PRIVATIZING

UCF is active in the latest college trend

By GINA HAWKINS
Staff Writer

The operation of UCF's health center may be turned over to an outside company, following the trend of universities to save money and improve services by privatizing.

If the health center is privatized, a local health care provider such as Florida Hospital or Orlando Regional Medical Center would provide on-campus services to the students. But if this happens, UCF students could be forced to have medical insurance, if they do not already have coverage.

According to a report issued by a nine-member task force that reviewed UCF's health center, local health care providers are interested in forming a partnership with UCF.

According to the report, "Conditions of such a partnership would likely include the elimination of uninsured/underinsured students and establish a long-term arrangement with the health care provider. Benefits to UCF could include assistance in providing a much needed and adequate new health care facility and endowed funding to provide student assistance with health fees and health insurance."

But more than 53 percent of students who were surveyed at the new-student orientation in January 1997 said they would not have attended UCF if medical insurance was required through proof of an external plan or by purchasing insurance from UCF for $250 a semester.

Christina Rodriguez, a sophomore education major, disagrees with making insurance mandatory. "I rely on the health fee that I pay at the beginning of a semester to take care of medical stuff," she said. "I can't afford insurance and no, I don't think it's fair that students would want it. He said research is necessary to find out if having medical insurance can legally be a condition for admission to UCF."

"I don't know what I'd want to try to require students to have health insurance," Bolte said.

Students may not accept that mandatory medical insurance is a good idea, but Bolte said students need an expansion of UCF's health services. He said the campus health care center used to be sufficient, but "it's totally inadequate today."

The task force report describes the following weaknesses in UCF's health center:

- Between 20 percent and 40 percent of UCF students are uninsured, and additional students are underinsured.
- Student health services are not integrated with student insurance programs. Students with full coverage insurance still pay the entire health fee each semester.

Campus survives Manson

By NORA R. KULIESH
Managing Editor

It has already been one week since the much publicized Marilyn Manson concert. The recent explosion at UCF angered alumni and concerned Christians. But regardless of their feelings toward the shock rock outfit, the band accomplished what it set out to do.

The concert, in terms of shock value, probably was disappointing to those who were awaiting rumors of Marilyn Manson's Satanic rage to hold true. The band's sole purpose in the music industry has been to get a lot of attention, fast, the way Madonna has.

"My boyfriend dragged me to the concert. I was scared of all the weird people and of all the things I heard, but I am glad I went," freshman Samantha Keats said. "It was a curiosity thing to me, kind of like slowing down to look at a car accident. When we left, I couldn't understand why everyone was getting upset. Not that I'd go back for another concert or anything, but I'm glad that UCF could stand against all the opposition."

UCF's Office of Public Relations was bombarded with 3,000 phone calls and it received a stack of faxes and collected more than 3,500 names petitioning the concert. Not only did the community and campus join the hype, so did the media. Coverage began many days before Manson ever arrived in Central Florida. Supporters argued the concert was unnecessary.

At a glance

Of 426 incoming students surveyed at the new-student orientation in January 1997, 72.3 percent said they have medical insurance. 67 percent of the insured students said they feel their medical coverage is adequate. About 34 percent said all students admitted to UCF should have insurance and 30 percent said adequate coverage should be a condition for admission. More than 53 percent of students said they would not have attended UCF if medical insurance was a requirement for admission. Statistics are from Debbie Kelly, graduate assistant to the assistant vice-president of student affairs.

Age groups of students who responded to a survey given at new-student orientation in January:

24.8% 18-20
33.9% 21-24
39.4% 25-above

Types of coverage insurance for students. These statistics are taken from the 72.3% of students who said they have insurance.

26.1% said they are uninsured.
37.2% Insured under parents' policy
26.2% Insured by employer
10.7% Insured under own policy
10.4% Insured by spouse

Protesters and supporters of the rock group Marilyn Manson were out in full force last week.

