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# Central Florida Future

Tigers take 2

Knights drop series, losing 2 of 3 games to Memphis - SEE SPORTS, A13



#### **Animéniacs**

Japanese animation event attracts costumeclad anime lovers.

- SEE VARIETY, A10



CINEMA

### SPIDEY TRAPS \$148 MILLION IN

pider-Man 3 debuted Friday and day. Both records were previously held by *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest*. In your face,



BORAT

### SPACE SATELLITE RIDES A BALLISTIC

A group of university students in Kentucky are developing a program to launch a satellite into space. The catch: They're launching from the former Soviet Union satellite nation of Kazakhstan. University officials said the project will cost a fraction of the price by launching overseas. Oh yeah, the 1 kilogram cube's chariot will be a Soviet-era intercontinental ballistic missile: That's Niiice!

AROUND CAMPUS, A2

#### STATEWIDE JOB FAIR WILL BE HELD THURS. AT THE UCF ARENA

The 19th Annual Statewide Job Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at the UCF Arena. More than 150 employers typically attend this event, which is sponsored by Florida Career Centers.

LOCAL & STATE, A2

#### TAXPAYERS WILL HAVE TO WAIT FOR LOWER **PROPERTY-TAX RATES**

Due to the sheer complexity of the issue and philosophical differences, a 60-day session among lawmakers ended Friday without a tax cut. The issue will take time, and Gov. Charlie Crist endorsed a decision to bump the property tax reform to a special session in June.

NATION & WORLD, A4

#### **EMERGENCY CREWS RESUMES SEARCH FOR** TORNADO SURVIVORS

The search continued in Greensburg, Kan., a day after being temporarily suspended as another storm approached. The tornadoes rampaged across the Midwest plains, from South Dakota to Oklahoma.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

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### Road trip! One reporter's adventure

Summer journey explores the wilderness of Tennessee, Georgia and the Carolinas

Snaking through 11-inch passages deep in a cave. Getting so covered in mud and clay your mother wouldn't recognize you. Playing peekaboo with a palmsized bat.

Everything a girl could ask

This summer, Outdoor Adventure, a division of the Recreation and Wellness Center, decided to bundle seven separate activities across the Southeast together for the Outdoor Adventure East Coast Road Trip. The trip is seven intense days of cave diving, white water rafting, mountain biking, hiking and everything

else a girl could want. The Future embedded writer

and photographer Amanda Moore in the group of eight students and four guides to document the trip. She will report on how the physically grueling trip bonds the group together and how the trip affects her. The group left Friday morn-

ing and went cave diving. Saturday was hiking to a waterfall, and Sunday was mountain biking. Already, the group has begun bonding over the shared experiences, especially in the depths of the cave, where the group helped a claustrophobic team member face her fears.

And there are bats. Did we already mention the bats?

To get a better idea of what's happening, keep reading. The Future will also be updating the Web site Wednesday and Friday to see what the group has done in the meantime, so check back at http://www.centralfloridafuture.com for the full story, including photos. Next Monday, look for a recap of the entire

Moore will be entering her sophomore year at UCF this fall. In the short year since she came to the Future, she has published more than 70 photos and eight **AMANDA MOORE** 

Friday, May 4 6 a.m., 30 minutes before the road trip gets underway

We meet by moonlight. The balmy air envelopes me like a blanket, comforting, though it makes me dangerously drowsy. Nathan Renstrom, one of four trip leaders who will accompany us, is the first to welcome me. Before I can utter a greeting,

he shouts through the fog, "Good morning! Are you awake yet?" Inside an office, I spot the sole

familiar face of Roberta

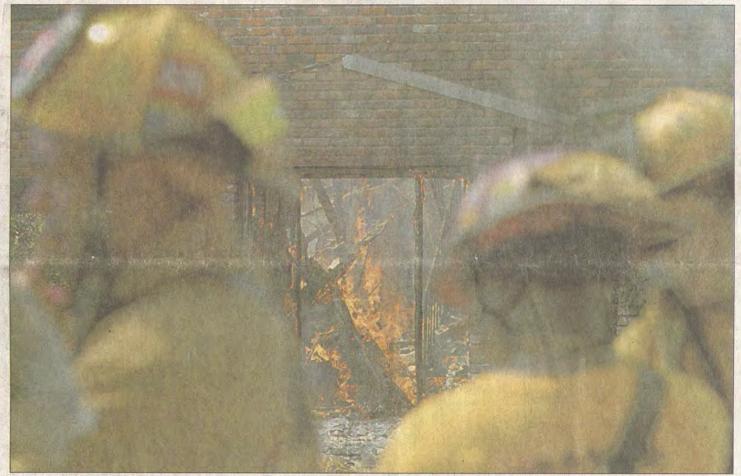
Nogueira. Nogueira met with me earlier in the week to give me a crash course on how to pack for everything we would be doing from cave spelunking to white water rafting. She is all smiles.

After struggling to lift my own pack into a black trailer attached to one of the vans - vans that we would later randomly christen Chuck Norris and Quagmire, the latter after the wonderfully perverted Family Guy character — the crew slowly arrives.

I am not a morning person never was and probably never will be. Though I wear a stoic facade, I am absolutely thrilled and ready to explode on the inside. I stand in a small circle

PLEASE SEE CAVE ON AG

### 'Greek Ghetto' house feels the burn in training exercise



PHOTOS BY RYAN PELHAM / CENTRAL FLORIDA FUTURE



Firefighters from the Orange County Fire Rescue stop to chat while an abandoned building in the neighborhood known as the "Greek Ghetto" goes up in flames on April 28. The fire was part of a controlled training exercise for the fire department.

### The real world beckons

Words of encouragement and cheers mark commencement

**NICOLE WILLIS** 

Hundreds of UCF graduates from the College of Engineering and Computer Science, College of Optics and Photonics and the Rosen College of Hospitality Management bid adieu to peace strikes parking hassles and Polaris Saturday.

A proud silence hung over the UCF Arena when the ceremony began. While the audience on either side of the students and stage sat with delighted faces in the dim light, the newly confirmed graduates basked in the glow of the overhead lights aimed at them and the stage. The further the ceremony progressed, the louder and more ubiquitous the cheers became.

A few of the graduation caps were decorated with names, sorority letters, a blinking red light and the words, "Hi Mom."

Saturday morning's commencement

PLEASE SEE GRADUATES ON A5



GREGORY TERRITO / CENTRAL FLORIDA FUTL Students from the College of Engineering and Computer Science, the College of Optics and Photonics and the Rosen College of Hospitality Management stand as faculty file into the UCF Arena during the graduation

### Peer mentors help transfer students adjust to UCF

**RICHARD BILBAO** 

For the last three years, the number of transfer students flowing into UCF has been on the rise, but the unique challenges that transfer students face are the same as they ever

According to data from UCF's Office of Institutional Research, in the 2002-2003

school year, UCF received a total of 5,639 students, from both other universities and community colleges. In the 2006-2007 school year the number rose to 7,066 students, a 25.3 percent increase.

"I think UCF is getting a better name for itself," said Jennifer Petit, an engineering major and peer mentor at the Office of Transfer and Transition Ser-

Petit, who transferred to UCF from the University of Akron in Ohio, said that the reason she transferred here was because UCF had an interesting space program and its close proximity to NASA.

Petit said that she notices that transfer students are being overwhelmed by the transition early on. She said that she has even seen students feeling pressured by the amount of information presented at orienta-

"A lot of students come from classrooms with 30 people to classes with 400," she said. Petit said that the size difference can be rough, but a common problem she's encountered was

transfer problems. Petit said that because transferring credits don't get processed until after orienta-

helping students with credit

tion, students are at risk of not knowing which credits transferred and which didn't.

"I was one of those students," she said.

Petit said that if a student has problems with a transferred credit, they should petition for those classes. She said that contacting the professor of the class and providing information

PLEASE SEE TRANSFERS ON A5

#### AROUND **CAMPUS**

News and notices for the UCF community

ewide Job Fair starts Thurs. Attention UCF graduates l out how to put that degree se this week.

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F Arena.

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fessor speaks on smart cameras UCF professor Wayne Wolf speak today from 2 p.m. to p.m. on the emergence and lications of smart cameras. Smart cameras combine sically distributed cameras l embedded computer proms to analyze what the cam-

The presentation will be in Harris Corporation Engiring Center, Room 125.

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#### LOCAL & STATE

Keep local with headlines you may have missed

mer astronaut's attorneys given

ditional 60 days before trial ORLANDO Defense orney Donald Lykkebak ould not tell reporters what he pes to find on a missing leotape of former astronaut sa Nowak in a holding cell, t on Friday he convinced the lge to allow more time before

Circuit Judge Marc Lubet ve Lykkebak an additional 60 ys to prepare his case from en he receives the videotape d an improved transcript of wak's initial interview with

The first transcript was edited and unintelligible, kkebak argued in court Fri-

"The state was charged with ting an improved copy of the e to me and giving me an proved transcript, and a onth has passed, and I still do t have them," he said. "They alize the significance to me d the significance to them."

Nowak, a former NASA ronaut, faces life in prison er being charged with empting to kidnap Air Force ptain Colleen Shipman.

PLEASE SEE LOCAL ON A4

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## ART DRAWN FROM FAITH

Studio art major finds inspiration in her own beliefs

**NICOLE WILLIS Contributing Writer** 

Alyssa Aviles, 19, puts down her Bible and sits at her Apple computer, but not to do homework or check Facebook. She's beginning another graphic masterpiece.

"If I'm in a funk, I read the Bible, and the passages inspire me," Aviles said.

Aviles is a studio art major and creates art not only for her portfolio but also for UCF's Christian organization Campus Crusade for Christ, of which she is an active member. Whenever she is stressed or unhappy, she expresses her feelings in her art, either in a painting or graphically on her computer. Being a Christian also helps her overcome everyday obstacles, she said.

"A chapter from Psalms helped me through some drama a while ago. It was about a man drowning who had no hope but for God to save him. It showed me that when it seems like there is no hope for things to get better, if you trust God, he will bring you through it,"

Aviles created mock advertisements for campaigns such as (Product) RED for her art classes, all of which can be viewed on her Facebook profile. She also designed ads for Invisible Children, an organization raising awareness of child abduction and displacement in Uganda.

Aviles enjoys drawing or painting art with biblical images or sayings on them and then scanning them onto her



Studio art major Alyssa Aviles, 19, displays some of her skillful self portraits. Aviles said she draws on the Bible for inspiration but considers herself "open-minded

computer to add digital effects. Her favorite piece of art she has created is an image of a dalmatian that initially appears to be a series of black splotches. It was entirely composed on her computer.

