show glimpses of last year", said Head Coach Amanda Cromwell of Blagriff. "She scored two great goals and we look at her to lead us on the field."

With the win, the players avoided losing three straight games for the first time since the 2000 season.

The Knights, who have played five consecutive games on the road, will return home to

play Campbell. Game time is 7 p.m. Thursday.

The men's soccer team wasn't as fortunate as the women's team Sunday. The loss to the Louisville Cardinals halted the Knights' unbeaten streak at three matches.

"The game could have gone either way today," said Louisville Head Coach Tony Colavecchia. "Both teams had a lot of chances and (UCF) had some hit the cross bar."

One good note for the Knights, both McIntosh and junior midfielder Eric Vasquez were named to the UK Invitational All-Tournament Team.

The Knights, who fell to 4-2-2 on the season, have a two-week break from game competition before opening up their all-important Atlantic Sun title defense against Jacksonville at 7 p.m. Oct. 3 in Orlando.

— DAN WIBERG

Running game key to conference opener

FROM A13

fashion en route to a 32-10 victory.

While Kent State has shown signs of promise early on, its only accomplishment thus far has been its ability to topple an incredibly weak Akron defense. The Flashes have no depth at the wide receiver position and should have a tough time against UCF cornerbacks Rovel Hamilton and Omar Laurence.

The biggest threat that Kent State poses is the running game. David Alston can be a very tough running back to stop, but the real challenge will lie in maintaining Cribbs' ability to scramble.

Cribbs and Alston combined for 127 yards on the ground against Akron, while the quarterback had the lone rushing touchdown in the game. Cribbs utilized eight receivers in the season opener, as Daryl Moore led the way with four receptions for 80 yards and a touchdown.

Moore is joined by Darrell Dowery and Antwan Smith as Kent State's receiving unit. Moore is the only senior in the receiving corps; however, Cribbs has the ability to spread the ball



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UCF is 2-0 all-time against the Golden Flashes, outscoring 59-43 in 1997 and 32-6 last year.

around to many of his young counterparts.

The Kent State offensive line will provide a challenge for Paul Carrington and the rest of the UCF defensive line, as its players are all big and experienced. They don't have the ability to open up much of a run game, but they have thus far allowed Cribbs the opportunity to improve his passing game, as well as scramble when necessary.

As always the key to UCF's success will be how many times

tailback Alex Haynes sees the ball and how much room the offensive line allows him to move. Kent State's biggest defensive weakness is the defensive line. UCF will need to utilize more screens and sweeps with Haynes for an easy victory. With offensive lineman Seth Ulsh out for the game, UCF is going to need to speed its offensive attack up to compensate for another big loss on the line.

"I'm very pleased," said Kruczek of the offensive line's

improvement. "We're starting to see some continuity up front after three games. We gave up three sacks to one of the more prolific lines in the country and haven't given up a sack since. Ryan really has had time to throw the football, and if you give him time to throw the football, he's going to hurt you. I'm pleased with the effort and the way they're doing their job."

The rash of injuries will also be a concern for the Knights, who have listed five players on the two-deep roster either as questionable, doubtful or out. Ben Brinson, Keith Williams, Antoine Poe are questionable while Gabby Tores will be a game-time decision.

The Knights still look to overcome their inability to score in the first quarter, dating back to last year's season closer against Ohio. The game begins at 2 p.m. Saturday and will be televised on the Sunshine Network.

MAC PREVIEW

Ball State (2-2) vs. Boston College (2-2)

SERIES: This is the first meeting between the two schools.

MATCHUP: Ball State is one of only three NCAA Division 1-A football to have not lost a fumble this season. Boston College is coming off a loss to No. 2 ranked Miami Hurricanes.

PREDICTION: Boston College 27, Ball State 18.

Cincinnati (3-0) vs. Miami (OH) (2-1)

SERIES: Miami owns a 47-43-7 series advantage against Cincinnati.

LAST MEETING: Miami defeated Cincinnati 31-26 last year.

MATCHUP: Ben Roethlisberger has completed 75 percent of his last 76 pass attempts for 683 yards and five touchdowns to lead Miami, who has defeated Cincy 9 of the last 10 meetings.

PREDICTION: Miami (OH) 31, Cincinnati 24

W. Michigan (1-2) vs. Ohio (1-2)

SERIES: Western Michigan holds a 28-27-1 edge against Ohio.

