WUCF:
Tuned into Orlando community

By NORA R. KULIESH
Managing Editor

It is easy to miss the glass door on the side of UCF's library that reads “WUCF.” In the small space that harbors a production room, news room, sports room, music library and other offices, the sounds of jazz float through the rooms. “Straight-ahead jazz,” according to station manager Kayonne Riley, “the only station in Orlando that plays it.”

It is not often when college students say jazz is their music of choice, but that is the exact misconception that follows the university’s station, Riley says. WUCF (89.9 FM) is not a student radio station, it is public.

The difference is simply the audience for whom the music is geared. WUCF is a jazz station aimed toward the Orlando community including, but not limited to, UCF.

Afternoon DJ Randal Bridges said he was first unaware WUCF is a public station. “All of a sudden the tune being played is it [WUCF] is a public station which happens to be on a college campus, and I never heard that before,” said Bridges.

“On one hand it seems like students are getting shut out of this more [the jazz format]. I can understand it though since we are under [Corporation for Public Broadcasting] and they supply money there are certain criteria we have to meet and this is one of them.”

Although Bridges admits there isn’t a large student following, he said during this last semester student support has increased. “I’ve had students e-mail me and say they like the show,” said Bridges.

Since the origination of WUCF in 1978, Riley said there has never been a student station. Although the idea of one has come and gone in the past couple of years, Riley attributes lack of initiative on the students’ part to why it never materialized. “It wouldn’t be that difficult for us to get a real student station going here that was run by the students, completely staffed by the students and that sort of thing. So that’s what I have been hoping somebody would come along and get behind,” said Riley.

WUCF is currently operated and staffed by full-time professionals. Under the CPB (which is a federal grant that gave $80,000 to WUCF), public stations must employ at least See WUCF, PAGE 11

Afternoon DJ Randal Bridges asks listeners to support WUCF through contributions on his show.

$2 million donation largest in UCF history

By GINA HAWKINS
Staff Writer

A $2 million donation to UCF from an Orlando businessman will make it easier for financially disadvantaged students to earn college degrees.

The gift from Harris Rosen, who owns six Orlando hotels, will be used as scholarships for students in UCF’s Hospitality Management Department and for students living in Tangelo Park, a high-crime neighborhood in southwest Orlando.

David Finney, UCF’s public relations assistant director and Rosen’s donation has an added benefit. “If a private citizen or company donates money to the university, [for some reason] it doesn’t have to match that donation dollar for dollar,” Finney said.

This is a way for the state to encourage people to donate money, said Finney. He said the $4 million endowment fund will be invested by UCF, and the interest earned from the investment will be used for the scholarships.

Finney said the UCF Foundation, the fundraising arm of the university, estimated the interest from the endowment fund to be $220,000 each year. This will be divided equally between scholarships for students in the Hospitality Management Department and for students living in Tangelo Park who need financial assistance.

Forty-four $2,500 scholarships for the Hospitality Management Department will be awarded to students with a grade-point average of at least 3.0. At least one-half will be required to have parents who work in the hospitality industry.

“I think that the hope is that the scholarships will bring the best possible students to the department,” Finney said.

The Hospitality Management Department is one of UCF’s fastest growing programs, Finney said, and it is projected to be one of the biggest suppliers of employees to Central Florida in the hospitality industry.

Trained hospitality industry employees are necessary in a state that relies so heavily on tourism.

According to a March 3, 1997 article in "Amusement Weekly", tourism provides more than one-fifth of Florida’s general revenues. Almost 43 million tourists visited Florida in 1996, and this number is expected to increase to 46.5 million by 1998.

Jeff Davis, a senior International Relations major, said the scholarships will help attract more people to the Hospitality Management Department at UCF and will allow students to concentrate on studies rather than having to worry about money.

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UCF baseball NCAA bound!

Knights enjoy ‘select’ feeling

By DEREK GONSOULIN
Sports Editor

It’s 2:50 p.m. Monday at UCF baseball coach Jay Bergman’s home. Outside is a quiet, country club and golf course setting.

