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CAMPUS SCAMS CAUSE CONCERN

By GINA HAWKINS
Staff Writer

E-mail pyramid scams, high-pressure phone sales and fake billing are some ways that campus crooks are trying to make money off of UCF students and faculty.

Jeannette Emert, an officer for the UCF police department, said out of the three, pyramid scams may be the biggest problem because they can originate on campus. A pyramid scam is when someone sends a letter or an e-mail message to the victim asking for $5 and promises thousands of dollars in return. Emert said the victim will receive a list of addresses and must send letters to them requesting $5.

“If it’s the same thing as a chain letter,” Emert said, “If you’re not smart enough to avoid these things, then you get caught up in it and you will not make the money they’re promising. It basically filters back up to the person at the top.”

Pyramid scams like this are illegal because an actual product is not for sale, Emert said. They are sending a list of addresses that could be obtained from someone else for free.

Paul Zimmerman, business manager for the Florida Space Institute (a division of the UCF College of Engineering), said he almost became the victim of another type of campus scam involving the phone solicitation of copy machine toner. He said he almost signed an order for toner from people who sounded like they were from Convenience Copy, the company that is contracted to service most of UCF’s copy machines for a set fee per copy. Toner is included in this price per copy.

Zimmerman said he was faxed an order form to his office from Imaging Supply Center, and he was told that he needed to sign it and fax it over immediately so the toner would stay at the same price. He was told if he did not fax it back right away, the price would increase by more than $60. Zimmerman said they were very convincing, but he realized that it was a scam.

“Any amount of money that’s not smart enough...”

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UF grad strives for Mrs. Florida

By NORA R. KULIESH
Managing Editor

Sandy Nelson, 28, not only happens to be a UCF graduate with a Journalism degree, she is currently the Mrs. Orange County. As the 1991 graduate represents her alma mater, she is currently Mrs. Floridian.

Gone are the days that contestants were taught to be silly and cute. Nelson says the questions pertain directly to the information provided on the contestant’s biographies. They range from favorite saying to the person you admire most to your advice for newfound wives.

“I decided to focus on my career after school. But, now I want to do this [Mrs. Florida] as a challenge to myself.”

The first day of the pageant consists of a rehearsal and an interview portion with the judges. Nelson says the questions pertain directly to the information provided on the contestant’s biographies. They range from favorite saying to the person you admire most to your advice for newlyweds. The interview is worth 50 out of a hundred points.

The other 50 points are split between the fitness and evening wear competitions which take place on the second and third day.

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HPA begins new construction
Health and Public Affairs break ground for its new home.

By Derek Gonsoulin
Sports Editor

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UCF parking official: UCF ‘lots’ better

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On the screen
Spielberg returns with one of the summer’s biggest blockbusters.

Knights swept in Tallahassee
UCF baseball goes 0-2 at NCAA East Regionals in Tallahassee.

1991 UCF grad Sandy Nelson is competing against 40 women for the title of Mrs. Florida in the 1997 pageant.
Health and Public Affairs builds its first home

By LINDSAY J. MALANGA
News Editor

Construction of the new Health and Public Affairs building broke ground on May 13. Because the number of students has grown from 1500 to approximately 6000, and the number of faculty members has increased from 60 to 120, the college needed a home to facilitate its programs. The college was formed in 1990, and it is the fastest growing one in the State University System. Previously, the college had seven departments located in six different buildings.

"Each year some part of one of these programs overflows into new space," said Dean Belinda McCarthy in her ground breaking speech. "This new building will house more than half of our programs."

Health and Public Affairs has the largest Communicative Disorders program in the United States, but it had to leave the main campus in order to expand its faculty and research space, said McCarthy.

The new HPA building will be the first at UCF serving the needs of the Health and Public Affairs programs, Housing Nursing, Physical Therapy, Social Work, Criminal Justice/Legal Studies and Public Administration, McCarthy says "it will provide not just offices, but classrooms for our students, seminar rooms for our many graduate programs, a large advising center for undergraduate and graduate students, facilities for our technology office, and distance learning classrooms so we can further our outreach efforts."

"The building was designed by the firm of Schenkel and Shultz. Costing $9.8 million, the 92,000-square-foot facility will include a three story atrium and should "give the college a center of focus it has lacked since it has not had a building of its own until now," said Peter Newman of UCF Facilities Planning.

Diane Trees, Public Relations and Special Projects Coordinator of the college said, "With updated and expanded computer technology, the new building will allow more emphasis on distance learning and coordination with satellite campuses."

Trees said the new building will provide more opportunities for sharing information and projects. "With our increasing enrollment, giving students easy access to faculty through on-line capabilities and two-way interactive video, we will greatly enhance the classroom experience," said Trees.

Dean McCarthy said her vision for the college is limitless.