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Students' golf cart ride ends with grand theft charges

By LINDSAY J. MALANGA
Staff Writer

Ambrose Feinstein and Philip Partipilo were charged with grand theft for stealing a golf cart belonging to the University of Central Florida Computer Services Department on April 11. The students were stopped driving the cart across campus, according to a UCF Police Department report.
In other news reported by the UCF Police Department:
• Keith Davis was arrested for burglary to structure and resisting without violence on April 11.
• Scotty Dale Stumpf was arrested for resisting an officer without violence on April 14. When Stumpf refused to leave the premises of Building 51 when it was closed, police arrested him and transported him to the UCF PD for processing and release.
• Marianne Beitelshes reported petit theft of a check from her checkbook at the Phi Beta Phi House on April 7. The check had been cashed for the amount of $75.50. Beitelshes said she knew who took the check from her purse. She is willing to prosecute.
• Lael Pearce reported a stolen bicycle from the front of the UCF library, valued at $550, on April 9.
• Sukh Nersisyan reported a stolen bicycle from the side of the Health and Physics building, valued at $89.99 on April 9.
• Sung Won Joo reported a stolen bicycle from in front of the UCF library valued at $150 on April 9.
• Marissa Wu reported a stolen wallet from her backpack out of PC II, room 108 on April 8.
• Michelle Klingensmith reported a stolen cellular phone was taken from her book bag in Building 45 on April 10.

Block party benefits Creative School

By CARL GRUNWALD and ALEX FERNANDEZ
Staff Writers

On April 20, the Greek community held its first Greek Block Party presented by IFC, Panhellenic and NPHC. The event was held on Greek grounds at the Sigma Chi, Alpha Tau Omega and Sigma Phi Epsilon houses.
Many Greeks attended and local youths joined in the activities.
Among the activities were a slip-n-slide and dunk tank on the Sigma Chi lawn and a Moonwalker in the Alpha Tau Omega yard. All proceeds will go to the UCF Creative School for children to help with their plans for an outdoor learning facility.
"The real satisfaction was aiding the children who need our help," said Sigma Chi’s Scott Kluska...
The prestigious evening that honored the elite of the Greeks was held April 14 at the Visual Arts Building in the Auditorium. The Greek awards brought out every fraternity and sorority to cheer on their brothers and sisters.
Awards went to Aaron Scavron and Melissa Hinson for Greek Man and Woman of the Year. For Outstanding Leadership by an individual, honors went to Jim Rossi and Ginny Welch. Top honours went to Andrew Cupicha for Brother of the Year and Angela Lyons for Sister of the Year, while outstanding leadership by an entire chapter went to Sigma Phi Epsilon and Delta Delta Delta.
We would like to thank the directors of this event, Mara Fyeman and Brian Flossman for an exciting evening full of Greeks!
Questions surround Greek Park expansion

By ELLEN DAYSING

UCF's master plan is intended for parking and student housing, also an area in need for growth. Also building on the southwest expansion would place Greek Park on the opposite side of campus as the current Greek Park.

Resolution 29-23 states: "Having a geographically divided Greek Park would cause problems in several areas of concern, including, but not limited to, parking, safety and risk management."

Another problem building on the southwest expansion would be during sorority rush. With a divided Greek Park it would be difficult for those rushing to travel across campus to the different rush parties.

"It would make rush very hard because the girls would have to travel all the way across campus in order to attend other rush parties," said Jen Bringer, Rush Advisory Council for the state of Florida.

Regardless of what the committee decides, it must then be sent to Hitt and then sent to the Board of Regents. If the Board of Regents approves the decision then it will go to the Land Management Advisory Council for the state of Florida which would be responsible for making the necessary amendments to UCF's master plan.

"We have to resolve the on-campus debate first but the ultimate decision is up to those people [the various committees]," Merck said.

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3,000 students CAN finish

By LINDSAY J. MALANGA
Staff Writer

UCF students jokingly refer to their school as "you can't finish" but this isn't so for the anticipated 3,007 students who are graduating May 3.

"This is the biggest graduation I have seen in my three years of experience as graduation supervisor," said Dore Dierk, Admissions Registrar Officer. So far, expected attendance for the graduation ceremonies is 2,679.

"Spring is always the biggest," Dierk said. "We anticipate everything going smoothly.''

The ceremonies will include speeches delivered by President Hitt, a commencement speaker and representatives from the community, a UCF alumnus, and a representative of Student Government.

Those who are being honored for their academic achievement will be named in the ceremony and have their picture taken with the dean of their college.

Whoever the top G.P.A. getter of the college is — we call them top honor graduates — will get an honor medallion. There can be several of them from each college," Dierk said.

Honors are based on the students' grades through the fall semester. These top honor graduates will be the first ones called to receive their diploma.

