Water color exhibit opened on Oct. 16 inside the UCF Art Gallery.

Photo by KELLY COURSEY

Nature, anatomy and sexuality expresses Art Gallery's exhibit

By ANN BOROWSKI
Staff Writer

"They look like tapestries. I just love the surfaces of these paintings, I want to touch them." These reactions by both students and faculty echoed throughout UCF's Art Gallery on Oct. 16 as the exhibit "Land and Body: Corporeal Metaphors in Current Landscape Painting" opened.

In these paintings, the human body gives form to the land and the land gives form to the body," said Jerry Cutler, curator and artist in the exhibit. "The body can manifest itself in these works indirectly and masked, as a figure in the landscape or as an easily recognizable part of the body." Cutler's painting "Passing Through" displays masked body parts to show the metaphor between land and body. Green cactuses in the back corner of the painting look like intestines and the branches shooting out from various trees look like blood vessels.

"Nature is us and we are nature, we should see land and body as one entity," Cutler said. See ART, Page 3

Speaker does not let AIDS destroy hope

By JAMES COMBS
Staff Writer

Everyone should have hope no matter how difficult and unfair life may seem. AIDS victim Steve Sawyer, 22, stressed this philosophy to an audience on Oct. 16.

Sawyer spoke to more than 150 students at the Reflecting Pond and listed three points about life and related them with his AIDS experience.

Sawyer, who is from New Hampshire, was born with hemophilia. He contracted HIV by a blood transfusion as a baby. Hepatitis C caused cirrhosis in his liver during his sophomore year in high school.

His first point was the vast majority of circumstances people encounter in life will be beyond their control. "I first learned that I could not control everything as a sophomore," Sawyer said. "I started getting sick and I felt helpless." Sawyer said his most embarrassing moment occurred as a sophomore in college. "My ankles swelled up so bad that I could not walk at all," Sawyer said. "Every time I did something I had to crawl, I spent most of my nights crying because I felt so helpless." One night he said he felt sick and needed to use the telephone, but he had none.

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Problems with Pegasus?
Help desk lightens work load

By JENNIFER LINDSTROM
Staff Writer

Sometimes the Pegasus system can become a bit frustrating for students and faculty to use and understand. The Pegasus Help Desk was designed to help those who just can't figure it out.

"I think it's great that I can get help anytime I have a problem with my e-mail account or web page," said Danielle Baker, a communicative disorders major. "The help desk assistants know how to explain the answers to all sorts of problems efficiently in order to make our computer usage more user-friendly.

There are currently six text support assistants who answer the phones and help the people who stop by the office.

"There are many people who have trouble learning how to use the Pegasus system or have a problem connecting to the system from home," said Josh Watters, one of the text support assistants. "We hope that with the help desk we can make access to information more accessible.

Although many people have problems using the Pegasus system, there is a manual available in the campus bookstore. The manual targets using the system and how to correct some of the most common problems, as well as understand what each person can get out of the system. The book is called "Using the Pegasus Mail Server" and costs $5.

Problems that the assistants often hear from users include connecting to Pegasus from home, login and password problems and Netscape problems.

The assistants are proficient in the Pegasus system and they can answer questions concerning the LAN and Olympus. There are some cases where the text sup-

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Turning paper into art

Shigetomo Hirama of the Japanese Student Association displays his origami skills at the International Fair.
Enroll to be a certified life saver

By KELLY BRYANT  Staff Writer

Recreational Services is offering a lifeguard training course to students and community members who are interested in becoming certified in saving lives.

For several years, the training has been held each semester at the UCF pool. Recreational services chooses a campus lifeguard who is a Red Cross certified instructor to teach the class.

The course is being taught by Todd Poxon, an Air Force ROTC student.

Bill Choinski, director of recreational services, said the training course benefits the students and the school.

“We use it as a way to recruit for our own staff as well as making it a service to the students and community,” Choinski said.

Lifeguard Jennie Warner said the training is a starting point for many employment opportunities.

"After taking the class you can apply for jobs at beaches or theme parks," Warner said. "They may require extra training, but they will instruct you in anything special that you need to know."

Students who are not interested in spending long hours in the sun may want to consider the course for other purposes. Warner said knowing basic life-saving techniques could prove to be valuable out of the water as well.

"Being certified in CPR and first-aid is something good to know in general, just in case you are ever in an emergency situation," Warner said.

Training consists of a mandatory two-hour precourse swim in addition to four full-day sessions. The class instructs students in standard first-aid, CPR and life-guard training.

"The training classes are tough, but once you’re done with that it’s worth it," sophomore Joanna Edmunds said.

"Lifeguarding is fun and you get the chance to meet a lot of people."

The precourse training was held on Oct. 17 and the four classes will occur the next two weekends.

Students who miss the mandatory meetings should contact recreational services at the beginning of the spring semester to register. Due to limited class size, early registration is encouraged.

The cost is $20 for UCF students and recreation members and $120 for the general public.

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Resignation brings different reactions and reasons

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class during all semesters.

David Siegel, SG senator, is happy to see Tubbs go.

"Tubbs misleads students into thinking he is on their side and then changes his mind concerning student issues," he said.

Siegel also said he believes the SG shutdown two years ago had a lot to do with Tubbs’ pending resignation. Tubbs also “flip­flipped” his ideas then to appease both sides, according to Siegel.

In Tubbs’ response to the orientation problem he said two instances occurred during the recent round of orientation sessions.

"The first was communication with the President as to where he was to report for an orientation session," Tubbs wrote. "An area to target for improvement involves increased cooperation and compromise with the colleges and independent programs.

Kristin Corbett, director of the orientation office, said she has had problems with Tubbs. She said they are in the process of doing a thorough evaluation of orientation.

"We have had little negative feedback," she said. "Overall, people are very pleased with the orientation program."

Regarding housing, Tubbs said a planning committee for student housing project is being formed. Although there are many administrators on the committee, Tubbs said there is no student representation.

"Student input is viable, but it’s not shown in this committee," he said.

Two years ago, President John Hitt told Tubbs he would now report to the provost instead of the president. Tubbs said this was unfair since he is the only student affairs leader out of the nine state universities who reports to the provost.

Dean McFall, university spokesperson, said the change occurred so student affairs programs and activities would be handled more effectively under Whitehouse.

"The orientation, housing and recreational services programs of student affairs had and have important relationships with the enrollment and academic services responsibilities that report to Dr. Whitehouse," McFall said.

Despite rumors that another university administrator will take over Tubbs’ position, McFall only said the successor will be a "team player in putting the academic and extra-curricular interests of students ahead of all else."

Tubbs was surprised at Hitt’s and Whitehouse’s request to resign.

"The president has the power to fire me," and the president has the power to terminate me. How can I contest that?" he said. "In my opinion, he just doesn’t want to have someone (in this position) tell him what they think."

President Hitt declined to comment.
Class ring stolen from residence hall commons

By JENNIFER PRIDEMORE
Campus Crime

A student’s class ring was stolen while he was assisting a residence hall student. Victim Joseph Smith was reportedly washing dishes around 7:45 p.m. on Oct. 8 in the commons kitchen area and had left his class ring on the counter. He left the area to take a phone call, leaving his class ring behind. Smith then had to leave the commons area to assist a student in a residence hall.

Around 9 p.m., he noticed that he did not have his class ring on, and phoned Shannon Roberts who had just arrived at the commons area and asked her to look for the ring. Roberts could not find the ring; Smith then checked the kitchen, his room and the areas in between.

During the times that Smith had forgotten the ring, the kitchen had been open to the public, and there were two meetings held in the area as well. There are no suspects at this time, but the victim will prosecute.