The new Health and Public Affairs building will replace the dirt parking lots between the UCF Arena and Student Union.

"We are taking the university's five goals—emphasizing undergraduate education, graduate education and research, diversity, international initiatives and partnerships—and realizing them in the service of the health and public affairs needs of this community," McCarthy said.

When the building is completed in the Fall of 1998, the college will accept their first doctoral students into the Ph.D. in Public Affairs, which is designed to serve the Planning and Research needs of upper level managers in Public Administration, Criminal Justice, Social Work and Health Services Administration.

McCarthy said, "This program and this new building will begin for us a new era in program development and service to Central Florida."

The phrase that will be engraved over the entry way of the new building is "ACCESS to Excellence" says McCarthy.

"We have and will continue to strive for exactly that—to be a college that gives every willing student, of whatever age, at whatever point in his or her career—access to the very best in education, the very best in research opportunities and the very best in means to serve their community."

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Driving with suspended license leads to arrest

By DAN TUCKER
Staff Writer

Michael Cook Jr., was arrested for driving with a suspended license on May 9. According to a UCF Police Department report, Cook’s license had been suspended eight times.

Cook was stopped because the vehicle he was driving had a side tail light and brake light out. A DMV records check revealed the suspensions. Cook was then placed under arrest.

In another news reported by the UCF PD:
- Phanish Oot Sayra Sih reported burglary and petit theft on May 9. When Sih returned to his unlocked Amigo, he discovered his keys, wallet and watch were missing from the glove box. The radio appeared to have been tampered with as well. Sih was advised by the officer on scene to cancel his credit cards.

- An unknown suspect entered the office of Margaret Kelley and stole two of her credit cards. Kelley realized the credit cards were missing May 12. When Kelley called her credit card company, she found out the cards had been used twice off campus. Kelley is willing to prosecute.

- Lee Oswald of Lee’s Air Conditioning reported a tug had been stolen off a company trailer on May 8. The Transit Authority sent Lee’s Air Conditioning several photographs of a white vehicle with the missing tag going through an E-Pass. Oswald is willing to press charges.

- On May 13, Keith Mellilo reported petit theft after discovering his wallet had been stolen. Mellilo called to cancel his credit cards and was told one of his cards had been used off campus. Mellilo is willing to prosecute.

South Carolina Educator chosen as Dean of College of Education

By NORA KULIESH
Managing Editor

After a national search, Sandra Robinson has been chosen as the College of Education’s new Dean.

Robinson received her bachelor’s degree in elementary education from Marshall University in West Virginia and her Master of Education and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from Duke University in North Carolina.

She is the interim dean of education at USC, where she has served as a professor or administrator for almost two decades. Currently, she is working on two books, “Multicultural Understanding Through Games and Simulations” and “Helping Children Cope with Fear and Stress”.

Robinson is the recipient of the 1995 Distinguished Service Award and the 1992 Excellence in Teaching Award, both from USC.

“The (Robinson) has strong support from faculty, staff and the Orlando community,” said UCF Provost Gary Whitehouse.

Robinson assumes her role as dean by the end of June.

City of Orlando asking for help on planning community

The city is reaching out to the Orlando community in a new program called “Design Our Orlando” and asking for participants to help map out new strategies for critical quality-of-life issues, such as the design of neighborhood and commercial areas, green spaces, pedestrian-friendly streets and public safety.

Glenda E. Hood, Mayor of Orlando said, “We’ve created an exciting new program in which you can help us determine what future development in our Orlando will look like. It’s your chance to Design Our Orlando.”

Through a process called the Visual Impact Survey, thousands of opinions are gathered from the community. The opinions will be tabulated and the findings published. More importantly, the results will be used in the way future development will look in Orlando. The VPS takes about and hour and it includes slides of different types of developments and improvements. Volunteers who participate in the survey simply rate how well they like each image. The whole process takes about an hour, but the results of this effort will determine and enhance Orlando’s community.

To take part in the survey and ultimately in the shaping of Orlando, stop by one of the survey stations:

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—Romerlyd Ramos, Grad Student, Microbiology, Oviedo, FL

1.) One of my cousins studied here and she recommended UCF to me. Also, Florida has very nice weather.
2.) I think that UCF is a good university and I have no doubt that in the near future, I will obtain the recognition that it deserves.

—Liza D. Robles, Senior, Microbiology, Carolina, Puerto Rico

1.) Because of the numerous opportunities. The microbiology department provides for exploring different avenues, possible with a molecular degree.
2.) My UCF experience has been great. It's provided me with many tools that I can utilize in my future studies.

—Chandra I. Richards, Senior, Microbiology, Orlando, FL

1.) I didn't want to go far from my home.
2.) I love it! It's a fast growing university, with a lot to offer all of its students.