Rico Brown, a former student government presidential candidate, is one of the graduating students. He, like many other seniors, is excited to move on.

"I feel great!" Brown said. "This is one of many achievements that I set out to accomplish. My degree means a lot to me and my family. I plan to continue on to graduate school here at UCF in the master's program for Public Administration. I am also considering running for president. You'll hear more later."

Another graduating senior, Ryan Herold, said he is "a little bit relieved." Herold, a management major, said he is planning to work as a job estimator in Brevard County.

"I am looking forward to starting my life," Herold said.
Graduation: The final frontier has finally arrived

By DIANA IMANUEL
Opinion Editor

Before I sat down with my lucky pen to write this last article, I froze in fear. And I laugh at myself for actually being afraid of my own column. I laugh at the fact that I’m truly scared to speak what’s on my mind (imagine that). Scared of writing something so profound and overwhelming that I might just collapse into an emotional breakdown.

And that’s the way I feel about this particular phase of finality. It’s called graduation. Because college is beyond a stage of personal growth and identity, we must collapse into an emotional breakdown. It’s called the G.R.E. “Will I ever get into grad school?” And more important, “Will I ever get a job?” are on most of our minds.

Let’s face it; we’re officially on our own. We steer our own direction as opposed to knowing where four previous years of our time was spent.

And even more so, the intensity of our emotions from an internal standpoint contributes to our instabilities. Saying goodbye to a wonderful institution and environment that has cradled us for the better part of our years here. And saying goodbye to the people who have touched our souls and catered to our whole new identities.

Personally, I am more affected by the latter point of view. And though we may not know all of our personal attachments in immediance, later down the road we will come to a rest stop to recollect. In either case, graduation, in general, is about CHANGE and CLOSURE.

But before I depress the entire college senior population (and myself) even further, I must acknowledge that graduating isn’t “a bad thing.” By all means, no way! We have prided ourselves through achievements and experiences. We will take our milestones with us to our newest destinations. That’s the beauty of our memory. It is irreplaceable and can be extracted to any current time and place. Though the moment, itself, is lost in time, the actual memory and significance still prevails.

We graduates have also worked our butts off to get to where we are at. We are smarter and wiser and (hopefully) have been taught the essential tools of survival through our education. Point being ... WE ARE EDUCATED, which is more than I can say for those without college degrees.

We’ve made it. And we’ve certainly earned it. So, hats off to the college graduates of UCF. And please, give them a break. What they are going through (and have been through) is simply an emotional roller-coaster which has come to halt at its peak.

As for my final comments: A word from the future graduate ... may you be so fortunate enough to follow in our footsteps, though our shoes may be too big to fill.

However, you must first get in line and wait your turn. This ride may be intense and possibly hazardous to your health, but trust us, it’s well worth the wait.

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Music student not just fiddling around

By TRACY WEBB
Staff Writer

Cooper Ladnier is fiddling his way to success at the Orlando-UCF Shakespeare Festival.

Ladnier became involved with the local festival when Dr. Keith Koons of the Music Department and Musical Director for the Shakespeare Festival asked him to audition.

"I didn't really know what the whole thing was about. I had never really been to a Shakespeare play before. I had never been to the balconies and anything like this. So he [Koons] thought I could do this after the audition, so I gave it a shot and it's worked out really nicely," Ladnier said.

He is the fiddler in the Merry Wives of Windsor, set in the Old West, and is being performed at the Walt Disney Amphitheatre at Lake Eola Park. The fiddler is the play's conscience, quietly watching in the background and occasionally breaking in to give his musical comment on the situation.

"Of course there is no fiddle written into Shakespeare's play so he [Tony Simotes, the director] just wanted me to hang around on the balconies and walk around and observe things and make some [musical] statements and some jokes," Ladnier said. "When he [Simotes] said that we would be playing a western treatment of this play I had the impression that I would be hidden in some pit somewhere just kind of playing some background music. I had no idea that I would be seen and walking around in the play." Ladnier, a musical education major, has a diverse background in music. He has been studying music for about seven years and plays many different instruments including the violin, guitar, piano and tabla (Indian drums). He has been to India to study the tabla and to Nashville, Tenn., for the Mark O'Connor fiddle camp. He also is president of UCF Midi Club.

"I like to experience music in as many ways as possible," Ladnier said. "I like all styles of the violin. I like jazz. I love classical music. I love fiddle music. It's part of the instruments heritage.

