Tram system still under discussion

By DEREK GONSOLIN
Staff Writer

After the Olympics, Georgia Power Company had a surplus of unused trams that could be bought cheaply. Also, Lt. Blanton said the maintenance of the tram's electrical engine would be a sim­pler job, as they only had to go through the parking lot at Disney World, the school thought it had found the solution to its campus trans­portation problems.

Now that UCF has one, not everyone is sold on the system.

"We've tried a motorized trans­port from parking lots before," student body president Aaron Scannan said. "We tried a shuttle system two years ago and we only got about 40 passengers a month. It wasn't worth it."

Lt. Blanton thinks the trams can work now.

"I think students would will­ingly park at the UCF Arena parking lot if they knew a tram would come every 10 minutes," Blanton said. "You could rotate two or three vehicles from seven (a.m.) to seven (p.m.)."

The entire tram package of tug, or driver unit, four passenger-equipped cars, a 5,000 electrical battery and recharger unit cost $38,000 according to police chief Richard Turkiewicz. The tram can pull all four cars at once.

The three passenger cars held 12 persons each while the handicap­per car can hold up to three wheel­chairs.

Purchased by the police depart­ment and parking services through the purchases depart­ment, the tram will be loaned to special events and functions on campus.

Spreading the word

By BRIAN SMITH
Staff Writer

A crowd gathers around Apollo Circle as a man yells "Repeat your fomicating, masuuburbing, drunkard, homosexual lifestyle."

"No one is born a sinner, homosexual you are born a virgin and you choose to sin. Judgment day is coming. Peace God and repent of your sins now."

The man preaching is Patrick Johnson, a medical student at Nova Southeastern University. Johnson said he comes to the UCF campus about twice a week to preach the gospel and God's law.

Several students think Johnson's preaching is offensive.

"I think he's an idiot," freshman Alyson Rollmann said. "He's a very judgmental and he doesn't listen to people. He's making religion like a cult."

Freshman Isabelle Berges agrees with Rollmann.

"He stands by the library putting down people's reli­gions and telling everyone that they are going to hell. He saw that I was wearing a short skirt and he told me that I was a typical UCF whore. I told him that he didn't know me. Then I grabbed my breasts and told him to eat it."

Johnson responds to being called judgmental and offensive.

"If you say premarital sex is OK, you make a judgment," Johnson said. "What right do you have to judge another per­son? Only God has a right to say what is right and wrong. When your judgments are different than God's, people are guilty of judging in the worst sense of the word. Fictionators are headed for hell, that is God's judg­ment. I simply relay it."

I hear so many hypocrites say that mes­sage of fear and condemnation is going to turn them off and hurt their feelings. Be more loving, hug them, smile more, soften your angry tone. Are these spineless wimps more concerned about the feelings of wicked than the feelings of God?"

Heather, a member of the Chi Alpha Christian Ministry Group, says Johnson's message is negative.

"I've seen him a couple of times. His judgmental way is not the way of the lord. He is the type of person who gives Christians a bad name. We have all sinned and those sins have consequences, but God offered a way out from those conse­quences just by asking him to forgive us."

That guy is out for shock value. I think he attracts negative attention which pulls in a crowd.

Johnson disagrees with Heather.

"God is sick that you sin until the end and still win at the end. God is love, and yet he is going to laugh as he cuts the wicked sinner, and cast them into the lake of fire like a flat, stone made.

"If you claim to be a Christian yet cannot stop sinning, please for the sake of the doomed, for the sake of the glory of God, either stop sinning, or stop calling yourself a Christian. Churches would fare better of all your sins.

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By BRIAN SMITH
Staff Writer

Living in a campus residence hall has several benefits. Students don't have to hunt for a parking space and the travel time to class depends on how fast you walk. But, some say living there could have one drawback. Especially for students who disapprove of their roommate's alcohol or drug use.

"Right now you're not supposed to drink or do any drugs, but the reality is that it's happening anyway," Officer Francine Emert, a UCF Crime Prevention Practitioner, said.

Emert said students who become intox­i cated cannot come back to their dorm room until they are sober. She said the housing will be for students who are more interested in their school work than party­ing.

"Fratemites and sororities, they're usually the party areas, but it's spreading con­siderably," Emert said. "All the dorms have their certain areas that have reputa­tions."

Chris McCray, director of housing, ques­tioned the need for a substance-free living area.

"There's nothing preventing substance­free housing, but the residence halls are already substance-free," McCray said.