—Ingrid Gonzales, Junior, Advertising/Public Relations, Orlando, FL

1.) I didn't want to go too far from home. Also when I came to the open house, everyone was friendly, and I felt very comfortable here.
2.) I love it!!

—Jennifer Atria, Sophomore, Communicative Disorders, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

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Dinosaurs sure to take a bite out of the summer box office

By DEAN G. LEWIS
Entertainment Editor

Cinema guru Steven Spielberg returns with "The Lost World", a flashy, hyper-energetic sequel to "Jurassic Park". Loosely based on the Michael Crichton novel, the new dino-mash-up gives writer-director David Koepp ("Carlito's Way") sole credit, and he's infused the story with lots of suspenseful-sounding sequences, rapid dialogue, and a "Godzilla"-style wrap-up that紧紧围绕 won't escape your attention. Jeff Goldblum reprises his role as the ever-so-cautious scientist caught in the saur's lair. The two grandkids (Joseph Mazzello, Ariana Richards) of Richard Attenborough fill in a brief, 5-minute cameo early on then disappear. New to the park is Julianne Moore ("Safe"), Goldblum's off-and-on squeeze, Vince Vaughn ("Swingers") as a fellow dinosaur lover, and young Vanessa Lee Chester, Goldblum's troubled daughter, who tags along for the island expedition. In flamboyant supporting roles, Pete Postlethwaite ("In the Name of the Father") shames in a lean and mean dinosaur hunter, as well as the compelling Arliss Howard (TV’s "I Know My First Name is Steven") who chews up scenery overplaying a greedy conglomerate bent on creating a Jurassic Park Zoo in the heart of San Diego. More thrills at longer lengths are the keys to the sequel's success. In an unforgettable, first true summer nerve-wrecker, our three adult heroes hang on for their lives after their control trailers are pushed over a cliff by two overprotective T-Rex parents searching for their missing infant. The dinosaurs this time around are grittier and meaner. Spielberg also benefits greatly from his photographer, Janusz Kaminski (who won an Oscar for "Schindler's List"). He adds an ambitious, lovely texture to the indomitable scenes, especially to Attenborough's bedroom conversation with Goldblum. "The upside mayhem, and there's a heap of it, is equally stunning. The story unfolds on an abandoned island which gives Spielberg more room to work his magic. "The Lost World" might surpass its predecessor's record-breaking grosses. As summer entertainment, it's a blast. As intellectual fare, "World" surprisingly has lots to say. Keep in mind the preservation of animals constitutes the film's thick subtext. All that is nicely summarized in an edifying "send-off" by Attenborough. Its "Jaws" with legs, "King Kong" meets "Godzilla" similarities will have some viewers drawing comparisons, while others will just wonder what summer flicks will crumble under Spielberg's "World" dollar domination. "Con-Air"? "Men in Black"? "Batman and Robin"? "Contact"? Take your pick. They're all fair game.

** (out of four) B+

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Florida Film Festival news

By DEAN G. LEWIS
Entertainment editor

• The 6th Annual film-lovers’ gala is set to roll June 13 with a party to honor the opening night film, "The Full Menny," the hilarious British comedy about a group of steelworker-pals who resort to a bare-bones touring tour of professional strip-clubbing to make ends meet. Don't expect buff bods to explode on the screen. The advance word is that these men are indeed the wrong image of Britain's hard-working lower-class • Victor Nuñez ("Ruby in Paradise") returns triumphantly to "The Gold", a big hit at this year's Sundance. The film, with Florida-native Nuñez expected to attend, will be featured at the Annie Russell (Rollins College) theater June 14 • Other spotlight films expected to play include "The Company of Men" and "Str Maps" • Peter Greenaway returns with the controversial "The Pillow Book," starring John MacGregor • A documentary on Executive features are sure to have an impact with the much-maligned "Wicker: The Rules of Engagement" and "Jodie: An Icon" • Tickets may be purchased beginning May 29th by calling (407) 629-1089 or by stopping at the Eastman Theater box office Monday-Friday, Sun-Sat. Call 629-1089 for more information. A full schedule and pull-out guide will be in the May 29th issue of The Orlando Weekly.

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Campus crooks victimize faculty and students

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they get out of here (UCF) is money that shouldn't have been spent because we already have paid for it," Zimmerman said. "That's the crime. The crime is it's already been paid for."

Zimmerman says in a university where there is a lot of student and transient staff, people may fall for these tactics, especially if they are unaware of the university's ordering procedures.

When he called Convenience Copy to tell them what had happened, Zimmerman said they were already familiar with the scam.

Ed Hindle, office assistant for Convenience Copiers, said over the years he has received quite a few complaints about the toner scam. So far this year, he has heard about it happening to people at UCF five or six times.

Hindle also said that Convenience Copiers, which services 60 percent to 90 percent of UCF's 215 copy machines, charges $50 for the same amount of toner that Imaging Supply Center charges $41.90 for.