In other reports from the UCFPD:
- Dr. Allyn Stearman reported that on Oct. 8, an unknown person broke into a metal cabinet in a room on the first floor of Phillips Hall. The officer on the scene reported that the cabinet had been pried open, yet there were no tool marks visible.
- Between Sept. 25, around 12:50 p.m., and Sept. 29, around 10 a.m., someone entered a building on campus and took a Sony Discman belonging to professor Atlas Carey. The Discman is valued at $220. On Sept. 25, Carey had observed the Discman on his desk, but had not used it since that time. He noticed the Discman was stolen four days later. Carey reported all keys to his office are accounted for, but there were several periods when he left his office, during the time in question, unlocked. Carey also reported he had seen no suspicious people in the area, but will be in touch with campus police on the matter. The officer on the scene inspected the area and found no evidence concerning the theft.

Art comprised of water color, coal and tobacco

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"This idea of land and body as one is really a way of addressing the important issues concerning nature in this environmentally sensitive time, such as acid rain and global warming."

"Cutler's work is a moving personal statement," said Steve Loz, the Art Gallery curator. "This metaphor of land and body is very powerful and for that reason I asked him to curate this exhibit."

To the left of Cutler's paintings in the gallery is the abstract painting "Totems of the White Man, Number 1." Cutler compares "Totems" artist, Michael Pittari, with Jackson Pollock, an abstract painter of the mid-20th century.

Pollock would stand over his canvases and drip paint on them. Similarly, Pittari stands over his canvas and spits chewed tobacco on it. Along with a mixed media of coal and sand, Cutler said "Pittari stands representing the medium..." Cutler compares Pittari's "work is a moving personal statement." Cutler converses with Pittari about the work of the painting "River, Cumberland" shows water flowing against dead trees, which look like internal anatomy such as the intestines. In the center of this raging water is a panel that shows colorful, veiled membranes and atmospheric events.

"Weedman comes from a figurative tradition that started with crucifixion scenes during the time of the Renaissance," said Cutler. "In his paintings, he shows a crucified landscape, a vulnerable landscape."

In contrast to the other artists, Ruth Ava Lyons paints female figures in her landscapes. The title of her painting "Mikvah/Shekinah" is a Jewish reference to the female part of spirituality.

Cutler said that the human figure in Lyons' paintings is just one body part of the larger symbolic body the work is representing. "Mikvah/Shekinah," a naked woman sits on top of a hill between two long legs of green hedges.

"The woman in that painting is representing sexuality," Cutler said. Also included in the exhibit are works by Mary Armstrong, whose paintings show a loving heart amongst the roots of a tree, and Nick Blosser, whose paintings show small landscapes of trees and hills.

The exhibit runs through Oct. 31. The gallery hours are 9-4, Monday through Friday.
Competition to raise food for the homeless

By NATALIE NATALE
Staff Writer

Lambda Chi Alpha kicks off its ninth annual canned food drive on Oct. 25. The fraternity will team up with the Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida to fight hunger in the Orlando area.

Last year, UCF chapter leader of Lambda Chi said 29,000 pounds of food for the hungry. The fraternity internationally collected 835,000 pounds of food.

"This year, our goal is to raise 40,000 pounds of canned food," said Danny Davis, vice president of Lambda Chi. "The secret to our success is involving the community and campus in our fight against hunger."

In an effort to make donating food convenient to the Orlando community, members of Lambda Chi will drop off 3,000 brown bags in Orlando neighborhoods on the morning of Saturday, Oct. 25. On Nov. 1, members will pick up the bags filled with food from the doorsteps of the houses.

Lambda Chi will invite the campus in the canned food drive through Watermelon Bust, its annual philanthropy competition. Last year, Watermelon Bust was recognized as the largest single-day philanthropy event ever.

Lambda Chi divides itself amongst the competing teams. Each team has two captains and 10 members to prepare them for the competition.

"My team stays focused throughout our practices," Luke Myers, Delta Delta Delta's team coach, said. "Everyone's main goal is to win."

Watermelon Bust teams compete in three categories: cans, banner, and games. Teams can acquire 100 bonus points if they each have 10 fans present at the games.

In the can category, teams strive to collect the most amount of food based on weight. Teams will continue to bring food in until 5 p.m. on Oct. 25.

This is a key component to Lambda Chi's tremendous food drive, said J.B. Moncrieff, treasurer of Lambda Chi.

"The competition amongst the teams enhances the amount of cans collected," Moncrieff said.

In the banner competition, teams put their creativity and artistic abilities to the test. Each team designs a banner based on the Watermelon Bust theme.

The Watermelon Bust games include: the watermelon chuck toss, the watermelon stacking relay, the seed spitting contest, watermelon bowling, the grease watermelon relay and the watermelon toss.

Games will begin on Oct. 25 at the intramural fields. A leader board posting current team standings, displays of Watermelon Bust banners and aromas of a barbecue will pervade the intramural fields. The day of events will require more than 150 watermelons. The final results of the competition will be announced that night at the awards ceremony.

Senate postpones UCF Rescue funding for one more week

By OLIVIA K. CURNOW
Managing Editor

At the Oct. 16 senate meeting, funding for UCF Rescue was delayed for one more week because of a letter from Garth Jenkins of student affairs.

In a letter to SG president Keith McDonald, Jenkins said UCF is not authorized to provide funding to UCF Rescue through the activities and services fee fund because the organization needs a license to operate.

Joe Espino, president of UCF Rescue, said it did not need a license because it will not transport people in the ambulance, only equipment.

"We are requesting the money for administrative costs, medical supplies and maintenance for the vehicle," Espino said. "We've been around for a year. We've been providing training in the meantime, but not providing medical services."

Senate meetings held Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the Student Union.

Sen. John Turner said UCF Rescue will get a letter from the state department of emergency medical services that states the only way it needs a license is to transport people. In the meantime, UCF Rescue will raise funds to purchase its own liability insurance, which costs $1,500 for a million-dollar coverage.

Turner also motioned to freeze allocation to Greek Council for a week. The motion was passed.

"Greek Council did not register themselves as an organization on campus," Turner said. "We halted funding because it would break university rules if we didn't."

Also at the senate meeting:
• Elections held for the clubs and organizations committee.
• Committee members are Alberto Amores, Travis Bell, David Comer, Chris Day, Richard Maxwell and alternate Jaime Halbrook.
• Michael Klaus hired as technology specialist.
• Funding for A.U.V.S. passed.
• Funding for Surf Club registration passed.

Text support assistants make computer work easier

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port assistants cannot just resolve the problem over the phone. On a case-to-case basis, they request users to bring in their PCs to the office. If the problem is due to lack of specific software, the assistants will install the programs on the user's PC.

The Pegasus Help Desk is increasing its workload daily because of the growing number of students utilizing the free Pegasus account. Students and faculty are encouraged to call into the support line or to stop by the office if they have problems using their account.

Because there are so many people who don't understand Pegasus, we hope that the help desk can provide a way for more people to understand it inside and out," said Shaun Marshall, a text support assistant.