He also is involved in many personal musical projects within the community.

"I have just done a piece of original music for modern dance. Some students at Daytona Beach Community College wrote this dance and I wrote the music for it. It was a three-movement piece about balance and yoga."

Ladnier contributes his success to Dr. Ayako Yonetani, Stella Sang and John Wimsey in the UCF music department.

"Music is definitely a universal language," Ladnier said. "... and the more dialects one can communicate in, the richer the experience will be for that person."

Music major Cooper Ladnier plays the fiddle in the Orlando-UCF Shakespeare Festival.

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Manson concert causes religious uproar

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was a cut and dry situation: Manson rented UCF's facility to hold its concert and would come and go in one evening.

This was not so simplistic in the anguished minds of the protesters, however.

Christian Coalition groups prayed on the Arena steps for hours the night before the show. Christian radio stations urged community members to fax and call UCF begging President Hitt to break the contract. Parents of UCF students were worried about the safety of their children. And many UCF alumni couldn't believe their alma mater would support such a disgraceful concert.

Some people even lost sight of what they were protesting against. In one case, a Christian station asked listeners to fax David Finney, the Assistant Director of Public Affairs, with their requests to ban the show. One woman's fax asked for the David Simeri concert to be cancelled.

The question has been posed many times: Why would UCF continue the concert if it was causing such distress? The Constitution and the fact Manson's prior shows were researched by UCF, said Dean McFall, Director of Public Affairs. There had been only three arrests in the past 16 shows and they were all made on Manson protesters.

Some people found it ironic that UCF's infamous campus preacher, Patrick Johnson, was arrested.

"It is really embarrassing to me that someone who claims to be a good and decent Christian can get himself arrested at this concert, I think he totally discredited the claims we were trying to make as a group," said Patricia Cole, a Manson protester.

McFall said Manson promoters often go into crowds of protesters and hand out cards with future concert dates to stir up controversy and act as publicity. Ticket sales for the UCF show were originally slow but attendance rose to 2,200, almost filling the Arena.

President Hitt, who was criticized over the issue, said UCF neither sought nor supported the concert. Many protesters did not care that Manson rented the facility and were not invited by any organization or supported publicly.

The UCF Arena is an auxiliary facility and does not receive any funding from the university. It survives on events it books. "Under our system of laws my beliefs and values rightly should not and cannot translate into actions that violate provisions of the U.S. Constitution. Indeed, the constitution of our nation and the fundamental laws of our state protect even expressions and views that are repugnant to the majority," Hitt said in a release.

"As one who has sworn to uphold the fundamental laws of nation and state, I must observe the law's requirements and resist the temptation to silence constitutionally protected views with which I vehemently disagree." "I would have been surprised if the school banned this concert. I might have even held some kind of protest. I am a graduate student with a 3.7 [GPA] and I happen to like Marilyn Manson. I don't kill my parents. I don't mutilate animals and I don't litter. So what's the big deal? My mom even makes me go to church when I go home on Christmas break," John Dougherty said.

It remains an issue if shock rock bands will be allowed to rent the Arena. McFall said a policy board will will examine the regulations to make sure they are constitutionally sensitive. He has no opinion on the outcome but said if they are changed toward rock bands, they also must apply to Christian groups that want to rent the facility.

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By DEAN G. LEWIS
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The other prisoners include Frances McDormand, as a headstrong and confident nurse. In one compelling scene, she extracts the gold fillings from the teeth of a dead comrade. Pauline Collins, ("Shirley Valentine") registers some truth as Margaret, a stern religious woman whose soulful humming one night leads her and Close to convince their fellow POWs that an orchestra might be their ticket to salvation. A performance in a ransacked gazebo brings out even the Japanese warboys. Beresford concentrates on their facial expressions as if to show they’re undergoing some kind of epiphany from hearing their jailbirds croon. What really motivates Close to organize this mini-music festival is never specifically developed, nor are the characters. Too much intermingling between a dozen or so women almost ruins the authenticity and involvement we need in a prison film. A slew of emotional scabs — the volatility from being isolated, impending starvation and a gut feeling of inevitable death should have given center stage. Too much interpolation of inevitable death should have given center stage. Too bad Beresford picks at the sores without ever opening them.

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Privatizing becoming latest trend among universities

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The report also describes the health center's strengths which include a knowledgeable and caring staff and a high level of staff commitment. Bolte said privatization becomes a reality, he does not think staff members would be penalized in any way.