Inside the atmosphere is quite different. Baseball players, television cameras and the smell of grilled hamburgers clog the main living room. It’s not quite the fare UCF captures its fourth TAAC championship in the last five years. See BASEBALL, Page 9

On the screen
A look at three new summer movie releases.

The big dance
More on the UCF baseball team’s trip to the NCAA series.

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UCF students have option of attending new law school close to home. — Page 3

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By LINDSAY MALANGA

UCF students won’t have far to go if they want to pursue a degree in law.

Dean Wallace M. Rudolph, assistant dean of the University of Orlando Law School on Colonial Drive, wants to “raise awareness” among students about law schools.

The law school is the only one in the central Florida area. While other schools are accredited, University of Orlando is not because it opened last September.

“I am 100 percent sure we’ll be accredited next September,” said Longsworth. The school will undergo a weeklong evaluation of its standards, and then receive accreditation if it meets requirements.

Dean Wallace M. Rudolph said because the school is new, it provides opportunity for the faculty to experiment with new technology and ideas. Matthew Bender, a legal publisher, uses the school’s library as a legal showcase for attorneys.

“Over $119,000 in free electronic products were provided by Bender to demonstrate to attorneys that come to town,” said Susan Wild, school librarian. “The cost of the library was approximately $4 million. There are 95,000 volume equivalents available to law students and the community. “A law library is different than a regular library because it needs to be updated constantly,” said Wild. At the present time, it costs about $2 million a year.

In the fall, the school will adopt a system where students will take one class at a time so they can focus their attention on one specific subject. “Students learn better in concentrated doses,” said Longworth.

This year 187 students attended the University of Orlando. The school is expecting 100 additional students for the upcoming fall semester. Longworth said U of O is the “least expensive private law school.” Due to the expected increase in enrollment, the school is planning to build apartments and a recreational center with pool on campus.

One second-year student, Bart Saunders said, “This education is ten times better than what I have received in other colleges.

“Overall, I’d give it a 10. Nine out of ten teachers are excellent, and the school is going to be really competitive.”

Rudolph takes pride in the fact the school will be able to effective quickly because it is new. “The University of Law has a curriculum designed to address concerns expressed by the bar about the level of training provided to lawyers entering the profession,” Rudolph said. Rudolph said most established law schools have trouble changing their faculty and facility with the times, and therefore, the University of Orlando holds the advantage in this instance.

On July 1 at 8 a.m., the fifth district court of appeals will hold cases in the school’s courthouse so students can witness actual courtroom behavior.

The University of Orlando is located at 6441 E. Colonial Drive, Orlando. Anyone interested in visiting the school can contact the Director of Admissions, Ann M. Euliano (407) 275-2500.

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— Doug Miller, Sanford, Junior, Organizational Comm.

"I think that the food is OK, but they could open a little longer."

— Melissa Santos, Junior, Bradenton, Organizational Communication

"Convenience is not as important as the choices and the prices of food in these locations. First, it is too expensive! I don’t like to eat at either of the two places. I can’t wait until the Student Union Food Court opens up!"

— Marie Mangouta, Senior, Organizational Comm, Brazzaville, Congo

"First of all "Great Escapes" and "Knights Pantry" are both run by the Marriott, but for some strange reason the prices are different ... umm. The two-hour time frame between the closing of "Great Escapes" and the opening of the "Knights Pantry" is a headache. It’s bad enough that the food is not all that great, but when you have to wait two hours to eat ... I think that Marriott should be trying to make all of the money they can with the new Student Union food court."

— Edwama Timmons, Junior, Public Relations, Bradenton

"While I understand the desire of the Marriott and the new privately-owned business to cut operating costs, I think they should be more sensitive to the needs of the students, including those taking night classes. After all, we are the reason that they are here."