Emert said the toner scam relies on intimidating people and pushing them to order, but it is not illegal. She said the fake bills that are mailed to UCF are also not illegal.

In a fake bill sent to UCF last year for a classified advertising, Emert said there was a disclaimer indicating that it was only a solicitation for business. But she said the writing was small and difficult to see, and she could understand how someone could pay it, thinking it was a real bill.

Emert said people can call the police department to report a scam, or to ask any questions about them. And also advises calling the Better Business Bureau to avoid scams.

"Follow policy when it comes to ordering and if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is," Emert said.

Campus crooks victimize faculty and students
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Pageant recognizes women's success

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days, along with the elimination round which selects the top fifteen.

Nelson said that the elimination process can be discouraging, however, it takes a strong individual to get up there in the first place.

"It takes a lot of self confidence to get out there," she says, "so we already have that quality.

But, everyone here is going to feel a little disappointment. Whether it is that they didn't make the top 15 or they didn't get Mrs. Congeniality. I think the attitude you take in yourself is what gets you through this."

Mrs. Florida awards women not only with that title, but also ones like Mrs. Congeniality, Mrs. Photogenic and Mrs. Sales Achievement. Nelson says by participating, each woman will be recognized in some way or another.

"I think it's fine if women want to enter beauty pageants, but I don't really agree with them. I want to know if someone is smart and has character, not whether they look good in an evening gown," said UCF student Carol Sher.

Nelson believes the media can blow things out of proportion and is ultimately responsible for pageant's bad reputations.

"We need to keep in mind that women do this to promote themselves and to show off their qualities," said Nelson. "Each of these women have special qualities and they've got a talent.

They're remarkable individuals inside and out."

Nelson says pageants in general are crediting women for their accomplishments more than for how they look in a bikini, especially Mrs. Florida who no longer has a swimwear portion of their competition.

Nelson's husband of four years, Rick, is also a UCF graduate. In fact, they met at the M&R Properties.

"We were neighbors," said Nelson.

Currently he is a member of the Tommy Armour Professional Golf Tour and the owner of MrK& Properties.

"He is my biggest supporter and biggest fan, but also is my biggest inspiration," said Nelson. "I'm very physically fit and active and I spend a lot of time in the gym because eventually I think I'd like to do fitness competitions and he supports me. And I support him in his golf, so we really compliment each other."

The third day of the pageant is when the new Mrs. Florida will be crowned. Nelson said it is entirely up to the woman on how they want to use their title.

"You can sit back and not do anything with your title, but I'd want to do a lot. It's a great way to network for me. Plus, I'm a good representative of this country and my company," she said.

Nelson has a philosophy that she applies to her pageants, "You want to set your goals high, but really your only competing with yourself."
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Female grads typically prepare for lesser pay

By LAURA GRIDSBY
College Press Service

DEKALB, Ill. - A recent study on the lifetime earnings of men and women who graduate from Northern Illinois University finds women will make more than $300,000 less than men in their lifetime.

Margie Cook, program coordinator for the NIU Center for Women's Studies, said the main reason for this is something she calls "the segregation of the work force."

As she explains, men and women still are expected by society to take certain types of jobs according to gender. These jobs typically are split by the amount of pay available.

"It has more to do with gender roles," she said. "There is still a lot of gendered thinking about the kinds of jobs that men and women should do."

Cook said more women end up working in sections of the economy that have lower paying jobs, such as social science, teaching and child care.

Men typically work in jobs that have high wages, such as plumbers, airplane pilots and auto mechanics.

And while the majority of students attending college are women, according to Cook, their education is geared toward those specific fields, so they still are making less money than men.

John Lewis, head of the study from the NIU Center for Governmental Studies, said he thinks a major reason is because women leave the workforce to have children.

"It's not that they leave, but when they do, they have lost that time and the salary increases from that time that the men have received," he said.

He also said women typically do not pursue the same kinds of jobs men are interested in obtaining.

"The difference may simply mean the value systems of women are different," he said.

"Women don't usually like the high pressure jobs men take on."

Cook also suggests there is still a very distinct "glass ceiling" where women and men working in the same positions will get unequal pay, with the men receiving more.

"It appears to be simply linked to gender - men get hired with higher salaries and higher promotions," she said. "Overall, when a man and a woman are in the same business field and have the same qualifications, the man will typically get a higher rank and higher pay."

In 1994, women were still only making 72 percent of a man's salary, a census report in the 1800s.

"People want to hear the lives of ordinary people living through great events," he said. "I'm sure that collection is going to be extremely popular."

He also mentioned Duke's collection of 3,000 pieces of American sheet music from 1850-1920, which includes Civil War battle songs, vaudeville, musicals and Tin Pan Alley; and plantation songs and spirituals.