The help desk, located in the Computer Science building, room 311, is open to any faculty member or student who has questions directly related to the Pegasus system. Those with questions can either go to the room or they can dial into the Pegasus Support Line at 823-6207. Voice mail is available. Hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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"Hope anyone could was God." Sawyer looked in the mirror and saw himself. He became scared and turned immediately to be by his son's side. Sawyer went to the hospital and had to make noise to wake up his daughter. The professor pulled two rats from the bell tower (what a waste), built a second parking garage, and the completion of a 100 million dollar mall-I mean, Student Union. Why was this all necessary? There are already plenty of churches in central Florida, and it disturbs me to see this kind of religious drive on a public campus. What about the Muslims, Jews, and other students here. Do they get SGA funds to put on concerts? I was asked to "find Jesus" numerous times during the two day festival on campus by the people working the crowd. It almost made me wish that this was a public high school so that I could be protected by the "separation of church and state" doctrine. I mean, the last time I checked, this was a public university. The bottom line is this: What are we here to do, learn, buy, or convert?

—Justin Boise

Money lenders in the Temple?

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I punched things so hard that my knuckles bled. I started to curse God, his father cursed me, I was one of the greatest relationship you can ever have is with God. I was one of the few students who could was God. I knew when I die I will step out to the greatest universe there is. The greatest relationship you can ever have is with God. I would much rather have AIDS and have Christ in my life then to be perfectly healthy and not have Christ.

Sawyer concluded his speech with a prayer and a story. "The story was about a professor doing an experiment. The professor pulled two rats out of a cage and put them in water. The first rat swam around and around and died. The second rat swam around and around and lived.

"The second rat had hope," Sawyer said. "Hope is the most important thing anyone could have. It is what keeps me going and it is what helps me maintain a positive outlook on life."

—Steve Sawyer

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This is in response to the opinion article printed on Oct. 15, 1997:

With the successful launching of the Cassini satellite, NASA has accomplished another marvel in space exploration. Despite all the controversy and hype about a "plutonium package," the launch barely caused anyone to blink. Well, not many people at least.

The author of the article in reference did not directly attack NASA's plans to launch Cassini, but his opinion is that of an 8-year-old child watching Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles for the first time and witnessing the radioactive ooze that transforms four pet turtles into mutant ninjas "oozing" out of a container. (And I loved the reference he made about plutonium being used in Back to the Future. By the way, Cassini doesn't need 1.21 GigaWatts in order to function. And what does that mean? A few less plutonium used to power its radioisotope thermoelectric generators, or RTGs for short. Now isn't that a smart thought.)

I have had the opportunity too work with the Safety and Mission Assurance division in NASA, an organization that was Letter to the editor established after the Challenger explosion in order to make sure that safety is a prerequisite on ALL NASA functions. (If it's not safe, it's not happening.)

Extra precautions and safety measures were in place to make sure that a mini Chernobyl doesn't occur. And even if the Titan Rocket that carried Cassini had exploded, there are measures protecting us from the EXTREMELY DANGEROUS plutonium package so that you and I would receive far less radiation than what we get from watching five minutes of MTV. Some (including the author of the article in question) ask if it is really necessary to use plutonium. Is it necessary for a doctor to use a laser to remove cancereous tissue from your own healthy body? I don't know about you, but I would want the doctor to use the best laser that he/she had, instead of a $3 butcher knife and a roll of toilet paper. And you ask yourself, "Why is he using such a weird analogy like that?" Good question. Here's the answer. Since the closing of the Apollo program, NASA's budget has been slashed dramatically to under 50 percent of what it was pre-Apollo. And they're still doing slashing on personnel and equipment. (Trust me, I know.) What does this mean? It means that there is less money to invest in research of fusion reactors. (Those that DO NOT use plutonium for you fraddy cats out there.) It means less money to build better and more economically efficient means of transporting equipment and humans into space. It means less money to finance labs for space horticulture. (Get a dictionary.) It means less money for all these and many, many more projects and ideas. NASA's current budget allows for a tin can, two gallons of gas, and a matchbox with three matches.

So some of you still ask, "Why do we need any of this? I mean, we gave NASA a ton of money and all we get from them was TANG." Yeah, right. Which planet did NASA pick you up from? You ever wondered how wet suits keep you dry when they zip up? God only knows what would happen to those people with heart problems if it wasn't for NASA. Let's not even talk about computers. And as far-fetched as this sounds, if you want to end overpopulation, world hunger and limited resources, then GET OFF THE PLANET! There are plenty of raw materials on the moon, PLENTY of "space" in space, and we are refining the technology for advanced agriculture and hydroponics today, so that there will be plenty of food for all in the future. You still ask, "But is it safe?" The answer is yes. And what do many people think about it? On a poll taken prior to the launch, 56 percent of those who were asked the question, "Do you think it is safe to launch Cassini?" answered yes. (Results posted at www.seds.org/spaceviews/cassini) And besides, we've launched other satellites with "plutonium packages" before. Ever heard of Voyager 1 and 2? Galileo? (Yeah, that satellite on a mission to Jupiter.) How come no one went stir-crazy about this before? If you ask me, it's plain ignorance. For more information about the Cassini satellite, I implore you to check out NASA's homepage at www.ksc.nasa.gov or several other web sites such as www.seds.org/spaceviews/cassini.html and pegamus.cc.ucf.edu/~shaun/cassini. But, if you don't trust anyone, or just don't want to be swayed by any particular writer, then head over to a library and pick up a book on plutonium or nuclear powered satellites or something. The reading isn't heavy and you don't have to be a quantum physicist to understand. Hey, we all know plutonium can be deadly, but it's not in this case.

—Shaun A. Marshall
Cookies to help fight against Alzheimer's disease

By TARA SUH DORSEY
Staff Writer

The Student Nurses Association (SNA) is using what it learned in the classrooms to lend a hand in the community. It is organizing three events for the end of October and November.

"As a student nurse, I feel it is important to reach out to the community," Dione Souza, SNA president, said. "We should use the skills we acquire to benefit others to support associations like this and be aware of what we want to do for the community,"

Michelle Ricciardelli, SNA's public relations officer, said. On Nov. 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the SNA will partner with the Coalition for the Homeless for its fourth annual Coalition for the Homeless Health Fair.

"This community event brings a variety of services to the homeless population: HIV/AIDS, vision, blood sugar and scoliosis tests," said Terry Hirtz, SNA's vice president. "Furthermore, we will provide health maintenance measures like flu and immunization shots, and we will also be providing educational literature on health issues."

On Nov. 22 and 23, the SNA will conduct a therapeutic touch seminar in the Student Union. Dr. Jean Kijek, who learned the method under leaders Dolores Krieger and Dora Kunz, will instruct the seminar. Students can enroll by mail.

Therapeutic touch is a modernized version of several ancient healing practices. It is not derived from any religious beliefs but is based on current research that has been published in reputable journals.

"It focuses on distributing and releasing restricted areas of energy to flow evenly throughout the body," Souza said. "The brushing of the hand helps to untie unwanted knots of energy. Those knots can aid to many current diseases." Students who are interested in the workshop or in joining SNA can call (407) 629-1288.

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Student Spotlight

Would you use a computer lab that didn't offer internet or e-mail, but did offer word processing capability?

By Peter Kudis

Yes, but I think that having use of the information highway is important, in case you need to do some last minute research or just need a break.

— Edward Mahoney, Senior, Communications, Elkton, Maryland.

Yes, I would use this lab for writing papers and completing assignments, that I need to type immediately.

— Janelle Gallatin, Sophomore, Nursing, Jupiter.

I have a word processing capability at home, but having the ability to not wait in line for computer time, would be very useful. The lab would be a great utility to those without home access.

— Kim Burke, Senior, Psychology, St. Petersburg.

Yes, I most certainly would. While the internet is a valuable service, I strongly would emphasis the labs for documentation preparation and word processing. There should be a distinct lab for both, here at UCF.

— Gino "Dallas" Anoce, Senior, Radio-TV Communications, Brooklyn, NY.