— Dave Giammo, Senior, Liberal Arts, Orlando

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By DEAN G. LEWIS
Entertainment Editor

“The Daytrippers”

Greg Mottola’s short, slight, 87-minute “road” picture plays a lot of the time like an advanced student film, one that tends to labor too hard on its own characters’ eccentricities in too many eccentric mini-episodes that lack a cohesive and solid narrative. In “The Daytrippers,” Mottola’s story is barely hard-core drama, yet it succeeds most of the time, and ultimately, manipulates us into its unspectacular ending, a revolution of one of the characters that doesn’t quite bring the story to a close, not that it should, for in real life nothing ever seems resolved. As I’m still questioning this awkward shift in tone, inside meets outside for the final scene.

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Long Island resident Eliza D’Amico (Hope Davis) is cheating on her in the way she started a month ago with her new boyfriend Carl (Parker Posey) and her boyfriend Carl (Liev Schreiber) into the station wagon for her high school reunion. Michele (Lisa Kudrow) and Lisa Kudrow (TV’s “Friends”), Michele has never worked a day in her life. To compensate for her underachievement when word of their 10-year high school reunion comes out, the two put on an elaborate charade to show off their concocted success and fortune.

Romy (Mira Sorvino, right) and Michele (Lisa Kudrow, left) concoct a fantasy world for their high school reunion in “Romy and Michele’s High School Reunion.”

Romy is a clerk at a car dealership. Michele has broken her family’s promise to become a model. Their daydreams are enough to win honorary awards over the last year in film fests in Cannes, Toronto, and Athens. Finally getting a major release through Cinepix Film properties (CFP), Mottola’s film will nonetheless bring a lot of hip house-office attention.

“The Daytrippers” opens this Friday at the Enzian theater in Maitland.
“Circle of Friends”) and charming (“Emma”), Cumming is a fine character actor. With “Grosse Pointe Blank” also playing at country cineplexes, the high-school reunion craze has been firmly in place this spring. Both films’ soundtracks feature and delivers a rousing plea to his people. He

In the start of what is to be an endless collage of

REUNION, From Page 5

Pointe Blank”

the high-school reunion craze has been firmly in

memorable

“Night Falls on

Manhattan”

a desk in the hallway of his offices, stands on top,

overly written scene-stuffers, Liebman positions

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trial, and sentenced.

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self in to a liberal attorney (played by Richard

whose heart attack propels Garcia to the top spot.

college,” Davis said. “There’s

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Finnelly

hood and many of the stolen

vehicles in Orange County are

found near the subdivision, but

Pagan said this is not a represen-
tation of everyone in the

community. He said the major-

ity of people in Tangelo Park

are great and Rosen’s help will

make a positive difference.

“I wish a lot of other business

entrepreneurs would do what he
does,” Pagan said. Interests from

UCF’s College of Education and

College of Health and Public

Affairs will also work with Tan-
gelo Park residents, accord-

ing to a report from the College

of Education.

Other agencies, such as the

Orange County Public School

System and Florida

Hospital, are providing free

services.

Rosen has lived in Florida for

more than 20 years. Five of the

six hotels he owns are on

International Drive, including

the Clarion Plaza and Omni

Rosen.

Before buying his first hotel,

the 57-year-old entrepreneur

worked for Walt Disney

Corporation and helped design

the Polynesian and

Contemporary hotels.

Donation to benefit hospitality

management students

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“If I give people with less

opportunity a chance to go to

college,” Davis said. “There’s

nothing better than a college

education.”

Along with donating money for

the scholarships, Rosen is also

involved directly in help-

ing the residents of

Tangelo Park.

According to a

report from UCF’s

College of

Education, Rosen is

funding programs that

include free preschool for

children and free par-

enting and voca-

tional classes for their

parents.

Annette Woodal,

Rosen’s adminis-

trative assistant, said

Rosen chose to

work with Tangelo

Park because the

children there need help and a

c chance to go to college.

“He wanted to help disadvan-
taged children, and he thought

this was a very good neighbor-

hood to start with,” Woodal

said. “It’s really turned that

neighborhood around.”

Mike Pagan, deputy public

information officer with the

Orange County Sheriff’s

Department, said Tangelo Park

is one of the highest crime

areas in Orange County. There

is drug activity in the neighbor-

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Study claims AIDS-prevention programs failing the young

By College Press Service

SAN FRANCISCO — AIDS-prevention programs targeted at youth are failing, and the disease is becoming a disease of America's young, says a new study.