"I guess I was just born with creativity," Aviles said.

Aviles also created artwork imitating Apple's well-known ads, featuring the silhouette of

Today

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someone using one of their iPods on a brightly colored background. She even created a few silhouettes of herself.

Aviles said she looks more like an artist than a "stereotypical Christian." She had her lip pierced and describes her style as "very unique." She has even dubbed herself an "open-mind-

ed Christian." "A lot of Christians can be judgmental toward other people, but I'm not that hardcore," Aviles said.

Still, she said she is a firm believer, and that becoming a Christian gave her a new and improved outlook on her life.

"It's taught me how to love people and life," Aviles said.

Maria Wells Pezzoli, a staff member of Campus Crusade for Christ, is passionate about Aviles' work and the organiza-

"Alyssa is so creative in ways that I am just not," Pezzoli said.

Pezzoli and her husband have worked for Campus Crusade for Christ nationally for five years, beginning at the University of Alabama. Her husband, David, was the opening act for Andre Kole's performance at UCF on March 6. The event was sponsored partly by Campus Crusade for Christ. She learned through attending the weekly meetings that there is more to being a Christian than going to church every Sunday.

"Having a real, personal relationship with God is what changed the way I see everything — people, circumstances and the purpose of me," Pezzon said.

Aviles' post-graduation dream is to travel the world, take pictures in third-world countries and publish them in

"The more I learn about God, the more it inspires me to get other people to look at their own faith and life," Aviles said.

She is currently working on an ink wash, or black-andwhite watercolor, featuring koi

"What inspires me, I can only hope inspires others," Aviles said.

Tuesday

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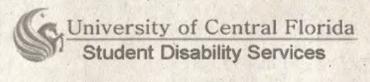
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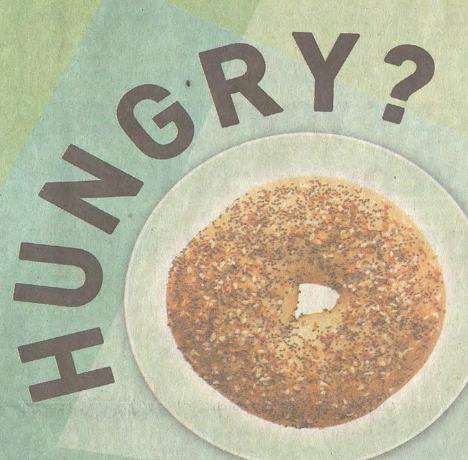






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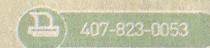
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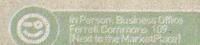


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TALLAHASSEE — Gov. harlie Crist insisted throughat Florida's 2007 legislative ssion that local property xes must "drop like a rock."

When the 60-day session hded Friday without a tax cut, enate President Ken Pruitt anded Crist a gray rock about he size and shape, appropriely enough, of a goose egg scribed with the word

Crist and Florida taxpayers ill have to wait for lower hd possibly fairer — property xes until a special session ine 12-22 because lawmakers ere unable to resolve the neer complexity of their top sue or overcome their own hilosophical differences.

"To solve that many moving arts and do it right takes more me," said Rep. Dean Cannon, Winter Park Republican who ed the House's property tax egotiating team. "I think peole ought to be encouraged nat we're going to take our me and get it right."

Crist endorsed the decision. "It's very complicated stuff, really is, and you don't want suffer from the unintended onsequences," he said.

Florida's tax system has een compared to a balloon. queeze it in one place and nother part bulges.

As complex as it is, though, wmakers still might have een able to agree on somening if the House and Senate ad not been so far apart in neir basic approaches.

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#### HIGHER **EDUCATION**

What's in the news at colleges around the country

welve college presidents protest ne college ranking system

LOS ANGELES — A dozen ollege presidents have ledged to boycott a key comonent of the U.S. News & Vorld Report college rankings ecause they say the popular ankings mislead prospective and encourage amesmanship.

The presidents, including ouglas Bennett of Earlham college in Richmond, Ind., and olleagues at a range of mostly maller institutions, outlined neir complaints in a letter ated Saturday to colleagues at

ther schools.

The letter says the dozen olleges have pledged to stop lling out the part of the survey which colleges rate each ther, which accounts for 25 ercent of a college's ranking. he colleges say they also will o longer use the rankings in neir own promotions and ask ther schools to do the same.

The letter is the latest step a growing movement led by loyd Thacker, a veteran of the dmissions field, who has startd an organization dedicated to oning down the competition the admissions process.

Many colleges say they diske the rankings and some lready refuse to fill out that ortion of the survey, but the etter represents what Thacker opes will be the front end of a videspread movement. He is obbying other colleges to sign n, and the topic will be on the genda at a meeting of promient liberal arts colleges next

"Other colleges are ready to oin," said Thacker, who said is group will also work with olleges to develop alternatives

o the rankings. "I'm very ncouraged."

Robert Morse, research lirector for the magazine, did ot immediately respond to a nessage seeking comment. But nagazine officials have said hat, while some college offiials already decline to rank each other in the survey, the esponse rate is more than

enough to make the survey Much of the other informaion used in the rankings is

bublicly available. Also signing the letter were he presidents of 10 other coleges across the Southwest. Most were smaller colleges.

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#### NATION & WORLD

Keep current with headlines you may have missed



Residents gather at the scene of a car bomb blast in Baghdad, Iraq, Sunday. A car bomber ripped through a commercial district killing at least 27 people and wounding dozens.

Car bomb in western Baghdad kills 30 amid growing violence

BAGHDAD — A car bomb ripped through a wholesale food market in western Baghdad on Sunday, flattening cars and shops and killing at least 27 people in one of the deadliest attacks in the capital in recent days.

The attack came amid an 11week-old crackdown by U.S.led forces intended to bring stability to Baghdad.

The blast, which erupted about noon in the mixed Sunni-Shiite Baiyaa neighborhood, devastated the market, reducing cars and trucks to their charred skeletons and ripping the roofs and exteriors off of shops. In addition to the dead, dozens of others were

Pools of blood gathered in the dirt streets. Hospital officials said two pickup trucks filled with body parts were brought to the morgue.

"I was waiting near a shop to lift some boxes, when I saw the owner of the shop fall down," said Satar Hussein, 22, a worker in the market. "I helped him inside the shop, but he was already dead. The next thing I felt was pain in my left shoulder and some people rushing me to the hospital."

Workers resume searching for tornado survivors in leveled town

GREENSBURG, Kan. -The eerie beeping of batteryoperated fire alarms buried beneath mounds of debris punctured the silence that fell over this community as hundreds of rescue workers pulled out of town. News of another approaching storm brought an uneasy quiet Saturday night as emergency crews called off the search for more victims of a tornado that killed at least eight people and devastated this southwest Kansas farming town a day earlier.

The National Weather Service said it had received reports "well into the double digits" of twisters touching down in six southwest Kansas counties. Numerous tornadoes were reported from South Dakota south into Oklahoma as forecasters scrambled to keep issuing warnings.

President Bush declared parts of Kansas a disaster area, freeing up federal money to aid in recovery.

"We need support," said Greensburg Administrator Steve Hewitt. "We want everybody to know this is a huge catastrophe."

At least eight people have died in the Greensburg area. Friday's weather was blamed for nine deaths in the region, a number authorities feared could rise even before the latest twisters. All its residents

have been evacuated. "It's going to take a long

time for the community to recover," Bush said Sunday, referring to Greensburg, after attending a morning service at a church in Washington. "And so we'll help in any way we

"There's a certain spirit in the Midwest of our country, a pioneer spirit that still exists, and I'm confident this community will be rebuilt," Bush

Kenyan airport officials find signs of lost flight with 114 passengers

LOLODORF, Cameroon -Signs have been found of a Kenya-bound flight that crashed in Cameroon with 114 people on board, an aviation official said Sunday.

Thomas Sobakam, chief of meteorology for the Doula airport from where the flight took off, refused to describe the signs, but said they were not pieces of wreckage. He said a state radio report that the crash site had been located was premature. He refused further comment, stressing the search for the plane's wreckage continued.

Michael spokesman for Kenya Airways, said officials in Kenya had also received reports the plane had been found, but could not confirm them.

"We have the same information that the crash site has been located 180 kilometers (about 100 miles) from Douala," he said. "We have people on the ground and there appears to be conflicting

Japan promises \$2.1 billion to combat global warming

KYOTO, Japan — Japan pledged up to \$2.1 billion in aid Sunday to the Asian Development Bank to combat global climate change and promote greener investment in the

region. The money is part of a new initiative rolled out by Tokyo to support development amid increasing concern that Asia's breakneck economic growth is leaving the environment in tatters. It comes just days after a breakthrough agreement in Thailand set the world's first roadmap for fighting global

warming. Under Japan's push, Tokyo will grant \$100 million to set up two special funds aimed at environmental friendly economic development and investment. It will also provide up to \$2 billion in loans to the Asian Development Bank over the next five years to further promote regional investment.

"Climate change is an imminent challenge," Japanese Finance Minister Koji Omi said while announcing the plan at the ADB's annual meeting in Kyoto.

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was the fifth in a series of six graduation ceremonies and featured Nobel Prize winner Charles Hard Townes. Townes won the prestigious prize for physics in 1964. He is known as one of the founding fathers of the laser.

Townes, 91, received an honorary doctoral degree at the commencement and spoke to the graduates about being successful in the field of physics as well as life.

"Don't follow the gang," he said. "Do what you think is

Townes encouraged the graduates to learn all they can and then do what they think is most interesting. He added that having many friends in the field is also helpful.

"You're all lucky to be here and be graduating," he said.

**UCF** President Townes, John Hitt and Provost Terry Hickey wished the class much success and luck in the future.

"If you've taken advantage of all the opportunities UCF has to offer, then you're now ready for the new opportunities out there," Hitt said.

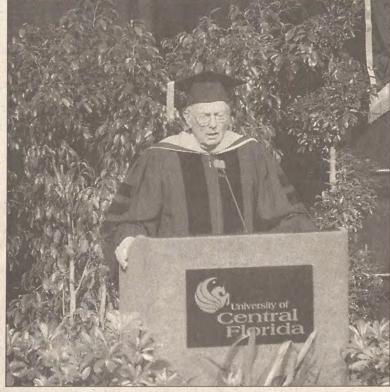
Former Student Body President Mark White, who graduated from the College of Engineering at the ceremony, empathized with the former students in realizing that the real world was closer than he thought. He encouraged his classmates to constantly try to improve themselves in all aspects of their lives.