Several UCF students and Garth Jenkins, the associate dean of students, disagree with McCray.

"Alcohol abuse and underage drinking are a major problem on this campus," Jenkins said.

Jamie Gordon, a student who works in the Wellness Center and lived in a resi­dence hall, supports Jenkins.

"I've been in residence halls with my friends," Gordon said. "Drugs and alcohol are everywhere whether people like it or not. I think it will be really nice for stu­dents to have the option where they can have a substance-free resident hall."

Lake Claire resident Olivia Cook, 20, would like to have substance-free housing to avoid roommate problems.

"A couple of roommates I've had in the past were totally against drugs, drinking and boys spending the night," Curnow said. "People like me, not that I'm into drugs and drinking, I don't have to deal with having such narrow-minded room­
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- **Herpes Zoster Infections**:
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**Skin**

- Rash, pruritus, urticaria, itching, erythema, flushing, maculopapular rash, and dermatitis

**Central Nervous System**

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By DIANA IMANUEL

Opinion Editor

At the end of the week came rolling around, I had received an urgent phone call from UCF student and student leader, Graciela Noriega.

It was evident this student was overly perturbed and frustrated as she pleaded with me to run an article about an incident, which could possibly occur in a previous article in which I had written about student government elections.

The notion that was reaffirmed from the column was the fact the article dealt with the lack of effort put into electing these student representatives on behalf of the student body. Noriega’s article only confirms the notion that it is one, the student body’s fault for putting these political figures into office.

So, I decided this particular incident, which could possibly expose further misappropriations of funding and generate a discriminatory ethnicity issue on behalf of the student officials in student government, must be addressed. Therefore, I choose to allow for Noriega to describe, in her own words, her disappointment in our student-elected representatives.

Dear Opinion Columnist,

I have been doing this for almost four years now, and I never thought I would say this, but I QUIT!!! Yes, I am officially resigning from the UCF Student Government’s Senatorial, “representing the student body as a whole.”

I hate to react with such harsh rhetoric but this is the only means in which I see my message getting across, not only to them, but to your students. I have been at the forefront of making this university a better environment for students since my first semester I had arrived. I have served as the Chair of Student Government Board of Directors, pushing to get the Student Union open and what you asked for to be in the Union; the President of the Residence Hall Association, presenting a positive atmosphere for student retention.

I sat on President Hill’s On-Campus Ad Hoc Committee, teaching the administration what type of facilities residents want to live in; and of course, serving the students through my efforts in Student Government. I was an Election Commissioner for 2 1/2 years and a senator for almost one year; and if you remember that catchy phrase, “No Excuses, Just Results,” that was me too, DE.

Excuse me if I interrupt but nice profile, don’t ya think? A concerned and well involved individual like yourself’s passion.

But an event took place last Thursday’s senate meeting that I can not digest and I will now regurgitate it in your face. Please do not take offense to my play on words, but I find it most appropriate. I had a Caribbean Student Association bill, concerning the Funding, the fifth, annual Caribbean Awareness Week, in committee for over a month.

Finally the big night came...I felt very confident this bill would pass, seeing that it has been funded for the last four years by SGA, as it was for an excellent cause. Before my very eyes, the bill started to be called out by another member of the senate, and the members of the CSA were being talked to as though they were juvenile felons; who wanted to speak on behalf about the bill.

Were these the real issues as to why 18 members of your Senate voted “no” on this bill? I don’t know but I honestly doubt it.

DE: Could it be absolute power equals absolute corruption?

I truly believe that a partial reason for the failing of this bill is due to (1) prejudice, yes I am asserting racism; and (2) of the majority of your representatives on a “power-step”

DE: OK, asserting racism is a bit extreme...something’s going on here...and to think Semifield was more important than a Thursday night Senate meeting.

The senator student is more political than you might assume. As in almost any organization, you are going to be confronted with cliques; well, in Senate there is something called the “Empire.” If you are a part of the Empire” then any legislation that you would bring forth will pass. It is all about wheelin’ and dealin’.

Senate is supposed to represent the student body, as a whole which is apparently a notion that is not fully practiced. I sometimes agree with the accusation that was made against SGA during the shut down and that is, “SGA is a self-serving organization.”

This accusation became apparent to me from my one-year service on Senate. I thought if I was elected into the Vice Presidential office I could change this notion. I was wrong. SGA is the closest democratic institution you will ever be a part of.