The collection "shows the whole history of American popular music," he said. "You're seeing the human documents, it's a way of making history come alive."

The collections will be digitized and moved onto the Internet starting this fall. The address for the Library of Congress' online collection is www.loc.gov.
LEAD STORIES

* Saddam Hussein filed a libel lawsuit in February in Paris against the magazine Le Nouvel Observateur for its September 1996 story in which he was described by other Arab leaders as stupid and incompetent and referred to, among other things, as an "executioner," a "monster," a "murderer," a "perfect cretin," and a "noodle."

* In March, a judge in York, Pa., sentenced a woman to a first-degree manslaughter conviction for the death of her 10-year-old son by giving him what she called a "rotty swuster." According to a police report, she asked the boy, "What's worse than a tornado?" and then punched and twisted his nipples, causing soreness and noticeable damage.

PROBLEMS ON THE JOB

* Each December for four months, the Ice Hotel residential igloo opens in the Lapland region of Sweden, housing about 40 people at about $130 a night for a double room with access to a bar, restaurant, conference facilities, and a bridal suite. Room temperatures range from 27-45 degrees F, and sleeping bags are used, cushioned by spruce boughs and reindeer skins.

* According to a trade association of prostitutes in Harare, Zimbabwe, massive layoffs in the economy have led to an oversupply of women taking up prostitution and a reduction in men's spending power, causing them either to ignore prostitutes or to visit bars only to drink and flirt before going home to the wife. To save their jobs, the association recommended in January that prostitutes raise their price from about $2.80 to about $4.60 but also requested that whores loosen the purse strings to allow husbands to spend more when they go out.

* The Associated Press reported in February on the Time Machine lounge in Tokyo, and the "relief room" at the Yannamakako resort, in which stressed-out workers pay $80 to $125 for a few minutes of satisfaction by smashing fake ceramic antiques in a museum-like sitting room. Often, say the proprietors, the names of tyrannical bosses or unfaithful spouses will be yelled out as the destruction takes place.

* A February Associated Press story described how two mid-career, Berkeley, Calif., professionals (nurse Raphaela Pope, 52, and lawyer Sam Louis, 36) became prosperous telepathic "pet psychics." Pope charges $40 per half-hour by telephone, which sometimes includes talking directly to the pet. Said one of her customers, "I learned [from Pope] that Scarlett [the cat] thought I didn't want her around. Scarlett changed immediately after talking [sic] to Raphaela, and we're happy again."

* Locksmith Harley Hudson filed a claim for damages against the city of Wenatchee, Wash., in November, saying he is due about $250,000 in damages for losing his business because the police department helps for free motorists who lock themselves out of their cars. Hudson calls this kindliness an "unconstitutional gift of public funds."

I'VE GOT MY RIGHTS

* In February, the Palm Springs Human Rights Commission found that The Cafe, a gay bar in Palm Springs, had illegally discriminated in an August incident in which a straight man and woman were locked out the door for snogging too heavily. According to a witness, the bartender told the couple, "What you're doing is very offensive to people here," even though gays and lesbians freely make out on the premises. (The Cafe has since adopted a policy barring heavy kissing by anyone.)

STAFFING SOLUTIONS

* In November, a judge in Arlington, Va., gave a girl a light sentence for 20 counts of credit card fraud. Oludare Ogunde, 28, at first asked for mercy but then said the jury should keep him out of prison because if he were locked up, he would just teach other inmates — the "hardened criminals" — how to commit credit card fraud. "And," he reminded the jury, "we're trying to prevent crime in America."

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Garages, UCF Arena keys to future parking

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At UCF, roughly 10,000 students live within a mile of campus with 5,400 student parking spaces at the school. In a mile-and-a-half radius of UF, nearly 28,000 students live with the campus having only 10,730 student spaces. Less than 5,000 of those parking spaces are on UF’s main campus.

UCF students are uncomfortable with their parking, but UF has left their students frustrated.

“It’s horrible,” said 1997 UF graduate Jason Buckner. “There are too many decisions. It’s impossible to park some days. You have to get to school 40 minutes before class to park.”

Jamie Leaddingham, a 1995 UF grad called her parking decal a hunting license.

“I taught there as a student and I still had to fight for a parking space,” Leaddingham said. “The problem was the $300 for a teacher’s space compared to the $50 for a students space and there being little difference between the two. That’s just too expensive. I had to arrive as early as 7:25 for an 8:30 class on some days.”

What bothers both UF and UCF parking administrators is students unwillingness to walk and not conveniently located next to their classes.

“Even in the Fall semester we have 300 parking spots in our lots by the UCF Arena,” Carpenter said. “Although those lots are about a 15 minute walk to the current core of campus, we do have parking available.”

According to a 1997 UCF parking survey conducted by parking services during the week of Feb. 3, the campus had at least 1,311 spaces available for parking at all times.