"Let yourself be under construction forever," White said.

After the traditional singing of the UCF alma mater, the new graduates and their families exited the Arena to the sound of bagpipes.

Daniel Stuhr, 24, received his bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering at the ceremony and is debating between two post-graduation jobs. He could either work with space technology in California or with flight simulators in Tampa.

A graduate of civil engineering, Irish-born Kevin O'Neill





Top: Nobel Prize winner Charles Hard Townes speaks to students. Above: Townes, right, shakes hands with President John Hitt. Townes received an honoray Ph.D. at the ceremony.

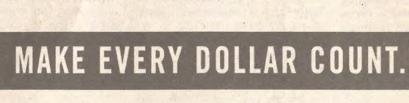
left straight for the airport for a celebratory trip to Europe. When O'Neill, 22, returns, he'll be attending grad school at UCF for structural and geotechnical engineering.

Two sisters, seven years apart in age, graduated together from nearly the same program at the ceremony. Michele Mellor, 28, received her master's degree in hospitality management, while her younger sister Paulette completed her bachelor's degree.

Michele said one of her favorite memories from her graduate school experience was listening to her sister tell their father that she was taking a class about beer and wine.

"It costs the same as taking English, Dad!" Paulette had

The class evidently paid off because Paulette has a job at the Portofino Bay Hotel, and her sister is the entertainment coordinator for design and production at Universal Studios.



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### Transfers troubled by change

showing that the class work done is equal to what's done in the UCF course can help students get their credits transferred successfully.

"This problem happens all the time with out-of-state and private universities," Petit said.

Alexis Garhammer, an event management major and a peer mentor, said she was fortunate to not have problems transferring credits when she transferred from Florida Atlantic University.

"I always knew I was coming here, so I made sure to check the UCF catalog and take the right classes," Garhammer said.

She said one of the problems she has noticed when helping students is trying to get them involved when most of them live off campus.

was able to live on campus because she transferred as a sophomore, but because most transfers are juniors, they can't. UCF Housing reserves on-campus residences for first-year students.

Garhammer said that it's hard for transfer students to get involved because most events are directed toward freshmen. She said that only freshmen are considered "new students," and that is why transferring students miss out

on on-campus events.

Gerardo Aponte, a liberal studies major and peer mentor who transferred from Indian River Community College, said that when he started, he only went to class and was unaware of the clubs and organizations UCF had to

"[Transfer students] really

Garhammer said that she don't have the mindset to get involved at UCF, and there really is no reaching out to them," Aponte said. He said that that's why he became a peer mentor, to help transfer students become involved through clubs like Transfer Knights.

Transfer Knights, which started in January, was created to help transfer students become accustomed to UCF. The club is intended to help students become familiar with campus and show them the many services provided by UCF. The club holds events such as a scavenger hunt that has students look for items around campus such as free Scantrons from the Student Government Association.

"We are like the middle man," Garhammer said. "We're just trying to get them to where they need to be."

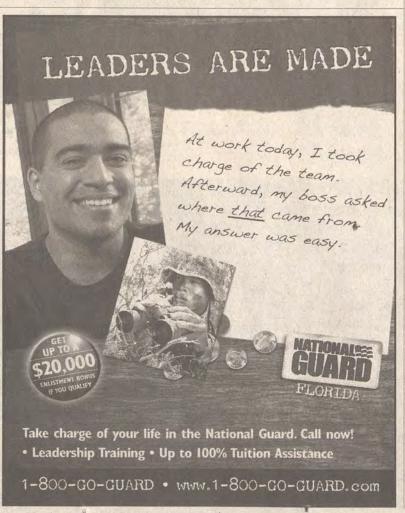
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h 12 others who seem to be ring the same emotions. To surprise, only three of the

lorers are men. Weren't boys renowned for ir love of rolling in the mud

playing with creepy crawly ects? Didn't men pride themves on being resourceful, creng fire and preparing food h only the simplest supplies? speak with Megan Stark, a k-haired organic-foods afinado, about why she, as a man, came on the trip.

"Hard to find girls to go nping with," Stark said. "All friends just want to hang out he beach."

While I can't say that hanging at the beach sounded like a rible idea, hiking through orgian hills certainly got my ention.

#### 0 a.m., the trip begins

I hopped into ye trusty ol' agmire and met 20-year-old i Daniel, a junior majoring in orts and fitness, who said this uld be her third trip with Outor Adventure. In December, took her first snowboarding with Outdoor Adventure in

"Where else can you go to do this for \$375," Daniel said.

Trip Leader Emily Krausnn takes the first driving shift Quagmire as another trip der, Celena Daniels, catches on her sleep. Hardly an hour sses before there is speculation out how our adventure resems the MTV reality shows Real orld and Road Rules.

Thankfully, it isn't the "real" ng, sparing our outdoor venture the token drunk.

Dave Sindler, 29, reveals that actually auditioned for the al World when he lived in Talassee, without ever having

Kelly Blaikie and John Tatum the only couple traveling th us, and they sit behind me. aikie, a nursing major in her rd year, is swaddled in a wind eaker as she earnestly reas-

sures me the mountain biking won't kill my ass; more than half of that excursion will be down-

The six-year couple travels regularly, and once they rode a 30-mile biking stint in Hawaii.

A fan blowing frigid air helps keep me awake for most of the 11hour drive across the Florida Turnpike. Tatum introduces a car game he picked up during Bible school trips, which involves finding on billboards, in alphabetical order, words that start with the appropriate letter of the alphabet.

"Ahead!"

"Buy or sell your timeshare!" "Citrus Center!"

The game seems easy until we get to X, by which time we hope for ads for sleezy discount stops. We never found X.

#### 1 p.m., six hours and 30 minutes into the road trip

We are driving through what might be leftover smoke from last week's Georgia wildfire. I can tell we're out of Florida solely by the fact that my ears are popping every five minutes or so.

Thick trees line the highway on both sides. For all we know, there is nothing beyond those trees. All that exists is us, the road and our destination.

#### 6 p.m., 11 hours and 30 minutes into the road trip

We finally arrive at our caving destination, Raccoon Mountain in Chattanooga, Tenn.

We pull into a roundabout as three girls in mud-slicked jeans walk by us. Krausmann points out, "That's going to be us

After collecting only the bare necessities for the night - a sleeping bag and pad, a tarp, a change of clothes and clean drinking water — we stuff them into Raccoon Mountain-issued duffel bags, which look like they came straight from Army surplus. We share our first meal together: spaghetti and meat-

We meet our two curly-

haired guides, and we step into a corridor with racks of mining helmets and headlamps. I'm tempted to begin whistling a song from Snow White and the

Either that, or exclaim, "My

Nogueira and I sit on the floor to put on some volleyball-style kneepads. The floors are filthy with clay soil, but no matter, because we'll be unrecognizable

Once we're in the cave, I lose all track of time. The air inside is a chilly 60 degrees at most. Made entirely of limestone, the various formations around me are a direct result of water erosion.

Before dropping off our duffel bags at our sleeping site, we spot a sleeping bat that could have easily fit into the palm my hand.

We begin with a fairly simple walk, but the walk morphs into a hands-and-knees crawl, eventually leading to a belly crawl where we could only use our toes and our arms to squeeze our way through spaces as little as 11 inches. One of our own actually lost her pants down to her ankles during this exercise.

I regret not wearing long sleeves, but it's a blast to get elbows deep in clay. Save for the sound of our echoing laughter, the silence of the caves seems to extend forever. Room after room, chamber after chamber, we faithfully follow our guides as far as 200 feet below ground and occasionally pause to gaze in awe at the remarkable stalagtites and stalagmites.

There are numerous slides, twists, turns, cliffs and bridges, which necessitate using each fiber of every muscle to complete a task and reach the other side. Each formation poses a new challenge to each of us - some more than others.

Celena Buskirk, 32, said, before we arrived, that though she is no stranger to spelunking, she is claustrophobic. Somehow, she still demanded to be in that cave along with us. Buskirk took the long way around with a guide, avoiding the first few tight spaces, but decided to try some-

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WHERE THEY ARE HEADING

Friday, May 4

Raccoon Mountain Caverns, Tenn.

We likened the maneuver to the birth of a live, fully-grown human as chants of "push, push!" seemed to aid the effort.

thing called the 49-cent Squeeze,

one of the smaller holes in the

Buskirk completed the task with no problem, and we were right there on the other side to cheer her on. Buskirk said she felt comfortable in the cave and the relatively shorter length of the passage.

In a way, this reflected what she said earlier this morning before we left Orlando: the Outdoor Adventure road trip was not just a fun time but a project. We are not only encouraged, but expected to test our physical and mental boundaries each day.

Buskirk accomplished just

At the end of the first day, I am

enthralled by how everyone stuck together and constantly warned those behind them if a particularly deep puddle or a slippery rock lay ahead. I enjoyed a few boosts up if I couldn't find my footing, and I tried my best to do the same for others. Each time the last person arrived safely, life felt like a middle school slumber party all over again, only with mud-caked sneakers in place of feathery, neon slippers.

Experiencing the same physical challenges as we did in that cave bonded us like nothing else

Sleeping in the cave that night, however, was a challenge I feel I could have gone without.

Finding a spot of flat terrain to sleep on is tough enough, and staying away from water dripping from the ceiling is downright impossible. However, by

midnight, all the giggling, cheering, climbing and crawling wore me out enough that I didn't care if I woke up with a soaked pillow.

To prepare a semi-comfortable sleeping space in the company of bats and salamanders on a mattress of limestone, perform the following in order:

Lay out plastic tarp.

2) Dust off and unroll sleep-

3) Re-adjust headlamp as needed.

4) Use one knee to pin sleeping pad and reach to sleeping bag. Use caution in keeping muddy shoes off tarp and clothes.

5) Resort to belly crawling if sleeping pad rolls up again. While sprawled across four corners of the tarp, utilize teeth to position pillow for maximum

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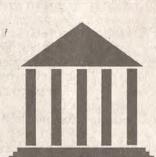
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#### ✓ MAKE A COPY!

o Be sure to make a copy of the completed inspection sheet

BEFORE giving it back to the landlord. Keep it in a safe place during the duration of your lease.

#### ✓ TAKE PICTURES!

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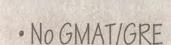
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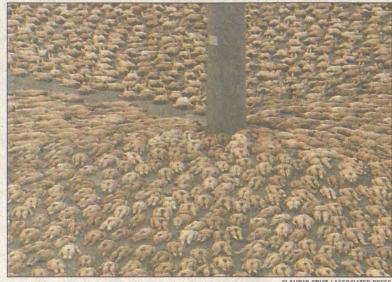
Standing up to salute, ouching in fetal positions d lying prone on the tiles of Zocalo plaza, the voluners formed a sea of flesh that nick snapped from balnies and a small crane in the orning light.