LAST MEETING: Western Michigan recorded a 23-10 victory over Ohio.

MATCHUP: Both teams are coming off a bye and both have also lost twice to BCS foes.

PREDICTION: Western Michigan 17, Ohio 14.

Iowa St. (2-1) vs. Northern Illinois (3-0)

SERIES: Iowa State leads series at 1-0.

LAST MEETING: Iowa State recorded a 54-10 rout of Northern Illinois.

MATCHUP: Northern Illinois at No. 22 makes its first appearance in the AP Top 25 poll after a season opening win over then No. 13 Maryland and last week against Alabama, in which Leshon Johnson led all rushers with 102 yards despite having a 77-yard touchdown run called back.

PREDICTION: Northern Illinois 28, Iowa St. 23.

Akron (2-2) vs. Buffalo (0-4)

SERIES: Akron has won all four meetings between the two schools.

LAST MEETING: Akron defeated Buffalo 21-10 last year.

MATCHUP: Akron's Charlie Frye is ranked third in the nation in total offense (342.3) and Bobby Hendry has rushed for over 100 yards in eight of last 10 games. Buffalo holds nation longest losing streak at 14.

PREDICTION: Akron 35, Buffalo 15.

Maryland (2-2) vs. Eastern Michigan (1-3)

SERIES: Maryland holds a 2-0 edge in the series.

LAST MEETING: Maryland outscored Eastern Michigan 95-6 in two wins over the last two years.

MATCHUP: Maryland, who posted dominating performances after starting 0-2, looks to avenge its season opening loss against the MAC, an overtime

MAC	CONF.		OVERALL	
	W	L	W	L
East:				
Miami (Ohio)	0	0	2	1
Kent State	1	0	2	2
Akron	1	1	2	2
Marshall	0	1	2	2
Central Florida	0	0	1	2
Ohio	0	0	1	2
Buffalo	0	0	0	4
West:				
Northern Illinois	0	0	3	0
Toledo	1	0	3	1
Bowling Green	0	0	3	1
Ball State	1	0	3	2
Central Michigan	0	1	2	2
Western Michigan	0	0	1	2
Eastern Michigan	0	1	1	3

loss to Northern Illinois.

PREDICTION: Maryland 41, Eastern Mich. 17.

Toledo (3-1) vs. Syracuse (2-1)

SERIES: Syracuse leads series, 1-0.

LAST MEETING: Syracuse recorded a 35-12 victory in 1999.

MATCHUP: Toledo will attempt to upset Big East teams in consecutive weeks after a remarkable comeback win over No. 9 Pittsburgh last week. It will help if Walter Reyes, who amounted 241 rushing yards on UCF last weekend, is kept under control.

PREDICTION: Toledo 19, Syracuse 17.

Marshall (2-2) vs. Troy State (2-2)

SERIES: Marshall holds a 3-0 edge in the series.

LAST MEETING: Marshall scored a 24-7 victory last year.

MATCHUP: Marshall, coming off a historic win over 6th ranked Kansas State, has one of the nation's top wide-out in Darius Watts.

PREDICTION: Marshall 33, Troy State 19

Last week: 4-6 (4-6 against spread).

Season: 12-8 (12-8 against spread).

— FRITZ LORISTON

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GO KNIGHTS!

OUR STANCE

Education center a shining example for Florida

After years in which teachers left the profession while fewer recruits signed on to replace them, America has a crisis. Two million new teachers will be needed in the United States in the next 10 years, according to the National Education Association.

Teachers are paid less than other professionals with the same level of education, and they don't get the respect they deserve. If the trend continues, the increasing number of students in kindergarten through college will be taught by a decreasing number of teachers, and still more instructors will be driven from the profession because of job stress. The cycle will only accelerate unless necessary changes are made.

Fortunately, UCF is doing something about it. In strikingly visual form, the university has launched an offensive against the downward trend with the new Center for Teaching, Learning and Leadership.

The four-story, glass-encased

building dwarfs its neighbor and elder sibling, the original Education Building. While construction of the newer building progressed, the older structure was gutted and modernized; the combined facilities now comprise the Education Complex. Together the buildings stand as a powerful symbol of UCF's commitment to ending the education crisis.

The newest building can accommodate 7,000 students at a time — a lot of aspiring educators. UCF's simultaneous commitment to fast-paced teaching degrees also puts those students to work in the field sooner.