The hardest time to park in a student lot was 10:00 a.m. Monday morning. At that time, 6,070 student spaces were filled. This left over 1,200 spaces for students willing to walk from the dirt lots and UCF Arena.

DuBois says without more students agreeing to walk to classes, parking problems continue.

“People live right across University Avenue,” said UCF parking director January Carpenter. “It’s an equivalent of Alafaya Trail at UCF that are buying a decal,” he said adding if students rely more on bikes and buses over cars it would save space.

“Students live right across the street from campus and they are parking farther than they would have to walk to classes from their apartments.”

DuBois said there are solutions to the parking problems, such as not allowing freshmen to own decals, but the decision would not be popular.

“We have made all kinds of recommendations to Dr. Lombardi (UF President), and Dr. Lombardi does have the authority to decide what he wants to do,” DuBois said. “Dr. Lombardi could say tomorrow, ‘Hey, we have gotten to the point that some people can’t have a car so my decision is freshman can’t have a car.’ That’s well within his authority, and plenty of universities across the country have done things similar.”

Carpenter does not think the UF’s possible solution will happen here in the near future.

“It would be an unpopular decision to be certain, because we all depend on our cars,” Carpenter said. “We all enjoy our cars. The University of Central Florida has a lot of commuter students, of course. Every school has them. I think 80 percent or better here are [commuters]. Even students who live on campus work off campus and don’t have a car so there are so many opportunities in the area to work. A lot of students work to help themselves and bankrolled meetings. It would not be inviting for freshman to come here.”

But, solutions to parking problems must be met by both schools.

“Back when I first started we had 19,000 to 20,000 (students on the main campus),” Carpenter said. “We could possibly run into some of the same problems as UF in the future. I would like to think we will do a good job of keeping up with the needs of the school.”

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Tiger popularizes sport in eyes of GenXers

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included Amy Grant and members of Hootie and the Blowfish and RMD. Hollywood also is a hit to the trend. GenXers are expected to spend up to $5 billion on greens fees, apparel and equipment this year.

That’s one reason Nike woods into a $40 million contract to sport its golf footwear and new youth-oriented apparel. Nike also is working with Woods to develop his own bold clothing line and his own logo, due to hit stores in 1998.

According to John White, a Nike Golf spokesperson: “He has wide appeal to our young consumers. His potential to excite the game of golf among that block is tremendous.”

Other companies such as A.M. player and Izod are also targeting the youth market with new designs.

As for the future, White said the drive to drive won’t be banned anytime soon.

“Golf is cruising higher and faster than ever before, and it’s going to continue speeding.”

Bicycles could be an important alternative to creating new parking spaces. Below, rush parking jobs such as these keep campus police on their toes.

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Carpenter said UF’s current parking project is due for completion by November in time for the 1997 Fall semester.

Building one parking garage and planning another, UCF is far behind UF’s five already in use.

“We, unlike UF, don’t have the land resources anymore,” said DuBois, who added UCF should be careful not to use all of its land for buildings and leave no space for parking.

“I’d say ten years ago UCF had no parking problems what-so-ever,” he said. “But they, like all of the other state universities obviously are growing.”

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By MAGGIE WELTER
College Press Service

It's not your grandfather's game any more. The college crowd has found a new fairy tale of fun — the golf course.

Overwhelmed by a slow game of old geezers in funky plaid pants, golf has become one of the hottest leisure activities of college students.

"Before golf was frowned upon as a sissy sport," said Jason Rodenhammer, assistant coach of the golf team at the University of Maryland, "now it's really hot."

Indeed. With a boost from 21-year-old golf sensation Tiger Woods and other celebrities such as Hootie and the Blowfish, young people are now the fastest growing segment of golf players in the United States. According to the National Golf Foundation the number of 15- to 30-year-old golfers grew 17 percent from 1994 to 1995. Across all age groups participation increased only about 2 percent.

For proof of the phenomenon look no further than college campuses. "It seems the thing to do is go to the [driving] range," said Jen Nowitzky, a James Madison University senior who picked up golf last semester. "After class you grab some clubs, a few friends and head on out."

Gary Carpenter, a senior and co-captain of Maryland's golf team, has been playing since he was 6, but he's seeing more and more of his friends getting into the golf groove.

"Once you take them out they're hooked. They're like, 'Yeah, this is fun. Let's go out again."

At some courses, students have become like the Energizer Bunny, say pros. They just keep coming and coming and coming.

"Students fill our course all the time now. It used to be more older players, but recently the number of male and female kids has really increased," Rodenhammer said.

Maryland has its own course, and a half-price student greens fees is an extra incentive to hit the links, the assistant coach added.

For some the course is the ultimate playground, for others teeing off is a way to relieve stress.

"Our generation feels cooped up and overworked. Golf lets you relax and take your mind off school," said JMU junior Seth Burton.