"What a moment for the exican art scene!" Tunick d in a news conference. "I nk all eyes are looking south m the United Sates to Mexi-City to see how a country n be free and treat the naked

ness and caring.' The Brooklyn, N.Y., artist s become famous for photoaphing thousands of naked

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y or as a crime, but with hap-



Thousands of naked people lie on the ground at Mexico City's main Zocalo plaza during the massive naked photo session with U.S. photographer Spencer Tunick early Sunday.

people in public settings worldwide, from London and Vienna to Buenos Aires and

dwarfed all others. Previously his best turnout had been 7,000 models in Barcelona in 2003.

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### Clinton well received in Ohio

But the Mexico City shoot

M.R. KROPKO

CLEVELAND llary Rodham Clinton said turday President Bush has it education funding so much at some schools are cutting ograms such as art, music

id dance. If elected president, the ew York Democrat said she ould work to revise the 2002 o Child Left Behind Act.

Yes, I believe in accountality," Clinton told a crowd of out 300 at John Hay High thool, part of a struggling hool district in what U.S. ensus Bureau considers to be e nation's poorest big city.

"But one of the saddest arts about what's happening ith No Child Left Behind is

that schools are cutting so much in their curricula because they are trying to keep up with demands in unfunded mandates.

It was Clinton's second stop in Ohio, where earlier in the day she delivered the commencement speech at Wilberforce University, a small, historically black school, and urged them to remain optimistic about their ability to fight injustice and change society for the better.

"Don't let anyone wear you down to the point where you believe it is not worth trying to change your society any longer," she told about 4,000 people and a graduating class of 225 at the private college near Dayton that traces its roots back to 1856.

"Journeys that led to the abolition of slavery still call us to finish the march to justice,"

The crowd gave a warm reception to Clinton, and broke into applause several times during a 25-minute speech in which she largely avoided the hot-button campaign issues, like the war in Iraq.

Clinton attended a private fundraiser later in the evening at the Intercontinental Hotel in Cleveland where tickets ranged from \$100 to \$2,300.

She is scheduled to return to Ohio next Friday as the keynote speaker for the annual Ohio Democratic Party dinner.

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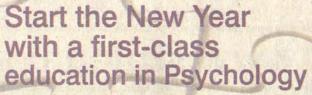
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OUR STANCE

### **UCF** should have disclosed AK-47

pparently, mum's the word when it comes to safety at UCF.

For those not in the know, on April 27, the Future's main story was about a man arrested at UCF-affiliated housing possessing an AK-47 and a Smith and Wesson six-shooter in his car on April 21.

Did you catch that? The story was six days old by the time it was published, but we weren't the only ones in the dark.

Other news organizations didn't hear about the arrest until four days after it occurred, getting their information mostly from rumors spreading around campus about a gunman at Pegasus Pointe.

The Future heard about the incident through an anonymous

UCF police were dispatched to arrest a man they had already captured after a news broadcast aired about a possible gunman, and things didn't get much better from there. The UCF Police Department spent the day enduring a media tongue lashing for not informing the public of the arrest of Jonathan Andrew Taylor.

We would pity UCFPD if their suffering in this case wasn't, to a large extent, self-inflict-

The university's point of view is that there was no need to tell students and faculty of Taylor's arrest, and they maintain that they did not violate the Jeanne Clery Act, which makes It the responsibility of a university to make timely reports of threats on campus.

True enough. There was no evidence to prove that Taylor posed an ongoing threat to the

onestly, who didn't see

this one coming? On

May 1, Congress presented the president with a

Iraq war, which included a

pullout from Iraq.

override a Bush veto.

Now that the dust has set-

tled, and Congress moves on to

craft new legislation that will

resources they need to survive

in hostile territory, we are left

What was the point of all this?

proudly signed a bill they knew

had no chance of survival. We

many congressional members

With cameras rolling, House

with one lingering question:

and Senate majority leaders

understand the opinions of

who oppose the war in Iraq

give American troops the

\$124 billion funding bill for the

UCF community, and under the Clery Act, the university had no responsibility to inform students of the arrest.

But we feel the administration is missing the point.

In light of the tragedy at Virginia Tech, and the controversy over the lack of communication between administration and faculty and students following the first shooting, it is inconceivable that UCF would fail to inform students of Taylor's

What is worse is that they would allow the story to fall into the realm of rumor and gossip to the point that people actually feared that a gunman

Taylor visited UCF once before with a .38 Cobra handgun tucked into his pants, yet officials insist that Taylor wasn't a threat.

It is impossible to say what Taylor did or did not plan to do with an AK-47 and a revolver, but it's doubtful that he required such firepower to find a parking space.

We congratulate UCFPD, especially the efforts of Sgt. Woody Furnas, who recognized Taylor from prior arrests.

We only wish that UCFPD and News and Information shared our feelings, as they seem more interested in presenting a false front than in informing students and faculty of the fine job police did to remove a possible threat from campus.

While it's understandable that officials would not want to cause a panic, we are confused as to what's so terrifying about a preemptive and effective move against a potentially dangerous individual. Normally,

Democrats' Iraq

bill just for show

and wish to see the conflict

legislation is misguided.

meant to serve a purpose

beyond being a great middle

quickly ended, but this type of

Clearly this bill was never

this would be a point of pride for most communities, but the truth is that Taylor is PR poison for a university obsessed with

Promises of a medical school and football stadium lead us to dreaming that we are magically suspended beyond the darker things in the world, and the administration seems hell-bent on ensuring that we stay asleep, relegating disturbing information like Taylor to a need-toknow basis.

But students and faculty, as well as their friends and family, deserve to be informed of dangerous individuals lurking around campus. We need to know of the efforts being done to keep us safe.

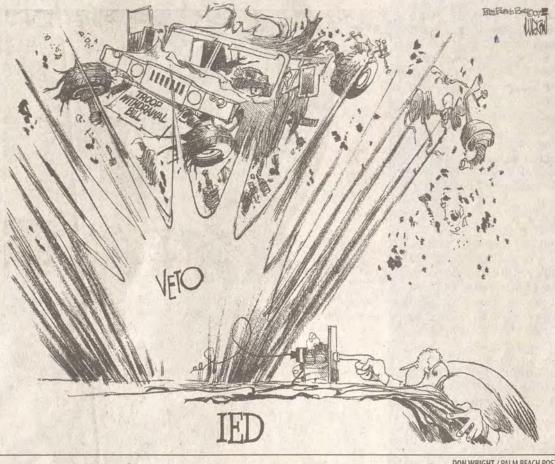
Most importantly, the story should not have fallen prey to rumor's exaggerating effects. Officials said they didn't want to cause a panic, but that's exactly what happened.

Do we need to know of every arrest on or off campus? Of course not. What does it matter to the UCF community if some freshman gets busted for underage drinking? All we ask is that the university uses a little common sense when deciding what stories to tell and which to keep quiet.
We also could do with some

more cooperation between UCFPD and News and Information to get the word out and present the best information on the university possible.

When a man is arrested with an AK-47 five days after the VT massacre, that's something that people need to know about.

It is important that we receive the truth of what happens at our university. We deserve that much.



### Student work brands UCF

JENNIFER LARINO

Times are a'changin'. Bob Dylan knew it and now President John Hitt and UCF officials are singing the same tune. UCF isn't going to be the same university in 10 years. In fact, there won't be a university like it in Florida.

The other day, I picked up a copy of the News for Neighbors publication the university sends to communities surrounding UCF. The front page was nothing new; it was filled with general hoopla

about the new buildings going up on campus and recent decisions by the Board of Trustees. What struck me though was the center spread of the modest newsletter: "What is UCF's brand?"

It's odd to think that universities, especially public ones, have a "brand," but the more Gators stickers and Seminole signature plates I see on the backs of cars, the more I realize what UCF has been missing out on.

Sure we're a rather young university. FSU and UF both have over 100 years on us, but why has it taken so long to make a name for ourselves? Why do seasoned Florida residents who ask where I study need a little background before they recognize the acronym UCF?

It seems as though UCF has tried to follow the Florida public university growth model: build a sports program that makes people want to invest in your institution that creates a legacy that sons and daughters of alumni can adhere to. There are few sources of income more stable than that of a die-hard sports fan.

But UCF can't do that. This isn't a discredit to the UCF sports program. We have many successful teams that glide, remorsefully, under the radar of public - and student attention (I love it when I hear someone gasp, "We have an ice hockey club?").

In a time where national championships are mounting in Gainesville, we can't compete. Maybe if research got national coverage or an NCAA title we could, but you can't have everything.

It is certainly not the case that other Florida public universities provide subpar research. Yet when an institution is considered the best of the best in one area, it is assumed competent in the others.

Although laid out in the flowery language

that the finest UCF marketing team could muster, the basics of what I saw in that center spread showed me that UCF seems to be on the right track: our own track.

If UCF wants to create a name for itself in the here and now, it cannot follow the same course of maturity as its fellow Florida universi-

Instead, UCF must rely on its research and graduates, the base elements of any university, to tie it

to the community and form a relationship that commands respect. We're letting the knowledge, the skills and the alacrity of UCF students brand UCF. Or, at least, that's the

UCF needs to expand and improve its academic sphere by not only offering a diverse amount of areas of study, but also by graduating students who are the best at what they

This inevitably means more money needs to be spent on faculty and curriculum development for all majors. We are seeing this with the new medical school being built at Lake Nona; more funds are being poured into the facility and its faculty to better support an excellent curriculum.

This should be the case with every college in the university. UCF is unique in that the learners, teachers and thinkers here are unique; no other university has them. Money needs to be invested in them.

As far as research goes, I'm sure the guys doing the incredible work are tired of being in the background. We need to team our resources and knowledge here at UCF with the doers out in the community.

If we have leading research on a drug, we need to team with those pharmaceutical companies that can make that drug. They take care of business, and we do the rest.

With a booming economy here in Orlando, there is no reason why this can't happen. With a new stadium, season and name, UCF Knights football can move up the ranks,

pulling in money and a UCF "brand" with its ascension. I'd rather not wait, though. This sentence caught my eye at the end of the section: "If UCF does not define itself, it

will be defined by others."

Although a cliche marketing phrase, in this case, it strikes true.