Fortunately, I do have a computer at home. But, I do feel that students without this luxury would greatly appreciate having a lab strictly for completing projects and papers.

— Nissa Eberly, Senior, Org. Com, Spring Hill.

Due to the fact that I don't have a computer at home, I do think that having a computer lab, strictly for word processing would be of benefit to the students.

— Felice Weiner, Senior, HSA, Orlando.
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LEAD STORIES
• In May, at a National Organization for Women's gath­ering in Utah, Elizabeth Joseph, an attorney, and Ellen George, secretary of the NOW Utah office, praised multi-wife polygamy as an alternative for feminists, an idea that was a few years ago denounced by NOW as slavery. Joseph lives informally in such an arrange­ment with her husband, six co­wives, and 20 children; some wives stay home, and others work. Said George, "We fight for lesbian families and single­parent families. I don't know why we wouldn't support this.":

• The University of Minnesota was seeking more "specialists" to work on its three­year, $300,000 program to set an "odor emissions rating system" for regulating the state's 35,000 animal feedlots, according to an August Minneapolis Star Tribune story. Having judges, or government officials, go sniff the feedlots apparently would give insuffi­cient due process of law; rather, a panel of sniffers will develop "sleevism.":

• In February, members of the West Palm Beach Pit Bull Terrier Club received notices that some insurance companies would not renew their home­owner policies because that breed of dog was responsible for an increasing number of liability claims. Club officer Linda Kender termed such insurance company stereotyp­ing "dog racism.":

• The Dutch Federation for "sleevism."

CLICHÉS COME TO LIFE:
• In May, Kent, Wash., ele­mentary school teacher Mary Kay LeTourneau, 35, gave birth to a baby girl, the father of whom is one of her sixth­graders. LeTourneau is the daughter of ex-U.S. Rep. John Schmitz, an intense right­wing Republican who was so notorious­ly opposed to sex education in schools that he would move little Mary out of any school contemplating such a program. In August, she pleaded guilty to child rape. (Officially, though, she admitted to the boy: "There was a respect, an insight, a spirit, an understand­ing between us that grew over time." They met when he was in second grade.)

• Reasons College Men Fight in 1997: In Ithaca, N.Y., in a 21­year-old college­student was arrested for beating up a guy in a bar fight over who had the better-looking goatee.:

• Life Imitates TV: (1) A Bangkok hotel worker was con­victed in July of stealing from guests' safe-deposit boxes by rubbing his nose oil onto the but­tons so he could check later to see which buttons had been pushed by the guest to open the safe. He said he learned the trick from watching the TV show "MacGyver." (2) A 27­year-old man driving a stolen truck was caught by sheriff's deputies in Salt Lake City in August but not before he eluded one deputy by vaulting over a backyard swimming pool while the squad car went straight in, lights flashing, reminiscent of "The Dukes of Hazzard."

• Psychologist Sandy Wolfson told The Times of London in June that her research on fans of "Star Trek" reveals as many as 10 per­cent more in the clinical definition of addiction, especially when they go through physical withdrawal during their show's absence. Further, like classic drug addicts, they seem to require ever-increas­ing doses to overcome their toler­ance levels.:

COLLECTORS
• News of the Weird reported in 1994 on the controversy over who owned the world's largest cow hairball, but it now appears that an also-run at that time, Mike Canchola of Sterling, Colo., is now No. 1. In 1994 a Garden City, Kan., historical society had a 37­incher, but Canchola has since come across one measuring 43.3 inches around. In the course of his work at a local beef plant, Canchola plucks out the non­charcoal­hearts, dries them, has colleague Frank Alcala paint faces or scenery on them, and sells them for $50 each.:

• United Hospital in St. Paul, Minn., announced in May that it was looking for someone to take over curating its collection of more than 14,000 human hearts, each stored in a plastic bag and the collection featuring specimens of nearly every kind of heart disease. Dr. Jesse Edwards, who started the collection and is now 85 years old, is retiring, and says maintenance of the hearts by a staff of five costs $650,000 a year. (In a June Associated Press feature, Dr. Charles Emerick, 67, a retired ear, nose and throat spe­cialist in Portland, Ore., described his 450­item collection of things that he has personally removed from patients. Among the most prominent: a bag of decomposed bees (a kid ran into a swarm of them); an eraser that a kid put up his nose that stayed for 15 years until the boy, then in the Navy, had trouble breathing; and a plastic whistle from a boy ("His parents said he whistled every time he took a breath."). And Dr. James A. Downing's collection of 300 similarly gathered items remains on exhibit through Oct. 27 in Des Moines, Iowa.

(Send your Weird News to Chuck Shepherd, P.O. Box 8596, St. Petersburg, 33738, or Weird@computerve.com. Chuck Shepherd's latest paperback, "The Concrete Enema and Other News of the Weird Classics," is now available at bookstores every­where. To order it direct, call 1­800­642­6480 and mention this newspaper. The price is $6.95 plus $2 shipping.)

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Come on UCF students, show me you care more

By JASON HEIRONIMUS
Opinion Editor

Until recently my weekly comments have gone for the most part unnoticed. Though my column does not exactly tackle the most controversial and heated topics related to UCF students I am of the belief that at some point during the semester someone, at some point, will read my comments and be moved enough to actually take the time to either agree or disagree with what I had to say. Unfortunately I have been somewhat disappointed in discovering that either UCF students just don’t care enough to take the time to write in about a subject that interests them, or they don’t read my column. In this case I hope that it is the latter, for I would hope that apathy doesn’t run rampant across our campus. I was elated to find that someone finally did write in as a reaction to one of my columns. Though the author seems to have taken an extreme disliking to me I am still happy to see that he found the time to let his voice be known. He seems to disagree with me wholeheartedly concerning the Cassini probe and is very clear and concise when he makes his point. Unfortunately it seems that he is much more informed on the subject and thus puts up a better argument.

But the beauty is that you can be only slightly informed on a subject and still have an opinion. I prove this fact to be true on a weekly basis. We are all different and therefore carry with us contrasting points of view that should be shared with our fellow students. I believe that you have something important to say, that your voice is a one of a kind and deserves to be heard!

The opinion page should be written by the students, and not by the staff writers of the Central Florida Future. We want to hear from you. You don’t necessarily have to agree or disagree with something said in the paper, it is just a chance for you to vent. Are you mad that you sit on one of the benches and get a splinter in your butt? Then write in and tell us, after all, splinters are a serious thing.

So thank you to the students that wrote in this week to let their opinions be known. I am of the belief that if you don’t have an opinion than you don’t count, no matter how ridiculous your opinion is. So if you feel strongly about something than tell us, who knows, the problem might even get remedied.

A letter to anatomy/histology students

As many of you may already know, I recently was appointed as a full-time instructor on a visiting instructor line in the Department of Molecular Biology and Microbiology. I wish to take this time to thank you, my former students, for the role which you played in this development. I am certain that your feedback through teacher evaluations and comments to other instructors played a significant role in my appointment. Your performance in subsequent classes and the performance of those students who have gone on to professional school have also validated my instruction. It is rewarding to know that I have been able to present you with a challenging, informative and yet enjoyable class(es). It is also good to know that I will have the opportunity to do so again.

Again, thank you for your support and best wishes to you in your futures.

- Frank Logiudice

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MIT students dies of alcohol poisoning

By COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

BOSTON—Days after a fraternity drinking binge, a freshman pledge at Massachusetts Institute of Technology died Sept. 29 from alcohol poisoning. Scott Krueger, 18, had been in a coma since he was found unconscious in his room at Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house after a Friday night party.