Don’t it bother you that only 7 percent of the student body is deciding how your $5 billion is being spent, and that 80 percent is GREED? Please strongly consider the facts and claim I have presented. Thank goodness the only thing I have to lose is a “Plague of Appreciation.”

Graciela Noriega

So, there you have it. To be tainted or not to be tainted. Interesting, isn’t it? I must sympathize with Noriega’s grief and efforts that do not go unnoticed. We must learn from our mistakes and bring back truth to our student legislative branch. Though I respect Noriega’s opinion, I must confess I’m interested to see a different perspective. Who else would like to step up to bat?

And in response to the apathetic-minded individual who wrote the letter to the editor in the last issue, I understand your point of view from a non-active and uninvolved student perspective.

However, the question still remains, “Don’t you care about how your money is being spent?”

I know you care as do.

Thank God some student members of the legislation still do. Their truth is our voice. And yet, they remain to be a dying breed.
LEAD

**IRONIES**

- In October, Richard E. Clear, Jr., 32, was arrested in Tampa for shooting his gun toward a neighbor who had complained about Clear's barking dog. Clear runs a martial-arts studio and advertises his experience in "stress management."
- In October, The Des Moines Register reported that Daniel Long, 35, had been hired from his job as a greeter at a local Wal-Mart. According to records in the state unemployment appeals agency, Long had called one customer a "snob," told another she had to be "smarter than the cat" to get two cars unstuck, and called another a "fat elephant."
- In November, retired Manhattan, Kan., police department custodian Jay Pfaff, 73, was fired from his job as school crossing guard because, said a police spokesman, "a number of parents" complained they were uncomfortable because he was too nice to their children.

WRONG PLACE, WRONG TIME

- In October, sewage truck driver Ricky Walter, 19, collided with another vehicle in Waukesha, Wis., pinning Walter inside and sending his load directly into the cab of his truck. Walter was forced to marinate for half an hour before rescue workers got to him.
Deluca casts spell over Arena audience

By NORA KULIESH
Managing Editor

March 18 was an eventful night at the UCF Arena. Not only was Tom Deluca performing his "Theatre of the Imagination" program, but 12 terrorists with machine guns showed up.

A volcano and tornado also were among the emergencies that one of the female volunteers warned the audience about. If you didn't see the show, don't be alarmed — everyone was fine. It was only the power of suggestion that made this UCF student shrivel her concerns of natural disasters and a potential massacre to thousands of audience members.

Deluca, who earned a master's degree in psychology from the University of Illinois, started his career doing seminars that promise to break a smoking habit or help you lose weight. The power of suggestion is pretty much the key element in breaking these habits. Deluca developed his skills and left the therapeutic side of his profession to entertain.

The UCF show started with Deluca interacting with the audience. He randomly selected three audience members, asked them to write a three-digit number, folded cardboard which contained the randomly selected three audience members, and left the therapeutic side of his profession to entertain.

Deluca literally took the number six from a boy's memory, the names of two girls from theirs and turned one girl into a liar.

were these people aware they were in the depths of hypnosis? At the end of the two-hour program, the participants were asked if they thought the hypnosis had been successful. Everyone shook their head no.

While the program entertains, it also makes you wonder how far one could take the power of suggestion.

A scenario was posed to Deluca: would world peace to mass audiences be effective? Deluca said it would wear off in about five minutes.

It was no stretch to say Tom Deluca had UCF students under his spell.

"Working with the audience in large groups can get scary," he said. "You never know who's out there ... there are too many variables." As the night went on, the suggestions went from mild to bizarre. One woman was sent back to the audience with the assumption the show was over, but when Deluca said "thank you" to the audience, she came back onstage to translate in her alien language how much she enjoyed the show.

This was pretty extraordinary, but even more so when a fellow participant suddenly knew how to translate the message. "Working with crowds this big takes everything out of me, especially a program that is two hours long and an audience as intense as this," Deluca said.

The show combined Deluca's power of suggestion with the volunteers' innate creativity. The show's success does not rely completely on Deluca, but on the volunteers and their willingness to let loose.

At the end of the evening, Deluca sat onstage and gave the audience a chance to volunteer. The result was a spectacular show.

"I hate that people come to my shows, steal my material that I have worked on for years and then try to do what I do. It's a big pet peeve of mine," Deluca said.

The results of Deluca's show are fascinating and hilarious. The crowd leaves convinced of the show's legitimacy and completely won over by Deluca's charm and astonishing talent.

"I went in with a lot of skepticism, but I really believe that he hypnotized them all. It was so much fun, I can't wait until next year," UCF student Sarah Davies said.