#### timetable for an eventual troop finger waggled in the face of an increasingly unpopular president, and as well-deserved as According to the bill, if the Iraqi government, which is curthis may be, it is clear that Congress needs a lesson in prirently as secure as a deer in a wolf pack, fails to meet benchorities. marks set forth in the bill, Bipartisan bickering has its place in American politics, but it should never come before the needs of men and women serving on the front lines. By

American troops would start leaving the war-battered country as soon as July and no later than October. President Bush promised to denying, even for a moment, the funds necessary to support veto the bill for two months before it reached his desk, yet American soldiers in Iraq, Democrats have done a dis-Democrats continued to push service to the very people they the legislation despite the fact have vowed to see safely home. that they lacked the votes to

Nor are the recent chides against the veto going to shame a president whose approval rating hovers around 30 per-

The president's actions in this matter serve as no surprise. The war in Iraq is the defining event of his presidency; if it fails, he fails. If he considers victory even remotely possible, why would he choose retreat, and the inevitable destiny of being forever known as the president who led us into a futile war?

We are not arguing whether the war is right or wrong: that's just the kind of overly broad view that leads legislators to believe that campaigns and politics are more important than the needs of the individual soldier.

But here's an idea. Rather than paying lip-service to constituents or performing prepresidential posturing for the voters, why don't Democrats do something really revolutionary and try to work with the White House to end the war rather than run repeatedly into the same brick wall?

Let us pause for the ensuing groan.

It is understandable to believe the administration is unbendable in its victory-atany-cost position, but Democrats cannot allow prejudice to get in the way of meaningful change in Iraq. With at least 3,360 American deaths in this conflict so far, and Iraq, itself, facing the threat of civil war, there is very little choice left.

The worst thing we can do is nothing, and this bill achieved just that.

If Congress must snub their collective noses at the administration, they should do so on their own time and not at the soldiers' expense.



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#### READER VIEWS

#### Queer studies program at UCF could start wave of change

The University of Central Florida should not just consider, but should immediately begin mapping out an implementation plan for a well-funded queer studies program.

The April 25 article detailing the GLBSU's Gay Awareness Week is evidence enough that there is a burgeoning community on campus that is ready to put visibility on the forefront of undoing social stereotypes of identity constructions. The university should support this by creating an atmosphere for demonstrating on campus and should empower students by offering the best academic resources.

Visibility is on the forefront of any social change for oppressed people and the university's ability to foster academic development has historically cultivated this tactic.

In the 1960s, a group of students and faculty of mixed ethnicity at San Francisco State University organized a five-month strike and won an African-American studies program.

The benefit that action had for the country is tremendous. Along with African-American studies programs spreading like wildfire in the U.S., other ethnic studies programs such as Chicano studies and Asian-American studies popped up and allowed students and faculty to honestly describe their experiences and to deconstruct what and how power structures asserted stereotypes onto their communities. These programs also served as a meeting ground to rationally chart change for future generations, something that should be a major concern of an educational institution in a free society.

UCF administrators are concerned with providing their students the best possible education. A well-funded queer studies program and the expansion of other programs like Women's Studies and similar programs could potentially be the envy of the nation and could start a wave of change throughout the country by undoing the forces that hope to keep people divided.

> - PATRICK DECARLO STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY



MONDAY

Mono, The Social, 8 p.m.
From the underground Tokyo scene,

this band sets drama

to music.

(Hed) PE, House of Blues, 7 p.m.
This hard core rap group from Cali. fuses punk energy with hip-hop lyrics.

Popcorn Flicks, Central Park,

8 p.m. Watch Batman: The Movie on a blanket under the stars with your sweetheart.

FRIDAY

Orlando Predators, Amway
Arena, 7:30 p.m.
If you haven't been to an arena football game yet, check it out for \$10.

Saves the Day, House of Blues, 7:30 p.m. These punk rockers are back with a fierce new album and a new bass player.

Christian Porn Machine, Redlight Redlight, 8 p.m.

These new-wave indie rockers will knock you down and pick you back up.

This Is My Music III
CD-release party,
BackBooth, 9 p.m.
Support local bands
Mashlin, RunnAmuckS and Cori
Yarckin for only \$5.

SUNDAY

Indie Lounge, Underground Bluz, 9 p.m. From the guys that

From the guys that brought you Crush at BackBooth. Check it out for just a \$1.



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# MANGAMANIA

# Japanese subculture at JACON draws in 4,000 animation fans

Contributing Writer

Japanese animation fans, many decked out in homemade character costumes, flocked this past weekend to JACON, the Japanese Animation Convention, an Orlando event that celebrates anime, manga and other aspects of Japanese subculture.

The convention took place at the International Plaza Resort and Spa from May 4-6. Attendees enjoyed a 24hour video gaming room, and were able to buy figurines, posters, shirts and even soundtracks totheir favorite TV shows.

JACON events included industry panel discussions, a casino night, costume contests, an art show, a music video contest, a rave party and a formal ball called the Manga Masquerade.

Manga, which are Japanese comics and print cartoons, and anime, such as Dragonball Z, Sailor Moon

and *Pokémon*, are the two main categories of the Japanese subculture represented at JACON. Anime TV show concepts often start out as mangas.

About 40 percent of convention attendees came to the event in handmade costumes depicting their favorite character.

Many were dressed as characters from the TV show Naruto, a Japanese program that made its debut on Cartoon Network this year. Another popular show for costumes was Bleach, another new-to-the-U.S. show on Cartoon Network.

Cartoon Network.

Convention chairman Kenneth Nabbe said the craziest costumes he saw were a group wearing head-to-toe animal costumes. Although homemade, they reminded him of something you would see at Walt Dispersional Control of the Carton Network.

ney World.

Participants also got to pick the brains of people in the anime industry during Q-and-A sessions featuring voice actors and other industry people.

This year's guest of honor was actor Phil LaMarr. Best known for his zany characters on Mad TV, LaMarr has done tons of voice acting, most recently in TMINT.

Nabbe, a UCF student in the early '90s, said the convention was held in the UCF Student Union from 2000 to 2004, and has been held at the resort the last three years because new student orientation has made it too difficult to book the Union.

But even though JACON changed venues, its goal is still the same.

"JACON is the celebration of Japanese anime and regular animation," Nabbe said. "Everybody is here because we love the art."

Nabbe said JACON was created by the Japanese Animation Club of Orlando to promote Japanese culture. The Japanese Animation Club of Orlando used to be a UCF club, but it later moved off campus.

Many of the event's organizers are fans who volunteer to help with the planning of JACON. Nabbe declined to reveal the amount of money spent to stage the convention due to competition but said the

entrance fees are all recycled into next year's event.

JACON 2007 attracted more than 4,000 people.
Each year, attendance at the event has increased about 15 percent.

PLEASE SEE **JACON** ON A11

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(R) 12:55p, 4:25, 7:25, 10:05

(PG-13) 12:40p, 3:40, 7:30, 9:50 Fracture (R) 12:35p, 3:50, 7:20, 9:55

Hot Fuzz (R) 12:50p, 3:55, 7:10, 10:15 In the Land of Women

(PG-13) 2:50p, 5:05, 10:25 Open captioned showtimes: 12:25, 7:55p The Invisible

(PG-13) 12:10p, 2:45, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10 Kickin' It Old Skool

(PG-13) 1:10p, 4:20, 7:45, 10:20 (PG-13) 1:05p, 4:10, 7:35, 10:45 Meet the Robinsons

(G) Digital 3-D showtimes: 12:00p, 2:40, 7:00, 9:20

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(R) 12:20p, 2:45, 4:50, 8:05, 10:50 Listings for Monday , May 7 thru Thursday, May 10

9 p.m. NBC Heroes Nathan does whatever it takes to secure his victory in the upcoming election. The question is, will he let Peter blow himself up in New York?

8 p.m. MNT Hooters Dream Girl Challenge Sixteen women compete for the title of "Hooters Dream Girl" and a chance to appear on the cover of the Hooters swimsuit calendar.

10 p.m. ABC Lost Ben introduces Locke to the secrets of the island, beginning with the mysterious Jacob. Juliet's secret becomes public. If you haven't been watching Lost, now is the time to come

back home!

8:40 p.m. NBC The Office Super-sized episode! Michael is being considered for a position in corporate and has to recommend his replacement. While the group expects a fun outing at Lake Scranton, Michael has planned a day of Survivor-esque competitions to find his successor.

Meanwhile, Pam is not asked to join in any of the activities and is forced to watch Jim and Karen have fun together. Rumor is the show is switching to an hour-long format next season, so get on board now with the funniest show on TV.

9 p.m. Discovery Man vs. Wild Bear takes on Mt. Kilauea in Hawaii. Watch as a man parachutes into the wild and tries to find his way to safety.

8 p.m. TBS Lord of the Rings:

The Return of the King Frodo (Elijah Wood) and Sam march toward Mount Doom to destroy the ring, while Gandalf (Ian McKellen) and warriors prepa for a final confrontation. Watch a three-hour movie become a four-hour movie courtesy of

9 p.m. FOX Family Guy Lois dumbs down her political views when she runs for mayor. Expect plenty of Hillary Clinton jokes this week.

#### PARK AVE JUNIOR TOP 5 SALES: Artist / Title / Label

1. Arctic Monkeys / Favourite Worst Nightmare / Domino

2. Dntel / Dumb Luck / Sub Pop

3. Nightwatchman/ One Man Revolution / Epic

4. Bright Eyes / Cassadaga / Saddle Creek

5. Brother Ali / Undisputed Truth / Rhymesayers

Heels pump up your style

**JAMIE SALMASIAN** 

Summer is here, and it is time to get pumped — when selecting your shoes, that is. Summer is not all about beachwear; sometimes it is necessary to be chic during summer, and a great way to accomplish that look is with a pair of pumps. The most popular styles of

high heels for this season include stilettos, peep-toed heels and colorful wedges. Myong Blaede, a 32-year-old

junior accounting major, purchased her black stilettos at Ross for about \$20. They caught her

eye because they were stylish and affordable. "They are very comfortable," she said. Blaede prefers to pair them with jeans and skirts, but said that they are easy to wear with anything.

Her friend, Jae Ryung, 32, who is visiting Orlando from South Korea, bought her pumps in South Korea for about \$30. She purchased them for the same reasons: comfort and price. She also likes to pair them with anything that matches.

Renu Desai, a 36-year-old Ph.D. student who also teaches accounting classes at UCF, bought her black-and-white peep-toe heels from Macy's for about \$30. She purchased them because they looked pretty chic, and because they are black and white and super versatile. "They are comfortable, and I use them a lot," Desai said.