The Transition to Math and Science program, or T-MAST, which was launched this past summer, is part of UCF's forward-thinking strategy to combat teacher attrition in those select teaching fields within Florida. In addition, UCF is targeting the specific problem of attrition among special-education teachers through the creation of the Toni Jennings Exceptional Education Institute, which offers

degrees in teaching mentally gifted and handicapped students.

Meanwhile, the state is moving ahead with plans to increase accountability in all levels of education. Periodic testing, now familiar to grade-schoolers, could make its way to the university level, if only in the form of an exit exam to see how students are doing.

UCF has always had an eye toward the future, and campus administrators knew what they were doing two years ago when ground was broken for the new education building.

The school saw a dire need for more teachers, and it's helping to fulfill the need. It's providing the facilities and the programs to replace retiring teachers, and to swell the teaching ranks of an education system that enrolls more students every year.

If other state schools follow UCF's lead, Florida has a chance at a recovery. The future of both Florida and the university depend on it.

OUR STANCE

TV cheapened by [expletive] language

Cussing on TV is on the rise, says a Parents Television Council report released Monday. The report focused on the "family hour" from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m., and found a 94.8 percent increase in foul language between 1998 and 2002 in shows on the major broadcast networks.

In the 9 p.m. hour, profanity increased a more disconcerting 109 percent. Strangely, the typically risqué Fox network actually showed a 25 percent drop in foul language in the family hour during the same study period, though it did experience a 75 percent increase in cursing during the following hour.

This comes as no surprise to most Americans. The increase in profanity on television was one of the major reasons for the enactment of a TV-ratings system, as well as the invention of the V-chip. That chip, which allows individual programmers to filter content they deem offensive, was ordered to be installed in all new televisions as part of the 1996 Telecommunications Act approved by Congress.

Though the strongest proponents of those measures included right-wing Christians, the measures also reflected a growing distrust by the American people of television networks' ability to police themselves. Sadly, it could be argued that parents who sup-

ported those laws simply were too lazy to check out the shows themselves, and wanted a simple, technological way to get around being good parents.

What the council could not quantify is the reflection of society behind the figures. What is causing the increased amount of foul language on television is an increased tolerance for it in daily life.

This stands in stark irony to the public's growing concern over television's increasingly risqué and explicit content, but reflect a truth about America's children. Studies have shown that kids are already more foul-mouthed than the networks by middle-school age.

These TV shows are simply repeating words that kids are just as likely to hear from family and friends. It's those role models, rather than television, who have the most influence. If grandpa cusses all the time, then little Alex is likely to do the same.

By attempting to curb cursing on the air, what are we protecting kids from? That question will be debated forever.

Freedom means the networks have the right to use whatever language they want as long as it's not legally obscene, but there's no accounting for taste. Shows like "The Osbournes" and "The Jerry Springer Show" have

shown us how demeaning cursing can be. With bleeps flying almost more frequently than actual language, shows like these drag down society at large. Springer has become synonymous with "white trash" because, among other reasons, the gratuitous cursing defines low-class behavior. Only the lowest rungs of society consider "The Osbournes" or "The Jerry Springer Show" good television.

The notoriously vulgar "South Park" even went so far as to broadcast an episode that incorporated the "S" word more than 160 times. The show did so to mock these other shows by portraying their "groundbreaking" use of blue language as a ridiculous extreme.

Course words have always been a part of society. They show extreme emotion and at times say what other words can't. Unfortunately, some shows haven't learned when enough is enough, and continue to exploit the language to the point of making it moot.

Though censorship is an extreme solution, the networks should look toward more discretionary use of curse words in the future. The last thing the world needs is to be dumbed down by more expletive-laden garbage that rarely entertains and never educates.



Young man, turn that !#\$\$% off. That's not appropriate for children!

HVS
HENRY SCHREIBER / CENTRAL FLORIDA FUTURE

READER VIEWS

Football bashing excessive

Ashley Burns' Sept. 22 column about the UCF football team was very disrespectful. I am very surprised an article of that nature was even allowed to be printed. Virginia Tech was only the ninth-ranked team in the country when we faced them, and Syracuse has been a great program for many years.

The media even came down on us for our win against FAU — yeah, that's right, when we won. You make it seem as if we lost that game. No matter how ugly it was, the bottom line is that we won the game. The only people who have any grounds to criticize this team are the coaches and the players on the team. Every game for us is a big game.