His blood alcohol content was more than five times the legal driving limit, authorities said. The case has been turned over to homicide detectives who want to know if Krueger was forced to drink, according to published reports. Krueger's parents told MIT President Charles M. Vest promised to set drinking standards for the future.

Darlene Krueger told the Boston Globe that their son had never drunk before attending college.

Someone had to practically force alcohol down his throat, for him to have drunk that much alcohol," Darlene Krueger told the Globe. Their son never drank before attending college.

At MIT, university officials were grappling with how to prevent binge-drinking, which essentially is when a student drinks five or more drinks in one sitting. MIT President Charles M. Vest promised to "set in motion a campus-wide dialogue, and search for more effective ways to avoid such tragedies in the future.

The fraternity, commonly called Fiji, was suspended by its national chapter and the university.

Also, all MIT fraternities, sororities and dormitories have voluntarily canceled all social events that involve drinking until the university's alcohol policies are formally reviewed.

The death at MIT is the latest in a string of binge-drinking tragedies on campuses nationwide.

In August, a 20-year-old fraternity pledge at Louisiana State University died after drinking an estimated 24 drinks. Other alcohol-related deaths have been reported in Maryland, New York and California.

A recent study by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that nearly 34 percent college students admit to binge drinking.

Band's Road Trip Hits Sour Note

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—Usually it's the football team, not the marching band, that has to worry about injuries on game day.

But 18 members of the Indiana University of Pennsylvania marching band sustained bumps and bruises Sept. 27 when a section of bleachers collapsed just before kick-off.

The musicians had finished a pre-game practice on the football field at the University of New Haven when they started up the bleachers with all their instruments.

Although the grandstand is supposed to hold 900 people, the supports underneath gave way under all the weight—and members of the band came tumbling down after it.

"They were leading up the west side of the grandstand, and it came down in a punch," said Richard Massaro, chief of the Allington Fire District, which responded to the accident.

Fortunately for the band, no one was seriously hurt. Five members were treated at the hospital for minor cuts and bruises and released.

"The worst hurt was the tuba player because the tuba fell on him," Massaro explained.

The football game went on as planned, although it ended on a sour note; too, for Indiana U. They lost to New Haven, 43-14. And yes, even though a few members were missing, "the band did play on," Massaro said.

"Other than that, it turned out to be a good day."

Frankenstein, Mummy Go Postal

WASHINGTON—Faces that have frightened millions will grace a new batch of 32-cent stamps.

Just in time for Halloween, the U.S. Postal Service is issuing five celebrity stamps featuring the mugs of famous Hollywood monsters.

The Masters of Horror include Boris Karloff, as the Frankenstein monster and the Mummy, Lon Chaney Sr. as the Phantom of the Opera; Lon Chaney Jr. as the Wolf Man; and Bela Lugosi as Dracula.

The Postal Service said it hopes that people will save the stamps as collector's items because, after all, a stamp unlinked is 32 cents profit. Most recently, the Postal Service issued the Humphrey Bogart stamp, and Bogey sales are going well by all reports.

Of course, the Postal Service says its most popular celebrity stamp to date has been the Elvis Presley stamp—although it did not specify whether it was the fat Elvis or thin Elvis. About 124 million stamps have been saved, the Postal Service estimates. Other popular stamps have featured the faces of Marilyn Monroe and James Dean.

Auburn U. Fraternity Sues To Remain All-Male

AUBURN, Ala.—An all-male veterinary fraternity is suing Auburn University to contest the university's demand that the group accept female members or lose its lease.

In its suit, Alpha Psi fraternity challenges the university's classification of the fraternity as a professional organization rather than a social one. Federal law prohibits colleges receiving federal money from allowing campus groups to discriminate because of sex. The law exempts social organizations, such as fraternities, however, and for the past 25 years, Alpha Psi was recognized as a social organization, the lawsuit said.

After female students in the veterinary school complained about the group's exclusion, Auburn began investigating the chapter. Auburn later said the chapter would lose its lease unless it admitted women to the group.

The lawsuit asks for a jury trial to determine whether the fraternity should be allowed to keep its lease.

Stanford paper fires columnist

By RYAN TATE

College Press Service

The Stanford Daily has fired a longtime staff member after refusing to re-publish a column written by a former Stanford student.

Senior Jesse Oxfeld's piece criticized his newspaper's high- ly publicized policy not to cover the first Freshman any differently than any other student at Stanford. The columnist said students on the campus have been subject to a myriad of inconveniences since Chelsea arrived -- including a requirement that they wear special badges during the first week of school -- and should not have to pretend she's the same as everyone else.

When editor in chief Carolyn Sleeth got wind of the column less than two hours before it was to go to press, she demanded that Oxfeld rewrite it. Oxfeld refused.

"My column did not take a paparazzi approach to Chelsea, but instead looked at how the campus was affected by her parents being here," Oxfeld said last night. "It was entirely within the bounds of the Daily's policy."

Oxfeld's unpublished column, entitled "Chelsea, Dokes and Stop Signs," devoted about half its space to the Chelsea issue.

"If Hillary wants to dedicate her syndicated column to pleading for her daughter's privacy, if Stanford wants us all to forget that Chelsea is the daughter of the most powerful man in the world, the university and the White House must also make an effort to play along," Oxfeld wrote.

Staffers at the Stanford Daily declined to comment on the incident.

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When your roommate's significant other moves in

By COLLEEN DE BAISE
College Press Service

Heather, a freshman at Syracuse University, didn't realize she'd have a third roommate, too, when she moved into the dorm with Ernestine.

Her name is Adam, and he's Ernestine's HTH (hometown honey).

For the past three weekends, Adam, still in high school, has come to visit his sweetie. When he's taking up precious breathing space in their cramped quarters, Heather says she's really stuck.

"I can't do anything when he is here," complained Heather. "I can't change in my own room, as a student I would have to go to the lounge. I just told her that . . . She's my room, too. Ernestine says she's really stuck.

"That's exactly what Heather decided to do. The breaking point for her came when Adam brought a few friends along, and she spent the entire weekend in the lounge."

"I got so fed up, I finally had to talk to her. I just told her that . . . We're in the same dorm. She's happily living alone."

"My advice," says Mike Nedelscheff, an SU freshman, "would be to get your pillow and blanket and head over to the lounge. You can spend the night in the lounge and have a sleepover with the significant other's up for the night in the lounge and have a sleepover with the significant other's up for the night in the lounge."

"Wait one minute! Self-imposed exile—wextile, as it's known in some circles—means you're giving up the right to personal space in your own room. And that's wrong, says Peter Cimbolic, director of the counseling center at Catholic University.

"The person shouldn't expect they can have their boyfriend/girlfriend there at all waking hours," Cimbolic says. As a first step, students might want to chat with their roommate about a few ground rules, such as how often a significant other can hang out in the room. Cimbolic says. After all, sleepovers in the lounge get old quick.

"That's exactly what Heather decided to do. The breaking point for her came when Adam brought a few friends along, and she spent the entire weekend in the lounge."

"I got so fed up, I finally had to talk to her. I just told her that . . . She's my room, too. Ernestine agreed. I don't think that I was asking too much."

"Other students report that it's not so easy to talk to their roommate about live-in lovebird problems. Mostly, they just don't want to create tension with their roommate."

"Sometimes, there's no way to avoid a possible confrontation— and that's what a student wants to avoid," Cimbolic says. "There's no easy solution to it. But a few words early on—no matter how uncomfortable—can avoid a major blow-up in the future. Just ask Chad, a University of Indiana senior, who ran into the problem last year while sharing a room in a fraternity house."