The report, entitled, "Dangerous Inhabitants: How America Is Letting AIDS Become an Epidemic of the Young," attempts to explain why half of all new HIV infections occur among people younger than 25 and why AIDS is now the sixth-leading cause of death among 15-24-year-olds.

Current HIV-prevention methods don't work because they fail to "deal honestly with the sexual realities of today's young people," according to the Center for AIDS Prevention Studies and the Harvard AIDS Institute, the report's authors.

"Misguided prevention policies are literally costing us the most preventable cause of death among 15-24-year-olds. Inhibitions: How America Is Letting AIDS Become an Epidemic of the Young," says a new study.

The experts also would like to see an end to the ban on condom advertising on network TV, and they'd like film makers to send a safe-sex message when filming those Hollywood sex scenes.

"We need to get out the message about condoms," said Paul Reyes, a 21-year-old from The Hetrick-Martin Institute who attending a meeting where the study was presented. "Teens spend so much time watching TV that condom advertising on TV could be one of the most effective ways to get the message through."

The two groups at greatest risk for HIV infections are young men who have sex with men and heterosexually active young women. Among men, with a known risk factor, gay or bisexual men account for three-quarters of infections among young men.

The proportion of females among adolescents with AIDS has tripled from 14 percent in 1987 to 46 percent in 1995, the most current year for which data is available.

Feud over name settled

MEADVILLE, Pa. — Two universities that claimed an equal right to use the name "Allegheny" have settled their feud out of court.

Allegheny College, a 181-year-old college in the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains, earlier this year sued the newly named Allegheny University in Philadelphia for trademark infringement.

The college claimed the similar names caused confusion. Students would call the wrong school, the college reported.

Allegheny University is actually short for Allegheny University of the Health Sciences — the name Hahnemann University and the Medical College of Pennsylvania came up with last June following their 1993 merger.

According to the terms of the settlement, the university can use its full name or "AUHS," but would be barred from using "Allegheny University." Also, the university agreed not to object if the college ever seeks to change its name to "Allegheny University.

The university must also change its Internet address, currently "www.allegheny.edu." Allegheny College President Richard Cook praised the settlement, calling it a good way to prevent confusion. "With the end of litigation, we also look forward to redirecting all our time and money to educating our students, rather than to the suit," he said.

AUHS Vice President Thomas Chakrardo said he was glad the dispute ended in a "businesslike and constructive fashion."

Fashion show brings sweatshops to light

ITHACA, N.Y. — As part of a "Sweatshop Fashion Show," Cornell University students strutted along a catwalk March 28 to protest abuses in the garment industry.

The students modeled trendy jeans and shirts made by companies that reportedly employ sweatshop workers, said Patricia Hane, a member of Cornell's Committee on U.S.-Latin American Relations, a student group that sponsored the event.

"High school and college students are the biggest market for the major brand names in the fashion industry," she said. "By raising awareness about the practices of fashion producers, we hope to help students become educated consumers." Because of their buying power, students can pressure the fashion industry "to clean up its act," she said.

Last October, the Labor Department cited major retailers, including Sears, Macy's West and Guess, Inc., for having received merchandise made in sweatshops. The Students Stop Sweatshops campaign, organized by the nation's largest union for garment factory workers, also has criticized The Gap, Nike and Disney for using sweatshops to manufacture products.

At Cornell, a portion of the fashion show's proceeds benefited the Maldita Amaya Montes Women's Education Project in El Salvador, a group attempting to unionize female workers who make clothes for many U.S. clothing manufacturers.

"We chose to do a fashion show to highlight the differences between those who wear the stylish brand-name clothes and those who make them," Campos said.

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SPJC
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By PETER KUNDIS  
Staff Writer

Last Thursday, the Deputy Secretary General of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the Republic of China received a warm welcome at the Barbara Ying Building.