Some students actually get credit for clubbing the cliff.

Since the sport has become so popular, however, getting into a golf class can be as difficult as booking a tee time on a sun-drenched day.

"I teach two sections of golf a semester and five minutes into registration they're full," said Bob Vanderwalker, an instructor at JMU. "I have students knocking down my door to get on waiting lists."

"For JMU senior Lisa Brown, Golf 101 was a required course sort of."

"Golf is now kind of a required class for business majors. All the bigwigs conduct business on the course so you need to know how to play," said Brown, an international business major.

Interest in golf has been building for some years, but increased substantially this year, Rodenhammer said, largely due to Woods' presence on the PGA Tour. "College people finally have an idol they can identify with. He's made golf cool," he said.

And Woods' legendary status promises to only grow. With a 72-hole score of 18-under-par 270, Woods not only won the Masters Tournament April 14 by a record 12 strokes, he shattered the Masters' record of 271! That Jack Nicklaus and Raymond Floyd had shared. And he did it in a 21-year-old rookie, becoming the youngest player ever to win the Masters and the first African American to do so.

On the eve of his Masters victory in Augusta, Ga., Woods said he realized what an impact his win could have on golf.

"It's going to open up a lot of doors," he said. "On television and this kind of media, I think it's going to do a lot for the game as far as minority golf is concerned."

For Woods, golf is more than a sport. It's a game, it's an addiction. "It's like a drug," he recently told Newsweek. "If I don't have it I'll go crazy. It's gone beyond love and hate. I got to keep playing."

Maryland's Carpenter says he feels the same way.

"There is a certain passion about golf, I love the game personally. It's the only game that's based on true honesty, you know — with no other games and that makes it unique," Carpenter said.

Woods is not the only figure encouraging the trend. Three years ago the video cable channel VH-1 started the annual Fairway to Heaven rock'n'roll golf tournament in Las Vegas. Players in the 1996 tournament

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fourth inning stopped the game stopped for four hours.

UCF mounted a small comeback in the sixth when Eric Riggs and Dustin Brisson hit solo homers, making the score 9-2. But Drew's grand slam in the seventh gave FSU a 13-2 lead and the Knights' new threatenched to score again.

"They played excellent against us," Bergman said. "They had an answer for everything they threw at us."

On Thursday, UCF faced familiar foe South Florida. Bulls' third-baseman Jorge DeLeon hit a two-run homer off of Mike Maroth (4-4). Designated hitter Sean Lynch's two-run single put UCF in a 4-0 hole in the fifth.

Erik Johnson responded in the bottom of the inning with a solo homer. Down 5-1 in the eighth, Gregg Pacitti homered.

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"The good news is we kept it close and gave ourselves chances to win," Bergman said.

This year marked the first time UCF left the Regional tournament after only two games.

On Sunday, the Seminoles lost to Auburn in East Regional final, meaning the Tigers will head to Omaha, Nebraska for the College World Series.

Rugby plays seven-man game this summer

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"It's pretty much on the job training. What you really want to go for [when you are looking for players] is whoever is really pumped about playing."

The team also has to face the fact, every season, some will drop out of the club.

"When you first start out [a season], you have a whole bunch of new guys. Maybe 20 or 30 will come out and maybe five will stick [around]," said Jaczewski. "It's just not for everybody ... but we still manage to get by."

Self-motivation plays a large role in the success of any rugby club member. Players must not only attend the practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30pm to 8:30pm, but should also be responsible for their own training and conditioning.

"We do some conditioning during our practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays. A lot of the weight training people do, that's all on your own," said Wise. "Some people do it, some people don't. Of course we prefer it if you can find the time, but some people are so busy that asking for Tuesdays and Thursdays is almost too much."

"The fitness [program] that I do or that most of the players I do, we have to run on our own because the Tuesdays and Thursdays really isn't enough time for conditioning and learning skill work," said Wise.

UCF will travel to the University of Miami to participate in the Spring Season beginning on May 31.

Upcoming tournaments:

Miami Hurricane Sevens Tournament-University of Miami - May 31

Todd Miller Sevens Tournament-University of Central Florida-June 21

Cape Fear Tournament-July 4-6

U.S.A. vs. Wales 15's match-July 8

St. Petersburg Sevens Tournament-July 12

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Tips to Tiger, golf's no longer grandfather's game

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Men's rugby team not lacking self motivation

By JEFF CASE
Staff Writer

Thursday evenings.

For students at UCF this summer, these two words can signify a world of joy. To some, it may mean bookbags can be tossed to the side, the fetters of study can be broken, and the weekend can begin.

But to one group of students, Thursday evenings can mean only one thing.

Practice.

Members of the UCF men’s rugby club spend their Thursday evenings practicing drills and strategies for upcoming tournaments at UCF’s practice football field.