"I was rooming with a really good friend. He met a girl around Halloween, and he went from like, no dating to being married," Chad says. "Plus, she hated her place at the sorority."

"I went out with her. She took me to her place, and I just didn't want nothing more. Basically it almost split up a friendship."

Chad and his old roommate have since patched things up, and now he's happily living alone.

"The bottom line is that it's really an imposition on the person that doesn't have a significant other," says Steve Brown, president of the Association of University and College Counseling Center Directors. "We'd encourage the students to talk with their roommate, and before they do, make it clear what they want from their roommate."

"She says, 'We'll just be here three nights a week,' but then they'd be here practically every night," says Jessie. "They knew it bugged me and once in awhile they'd stay in his room or they'd ask if it was OK if they stayed here."

"Her response? Jessie says, 'What am I going to say? So I said, 'I don't care,' " says Brown. "When they don't say anything the other person may readily take advantage of the situation," he says.

Even when roommates have worked out a deal, "it really gets down to how willing the other person is to work with them," he says. "If the person is not going to respond directly to the individual, then bring it up to the next level."

Often times, the students will complain to their resident assistant, who can report the problem to the university housing office. Because many colleges have rules against cohabitation, a university official can force the significant other to vacate the love nest.

"In some colleges even have mediators, who hold an informal ‘Roommate Court’ with both roomies present to talk about the trials of living together. They have a chance to work out a contract with another one," Brown says. "And that can be a very satisfying process."

"Then, there's always another possibility: moving out."

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Site gives students insight on internships

By STEVE BARNES
Web Editor

Getting a great job these days requires more than just a piece of paper with a flying horse on it — it requires experience.

Internships provide numerous opportunities to gain the real-world experience employers demand, but locating the right internship can be a daunting task.

The Washington Post has a site dedicated to helping students find just the right internship in a variety of fields including communications, science, performing and visual arts, government and others.

Information regarding location, type of work, amount of time required and whether or not the internships pay is included. Application and deadline information is also listed.

The communication section is geared primarily toward journalism. Internship opportunities and contact information is provided for several large papers including The Washington Post, USA Today and the Baltimore Sun. There also is information regarding several smaller papers and some public relations opportunities.

Within the Arts section can be found information on the Smithsonian Institute and other culture-oriented enterprises. The Smithsonian offers a number of internships within its collections department. Among the positions available on a regular basis are those in archives management, institutional history and collections management.

Within the government section can be found a listing of several internship opportunities including those in the State Department. Congress and a variety of think tank and research organizations. As with the other categories, a number of links are provided in order to make contacting the correct person a little easier. Some links are strictly for E-mail while others are to web sites maintained by the organization, many of which are dedicated to providing detailed information on internship opportunities.

Descriptions and links for students interested in visual and performing arts are provided to a number of prestigious institutions, including the Archives of American Art, the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden and the National Museum of African Art. Many of the links provide detailed accounts of requirements, deadlines and length of internships.

Science majors will appreciate the breadth of internship offerings including those at institutions such as NASA, The National Institutes of Health and the Environmental Research Center.

Each of the categories also contains testimonials and first person accounts of interns' experiences with various organizations including the amount of effort required and the value of the experience they gained.

Also within this site can be found tips on resume preparation and a link to American Express University, which provides more detailed information on resume creation including a number of templates which can be downloaded in Mac or PC versions.

Once they are downloaded, simply plug in your information to get a perfect resume - no formatting needed.

There are also links to a number of related sites including the Student Center (http://www.studentcenter.co m), a site which serves as a database for college internship opportunities around the country. Following these links will lead you to sites which offers opportunities not listed in the Post's site.

If you are serious about getting a good job after graduation and don't want to start at the bottom, now is the time to begin looking for a good internship. In addition to the experience you will gain and the contacts you will make comes the added benefit of being sure you have made the right career choice before spending four years preparing for your dream job, only to find you hate the work.

While this is not a comprehensive listing of opportunities, it is an excellent place to start. The address is http://www.washingtonpost.com/ 

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Alachua Music Harvest moves and grooves the masses

By CORBETT TRUBEY
Staff Writer

Thousands upon thousands of shiny, happy people poured into Gainesville as a cool breeze and excitement (or was that beer?) as the Alachua County Fairgrounds for a weekend full of music, dancing, and a lot of partying Alachua Music Harvest. October 10-12

Saturday was the busiest day of all with the bulk of the musical acts performing all day and night. It took us a while to wake up and fully recover from the night before, but eventually we made our way back to the festival and to catch Man or Astronaut performing on their usual weirdness. Later on that night, we caught Dubtribe, who had everyone and their mom screaming and throwing their hands in the air during a brief rain shower. Highlights of the night included The Hazies and Less Than Jake, and later on everyone headed to a quaint area back in the woods where local underground club Southouse set up an intimate and nicely decorated dance area complete with some unbelievable house music.

By the time Sunday rolled around, we were proud to have made it as far as we could and were looking forward to the two biggest acts to come on: De La Soul and George Clinton. While we anticipated the shows we wandered around and looked at all the various vendors and information tables offering anything from hemp necklaces to animal rights brochures. We also checked out overrated dj Keoki, who was struggling to excite a bored group of listeners. Finally, the sun set and De La Soul broke down a short but bass-bumping and energetic show. George Clinton followed with his entourage of P-Funk All Stars, pulling out all the stops and causing mass butt-shaking and chanting.

The Alachua Music Harvest was a magical weekend. The quality and quantity of music involved was unique and unlike any you’ll ever see. Not only that, but the fairgrounds were huge and there was practically no security, allowing the very friendly, laid-back crowd to fully enjoy itself. The Gainesville Music Alliance (GAMA) deserves many props for putting this together, and I’m sure I’m not the only one who feels extremely fortunate to witness such a fun and special event. I can only hope that next year will feature the same caliber of entertainment and that more people will be able to make their way up and be a part of what will surely be musical history.

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Aussie-Kiwi funmeisters add flair to Oktoberfest

By DOUG LANSKY
College Press Service

MUNICH, GERMANY — If you've ever had the urge to go out in the back yard with a case of beer, stand on the deck furniture and trumpet drinking songs at the top of your lungs until you fall off and pass out in the shrubs, I highly recommend a trip to the famous Munich Oktoberfest, where you can join thousands of people from all corners of the globe with this same passion.

A few people may wander in by mistake, many are on vacation, but some come to Oktoberfest purely on instinct, the same mysterious force that draws mosquitoes to a light and keeps them ramming their heads against the bulb. This last group mostly refers to young visitors from Down Under.

I thought I'd "done" the Oktoberfest a few years ago. I tried all the beers, watched the horses pulling beer-wagons, swayed to the oompah bands and rode the vomit-inducing rides. But this time I discovered I'd left one rather odd stone unturned: AussieKiwiFest.

On previous visits, I had skipped the Hofbrau tent because I once sat for two hours while a 75-year-old beer-loving Bavarian wrapped his arm around my neck and told me stories in German (not a language I understand) at very close range until I accumulated so much saliva on my face that it began to drip on the table.

When I arrived in Munich this time, someone — I think it was an Aussie — told me I had to see the Hofbrau tent for myself. When I popped my head in, all 10,000 people were standing on the tables and yelling — in a "Tastis Great" vs. "Less Filling"-type competition to be loudest — "AUSSIE!" "KIWII!" "AUSSIE!" "KIWII!"

As the chant ended, each side declared itself the winner, and a barrage of celebratory underwear and bras exploded into the air. I made my way through the crowd until an Aussie (or maybe it was a Kiwi) standing on a table, dressed in a rugby shirt (almost everyone was wearing rugby shirts), pointed toward me and yelled, "UNDERWEAR! YOU HAVE UNDERWEAR!"