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Much ado about Shakespeare!

By ARTHUR A. PAULK
Staff Writer

You'd think that with all the aspiring writers in Hollywood, there wouldn't be a shortage of source material for future film production. Apparently, this is not the case, as studios continue to raid the coffers of long-dead authors year after year and out remake the same books we all read in high school. The most recent object of this unhealthy affection is Shakespeare.

Over the course of the last several months we have seen new versions of "Richard III" ("Looking for Richard"), "Romeo & Juliet", and "Twelfth Night" grace the screen. This week the Bard is back with the Central Florida release of Kenneth Branagh's "Hamlet".

With all these Shakespeare adaptations surfacing, one has to wonder if even more directors will be bitten by the Bard bug. At this rate, one would not be surprised to see the announcement of the following projects:

"Juliet". Angered over Baz Luhrmann's of his signature gunplay style in the 1996 version of this seminal classic, Woo stages his own remake as an all out Asian gang war. Jason Scott Lee plays Romeo, with an unknown ingenue in the role of Juliet. The would be nuptials are caught in the midst of a gun smuggling competition between their rival clans.

Chow Yang Fu makes a special appearance as Brother Laurence, a counterfeiter sympathetic to the plight of the star crossed lovers. The pair inevitably meet their demise in a grand finale of explosions at a fireworks factory.

David Lynch's "Hamlet": Something is rotten in the town of Twin Peaks. Chrisput Glover is Special Agent Cooper, an FBI officer walking the line of sanity after the untimely death of Agent Dale Cooper, his father. Cooper's ghost appears to Hamlet in the form of an owl, instructing him to avenge his murder by the hands of Claudius, a deranged dentist who dreams of becoming a Bureau man himself. All the while Hamlet is distracted by his love for Opheilia (Sherilyn Fenn), the first female to become a Tibetan monk. The film climaxes with a telekinetic duel in the Black Lodge between Hamlet and Laertes, a dwarf who also plots for the now deceased Opheilia. They become trapped forever in a gramophone, as Claudius dies from eating poisoned creamed corn.

Chris Carter's "Machete": The cigarette smoking Macbeth, Vice President of the United States, kills President Duncan in his sleep in the White House, thus inheriting the highest office in the land. Guided by the first lady, Macbeth attempts to cover his tracks with numerous other assassinations. He seeks the advice of three aliens, who assure him that he can be killed by no man. But one federal agent "Spooky" Macduff, will not rest until the truth is revealed.

Fearing for his life, Macduff flies the bureaucracy, taking refuge in an Indian reservation. While he is in hiding, his entire family is abducted by aliens. Then a mysterious informant tells Macduff; that he is in fact an android, a secret weapon created by the CIA to maintain order.

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On the Catwalk
Whitney Micen models during the second annual fashion show Saturday at the UCF student center.

By RANDY CULZAC
Staff Writer

After UCF Theatre’s successful production of Oklahoma, the final main stage performance of the spring semester is in rehearsal. The next show is a comedy about the mentally handicapped entitled, “The Boys Next Door.”

The script gives insight on the daily challenges of the mentally handicapped and at the same time allows us to laugh with the characters and not at them.

The play is seen through the eyes of Jack Palmer, a social worker, and Arnold Wiggins, a manic-depressive. Arnold lives with Barry Klemper, a schizophrenic, Norman Bulansky, who has an obsessive compulsive personality, and Lucien Smith, the most retarded of the group.

“The Boys Next Door” is a slice of life play. The four guys have a strong bond of friendship and together they chase rats around the house, hide boxes of doughnuts and attend special dances.

Norman is the doughnut man. He loves to eat leftovers from the neighborhood doughnut shop. He also carries a big bunch of keys he is extremely attached to. He also attempts to have a love life by inviting Shanta, a handicapped woman, to his “pad.”

Barry pretends he can play golf and even sets up lessons with the locals. He imagines himself to be a businessman and refuses to do menial jobs such as washing dishes. To him, golf is a way of life.

Lucien is an extremely slow-thinking, middle-aged man. Yet, he pretends to read thick books about agriculture. When he is confused or doesn’t know what to say, he repeats phrases of things he has said before.

The two most important things in his life are his green library card and his Spiderman tie. Arnold is the ringleader of the group who one day hopes to leave the craziness of his apartment and move to Russia. The closest he gets to a love life is dancing with a girl named Helen who has a tick. And when she ticks, she barks: AARRFFFF!!