"I would expect every one of those people who wished to remain to still have a job with that operation," Bolte said.

And what happens to employees when a new company takes over is a topic of concern. Lynn Laurenti, spokesperson for Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, said maintenance employees were worried when privatization of their department was proposed. Union officials representing the employees said it was unfair for members to be placed in the position of possibly losing their jobs. Laurenti said the company made a pledge not to fire the employees and to give them a probationary period, but union officials protested until the final decision was made.

"FAU became the first public university in Florida to privatize a part of the university that had traditionally been staffed by university employees," Laurenti said.

Laurenti said four years ago, Gov. Lawton Chiles asked all state agencies to look into privatization of their functions.

"The prevailing view is that government has got to run leaner and meaner," Laurenti said.

In January 1997, FAU determined privatization of the maintenance department has saved 21 percent of costs, increased productivity and improved quality, Laurenti said.

Tim Carroll, UCF director of business services, said as budgets get tighter, people still want to find ways of improving services. He said UCF's print shop, which has been privatized for about 3 1/2 years, is able to offer better services.

Carroll said that privatizing is not necessarily a money issue. UCF continues to pay for the print shop to operate, but the company that provides the service.

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From PAGE 1
By RANDY CULZAC
Staff Writer

After the closing weekend of "The Boys Next Door," there is yet another exciting theatrical event happening at UCF.

There will be two one-act plays being performed on April 25-26 in the Black Box of the Theatre building.

BPA performance major Jenn Remke will be performing in Andromeda, a one-act directed by theatre senior Jason Williams. Andromeda will open alongside another one act called Eleemosanary, which will be directed by Julia Granakie.

The performances will only be for two days and seating will be first come, first serve.

The Central Florida Future caught up with Remke recently.

CFF: Was there a defining moment that made you decide on acting as a career?
JR: I was always in some sort of a performance as a kid. I was a dancer for 12 years and in orchestra before I did my first play and even then people told my parents that I had such stage presence. I think the true moment of realization was during Macbeth in high school. I played Lady Macbeth and I was really into the character and the whole Shakespeare experience. I knew I wanted to do this for the rest of my life.

CFF: What keeps you motivated to stay in theatre?
JR: There's no other career out there that I feel this passionate about. The passion alone drives me to continue. It is also a great help having such supportive parents and an enthusiastic best friend. I really enjoy getting feedback from audiences as well. One audience member told me how he had enjoyed my work and looked forward to my next project. That was very special to me. Comments like that help me through the hard times.

CFF: How do you feel about student directing in the one-act?
JR: This is a very important thing for our school. Students getting a chance to explore in directing and putting up a whole production by themselves, is a wonderful chance for an even greater education. The second stage should be used for more controversial shows like Durang, Pinter, Mamet, and so on.

UCF professor named social worker of the year

A CFF Staff Report

Ira Colby, UCF professor and director of the School of Social Work at UCF, has been named Central Florida's social worker of the year and is nominated for director of the School of Social Work at UCF.

Colby was nominated by the National Association of Social Workers which he is a member. Colby said getting the award meant personal satisfaction because people recognized his efforts.

Circle K, a new service club that was started with just 23 members, has been named social worker of the year. Colby is a member of the club. Colby said getting the award means personal satisfaction and much for a small club.

The following projects are a few of the club's accomplishments:

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Quality and quantity produce track team's title

By JEFF CASE
Staff Writer

Women's track and field coach Marcia Mansur-Wentworth summed up her team's TAAC championship meet performance easily.

"It was our best overall meet of the year," she said.

After placing second behind Florida International University at the 1996 TAAC track championship, the UCF women's team traveled to Sanford University last weekend for a chance to win the title.

UCF was victorious, defeating the defending champs by a comfortable 172-143 team points margin.

Although FIU placed in the top three in 13 of 29 events, UCF used its depth to its advantage, placing several athletes in the top 10 in nearly every event.

Mansur-Wentworth said quality production out of her athletes was apparent.

"Nobody on our team had bad performances, and we had a lot of outstanding performances," she said.

UCF began the meet slowly, as senior Lakesha Anderson placed fifth in a field of seven in the 100-meter dash, Anderson's time of 11.72 seconds.