A great way to dress up any outfit is with heels/pumps. They can transform looks for the daytime or nighttime. They can also help to make you look a little taller while elongating your legs,

Pumps can make everyone look classy and fabulous for an affordable price, and because they are so versatile, they are a must-have for any summer wardrobe.

CD REVIEW

### Machine Head better than the rest

Warning: auditory consumption of the new Machine Head album may lead to heart palpitations resulting in a dire need to scream, head bang and stage dive. It may also invoke the need to grab a friend and try to simulate the sounds heard on The Blackening in an attempt to recreate one of this year's best albums.

Go for it. Don't worry if you don't generate musical magic because Machine Head already has.

With The Blackening, the band members reattach themselves to the do-it-yourself ethics they were once associated with in the '90s. The album showcases the development of their thrash/progressive metal sound, particularly highlighting the relationship between the guitar

and double bass pedal.

The song "Clenching the Fists of Dissent" is verifiable proof that The Blackening is not an album for the meek. The song starts out with a distorted chant that fades into an acoustic melody. But just when listeners start to mellow out and come down from their speed metalinduced high, the song revs up its engine and goes full force. The guitar and drums feed off each other until the intensity can't seem to get any greater. Enter the painful words of



**Machine Head** Album: The Blackening



**Label: Roadrunner Records Available Now** 

Machine Head's singer, Robb Flynn, and you'll most likely back away from the speakers for fear of being attacked.

"Aesthetics of Hate" is the fiery refutation to a much-hated critique of the late and great "Dimebag" Darrell Abbott of Pantera and Damageplan. The song was featured on MTV2's Headbanger's Ball, helping to further circulate the buzz created from the release of The Black-

Machine Head's reputation is backed by an outstanding catalog that spans over a decade and a half. In the metal world hierarchy, the band rests comfortably near the top among artists such as Pantera, Metallica and Iron Maiden. Their consistent dispersal of intense, thought-driven

criteria has separated them from most of the metal that graces the airwaves.

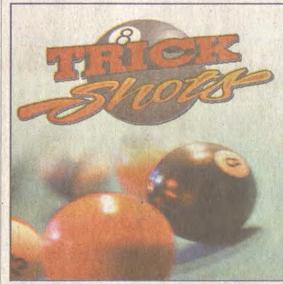
From beginning to end, The Blackening is a thorough compilation of complex songs that range from aggressive to painful as listeners are engaged by the lyricist's thoughts and unnerving obsession with death.

Fans of Pantera and Lamb of God will appreciate this release. Machine Head is currently finishing up a tour in the U.S. with Megadeath and Heaven and Hell. The band will head overseas in late May for shows in Europe with artists such as Chimaira, Mastodon and Slayer.



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### JACON atmosphere builds sense of community for fans

FROM A10

John Robert Gonzalez, a UCF information technology senior and JACON staff volunteer, said that JACON is more than just a place to buy fan merchandise.

"Unlike other conventions, JACON is more than just an event," Gonzalez said. "It's a com-

Gonzalez — a fan of the Japan-ese genre "mecha," which involves machines such as robots — said that people come to the convention to meet others with similar interests. "I can talk to anyone here for hours."

Winrich Cruz, a UCF alumnus, said that this was his fifth year attending. Cruz became a fan of anime through video games and his interest in the style of anima-

Cruz likes JACON because of the atmosphere of being around people with similar interests. "You always have something in common with just about anyone," he

Ross Dickson, a hospitality sophomore and JACON staff volunteer, said that Japanese anime has been increasing in popularity in the U.S. for the last 10 years.

This wasn't Dickson's first year at a convention, but it's his first time volunteering at one. "I've been to a convention before, but I'm seeing it from the other side," he said.

Steve Lewis, owner of pop-culture store Überbot, located in Winter Park, said that this is the store's first year at JACON.

Überbot was at JACON to promote Japanese foods such as "Pocky," a Japanese snack food, and the store's artistic toys.

Lewis enjoys selling Japanese foods because he admires the artwork on the boxes and said the designs draw in new people. "I like meeting new people and letting them know we're in Winter Park," he said.

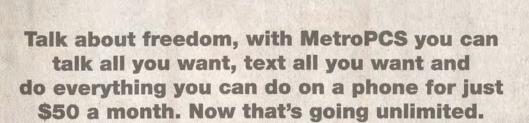
"It's been a good convention for us so far," Lewis said.





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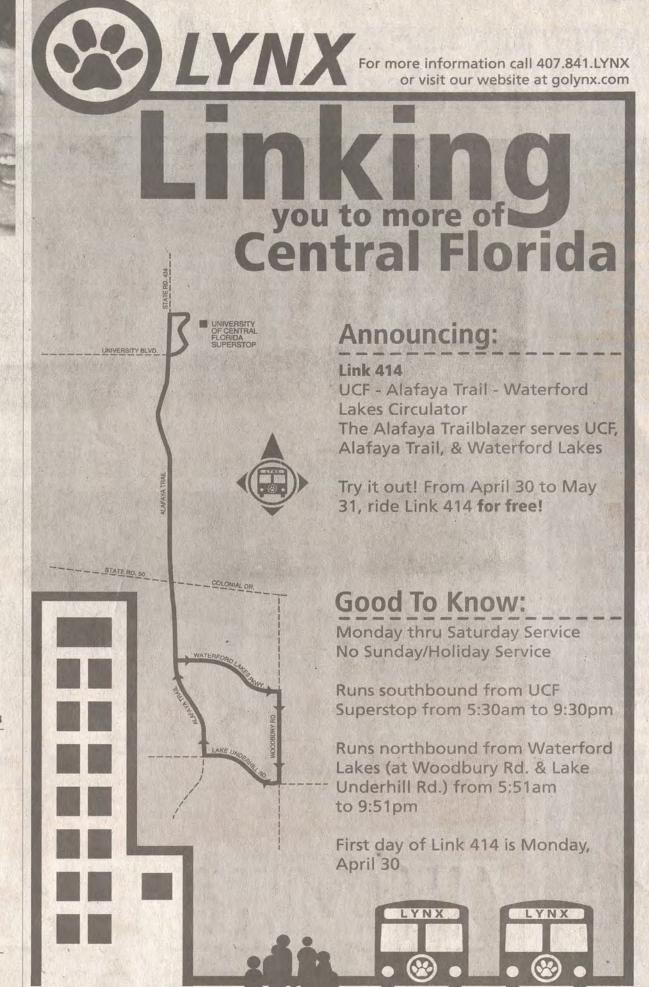
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MAY 8 7 P.M. (AWAY) The Knights travel to DeLand to face the Hatters for their final non-conference game of the season.

**EAST CAROLINA** MAY 11-13 7 P.M., 6 P.M.& I P.M. (AWAY) Conference USA series beginning Friday

MARSHALL MAY 17-19 6:30 P.M., 6:30 P.M. & 1 P.M. Thundering Herd for a



C-USA MAY 10-12



CHAMPIONSHIP MAY 10-12 ALL DAY(AWAY) Coming off several travel to Houston to take



SOUTH/CENTRAL REGIONALS MAY 12-13

STETSON

The Knights will face the Pirates for a three-game

1 P.M. (HOME) In their last Conference USA series of the season, the Knights will host the three-game series.



CHAMPIONSHIP

conference series against Memphis, the Knights will host the C-USA Championship this weekend at the UCF Softball Complex. UCF enters the tournament seeded fourth.



C-USA OUTDOOR

impressive performances at the Golden Knight Twilight, the Knights will Outdoor Championships.



ALL DAY (AWAY)
The UCF Women's
Rowing team will travel
to Oak Ridge, Tenn., to take part in the South/Central Regionals beginning Saturday.



# IIGERS TAKE SERIES FROM UCF

**BRIAN MURPHY** 

The UCF Baseball team was unable to carry over

the momentum from their first-ever C-USA sweep as

it lost three of its first four games this past week.

After the Knights lost to No. 28 Stetson on

#### **GAMES REMAINING**

| Stetson (A)  | May 8      | 7:00 PM |
|--------------|------------|---------|
| ECU (A)      | May 11     | 7:00 PM |
| ECU (A)      | May 12     | 6:00 PM |
| ECU (A)      | May 13     | 1:00 PM |
| Marshall (H) | May 17     | 6:30 PM |
| Marshall (H) | May 18     | 6:30 PM |
| Marshall (H) | May 19     | 1:00 PM |
| C-USA (A)    | May 23 -27 | TBA     |

**NEXT GAME** 





May 8, 7:00 p.m. | DeLand, Fla.

Wednesday, 10-7, they dropped two of three games against the Memphis Tigers over the weekend.

Conference USA) came from behind to claim a 9-6 win on Friday. But, the Knights couldn't hold on, dropping Saturday's game 7-3 and Sunday's game 10-9.

The Knights trailed 5-1 in Friday's game, but finally got their offense started in the sixth, scoring four runs with two outs.

Tyson Auer started the rally with

The Knights (23-26 overall, 5-13 in a single to right field. Kiko Vazquez and Chris Duffy then made the score 5-4 with back-to-back home runs. It was the first time two Knights hit back-to-back home runs since May 6, 2005.

Ryan Richardson followed with a single to left field and he advanced to third when Memphis pitcher Ben

PLEASE SEE MOMENTUM ON A14



Sophomore Kyle Sweat, above, throws a pitch in the Knights' 4-3 win over the Tulane Green Wave on April 28. Senior Matt Horwath, top, slides into home in the same game. Horwath was 2-for-4 with one RBI and two runs scored in the victory.

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RYAN PELHAM / CENTRAL FLORIDA FUTURE Sophomore Breanne Javier slides into home in the Knights' 1-0 win over the UTEP Miners on April 28.

### Softball swept by C-USA foe Memphis in 3 games

**WOODY WOMMACK** 

While the rest of the UCF student body finished classes and headed off for summer vacation, the UCF Softball team was still hard at work wrapping up their Conference USA regular season.

The Knights spent the weekend playing a three-game series against conference foe Memphis, an

important series that helped to determine seeding in the 2007 C-USA Tournament.

Unfortunately for the Knights they dropped both games in a double-header on Saturday and fell in game three on Sunday.

After the three losses the Knights are now 35-24 overall on the season and 11-13 in conference

PLEASE SEE COMEBACK ON A14

### Jags take Walker in round 3

**MELISSA HEYBOER** Sports Editor

Recent UCF graduate Mike Walker won't have to travel far in order to continue his football career. Walker was selected in the third round, 79th overall, by the Jacksonville Jaguars at the 2007 NFL Draft held April 28-29.

Friends and family waited for nearly 10 hours before receiving the phone call that he would join the Jaguars.