Arnold looks and acts as if he always is in charge, but the truth is he is a very nervous person.

And then there is Jack. He loves taking care of the four guys, but lately they have been burning him out. He feels the need for change in his life and considers finding another job.

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By PETER KUNDIS
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Dr. Ruth delivers UCF sex education message

By TRACY WEBB
Staff Writer

Dr. Ruth Westheimer came to UCF on March 21 to clue students in about the importance of education and responsibility when it comes to sex.

Dr. Ruth’s speech lasted about an hour and included information about how sex is handled in different religious traditions, STD’s and education. Her primary topic was education. She believes all persons responsible enough to have sex should also be sexually literate. In other words people should know what responsibilities they have before they participate in the act.

“When I say sexually literate I mean somebody who knows that it is important to have an emotional relationship; somebody who knows that if they have a sexual relationship to make sure they are protected, that they use contraceptives if they don’t want to be parents,” she said. “It (sexual literacy) encompasses everything that has to do with an emotional and sexual relationship.”

Dr. Ruth also wants to educate students about the truths and myths often associated with sex. Her philosophy is to teach with humor. Throughout the lecture she expressed humorous stories she has heard in her private practice. In doing this, Ruth was able to share with students some of the concerns they may have.

"I want the students to know that here is such a pleasurable activity and we have all that knowledge. Use it and make sure that when you have relationships that you make the best of it, that you don’t let it become boring, that you don’t let jealousy interfere, that you are really honest with each other and that you communicate,” Ruth says.

Ruth also expressed her concern about abortion. She doesn’t want abortion to go back to methods such as coat hangers and said it should remain legal, but not for the purpose of using it as a contraception.

“I want abortion to remain legal. I do know that people do not agree with that and I would like to tell those people’s let’s work together to educate so that abortion will not be needed. Let’s work together to find a better contraceptive so that nobody has to have an abortion. Still I am saying that it has to remain legal. It should not be like political football,” she says.
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Spring cleaning
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Tram system a possibility
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campus. Blanton said the orders are already coming in for campus rentals.

“We gave President Hitt a ride in it last week and I guess now everyone wants to use it,” Blanton said.

SG vice-president Stacey George said UCF needs a method of transportation soon. By the 1997-1998 fall semester, construction will begin on three buildings over the dirt parking lot next to the Student Union.

“If we don’t figure out some sort of transportation, we’re not going to get as much use out of the Student Union,” George said.

Montel Watson, student government coordinator, said UCF will consider Georgia Power’s trams as an alternative for now. Watson said like the shuttle system, not only the cost of the trams will be considered, but having to drug test all drivers and maintaining the vehicles.

“The shuttle a few years back was a good idea before its time,” Watson said. “We would like to buy two or three more (trams). But we have to see what the master plan finally looks like before we approve funding for them.”

Peter Newman, director of facilities planning, said the proposed tram system could fit well with UCF’s future plans.

“The theory is to have four parking garages located north, south, east and west on campus and to have a number of trams cycle by them,” Newman said.

“The trams can load and unload in less than a minute. You would need several of them, however.”

And if UCF wants more, they will have to hurry.

“We have a deadline with Georgia Power because they are selling out of units,” Blanton said.

28 rats reported stolen
By LINDSAY MALANGA
Staff Writer

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Proposal provides drug-free housing

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mates. I don't want to segregate them, but I think that it will avoid a conflict of interest and terrible roommate relationships."

To determine how many students would be interested in living in a substance-free housing area, the UCF Wellness Center conducted a survey at the March Wellness Expo and Academic Showcase on the Green March 5.

Of the 34 people who took the survey, 27 said they would like substance-free housing to be offered. Emert said she will make a presentation to the Housing Department after she collects more surveys.

Emert said the housing department might not be willing to set up substance-free housing without student pressure.

"Housing could be a brick wall," Emert said. "They're pretty much going to have to do what the students want. That's where their money comes from. If the students and their parents say, 'we want to see this happen,' then that's where we're going to get the push to do it."

"I think initially it will have to start out small, if there are enough people interested," Emert said. "It may be one section of hallway of Orange or Seminole Hall, or maybe just one floor of a Lake Claire building."

Emert said she does not expect the housing department to offer substance-free housing until the fall 1998 semester.

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Army ROTC members get their MTV

By AMIS WOOTTON
Staff Writer

How did you spend your Spring Break? Home for a week? Party a little? How does hanging out at the beach, meeting famous people and getting paid for it sound?