In the 200-meter dash, sophomore Kim Halverson finished fifth with a time of 26.34 seconds, leading a group of three UCF runners who finished in the top 10.

In the 400-meter dash, sophomore Christy Miller finished fourth with a time of 55.20 seconds, finishing third in her other events.

Junior Michele Boike showed a variety of talents, as she was UCF's highest finisher in four events.

Boike's lowest placing was fourth in the 100-meter high hurdles, with a time of 14.98 seconds. She finished second in her other events.

In the 400-meter low hurdles, Boike ended with a time of 1:05.96. In the high jump, she finished with a height of 5 feet, 4 inches, which set a school record. In the long jump, she leaped for another record distance of 17-11.

UCF's throwers finished first in all three events, with senior Kelly Kobia winning two of three.

Kobia won the shot put and discus, tossing the shot put 43 feet, 0.25 inches and the discus 143-09. Freshmen Amber Twyner and Jen Herron finished third and fifth in both events.

Twyner won her first TAAC championship event, taking the javelin title with a distance of 122-07. Kobia finished second with a 117-06.

Mansur-Wentworth said the key to victory was choosing athletes who had momentum.

"The people we chose to compete in the meet were people who had been performing well [lately]. We had people who competed at our expectations and some who exceeded our expectations," Mansur-Wentworth said.

Wentworth said the team will try to use the remaining meets to have some athletes qualify for the NCAA Championships, June 4-7. The first preparation will be May 5 at the Nike Twilight meet in Gainesville.

Molly Keiffer, who finished fourth in the 400-meter hurdles, was one of many athletes to contribute to the Golden Knights' TAAC Championship.
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UCF women repeat as TAAC’s champions

By DEREK GONSOULIN
Staff Writer

Been there, done that.

For the second consecutive year, UCF women’s athletics earned the title of best sports program in the Trans America Athletic Conference.

“Winning the Sherman Day Trophy is indicative of the number of high-quality coaches and athletes we have,” Sloan said. “It also illustrates the commitment UCF has made to the women’s athletic program.”

The Knights won the Sherman Day Trophy, given to the TAAC’s all-sports champion for women, thanks to conference championships in volleyball, soccer and the school’s first in tennis. The basketball (fourth place) and golf teams’ strong showings gave UCF the edge over Florida International and Campbell.

Assistant Athletic Director Mary Kaufman gave an example of how the attitude within women’s sports at UCF is improving.

“When I first came here in 1989, men’s and women’s soccer used the same locker room, so it took some real scheduling in deciding who took a shower first, so to speak,” Kaufman said.

Kaufman said once the women got their facilities, the team got into the spirit of things and painted the locker room in school colors and logos.

“When things start to get better, when improvements happen, sometimes it is contagious,” Kaufman said.

And that contagious feeling has proved deadly to conference opponents.

“We have established some level of dominance in the TAAC,” women’s soccer coach Karen Richter said, whose team won its fourth consecutive conference championship in the fall. “A large part of it is because our athletic department has a greater commitment to women’s athletics than many of the other schools.”

Richter said after establishing the soccer team as the team to beat in the TAAC, other teams gear up for them more and more.

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Fjelstul said every school could be as good as UCF, except for one difference. “It’s just that we are a very nurturing environment,” Fjelstul said. “We let the athletes know they are going to be taken care of and that they are in a winning situation. I am not saying the other schools don’t do it, but we are good at it.”

Can UCF win the Sherman Day Trophy again? “We try to say to the players, ‘This year could be different,’ and, ‘Everyone is head-hunting us, to keep them focused,’” Metzcus said.

“But even though our opponents are getting better, so are we,” Metzcus said.

Have mercy on the TAAC if the Knights get any better.
Women's golf team
2nd in TAAC

By MERIDITH STANLEY
Staff Writer

The women's golf team completed its spring season at the TAAC Tournament in South Daytona Beach, placing second behind Campbell University by 10 strokes, April 14-15.

The first 36 holes proved to be a true test in unfavorable weather conditions. UCF began the tournament shooting 321, but dropped 11 strokes after the second round.

The Knights went into the final round with a four-stroke lead over Campbell, but lost 14 shots, shooting 312.

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UCF led the team in the final round, shooting 74. Senior Jenny Hagman finished with a 78. Hege Felling and Emma Soderlind each shot 80.