Accompanying Zheng Yi on his visit to UCF was his daughter, Zheng Yuan, a senior majoring in finance. During his visit, the Secretary presented Dr. Nelson Ying and Douglas Mowry with the flag of the National People's Republic of China. Zheng Yi and Ying said they were working on a scholarship program that was proposed by the Chinese government. The government is attempting to reach out to the rest of the world, because these programs will be put into effect with other countries.

UCF is the only university in the United States that will be participating in the experimental program. The attempt by the Chinese government is an effort to expose future leaders to other cultures.

There are three aspects to the proposed scholarship program: The Chinese government will provide funds for transporting students to the U.S. and also their return home; food and day-to-day living expenses of the student, during their stay in the U.S.; will be provided by their government; UCF, providing a tuition waiver, will provide housing for the student or students.

The final element will be provided by Ying. The establishment of a scholarship fund will enable students to draw up to $1,000 for purchasing any equipment that would help enhance the program. Examples of equipment that could be purchased might include a video camera to aid students in taking their experiences home or a computer.

Students will be picked by the Secretary based on their ability to handle the language as well as the prospect of their future advancement. The Chinese government will be investing in people they hope will be future leaders of the People's Republic of China. The students will primarily be aspiring diplomats or low-ranking diplomats.

The Deputy Secretary General designed the concept for the scholarship program. He is friends with Ying as they both worked on the establishment of the "Sister City" relationship between Orlando and Guilin, China. Zheng Yi is a former mayor of Guilin, China.

Although Zheng Yi approached Ying with the concept of the scholarship program, Ying brought forth the idea the program should start with UCF. Zheng's wife had previously been in the UCF doctoral program with the College of Education, but had to leave when he was given an ambassadorship position.

The proposed scholarship program has yet to be officially signed by the leadership of the People's Republic of China or by UCF, but considering the determination of Zheng Yi and Ying in wanting this scholarship program to happen, the final approval should occur soon.

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Baseball team heads to Tallahassee

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expected at a country club, but no one seems to care.

"You guys want a hamburger?" Bergman asks guests as they walk in.

The living room and kitchen are practically in the same room, separated by partition doubling as a sink and counter.

A dozen players, all talking at the same time, pile onto and around a couch made for no more than four. School administrators and coaches stay to the back of the living room, chatting with each other and reporters.

On the screen porch outside, half-a-dozen more players dig into soda and chips while talking to a television reporter. As the cameraman talks with mouthfuls of hamburger, Bergman offers seconds.

Everyone is smiling. It's 2:55 p.m. Five minutes until the NCAA regional pairings are announced.

As the 3 p.m. ESPNU regional bids show closer, players scramble for seats, as the loud banner becomes a chorus.

"This isn't bad," said Sherry Bergman, the coach's wife, as she prepares a styrofoam plate filled with pickle slices.

"I love the kids and they are away from home and they like bonding. They love the home cooking and everything, too."
**Lead Stories**

- In February, Michael Knowles, awaiting trial in California for killing his wife, filed a $100 million lawsuit against advice columnist Ann Landers, charging she had defamed him by publishing his letter on how tough the Internet can be on magazine readers. Said Knowles' lawyer Max Jenkins, who had pleaded Knowles not guilty, the letter "hurts my case."
- In March, the president of a demolition company said he was about to hire a psychic to help explain the strange things being reported by his workers tearing down the old Trotman's department store building in Connelsville, Pa. He said doors were slamming without reason, tools disappearred and turned up in unlikely places, and locked doors spontaneously opened, among other things. At about the same time, employees at the San Francisco Bureau of Building Inspections burst into a Buddhist priest, a Catholic priest and a psychic to commune with the building after several workers and family members had recently been struck with serious illnesses.
- The Wall Street Journal reported in April on the growing academic discipline of "whiteness studies," whose pioneering professors and students met recently at the University of California, Berkeley. Among the aspects under study: Spam diets, gun shows, and the white dominance of shopping malls and the Internet. Said a doctoral professor, rejecting the suggestion that whiteness studies lacks seriousness: "They said that about ... 'Madonna studies,' too."