This is a dream come true," Walker said in a press release following his selection. "This has been a crazy day, but it's been well worth it. As you can see I have a great family, probably the

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REBECCA BARNETT / CENTRAL FLORIDA FUTU

UCF graduate Mike Walker was selected as the 79th overall pick in the third round of the 2007 NFL Draft to the Jacksonville Jaguars.

### Golf finishes sixth in C-USA tourney

**MELISSA HEYBOER** Sports Editor

The UCF Men's Golf team concluded their spring season last weekend finishing sixth at the Conference USA Championships at the Texarkana Country Club in Arkansas. The Knights finished the three-day, 11-team event shooting a 20-over-par 886.

The 23rd ranked Tulsa Golden Hurricane took home top honors at the championships, finishing the tournament at 9-under-par 855.

Tulsa also had two golfers who tied for sec-

ond place. Nicolas Geyger and Brett Myer each shot a three-day total of 3-under-par 213. UAB's Garrett Osborne led all golfers, fir

ishing first in the individual ranking with a under-par 212. Junior Giwon Suh turned out the best over

all score for the Knights, finishing the tourna ment with a 5-over-par 221. Suh finished in 14t

UCF's next highest finisher was sophomor Preston Brown who finished in 16th place wit

PLEASE SEE SUH ON A

### Momentum swept way after sweep

isham made a bad pickoff throw first. Eric Kallstrom made the gers pay for the error with an 3I single to left.

The Knights took the lead with o more runs in the sixth, one of nich was earned, when Auer sined up the middle to score Matt orwath and Dwayne Bailey.

Vazquez gave UCF two insurce runs in the ninth with a home n over the center field wall. stin Weiss picked up his seventh ve of the year by recording the al five outs.

With RBI singles from Bailey d Vazquez, UCF led 2-0 going to e sixth inning of Saturday's me. Kyle Sweat had given up just o hits over the first five innings, t unraveled in the sixth.

K.K. Chalmers began the inning th a single. After he advanced to cond on a ground out, Chalmers ored on a single by Bill Moss. ne out later, Adam Amar doued to left field, scoring Moss. The gers took the lead three pitches er when Joey Lieberman hit a

o-run home run. Brett Bordwine relieved Sweat start the seventh, but he allowed ree runs in one inning of work. Despite a late comeback, UCF

I in game three Sunday, 10-9. Bailey led the offense, going 3r-5 at the plate with three runs

e loss. He went

innings allowing ght runs off six Prior to the emphis and Stet-

n games, the played nights eir most impresweekend ries of the season reeping Tulane in ree games.

Friday's ries opener, Horath hit for the st cycle in school story and Duffy shed two home ns in a 7-6 victo-

But, the game dn't start smoothly for the nights. Tulane scored first when CF pitcher Jaager Good gave up ck-to-back doubles in the first ning. The Knights handed the reen Wave two runs in the next

ning with three errors. UCF trailed 4-0 in the third ning, but that is when Horwath arted the comeback. He opened e inning with a single to right eld and then stole second base. iley followed with a single to nter field that scored Horwath. One batter later, with Bailey on

ird, Vazquez hit a sacrifice fly to nter that scored Bailey and uffy followed with a home run at landed over the scoreboard in tht-center field. Suddenly, the nights were within one run.

Horwath tripled in the fourth d then hit a homer to lead off the venth to make the score 6-4.

Vazquez singled to right after a uple of strikeouts and Duffy tied e game with a home run.

"Once [Duffy] hit that two-run ome run, everyone felt it in the igout and that was a huge lift," orwath said. "That home run ght there turned the ball game ound where we felt like, 'Hey, nis is ours. We're gonna go out d we're gonna win this game."

UCF took the lead in the eighth, hen Tulane center fielder Nate mon dropped a fly ball from Hartman. lvanced to third on the error.

Horwath then stepped to the ate needing only a double to

implete his cycle. With the outeld playing in, that's exactly what got as he sent a ball over mon's head. The double gave the UCF the

ad and the first cycle in the proam's 34 years. Horwath said that wasn't really thinking about the cle, but UCF coach Jay Bergman id that maybe he should have en this coming.

"It is funny because Coach [Rich] Wallace had told me before the ball game that was the best batting practiced he'd ever taken," Bergman said about Horwath. "Mentally, he thought that he was really zoned in on everything."

UCF starting pitcher Jaager Good didn't have a great outing as he pitched five innings, allowing five runs [two earned] and seven hits. But, the bullpen kept the Knights in the game. Weiss and Austin Hudson allowed just one run in the final four innings. Weiss earned the win by closing out the game with a hitless 1.2 innings.

UCF claimed another comefrom-behind victory the next day. The Knights trailed 3-1 heading to the eighth. Tim Russell started the inning with a single to left field. After Hartman laid down a sacrifice bunt that moved pinch-runner Bryan Bennett to second, Horwath brought Bennett home with a double to left-center.

Horwath moved to third on a ground out from Shane Brown and scored on a wild pitch to tie the score at 3-3. Auer worked a twoout walk and Vazquez doubled down the left-field line to score Auer, giving the Knights a 4-3 lead.

Sweat earned the win with eight innings pitched and Weiss preserved the victory by pitching a hitless ninth inning.

The Knights completed the sweep on Sunday with an 8-4 win Eric English was tagged with in one of their most complete

games of the season. Eric English pitched a careerhigh seven innings, allowing just two runs on five hits.

The Knights' offense supported him with a seasonhigh 15 hits, including another three hits for Horwath.

Knights never trailed in the game and blew it open in the seventh inning. With one out, the Knights strung together three-straight singles, scoring two runs and making

the score 5-1.

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- JAY BERGMAN, HEAD COACH

Two batters later, Ryan Richardson singled to right, scoring Auer. Eric Kallstrom finished the Knights' scoring with a double to left that brought home Richardson and pinch-runner Kyle Mills.

"Maybe the team's maturing and growing," Bergman said after Friday's game. "If you're gonna play well, play well at the end (of the season)."

What may have made the sweep even more special was that Tulane is a high quality team. They began the season ranked No. 15 in the Baseball America Top 25 Preseason Poll.

Horwath was named C-USA Hitter of the Week and earned UCF's first national honor in over two years for his success at the plate.

Horwath went 11-for-16 in UCF's four games in the week of April 23. He scored eight runs, drove in three. He recorded two runs and at least two hits in all four

Horwath was named the Pro-Line Athletic National Hitter of the Week by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association on April 30.

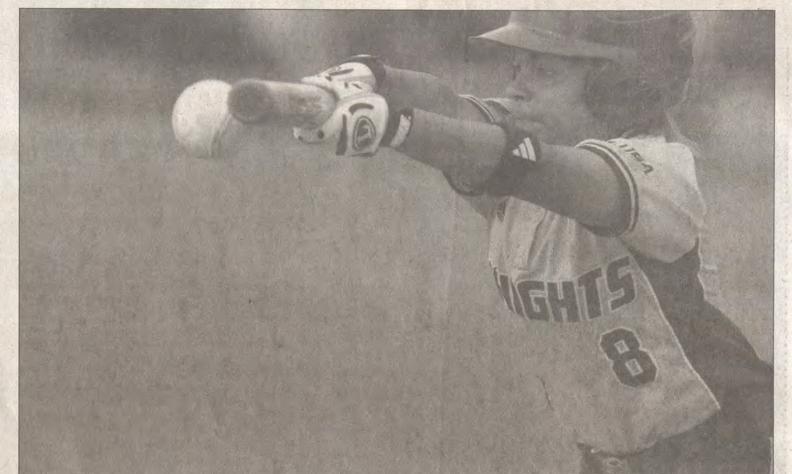
Tim Bascom had been the most recent national honor winner when he was named one of five Louisville Slugger National Players of the Week on March 7, 2005.

But, Horwath's hot hitting did not end with the week.

Entering the series finale against Memphis, Horwath had recorded at least two hits in each of his last seven games.

He had 18 hits in his last 31 at bats, which raised his average from

The Knights will travel to Stetson on Tuesday before starting a three-game weekend series at East Carolina. See the May 14 edition of the Future for results.



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Senior Cici Alvarez lays down a bunt in the Knights' 1-0 win over the UTEP Miners on April 29. Alvarez was 0-for-2 in the game with a sacrifice bunt. Senior Kacie Feaster and sophomore Breanne Javier picked up the only two hits for the Knights in the win. UCF swept the three-game series against UTEP, outscoring the Miners 15-0.

### Comeback falls short in game 3

play. The Memphis Tigers, moved to 35-23 overall and 10-12 in C-USA play.

The Knights lost a heartbreaker 2-1 in 11 innings in game one of the double header. Allison Kime fell to 21-10 after the complete-game loss. She gave up just two runs on 10 hits while striking out 11 Tiger batters.

With scoring hard to come by in both games, Kacie Feaster led the way for the Knights. She recorded two hits in game one, and had the only RBI in the fifth inning.

The Knights had many different chances to put runs on the board, but just couldn't get it done, stranding eight runners during the game.

The Tigers scored their first run of the game in the third inning when two wild pitches by Kime allowed Lindsey Pridgen to score from second base.

The Knights would even the score at one in the top of third inning.

With one out, Lindsay Dean reached second on the throwing error by Memphis shortstop. Ashley Van Ryn would lay down a sacrifice bunt in the next at bat to move Dean over to third base.

The next batter, Feaster, would hit a two-out single to center field scoring Dean from third to tie the score at one.

Six more innings would go by until Memphis finally clinched the victory in the bottom of the 11th inning. After a lead-off walk to Tori Gross, Leila Dolfo ripped a double to left-center field, putting runners on second and third with

UCF GOLDEN KNIGHTS



Position:

Vs. Memphis: Snapp went 3-for-3 in the Knights' 2-1 loss to the Tigers in game two of the three game series.

no outs. UCF's Amber Lamb committed a costly throwing error, allowing Leila Dolfo of Memphis to come home from third for the winning run.

Despite Cat Snapp's perfect 3-for-3 at the plate, the Knights couldn't pull together a win. Snapp drove in the only run of the game for the Knights in the top of the fifth inning.

At the time of Snapp's RBI, the Knights were already down 2-0 thanks to runs scored by the Tigers in the second and forth innings.

The Knights managed to put together one run in the top of the fifth inning but it wouldn't be enough. Ashleigh Cole led off the inning with

a single to right field and was replaced with pinch runner Morgan Bullard. After Megan Murphy advanced

Bullard to second on a sacrifice bunt, Snapp would hit a single to right field scoring Bullard from second.