For 10 UCF Army ROTC students, Spring Break meant just that.

The students "roughed" an all-expenses-paid trip to Panama City to become part of MTV's security team for its annual Beach Party. It was the opportunity to brush shoulders with the rich and famous while earning some money.

Panama City has been a popular spot for college students for years. With the endless rows of hotels, clubs, restaurants and tourist activities, the city draws thousands of students every year.

"I got a call from the Contemporary Services Corporation," said Sergeant Master Boardman of the Army ROTC. "They [CSC] needed additional security on site."

Sgt. Boardman felt the job would give cadets a better understanding of the different situations they could encounter.

"We needed a security team that was motivated and self-disciplined, the Army Rote fit the mold," said Mike Sholtz, a supervisor at CSC. "The students were great and a pleasure to work with."

As part of the job, students were expected to spend long hours at the beach working as crowd control and task force.

"It was a lot tougher than I had originally thought it would be," said Cadet Leo Prescott. "Working the sun and wind during the day and the cold at night."

Several of the positions held by the students included work with the MTV talent. One position was guarding Aerosmith's trailer. Another ideal position provided a view of the stage show.

"My position was at the entrance," said William Anzeto, a cadet corporal. "I had a metal detector and was searching for weapons and cameras."

MTV's guidelines for entrance to the filming of the show permitted no cameras or recording devices.

Cadet Kristy D'Arcy said there were two stages: one for the taping of the show and a smaller one for personal interviews.

"I was stationed at the smaller circle stage," D'Arcy said. "I was able to meet Tom Arnold and the security."

Part of MTV's talent lineup included the Mighty, Mighty Bosstones, Donna D'Airaco, the Waynes Brothers, Stone Temple Pilots, and the Cardigans (love-foot).

"It was overall a lot of fun," Cadet Daniel Hurley said. "I met John Senseo and Mike Myers. They were really cool."

After working hours, the ROTC students went as a group on activities. "The best part was renting motorcycles and riding around Panama City with my Army friends," William Anzeto said. "Then we rented wave runners. I had a great time."

At the end of the five days, each cadet received an MTV Spring Break shirt—a memento of their experience.

"I would urge others to do the same," said Daniel Hurley. "It was a neat experience. Hang out the beach, meet famous people and get paid for it."

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1997 Spectrum Awards include campus nominations

BY NORA R. KULIESH
Managing Editor

The 1997 Spectrum Awards took place on March 9 to celeb­ rate the achievements made by the Gay, Lesbian and HIV/AIDS communities.

The awards cover community service for individuals, business­ es and organizations in the Orlando area. Among those nominated were the UCF School of Social Work, Gay Lesbian Bisexual Student Union, Dr. Kenneth Kazmerski (faculty advisor to GLBSU) and Saviz Shafaiie, a graduate student in the MSW program.

The awards are presented in 16 categories including activism, community outreach, journalism, role models and community service.

UCF’s School of Social Work was nominated for its outstanding community service. The criteria for this award is time, talent and resources for the betterment of the gay community. GLBSU was up against Walt Disney Company, Enzian Theatre, Orlando Regional Pride and Orlando Gay Chorus for the award in community outreach.

Kazmerski, a professor in the School of Social Work, was one of six nominated for the male role model. He has been nominated for the third consecutive year. Shafaiie was nominated for the award as male activist.

During the night’s ceremonies, UCF’s School of Social Work won for outstanding community service. The school was recognized for its proactive position on human rights involving education, understanding, caring and action.

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Crew takes home gold at regatta

By SONJA KOEHN
For the Future

UCF's women's crew traveled to the 14th and final Augusta Invitational Regatta in Georgia last Saturday with more than 20 teams represented. The competition will be moved to a new site. The majority of the UCF women came home with medals. The Number Eight clenched gold by beating Vermont and Skidmore. The boat was surprised by the large gap in finish times and expected a more competitive race.

"This race is a step toward reaching our team goals of being top at States, Southerns and Dad Vail," coxswain Judy Mann said.

The Novice program also had a strong showing. The "A" boat placed first in its heat and second in its final, with New Hampshire taking first. The "B" boat was edged out of the finals by one second to Tennessee Chattanooga.

The lightweight eight finished second to Clemson. The lightweight accepted their silver medals with pride, but are determined to beat Clemson at Southerns.