The bigger schools have to be at their best because they don't want to lose to UCF. The smaller schools feel that they are better than us, so they are at their best. It's not an excuse, that's just the way it is.

Let's talk about facts — how players such as Roy Williams, who suffers from diabetes, lay it on the line every day for this team, and others such as Lemec Bernard, despite many personal problems, continue to be key members of this team.

It's amazing how someone whose only college football experience is on a Playstation can talk bad about us! The true UCF fans know what type of team we have and what we are capable of. When we start winning, there will be no more room left on the bandwagon.

— GERREN BRAY

Wins would draw a crowd

Instead of UCF forcing students/alumni/college football fans into the stadium with Gestapo-like tactics, UCF should instead win meaningful football games. Give us reason to enter the stadium, besides access to more beer after we have run out in the parking lots. Why would the alumni travel to see UCF play FAU, or to lose to a larger, named school?

After a weekend of huge headlines for the MAC conference with three key wins against Bowl Championship Series schools, UCF was the evidence to the other side of the argument that smaller conferences do not deserve BCS bowl bids. It would have been great exposure for the MAC and UCF if the UCF football team would have at least made a minimal showing at Syracuse and/or Virginia Tech.

As a UCF alumnus, I am able to comprehend many complicated formulas. The UCF football department should try this one: Wins=attendance.

— JOHN RODDA

Clean Water Act staple of U.S.

Environmental law since the 1970s is under massive attack by the George W. Bush administration. On Jan. 15, the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, both parts of the executive branch of government, announced a proposed rules change that would gut water protections for a huge amount of the nation's waters. Even though these rules have not gone into effect, the administration has said that regulators should act as if the new rules were already in effect.

The changes would take away protection from waterways designated as isolated, even though there is no such thing as an isolated waterway; water moves from stream to river to lake, soaks through the ground into well water, and evaporates only to rain elsewhere. The Bush administration has indicated that it will probably side with industry lobbyists who want the term "isolated" defined as broadly as possible, including waterways that are not large enough for navigation — waterways such as smaller rivers and streams, ponds and wetlands. You can bet that many Florida wetlands and waterways, like our Econlockhatchee River, will be classified as isolated.

Luckily, some U.S. senators and congressmen are circulating a "dear colleague" letter to Bush, asking him to stop these atrocious limitations on the power to stop water pollution. This letter is being circulated in

Congress by Reps. James Oberstar, Jim Saxton, Jim Leach and John Dingell, gathering signatures before going to the president.

— DANIEL HOLBERT

Arafat no ally of peace

Regarding the continued unrest in Israel: It is worth considering that President Bush was not elected, but appointed by a Supreme Court whose members were mostly appointed by Bush's father. Arafat won an election in 1996 with 88.1 percent of the popular vote in an election that was monitored by the international community and by the Carter Center and was personally certified by former President Jimmy Carter.

The opinion section printed an article on Sept. 18 regarding Arafat's past election in 1996. It is an interesting analogy one makes between Arafat, a known terrorist who incites his people to violence, and President Bush, the leader of the free world. Notice how the Palestinians are far from free, because their so-called leader is a money-grubbing killer who keeps his own people down. So Arafat was personally certified by a past U.S. president? Well, then I guess Arafat should stay in power and continue to lead his people down a dark path. I remember all too well Arafat and the late Israeli Prime Minister Rabin shaking hands on the White House lawn a few years ago. Since then, however, Arafat has shown his true colors to the world; this man is no ally of peace. Arafat needs to go and the sooner that happens, the sooner the Palestinian people will have a chance at a better future.

— NOAH SAPOSNIK

University? Not with flags

Many readers have commented on these pages that a majority of students want flags in the classroom. That may be, but a university is not for the majority — it's for everyone. If even one person is offended by an unnecessary classroom fixture, like a flag or picture, it should be removed.

But this message has been lost in political rhetoric from ROCK's opponents. They don't supply the case against flags in the classroom, but they are the support for my argument. They honestly believe that they cannot learn well in a classroom where the U.S. flag is on display. If that's the case, it needs to go, because it's hindering the university's purpose of unbiased truth-seeking.

If UCF is no longer interested in discovering the truth and would rather fly flags, we should change its name to the Tertiary School of Central Florida and revoke its accreditation.