The rugby club, which has been on the UCF campus since Dec. 1988, is similar to other campus clubs. The club is run by students and receives most of its funding through either Student Government or fund raising activities.

UCF competes against other state clubs (including Florida, USF, and Florida A&M) and participates in the state championship tournament each spring.

Neither rugby club is NCAA sanctioned, but Title IX may soon make women’s rugby an NCAA sport.

"Title IX is an NCAA rule which can move certain women’s club sports to a varsity level, creating gender equity. However, due to Title IX and college football, men’s rugby may never be a scholarship sport.

"With gender equity, they’re looking at promoting the ladies rugby team to make it an NCAA sanctioned sport," said Joachim Wiese, vice-president of the men’s club. "With [men’s] rugby, pretty much, there’s so much money going into football, which appeals to the same crowd with all the hitting, tackling, and all around male aggression, that there’s no sense for them [the NCAA] to put money in for us," said Wiese.

"Student government does allot us a fair amount of money each semester and it goes to equipment and things like that." UCF’s rugby program has to employ tactics used by other clubs to gain new members.

"Every semester we set up a table [at UCF open houses and orientations like the other clubs] and try to get recruits, and anyone is welcome to play," said senior member Eric Jacowski.

Similar to other club sports, such as men’s crew, most who sign up to participate are inexperienced.

"If you’ve played before, it’s a bonus and it helps out, but the majority who come on this team have never played before or picked up a rugby ball," said Jacowski.

"A lot of people are intimidated by the fact that they’ve never seen the sport and they don’t know how to play it," said Wiese.

"I knew it was gone as soon as he hit it. That ball was rocked. I threw an awful pitch," he said.

"It is an unbelievable feat," Bergman said. "I don’t know how to put it into words. Especially when you think about [the fact he played] only 56 to 60 games. He’s born to play major league baseball."

FSU made the visiting Knights feel unwelcome right of the bat.

Left fielder Jeremy Morris hit three-run homers in the first and second innings. Morris’s second long ball was the first of FSU’s back-to-back-to-back homers in the second inning. The home-run binge gave FSU an early 9-0 lead before a thunderstorm during the game. Held said.

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Knights fall early in Tallahassee

By KEN JACKSON
Staff Writer

UCF (40-24) could have made history for coach Jay Bergman, but instead witnessed it during their two-and-out performance at the NCAA East Regional baseball tournament in Tallahassee.

A 5-4 loss to No. 4 seed Florida State (49-17) on Friday left UCF’s coach stuck on 799 career victories.

Win No. 800 was supposed to be the history, but another player stole the spotlight with a record feat. FSU’s senior center fielder J.D. Drew homered to become the first collegiate player to record 30 home runs and 30 steals in a season.

Drew hit his 30th home run of the year in the seventh inning off UCF staff ace Travis Held. Held relieved starter Todd Belthorn (4-4), who lasted just 1 1/3 innings.

"Bases loaded, no place to put him," Held said. "I just aggressively went at him. It was right down the middle ... I tried to throw it on the inside of the plate.

UCF came out in the following game against FAU (28-23) and didn’t fare as well in the regional tournament, going 0-2.

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Jesse C. Fletcher Trophy

FIU dethrones UCF from Men’s All-TAAC title

By DEREK GONSOLIN
Sports Editor

UCF came in second in the Jesse C. Fletcher Trophy standings to Florida International, denying the Knights their third consecutive title, Trans American Athletic Conference, all-sport title.

The Jesse C. Fletcher Trophy is given to the TAAC school with the top overall, men’s, sports program. All 12 schools must participate in a sport for it to count in the award’s point standings.

Thirty-six points go to the first place team, 23 for second place, down to three for last place. FIU, which clinched the award by placing third in the TAAC baseball tournament, won with 160.5 points. UCF finished a close second with 157.5, while Stonestream finished ninth with 102.

UCF Athletic Director Steve Sloan said he was not completely disappointed in the Knights finishing second to the Panthers. With the 1997 honor, FIU won its fourth Jesse C. Fletcher Trophy in six years.

“We would like to win the trophy every year, but FIU has been pretty dominant in our conference the past few years,” Sloan said. “They earned it this year, so we give them credit.”

Sloan said UCF’s decision to move to Division I in football did not affect the school’s focus on its other sports.

Two things were responsible for us not repeating (as All-TAAC champs); basketball and golf had down years,” he said. “But good seniors from sports like cross country and tennis helped make up some of the difference.”

Sloan said with the women and men each finishing first twice and second once in over past three years, UCF is establishing itself in the sports program in the TAAC.

“The women are dominating the conference right now and the men are right there, too,” he said.

“Our athletics are doing a great job of competing and I see us continuing to do so in the future.”

Jesse C. Fletcher Trophy Standings

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