Stepping up in competition level this past weekend, the Varsity Eight proved UCF has a strong rowing program. The varsity women won their morning qualifying heat and captured a bronze medal in the final. Second place went to Temple (featuring several elite rowers) and in first place was Victoria (part of the Canadian National Team). Next week, the Men's and Women's programs will venture to Jacksonville for the annual Petrakis Cup Regatta in hopes of maintaining ownership of the prized cup.

Sports Slate

March 26
Baseball vs. Houston, 1 p.m.
Men's Tennis vs. Cincinnati, 2 p.m.

March 27
Women's Track at Florida Relays, Gainesville, FL

March 28
Baseball vs. Stetson, 7 p.m.
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Women's Track at Florida Relays, Gainesville, FL

March 29
Baseball vs. Stetson, 6 p.m. (double-header)
Women's crew at Petrakis Cup Regatta, Orlando, FL
Women's Track at Florida Relays, Gainesville, FL

March 31
Men's & Women's Tennis vs. Jacksonville State, 1 p.m.

Baseball

Left fielder and third baseman Pat Williamson led the Knights (21-9) with five hits and five RBIs as UCF went 3-1 the week of March 17. The Knights as a team had 33 hits, including 13 doubles in winning two of three from Rutgers at home and one at Rollins College.

Golf

Jason Opal's 14th place finish on Sunday highlighted a 12th overall placing by UCF at the Blue-Gray Invitational in Montgomery, Ala.

Women's Track

The Knights broke four individual school records in finishing second at the University of Central Florida Spring Break Invitational at the UCF Arena Track and Field, Sunday. Kelly Kobia spearred her own javelin record with a toss of 127 feet in winning the event. Kobia also broke the UCF record in the shot put (41 feet, 8.5 inches), but placed third. Lakesha Anderson finished third and tied the record for the long jump at 16-feet, 8-inches.

Women's Track at Florida Relays, Gainesville, FL

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Diversity means fun for UCF tennis

By DEREK GONSOULIN
Staff Writer

In the middle of a sunny, Sunday after­noon on the avocado-green surfaces of UCF’s varsity tennis courts, the sound of players grunting in Spanish, Swedish, Turkish and other languages rivals the sound of popping tennis balls. A cool breeze blows through the lush foliage that surrounds the courts as hot tempers flare over missed points.

“Ahh!” shouts UCF sophomore Pedro Pacheco in Spanish before launching his bat with a quick swing of his racket. As the brooding Pacheco starts to pick up the article of clothing, he reaches his grinning doubles teammate, junior Mattias Kjoraa of Sweden, pretending to do the same with his hat.

The Ecuador native looks up and sees the other players and bystanders laughing and he joins in.

Even as the 12 players representing nine coun­tries on UCF’s men’s and women’s tennis teams get used to each other, they are having fun.

For the first time in school history the two squads are nationally ranked (51st and 45th) and have a combined record of 29-5, despite playing nationally-ranked teams such as Texas and Texas A&M. UCF was only the third loss of the season for UCF, ending its nine-match win streak. However, Friday’s final score (2-5) and Saturday’s (3-4) was enough to dampen spirits.

UCF won all but one of the matches, UCF’s No. 1 seed Matias Akesson, ranked 66th nationally, lost his singles and doubles matches. Akesson’s streak of eight consecutive singles and 17 doubles matches was broken by Texas’ Patrick Osuna, 6-0, 6-1 and Puentez/Zubiarrain, 8-4.

At No. 5, Teddy Tandjung provided UCF with its only singles victory. Playing against Aitor Zubiarrain, Tandjung rallied from a one set to win the final, 6-2, 1-6, 6-1. “I guess I lost my concentration, besides he [Zubiarrain] played well on the second set,” Tandjung said. “On the third set I changed my strategy and came to the net more always trying to put the pressure on him.”

In doubles, Matias Kjoraa/Pedro Pacheco at No. 2, and Goran Jankovic/Marko Grguric at No. 3 beat Torquato/Bezak and Osuna/Raux. In spite of Friday’s defeat, UCF looked confident for its Saturday TAAC match against Georgia State.

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If UCF is to be successful this season, it must win the battle of the trenches, above. Quarterbacks Daunte Culpepper (8) and Jason Thorpe will have their say through the air, below.

Battle within offers insight to season

By TIM SPRINGER
Sports Editor

The first play of a football game usually dictates what type of game plan a team will use. A run up the middle suggests a conservative scheme, while a pump-and-go fly pattern down the sideline implies more tricks than a Friday night at Orange Blossom Trail.

I may be standing on a limb that's ready to snap at any moment with this theory, but if it's applied to the UCF football program's first scrimmage of the spring, the Golden Knights may be looking ahead to a productive season.