**Continuing Crises**

- David Price, 34, serving life in prison in Edinburgh, Scotland, for the 1984 rape-murder of his girlfriend on Valentine's Day, got a reprieve, one lawsuit in February so he could go down to the Dernace European Arts Center to attend the premiere of the opera "Odyssey," which he wrote while behind bars.
- In December, store manager Wiley Berggren was presented awards for sales and productivity at a Southwest Convenience Stores company dinner in Odessa, Texas. About two hours later, he was fired because of his actions the night before: When three kids tried to steal a case of beer and one of them attacked him, Berggren bugged the attacker to the ground, thus violating the company's rule of not challenging thieves.
- In February, anesthesiologist Frank Peterson, 45, was sentenced in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to 10-23 months in prison for severely diluting the narcotics for 12 surgery patients, thus exposing them to virtually anesthesia-free operations. According to police, Peterson stole the drugs to feed his own habit and said he actually shorted more than 200 patients.
- In January, Ludwig Kaufmann, owner of the Parky's strip club in Hialeah was indicted as the middleman in various drug schemes, including the attempted purchase of a $5.5 million, black-market, Russian attack-submarine by Colombian drug lords, who allegedly wanted to run cocaine into California.
- Ireland's legislation permitting divorce took effect Feb. 27, but a man in Dublin apparently was so eager to shed his wife he petitioned a court in January for a divorce in advance, on the grounds that he was seriously ill and might not live to see his freedom. (In fact, he married again a few days after the court granted his petition, and a few days after that, he died.)
- In December, according to a Washington Post report, Greg Piper, owner of the Exposed Temptations tattoo shop of Manassas, Va., complained to his landlord in an industrial park that the newly arrived next-door tenant, the Blessed Victory Pentecostal Church, was out of place in the building and making too much noise with the music that it was affecting his work. Said Piper, "(Tattooing's) like any kind of art. You want to focus on the concentration and the client." In January, the then-our dilemma was resolved when the church announced it was moving.
- The Associated Press reported in February on the egg collection of wealthy businessman Ed Harrison of Los Angeles, who owns a skyscraper, runs an oil company and manages real estate. He has more than 1 million eggs from 3,000 species. "I've had plenty of people laugh at me," he said, but collecting "took a lot of guts. I've swung down over cliffs and risked my neck plenty of times (to steal eggs)."

**Kobia's final NCAA chance comes this weekend**

From PAGE 12... "we're chasing it down to the bitter end," she said. "We're only taking Kelly ... we're going up to Knoxville [Tenn.] this weekend [to compete in the Gatorade Invitational] to try to get her qualified. She's thrown 164 feet in practice, so [her chances] are not unrealistic."

Junior Michele Boike, owner of UCF's 400-meter hurdles record, placed ninth at the meet with a time of 1 minute, 48.86 seconds. Boike also finished seventh in the 100-meter hurdles and the long jump. In the 100-meter, Boike finished with a time of 15.04 seconds, while at the long jump, she leaped to a distance of 17-11.

Although Boike did not qualify for the NCAA, Munsur-Westenworth feels confident in Boike's abilities. But Munsur-Westenworth also believes she still has one more hurdle to jump. "I think Michele could technically do it, but I think she needs a little more mental fire to race at that [NCAA qualifying] level," Munsur-Westenworth said. UCF's record holder in the javelin, freshman Amber Twyman, placed in the top three in the javelin. Twyner's 120-5 throw earned her a third-place finish at the meet. The mark, similar to those earned by her teammates, was not far enough to qualify for the NCAA competition.

Twyman, who won the javelin event at the TAAC meet, has made a large improvement this season.

Her first-place finish has made an impact on Munsur-Westenworth.

"We expected to go one, two in the [javelin at the TAAC meet], but I was just surprised that Amber beat Kelly [who finished second]," said Munsur-Westenworth. "We think that Amber has a lot of talent and that she should be able to qualify for the NCAA's in a year or two. And she's only been throwing since January."