Sophomore Emma Soderlind of Vallenluna, Sweden, finished second overall. Her scores of 75-73 in the first two rounds gave her a seven-shot lead going into the last day.

But in the final round, she couldn't hold it, shooting a 7-over 80.

"I was 1-over after nine, 2-over after 11, and 6-over on the last seven holes," said Soderlind, who blamed a mental lapse on losing her line. "I became uncomfortable swinging which made me very nervous. I felt more pressure than usual and my mental game wasn't prepared."

Coach Jill Fjelstad was pleased with her team's performance. "With the weather conditions as bad as they were, heavy rain and wind, I was not disappointed," she said. "The girls did not play bad on the final day. Campbell just played really well, shooting 299."

Fjelstad is optimistic about the fall season.

"The top three from this tournament are the youngest and will be returning in the fall," she said. "I can't help but be excited."

UCF crew teams prepare for nationals

A CFF Staff report

Last weekend the UCF Crew went to the S.I.R.A., known as southern by the rowers. The race put the Golden Knights against schools larger than they have seen since the Presidents Cup.

The Women's Freshmen Novice lightweight eight had a strong showing as they captured a bronze medal while Jeff Bauer and Matt Boyle took home a silver in the Men's Pair.

Next up for the crew is the National Championships. The rowers that will attend nationals to represent UCF has yet to be determined. But hard workouts during the week should allow individuals to step to the forefront.

Losing 13 members to graduation will be a significant set back to the UCF crew, but a promising recruiting class is expected. Students are encouraged to tryout for the next season's crew.

"New members of the program will have large shoes to fill," said coxswain Mike Braunum. "But I am confident that with each year the team will continue to grow and bring home to UCF even more medals."

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By KEN JACKSON
Staff Writer

WANTED: EFFECTIVE RELIEVER, CAPABLE OF HOLDING LAST- INNING LEAD. APPLY WITHIN.

J.G. Bergman’s ballclub could use any help in keeping a late lead after giving up 17 runs in the last inning of three games this weekend as visiting Florida International swept UCF.

UCF won Friday night 15-14 and twice this weekend a visiting Florida Army. FIU played out.

"I've never seen a series like this in my life," said J.G. Bergman. "I've never seen a series like this in my life. We were down 15-1 at one point and came back to win."

Bergman said. "I've never seen a series like this in my life. They [FIU] played outstanding.

The loss of reliever Marcos Ramirez, who was kicked off the team for violation of team rules, was evident as UCF gave up two seven-run final innings.

FIU left fielder Ramon Ruiz led off the first game Saturday with a home run, and the Golden Knights built a 4-0 lead before UCF answered with two in the second.

They tied the score in the fourth when Will Croud doubled Frank Pascale home.

FIU catcher Jeff Rodriguez homered off Todd Bellhorn to start the sixth, but UCF answered when Bellhorn singled Eric Riggs home in the seventh.

The sky opened in the first extra inning. FIU scored seven runs on six hits and three hit batters. Joe Kremers dealt the killing blow with a three-run homer.

UCF took a 2-1 lead in the second inning of the late game. Scott Biermann and Pat Williamson drove in runs. With a 4-1 lead in the fourth inning, Travis Hel led gave up a three-run tying home run to right fielder Sean Mahoney. Pascale and Eric Johnson scored in the sixth.

Leading 6-4, the bottom fell out again. Mahoney hit another three-run shot, sinking UCF.

"I threw two bad pitches," Held said. "Everything else was on. This [FIU] is the only team that owns me," he said referring to his three-inning stint two weeks ago where he gave up four runs.

"We had to go all the way with Travis, we couldn't bring anybody else in," Bergman said, referring to his decimated bullpen after two games.

Friday night, UCF blew 9-3 and 13-7 leads late. FIU rallied for seven runs on six hits, three walks, and an error in the ninth inning and took a 15-13 lead. UCF could muster only one run in the bottom of the ninth and left the bases loaded.

After the sweep, UCF will be on the left side of the TAAC Florida Division, slipping to 5-6, tied with Florida Atlantic. FIU improved to 7-5, and Stetson sits at 6-6.

"What else can I say to the team other than to forget it," Bergman said. "You can't take it with you. We have two weekends left if this [winning the conference] is going to happen.

Adding to the misery, the Knights traveled to Gainesville to face the nationally-ranked Florida Gators. They did so without a rested bullpen and without center fielder/Caughin hitter Croud, who pulled his right groin muscle in Saturday’s first game.