— GORDON WORLEY

Flag ceremony conspicuously quiet

The Central Florida Future stated in its Sept. 16 issue that ROCK held a ceremony for the installation of the first flag in a classroom. Protesters were, as you noted, conspicuously absent. Reportedly, so were any student supporters not directly affiliated with ROCK.

Oddly enough, very few students knew about the flag-hanging ceremony before your article. To my knowledge, ROCK did not publicly announce the ceremony on campus, removing from any students, those in support of, or against, the right to witness the hanging of the first flag on campus.

If this project is for the improvement of campus, and not a political move, why was the student body not informed of the ceremony?

Perhaps this is an indication that the flag raised by ROCK is not a flag meant to represent our democracy and everyone in it — even those who would exercise their constitutionally protected right to free speech in resistance or opposition of the actions of the current administration. Note that the right to free speech is "constitutionally protected," not "flag protected."

If the flags are for the campus and for all students, should not have all students been notified?

— EMILY RUFF

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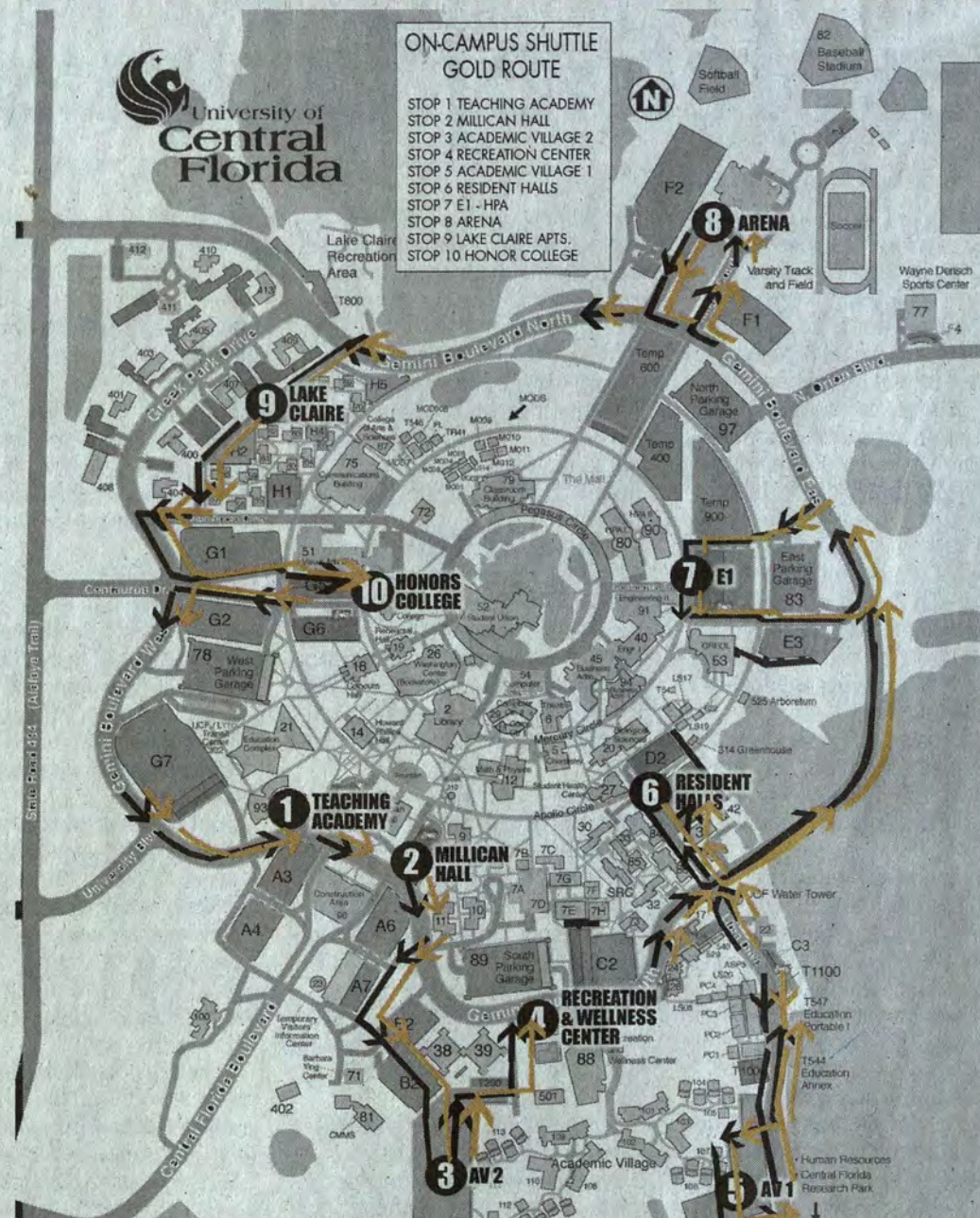
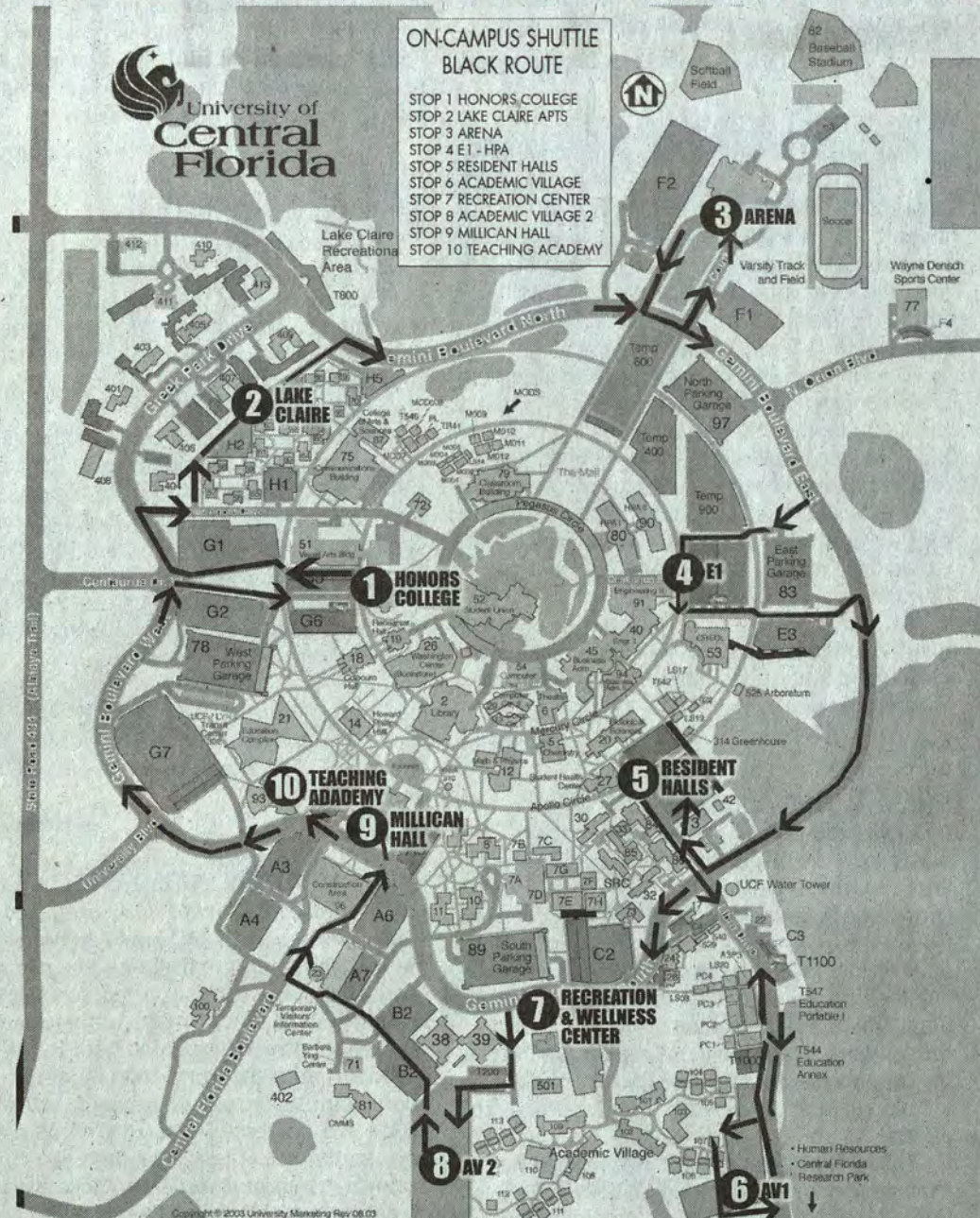
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