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**Bad Times for Good Samaritans**

- In January, Ron Seaward stopped, along with a police officer, to help a driver whose car was in a ditch near London, Ontario. While he was pushing that car out, two cars hit his truck, and as the officer was writing up the report for Seaward's insurance company, he discovered Seaward's driver's license had expired (for which he was later fined).
- Trial began in March in the lawsuit of Linda Jean Schneider, against two physicians and the John Muir Medical Center near San Francisco, for Schneider's negligence in actually saving her life: Schneider has a slowly terminal, degenerative neurological disorder (Mietus syndrome) that causes seizures, and she had wanted to die, but the doctors kept feeding and caring for her. She's now expected to live another 15 years, though with a poor quality of life.
Women's crew completes another solid season

By JEFF CASE
Staff Writer

A bumblebee's work is never done. But it is for now. "The bumblebees" (the UCF women's crew team) earned their name because of their black and gold striped uniforms. The team recently ended its season at the Dad Vail Regatta in Philadelphia from May 9-10.

The team, which placed three boats in the Dad Vail finals in 1996, was only able to place one boat. The JV 8, which finished in fourth place, came up one second shy of a medal finish.

The Varsity 8 and Lightweight 8 boats also raced well, but did not reach the finals. The Varsity 8 boat placed third in the semifinals, but needed a second-place finish to advance. The Lightweight 8 was stopped in the semifinals, but had the unenviable task of competing against eventual repeat champion Villanova.

Coach Dennis Kamrad said he liked how his team rowed against more favored crews.

"We rowed as well as we have all year, but the draw just wasn't in our favor," Kamrad said. "Of course, we would like to be in the finals in every event, but it just wasn't to be. Would we liked to have finished better? Sure. But are we pleased with what we did? Absolutely." Despite not medaling in their final regatta, Kamrad was no less proud of his squad.

"We know we've rowed a great season. We're the No. 1 team in the state, the No. 2 team in the South, and we'll be ranked no less than No. 5 out of 30-something schools in the NCAA Central Region," Kamrad said.

"The school may not know it, but we know it. I'm proud of these kids."

— Coach Dennis Kamrad

The team successfully defended its titles in several regattas while also conquering new ground. At the Metro Cup, the team defended its J.V. 4 title while also managing to take the Varsity 8 title from rival Rollins College.

In President's Cup competition, the team retained its Lightweight 8 title, besting Clemson, Tampa and Tennessee-Chattanooga.

Although the team was unable to defend its four race victories at Augusta from last year, the team was able to dethrone Clemson from the Lightweight 8 title. Kamrad thinks comparisons to any team from his past 24 years would be unfair.

"I don't want to compare [this team to one in the past]. This squad had their own personality and it was a great squad," Kamrad said.

"I think that our seniors have set a great legacy for our upcoming kids to live up to, and that's what I wanted. The seniors that are leaving us left a great foundation and something for the other students to strive for. We are capable of being competitive and these seniors proved it."

WUCF to maintain jazz format

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five professionals.

"We have five professional, full-time employees right now... but that's really all we can afford," said Riley.

There are other criteria public stations must meet to qualify for CPR, including audience numbers and local community support in terms of dollars.

Currently, WUCF is funded by the CPR grant, community fund raisers and the School of Communication's contribution of $100,000. It is in the university's best interest to fund the station due to the practical experience students can receive by working at WUCF, said Riley.

"We are a resource for students who come through this university and are interested in a career in broadcasting. It is in their best interest to have a professional radio station that they can come into contact with, rather than a student radio station. It [a student radio station] is fun, but it's not real world experience. We can give them and I think that's a real service," Riley said.

Bridges, who specializes in an acid jazz format, recently graduated from UCF with a Radio/TV degree.

"Overall my experience here, I can't argue with. This has been one that gig. It's really helped me out and I think I will be able to go on and really make it," said Bridges.

How does a public station that deals exclusively with jazz appeal to students? Riley said UCF has a very concentrated music school with a strong jazz leadership, but realistically jazz lovers are typically older.

"We know our audience is between 35 and retirement age. But it is a large audience with about 22,000 listeners weekly from the community," said Riley, who added UCF's signal has a 25-mile radius though listeners can pick up the signal in Cocoa Beach.