He looked possessed. I started back to where a beautiful young woman, seemingly trying to straighten things out, asked politely, "Are you wearing underwear?"

"Of course," I answered without thinking. "HE'S WEARING UNDERWEAR!!!" she cried.

Five people descended on me, they let go and headed off to more pressing business. The beautiful young woman gave me a nice pat on the back. "No worries, mate," she said. "When she flashed her bare breasts and melons, on the shoulders of their friends, decided to bash everyone, which received great approval from the entire tent.

I finally found a place to sit at a table full of Germans — perhaps the only ones in the tent. Every time the "AUSSIE!" "KIWII!" chant started, they sided with the Kiwi. "Because New Zealand is smaller and they need more help," one German offered. "And the Aussies got our underwear.

They seemed happy. After years of oompah bands and guys in lederhosen, they have thought this was the greatest thing since German TV picked up "Baywatch."

The most surprising thing was that during the months I spent traveling in Australia and New Zealand, I never saw anything like this. The Aussies and Kiwis were much more restrained in their own countries. Here, they seemed to be dancing to set world records. In their process, they may have, in their own unique way, re-invented the Oktoberfest. Right here in the middle of Munich.

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- Entscheuligung, Ich mochte ein bier? (Excuse me, I would like a beer?)

- Wieso? (How much?)

- Wieso macht das in dollars? (What's that in dollars?)

- Ha, Ist das ein Scherz? (Ha, You must be joking!)

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Senate provides assistance for loan consolidation

By CHARLES DERVARICS
College Press Service

WASHINGTON—Students who rely on federal loans or national-service programs to help pay for their education won some important assurances from Congress Oct. 1.

Bowing to pressure from the White House and others, the House of Representatives dropped plans to cut in half the budget for AmeriCorps, President Clinton's national-service program. The House had wanted to take $200 million of the program's $400 million budget to pay for veterans programs, but the bill met resistance from the Senate and the administration.

The agreement reached last week would provide $425 million for national-service programs, about $20 million more than current funding, congressional aides said.

The final figure falls short of President Clinton's request for $400 million for National Service. "This is the first increase in national service appropriations in a few years," said Sandy Scott, a spokesman of the Corporation for National Service. "We're very happy."

Through AmeriCorps, college students earn tuition benefits and a minimum-wage stipend in exchange for work in community agencies. The bill does not raise the education benefit, however, which will remain at $4,725 for each year of full-time service.

The agreement does include $25 million to encourage college students and others to serve as literacy tutors for young children, Scott said. President Clinton wants to enlist college students and post-secondary institutions in this endeavor, dubbed America Reads, which seeks universal literacy for children by third grade.

The House/Senate agreement clears the way for final action on AmeriCorps spending for fiscal year 1998, which began on Oct. 1. The program is operating with temporary funds until the measure gets to President Clinton's desk.


Instead of taking only a few weeks, the consolidation process now could take eight to 12 months, he said.

Under the Emergency Student Loan Act, students could consolidate all of their borrowing, including direct loans, under the Federal Family Educational Loan program administered by private banks.

The Clinton administration in 1993 launched direct loans as an alternative to the bank-supported system, claiming the new program would carry lower costs for students. For direct loans, borrowing capital goes from the federal government to colleges and universities without the help of banks.

The suspension covers only consolidation loans, and college students can continue to receive new direct loans under the existing system. But the entire program has come under increasing criticism from Republicans for failing to live up to expectations.

The unanimous vote for the emergency bill clears the way for final action on the direct-loan program. In a rare show of unity, leaders of both parties voted 43-0 to send the measure on for final action.

"Both Republicans and Democrats see the urgency in helping young people who have been left in a credit crunch because of the U.S. Department of Education's failure to manage the direct loan consolidation program," said Rep. Howard "Buck" McKeon (R-Calif.), who chairs the House post-secondary education subcommittee.

McKeon called on the Senate to approve the emergency bill quickly. "Any effort in the Senate should be seen as an attempt to protect an inept federal bureaucracy at the expense of students," McKeon added.

Congress should have another three weeks to complete action on the emergency legislation. Lawmakers must remain in session through October to finish work on most 1998 spending bills, including one for higher education.

Filipino-American Month Celebrated

Thursday in the Barbara Ying Center, the Filipino Student Association held a Cultural Meeting, in recognition of October being Filipino-American History Month. At this meeting the guest speaker, Clifford Cabansag, spoke of the many contributions that American society now enjoys because of the hard work and involvement of its Filipino-American citizens.

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Kappa Delta sorority observes its Founder's Day

Epsilon Omicron chapter of Kappa Delta will be commemorating its 100th anniversary of its sorority's founding.

Kappa Delta sorority was founded at Longwood College in Farmville, Va., on Oct. 23, 1897 by Mary Sommerville Sparks, Julia Gardiner Tyler Wilson, Lenora Ashmore Blackiston and Sara Turner White. The sorority has a total membership of more than 100,000 in college chapters and alumnae associations throughout the country. Since its founding, Kappa Delta has been active in philanthropic activities. Members support the National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse and its affiliate groups with a nationwide one-day fund raiser. The sorority also has contributed more than a half-million dollars for the care and aid of patients at Children's Hospital in Richmond, Va., and has awarded more than $150,000 in awards for outstanding orthopedic research.

Mrs. Richard Stegall of Houston, Texas, is a national president.

— A CFF staff report

Local journalists to speak at the Visual Arts Auditorium

By BRIAN SMITH
News Editor

On Oct. 23, Central Florida news reporters, editors and other journalism professionals will be at the Visual Arts Building Auditorium at 8 p.m. to discuss the changing face of local news and other time-sensitive issues.

The event, "The Future of the News: A Local Perspective," will include speakers from The Orlando Sentinel, WESH Channel 2, WFTV Channel 9, WCPX Channel 6 and Central Florida News 13.

For more information contact the Nicholson School of Communication at 823-2840 or Kathy Catron, graduate student, Nicholson School of Communication at 608-9667.
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Protecting those who can’t protect themselves

By JENNIFER HANLON  
Staff Writer

“Think Globally-Act locally!”  
This is a motto used by the Campus Action for Animals. The group meets once a week in the Student Union to discuss a variety of ways to promote the protection of animals.

One of the protests called “McDeath” day took place at the McDonald’s in the UC-7 shopping plaza on Oct. 16. Flyers and posters were made and distributed to customers and shoppers that said “What’s the connection between McDonalds and starvation in the Third World? Why is it wrong for McDonalds to destroy rain forests and why is McDonalds responsible for torture and murder?”

“McDeath day started when Greenpeace was sued by McDonalds for handing out pamphlets that contained accusations not completely true,” said Greg Rivera, a member of the Campus Action for Animals.

During the meeting, member Andy Meyers, read a current issue from Indefensive Animals magazine. The articles purpose was to obtain one million people to disavow the concept of animal ownership and property by the end of 1998.

Also during the meeting, a petition to boycott Proctor and Gamble was passed around. The group disagrees with the use of animals in the testing of consumer products.

On April 3-5, a conference is planned with about 15 animal rights activists. Some speakers invited are Heidi Prescott and Freeman Wicklund.

The Campus Action for Animals also participates in park clean ups, Fur-Free Friday at Gayfers, canoe and camping trips and vegan dinners. These dinners are made with no animal products.

The group is sponsored by Ronni Hawkins, biology professor, and the group president is Carly Hare.