Neither team, however, could find their offense after the fifth inning, and the Knights again lost 2-1 to wrap up a disappointing day overall.

Lexi Gresham was tagged with her fifth loss of the season. She allowed one run on four hits in two innings of work.

In game three, the Knights fell 2-1 despite a seventh inning comeback. Kime picked up her second loss of the series, pitching six innings and

allowing two runs on five hits. The Knights had just three hits on the afternoon. Feaster, Javier and Hillary Barrow each had a hit.

Prior to the Memphis series, the Knights clinched a spot in the C-USA tournament by 'sweeping the UTEP Miners in a three game series in Orlando April 28-29. The Knights were led by reigning C-USA hitter of the week Breanne Javier, who went 4-for-8 at the plate with three RBIs in the series.

Kime pitched 15 innings during the UTEP series, striking out 22 batters and grabbing two victories.

The Knights played their final regular season game of the year on Sunday at Memphis, and now await their opponent in the 2007 C-USA Softball Championship Tournament.

The tournament will be hosted by UCF on May 10-12 at the UCF Softball

### Walker becomes 21st Knight to be drafted

FROM A13

greatest in the world and to be able to share this with them is an awesome feeling. I'm speechless."

Walker was the highest Knight to be selected in the draft since 2002 when Travis Fisher was selected 64th overall

MIKE WALKER



NFL Draft: Walker became the 21st UCF Football player to enter the NFL after being selected by the Jacksonville Jaguars in the third round.

Rams. Twenty fellow Knights have been selected in the draft in previous years.

to the St. Louis

"I was with a couple of my former teammates the other day and they told me if I was still left when Jacksonville picking in the third round they were going to get me and that's what hap-pened," Walker said in a release. "It's crazy that I had not heard that yet and

someone else had, but they got me and I'm very happy."

Walker was a force for the Knights' offense, setting the single-season reception record in 2006 with 90 catches.

At the NFL Combine in Indianapolis in late February, Walker was able to impress scouts, running a 4.35 40-yard dash, but it was UCF's Pro Day on March 8 that helped Walker get noticed.

Amongst many other NFL teams, the Jaguars attended Pro Day and were able



UCF graduate Mike Walker catches a pass in the Knights' 24-17 loss to the South Florida Bulls on Sept. 16. Walker was the 21st Knight to be drafted to the NFL after he was selected in the third round by the Jacksonville Jaguars on April 28.

to get a glimpse of what Walker had to

"I had a really good Pro Day," Walker said in a release. "I know (Jacksonville's) receiving coach (Todd Monken) was there and I felt like I impressed a lot of people, but I had not spoken to anyone from there since then."

The last UCF receiver to be drafted

was Brandon Marshall, who was taken in the 4th round of the 2006 NFL Draft by the Denver Broncos.

UCF defensive back Travonti Johnson will also be making his debut in the

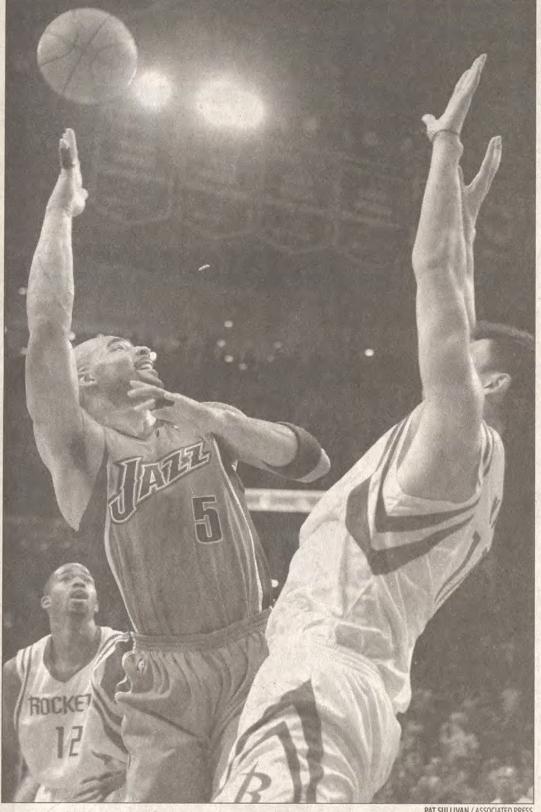
Johnson, who graduated in 2006, signed a free-agent contract with the New York Giants.



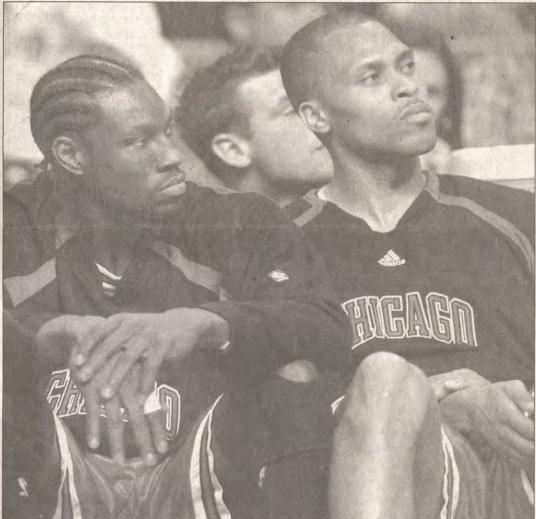
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Chicago Bulls' Ben Wallace, left, and P.J. Brown, above, watch the closing minutes of the Bulls' 95-69 loss to the Detroit Pistons in game one of the Eastern Conference Semifinals Saturday. Utah Jazz forward Carlos Boozer, top, attempts to shoot in Utah's 103-99 game seven win over the Houston Rockets Saturday night. The win advanced the Jazz to the second round of playoffs.

### Billups, Hamilton lead Detroit in win

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Chauncey Billups and Richard Hamilton each scored 20 points, leading Detroit in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference semifinals.

Detroit was aggressive on defense, getting into passing lanes with their feet and hands and balanced on offense.

The Pistons will host Game 2 tonight. Chicago's Ben Gordon averaged 25.5 points and Andres Nocioni added 12 a game in the first-round sweep over the Heat, but were held to just seven and two

Former Piston Ben Wallace had nine points, eight rebounds and a block.

Luol Deng scored 18 and Kirk Hinrich had 15 for the Bulls, who led only once in

the series opener. Detroit took control with a 13-2 run midway through the first quarter, but didn't put Chicago away until the opening minutes of the fourth.

Three Pistons made 3-pointers in the first 2 minutes of the final quarter for a 19point lead before going ahead 86-60 a few

minutes later.

Utah 103, Houston 99

points, respectively.

HOUSTON - Tracy McGrady leaned over in front of his bench as time ran out, his hands on his knees as he absorbed one more playoff failure.

The young Utah Jazz, meanwhile, embraced one another and quietly celebrated after a 103-99 win over the Houston Rockets on Saturday night that gave them their first playoff series victory since the days of John Stockton and Karl Malone.

Carlos Boozer had 35 points, 14 rebounds and five assists in Game 7 for the Jazz, who became only the seventh team since 2001 to come back from a 2-0 deficit and win a series. They're also just the 19th visiting team to win in 97 Game 7s in playoff history.

McGrady had 29 points and 13 assists, but the seven-time All-Star fell to 0-6 in the playoffs. The Rockets — his Rockets blew a 2-0 lead for the second time in three seasons. They won twice in Dallas in 2005, then dropped the series in seven

The home team had won the previous six games in this series, but all the games at the Toyota Center had gone down to

This game was the closest one of all. This time, Boozer and the Jazz came up with the plays to finally break through.

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### Chin records a personal best in 400 meter hurdles

#### Junior betters NCAA qualifying mark

**MELISSA HEYBOER** 

The UCF Women's Track and Field team finished its regular season last week hosting the Golden Knight Twilight on April 28. The Knights finished the event

posting several high marks from many of the Knight athletes.

Junior Victoria Chin posted a personal best in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 60.38. Chin had already qualified for the NCAA East Regional Tournament earlier in the year with a 400-meter hurdle time of 60.79.

Aside from winning the 400-meter hurdles, Chin also posted a season best in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 14.42, which earned her second in the event.

Teammate Feyisara Adaramola also turned out impressive marks in the 100 meter and 200 meter events, Adaramola took third in both the 100

CHIN

At tourney:

Chin set a personal

meter hurdles and a season best in the

100-meter hurdles at

the Golden Knight Twilight on April 28.

best in the 400-

meter and 200 meter with times VICTORIA of 12.06 and 24.53, respectively.

In the 3000 meter event, Jenny Clausen took third with a time of 10:13.59.

Fellow long distance runner Jami Rzepecki took top honors in the 3000 steeplemeter chase. Her time of 11:11.02 was good enough for second on UCF's all-time list.

the field events, sophomore LaKendra Thames led the way

placing second in both the shot put and discus events. Her personal best throw of 46 feet,

five inches was good enough for second in the shot put and her throw of 158 feet three inches was good enough for second in the discus.

Teammate Virginia Traynor finished just behind Thames with a throw of 44 feet three inches to place third in the shot put.

Senior Katie Fowke took first in the pole vault and sophomore Ricki Sullivan earned two top five finishes, taking third in the triple jump and fourth in the long jump.

The Knights return to action Thursday when they head to Houston for the 2007 Conference USA Outdoor Championships.

### Suh helps Knights with 14th place overall finish

FROM A13

a 6-over-par 222.

Brown also turned in the best round for the Knights on the third day, shooting a 1-over-par 73.

Freshman Nuno Henriques turned out the lowest round for the Knights in the tournament, shooting a second round 2-under-par

NUNO HENRIQUES



**C-USA** honors: Selected to the C-USA All-Freshman team.

Henriques was also announced as a selection to the All-Conference USA Freshman Team.

"I was glad to see Nuno's name on the list because he is well-deserving of that honor," head coach Nick Clinard said in a press release. "He is going to be a great player for us and we definitely saw glimpses of that this season."

Henriques posted his best finish of the season at the Wolf Run Intercollegiate, finishing 10th, and his best round of the season at the Bulls Bay Invitational when he shot a first round 5-under-par 67.

The Knights have the opportunity to participate in the NCAA East Regional Tournament in Alpharett, Ga., May 17-19, but are waiting to hear whether they will officially be selected as an at-large team.



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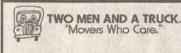
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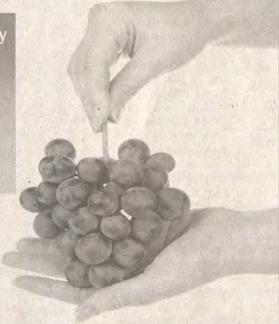
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