Riley could not comment on the percentage of students who listen to WUCF since the survey they subscribe to is community wide. Her estimate is about 10 percent student listeners.

"I listen when I can't get anything good on SHE [100.3], but I can't say it's all that often," said junior Jenna King.

Riley said every university has a public radio station to act as its voice to the community.

"WUCF, in being the voice of UCF for the community, chose jazz as the format and we're very proud of that and think it's a good statement because it is a uniquely American art form. It draws heritage from black musical roots and the whole amalgam of America's mixing pot."

"I think what makes up jazz. It's the perfect format to say to this university's voice," said Riley.

In the past, different formats including ethnic, folk, blue-grass and alternative music have been tried, but Riley has seen the largest audience drawn from jazz. Daily newsbreaks from NPR (National Public Radio), 89.9 Weekday News, 89.9 Weekday Sports and the Friday show "Sports and Society" act as a source of information to listeners. Riley said there are no new programs in WUCF since the 11th annual students.

The misconception of WUCF as a student radio station specializing in jazz is one that Riley says she has to answer a lot of questions about. But, she believes the professional station is a much better asset to the community, the School of Communication and the students who are looking for real-world experience before graduation.

"I would like to encourage students who would like to get a student radio station going here to come and talk to me because I am interested in seeing that happen," said Riley.

"And there is room for both of us."

Jets release Thomas

By DERK GONSOLIN
Sports Editor

Fresno UCF linebacker Kendrick Thomas was released by the New York Jets after failing a physical the week of May 12, due to loose cartilage in his knees.

Thomas said his knees have not bothered him before and other NFL players have the same problem.

"It's a genetic pre-disposed thing," he said. "If I thought it was a problem when I was younger I would of had something done about it."

Thomas started all 11 games at middle linebacker for UCF in 1996. He finished third on the team in tackles with 107 and fourth in tackles for loss with six.

He said Tampa Bay, Jacksonville and Philadelphia have called since his release and he hopes to sign on with a club before training camps open in July.

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Knights’ rally leads Tally

UCF opens NCAA play against USF

By KEN JACKSON
Staff Writer

The UCF baseball team came into the Trans America Athletic Conference tournament this past week with its hands full. It left with its hands firmly resting on the tournament trophy.

The Golden Knights (40-22) clinched the TAAC title on Saturday, defeating tournament host Stetson 14-9 at Conrad NCAAs East Regional Tournament, while Stetson is the No. 4 seed. The Knights won the season series against USF 3-2, is joined by two other TAAC East Division teams. Florida International is the No. 3 seed in the Atlantic II Region, while Stetson is the No. 4 seed in the Midwest region.

Going into the tournament, Coach Jay Bergman worried about his team’s chances for success.

"Lately, we’ve had trouble just finding the ballpark," said Bergman, referring to losses in seven of their last nine conference games and the team’s sixth seeding in the six-team tournament.

All-Tournament Team

1B: Cint Chrysler, Stet.
2B: Bryan Bruce, UCF
SS: Eric Rigg, UCF
3B: Pat Williamson, UCF
OF: Todd Bellhorn, UCF
Greg Pacitti, UCF
C: Jesi Fagan, STS
DH: Sean Maloney, HU
CF: Eric Johnson, UCF
P: Jeff Newman, Sam.
Eric Knott, Stet.
Tournament MVP: Greg Pacitti, UCF

Above, Gregg Pacitti is congratulated by teammates after hitting an eighth-inning home run in Saturday’s final. Below, George Schmidt tosses a pitch on route to earning the victory.

Bruce’s up-and-down season on uprising

By KEN JACKSON
Staff Writer

If one was to call the Golden Knights’ 1997 baseball season a "roller coaster year," then the last four months for senior infielder Bruce Ramirez’s heart is, this team definitely has the right to harbor any grudges.

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He’s always been a small guy that plays big," said his father Pat following UCF’s 14-9 victory against Stetson, "At every level, high school, wherever, at this time of year he’s always come up big, and this..." Pat trailed off and shook his head.

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