"It's pretty serious," Bergman said about Croud’s injury. "And losing Croud hurts your offense ... and your defense. I have no idea how to approach them. We have to get healthy arms back.

"I think we'll be back," Held said.

"This week should wake us up."

"In the next two weeks we'll find out exactly how good this team is," Bergman said.

"Good teams find a way to rebound from adversity.

The quickest way is three outs in the last inning.
UCF linebackers look for future in NFL

By TIM SPRINGER
Sports Editor

While awaiting their future during last weekend's NFL draft, UCF linebackers Nakia Reddick and Kendrick Thomas each received a much anticipated phone call.

In Reddick's and Thomas' perfect world they would've received word that they were drafted. But it wasn't until after the draft that they were offered free agent tryouts. Thomas, who has been invited to the New York Jets mini-camp this weekend feels confident he will make the team.

"I know not everyone gets a chance to get into an NFL training camp," Thomas said. "But I'm not satisfied with just being there. I'm a pro, I'm gonna put on that pro uniform, and I'm gonna make it." If healthy, Thomas will battle for a middle linebacker position. And with veteran Pepper Johnson being the only player locked into the position, Thomas may find himself battling for second team.

Reddick, who spent the draft weekend at home in Mims, chose to battle for a safety position on the Carolina Panthers roster after turning down Tampa Bay and St. Louis. Making the transition from college linebacker to NFL safety may seem difficult, but Reddick considers the challenge to be another obstacle he will overcome.

"I was told I was too small to play linebacker in college," Reddick said. "But I proved that theory wrong. And when I get to Carolina I'm going out there with the same attitude I had in high school and my first day at UCF ... that's to go out and play the way I know how."

UCF planning date with Indians

By TIM SPRINGER
Sports Editor

As if battling TAAConference foes isn't challenging enough, the UCF baseball team is in the midst of scheduling a date with the Cleveland Indians. The Tribe, which spent its spring training in Kissimmee, will likely take on the Golden Knights on the final day of spring training next year.

It's not everyday that a college baseball player has an opportunity to face an out-of-the-know team.

As you may have noticed, there is a similar link between amateur and professional teams that are not uncommon. The Atlanta Braves and the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets play at each year as do the Mariners and the Hurricanes. And UCF is no stranger to battling The Bigs either. Jay Bergman has sent his teams to mix it up with the Kansas City Royals and the Minnesota Twins in spring seasons past.

So where UCF's link to the Indians? Well, let's just say it comes from the Hart ... as in John Hart.

The General Manager of the Cleveland Indians, who is also a UCF ... er FTU graduate, played under Bergman at Seminole Community College. And as a result, the Indians will no doubt be returning to Kissimmee for a date with the Knights.

"We've heard about the team, the facility and the program," said Cleveland's Hart. "It's a very well-coached team and we're excited to play the Knights.

UCF are Travis Held is on the hill and stepping into the box is David Justice. The power-hitting curly-haired lefty in the attempt to intimidate Held. Held, the flame-throwing righty goes high-and-tight on Justice sending him to the dirt. Oconnor and Adams spill from the bleachers. Repeating with confidence, Held strikes out catcher Erik Johnson's call for a backdoor slider. He winds up and brings the heat again. Held is waiting for it.

CRACK!

Held's offering is hit so high and deep that center fielder Will Crow never takes his hands off his knees. "Nice pitch," Justice says with a smile as he stands on the field for the first time.

Regardless of the outcome of personal matchups or the final score, such a game will only help the young talent within the UCF baseball program. A spring day in 1998 may be one to tell the grandchildren about. But somehow I don't think too many of these Knights plan on an exhibition game being their only major league experience.

Pacitti rededicates himself to game

By DEREK GONSOLIN
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To watch UCF senior left-fielder Gregg Pacitti now is to see a quick-to-smile team leader.

Even as he describes the Knights being swept by Florida International this past weekend, he grins.

"We were hoping to put some distance between us and the rest of UCF division this series but it didn't happen," said Pacitti, who is tied with Eric Riggs for the team lead in home runs with eight. But two years ago, he was a player who had lost his love for the game.

Pacitti, who attended St. Petersburg Community College in 1994, played well enough to solicit offers from Vanderbilt, Virginia, South Carolina and Central Florida. He decided on USC because he could get more playing time at first base.

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