On the opening play of last Saturday's full-contact practice game, junior quarterback Daunte Culpepper found a wide open Mark Nonsant for an 80-yard touchdown. Some speculative blown coverage was a contributing factor. But Nonsant, who led the Golden Knights in receiving last year, is deceptive when it comes to getting open.

Also contributing to the passing game was senior Todd Cleveland and redshirt freshman Kenny Clark. Both had three grabs for 45 yards.

Nonsant and Cleveland may be looked upon to lead an outstanding corps of receivers through the upcoming season, but Clark, senior Rufus Hall, redshirt freshman Charles Lee and newcomer Siasha Barley don't plan on watching from the sidelines. An outstanding group of pass catchers will give the coaching staff several options they haven't had in years. A position that has lacked depth for the past few seasons is suddenly deeper than the "X-Files."

"We have a lot of talent at receiver this year," Clark said. "If we can stay healthy, we could become the best (receiving corps) in the country."

While the Golden Knights' bread & butter, also known as the passing game, has established itself as a potentially lethal attack, the ground game offered hints to the question that has been lingering since the departure of Marquette Smith and Gerold Davis.

What's up with the running game?

Junior tailbacks Mike Grant and Johnie Presley were effective carrying the ball Saturday as was senior fullback Kendrick Moore and junior fullback Nathan Hallet. Look for an overall improvement in the running game this season.

The double-edged sword is never a weapon of choice.

Defensively, the Golden Knights are picking up where they left off. Labeled as the team's Achilles last preseason, the underestimating defensive unit kept many games close when the Golden Knights' lethal offense turned lethargic. Senior Jermaine Benoit and Mike Osuna teamed with sophomore Justin Moore to keep the pressure on the offense. The defensive linemen were constantly in the backfield to pressure or sack the quarterback.

Redshirt freshman Murv Richardson also showed signs of an effective pass rush as the 6-4 220-pound defensive end picked up a couple of sacks.

It may be too early to tell what fans have to look forward to next season, but first impressions speak volumes. A potent passing attack and a stingy defensive line is a good start. Couple that with a positive attitude and an occasional on-field scuffle between teammates and you have a serious contender in the making.

Incident leads to baseball player's arrest

By KEN JACKSON
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The UCF baseball program was shaken this week by the arrest of the Golden Knights' ace relief pitcher.

Marco Ramirez was arrested Sunday afternoon on charges of domestic violence-battery and aggravated assault after allegedly pulling a gun on his roommate, Bryan Bruce.

Bruce, a shortstop for the Golden Knights, called the incident a misunderstanding, and plans to help his teammate "straighten out the situation."

Ramirez was arrested and taken to the Orange County Jail without bail until 1 p.m. Monday, Bruce said.

After appearing before a judge, Ramirez was released on his own recognizance Bruce said Ramirez left his house Friday evening after an alarm clock went off Saturday morning and Bruce said he broke the lock on his bedroom door to shut it off.

"When I returned from Bay Hill (golf tournament) on Sunday, Marco was there and confronted me about the door," Bruce said. "I tried to explain and he attacked me, charged at me, tackled me and was shooting obsequies."

"I told him. Hey bro, let me explain," he said, "You should have left the house."

Bruce said. "Leaving was unreasonable because the house is rented in my name and I intended to fix the door because there was minimal damage."

Bruce said another roommate, team member Frank Fuell, pulled Ramirez off Bruce, who retreated to his room. Ramirez continued to shout obscenities from the living room, Bruce said.

"Then he [Ramirez] came into my room and we tussled there," Bruce said. "I grabbed a bat, for protection, and held it close to my chest."

When Ramirez saw it, Bruce says Marco yelled. "So you wanna play with weapons!" and went to his room to get his gun.

"Marco was waving his gun in his room, and I have been roommates, teammates and friends for years," said Bruce. "It's unfortunate that things came to this. We'd been on shaky ground."

UCF coach Jay Bergman was in Texas visiting his wife and was unavailable for comment. Assistant coach Greg Frady said Bergman would deal with the situation when he returned later this week.

"Both players are suspended indefinitely until both sides of the story can be reached," Frady said.

Bruce said he will file an affidavit Wednesday to have the charges against Ramirez dropped.

"I still feel he was wrong," Bruce said. "You don't pull guns on friends."

"I still care a lot about Marco. I didn't want to press charges, but the officer said he'd be doing Marco a favor because he'd get counseling."

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