There are about 25 members and they encourage other students to participate to protect animal’s rights.
### Just kick the ball between the goalposts

#### By MARCO BUSCAGLIA
##### College Press Service

Being a college kicker is no picnic.

On most days, you come off the sidelines, do your job, receive a few congratulatory pats on the helmet and head back to the bench. But on those days when the expected becomes the impossible, you're the loneliest guy on the field.

"It's not something you get over easy," said Matt Davenport, Wisconsin's kicker. "You miss a big kick and everyone looks the other way. You're hanging out there all alone."

But a good week can change a guy's outlook. Davenport sealed a Badgers' victory over Indiana Sept. 27 with a 43-yard boot in the game's closing seconds. In fact, the Big Ten named Davenport special teams player of the week for his work in Wisconsin's 27-26 victory.

"You wait for moments like that because you know you're going to be a hero if it goes through," Davenport said. "On the flipside, everyone wants your head if you miss, but that's the chance you take. Your job is to kick field goals. If you don't do it, there's no reason for you to be on the team. If you can't do it, you're gone."

Such is the life for many NFL kickers who find themselves looking for a job on Monday after missing a game-winning kick on Sunday.

Carlos Huerta was a standout at the University of Miami in the early 1990s. But after getting cut four of his first seven attempts, Huerta was cut after missing a game-winning kick on Sept. 22, 1997.

"There are minimal wants from goal posts or you find another opportunities by staying focused and using a lot of positive thinking," said Davenport, who was cut by the Buffalo Bills at the start of this season. "There's no reason for you to be on the team. If you're gone, you're gone." But the flipside, everyone wants your head if you miss, but that's the chance you take. Your job is to kick field goals. If you don't do it, there's no reason for you to be on the team. If you can't do it, you're gone."

On Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, there are college football games and other sports events that fans can attend to see live on TV. For example, there is a college football game between Men's soccer at Stetson, 4 p.m., Women's soccer at UCF Arena, 4 p.m., and Volleyball at Florida Atlantic, 7 p.m.

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Women's soccer still perfect in TAAC

By KEN JACKSON
Staff Writer

It took four matches and 17 days, but the UCF women's soccer team scored its first goals of October as the Golden Knights wrapped up a conference post-season bid this weekend in South Florida.

UCF (6-7-1) clinched the TAAC Southern Division title with a 2-0 win over Florida Atlantic (3-11-0) Sunday. Midfielder Danya Harris scored on the first shot of the match, off passes from Wendy Wiltsey and Kim Shrum, just 2:22 into the game.

On Friday, the Golden Knights ended a five-game losing streak and a scoring drought of 562 minutes in a 2-0 victory over Florida International. UCF held FIU to one shot on goal, and Harris found the back of the net in the 80th minute of the game. She added another goal minutes later.

Coach Karen Richter spoke highly of her team's weekend performance.

"I'm very happy," she said. "We were in control of our destiny, and we did exactly what we needed to do to get the title.

UCF is 5-0 against conference opponents this season and has outscored them 8-0. The Golden Knights can finish the clean sweep today at home against Stetson at 4 p.m.

By virtue of clinching its division, UCF has a bye into the second round of the conference tournament, which will be held Nov 6-8.

"The bye is critical because the tournament is three days in a row, and we won't have the fatigue factor to play against," Richter said.

Richter feels fatigue would be one of the easier opponents the team would face this year.

"Four of our losses have been to nationally ranked teams, so it's been a tough stretch," she said. "This is one of the toughest schedules we've had here, and with such a young team, it's a tough situation to play in."

Sophomore surviving first season as starter

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the same level as them," Liljenquist said. "I don't feel like I'm that young, I've been around the girls three years, and I feel pretty comfortable around them. It's really no pressure. We just get psyched up for every game, so there's never really any pressure [to win]."

Senior Suzie Queisser said Liljenquist is one of the key players this season and may be the secret to NCAA success.

"She's our key," Queisser said. "You look at the stats of Tyra [Harper] and Renata, but the balls are going to them. That's what we're going to hopefully use Lisa for when we get into the conference tournament and the NCAA's. She's going to be one of our star players. She's a phenomenal player.

Liljenquist and her teammates will play their next game on Oct. 24 at Florida Atlantic University at 7 p.m. The game will open an 11 game road trip.
PASSING FANCY

Quarterback Daunte Culpepper is 10th in the nation in total offense with 296 yards a game.
Men's soccer loses, snaps winning streak

The University of Central Florida men's soccer team lost to Florida Atlantic University, 3-2, Thursday at the UCF Arena Soccer Field in a Trans America Athletic Conference game. The Knights (3-3 in TAAC play) snapped a three-game win streak with the loss and the victory for FAU gave them a clean sweep over the Golden Knights this season. FAU is now 6-7 overall and 3-3 in conference.

Webert Innocent scored the game winning goal for the Owls when he headed a pass from Max Holmstrom in the 89th minute past UCF keeper Tuomas Tuomilehto. Sophomore Heikki Ritvanen began cornerkicks to take a shot that rebounded action by Daniel Nilsson scored first for the now has 13 to 10. Tuomilehto. Kindahl had FAU the game. seven times over the University School Farming their winning streak and put the top of the goal and landed in a University School of Law.

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Benoit looks to help UCF stop Mississippi State ground game

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Benoit credits his play to the team's offseason work-outs, which have given him the endurance to maintain his quickness late into games.

"I like to use my speed and get to them when they are real tired," said Benoit, who has 15.5 career sacks. "When I'm tired I can get off the ball at full speed and that's how I always get them."

Cox said it will be hard to replace Benoit next year. "He's a great player," Cox said. "He runs to the football and works hard. He's got a lot of talent and he's kind of sneaky. He just kind of sneak's through the crowd. You just wish you had him for another year to work on his technique and get him a little stronger."

And if the Bulldogs or any team tries to run him over, Benoit said he will be ready.

"I take it game-by-game," he said. "The future is unpredictable right now. I'll be ready."

--- CFF Staff Report

Photo by MIKE MARSHALL

For further information, contact the Career Resource Center, Student Resource Center Bldg. 7F, phone number 823-2361
Men’s basketball coach Kirk Speraw, left, hopes the addition of guard Mark Jones and forward Bucky Hodge helps UCF challenge for the TAAC title. Junior guard Charliya Davis, top left, is UCF’s returning leading scorer. Davis averaged 11.3 points a game last season. Women’s basketball coach Lynn Bria, right, needs immediate help from six recruits to make up for the graduation of three seniors. Fans of UCF hoops, top right, show their appreciation for the men’s and women’s teams Friday night.

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**Sports**

**Inaugural Midnight Madness a success**

By TONY MEJIA
Staff Writer

The spectacle of basketball at midnight filled the UCF Arena with more than 1,000 loud, anxious fans in the early hours of Saturday morning. For the first time in school history, Midnight Madness took place at Central Florida, and the results were more than positive.

"It was really a solid performance and is something for the fans, students, and boosters to get excited about," said men's basketball coach Kirk Speraw. "Hopefully, it will become a school tradition to start the basketball season this way."

Both the men's and women's teams were announced shortly after midnight, the first official day the NCAA declares legal for college basketball squads to practice. The men's scrimmage gave UCF fans their first look at transfers Bucky Hodge (Georgia Tech) and Mark Jones (Minnesota). Jones, a pre-season All-TAAC selection, scored the first points of the scrimmage, knifing through the lane with a resounding slam dunk that should be a preview of things to come. After playing in front of capacity crowds at Minnesota, Jones is looking for a little home cooking at UCF.

"It was nice to see the gym loud and excited," he said. "Our main goal was to give the fans a good show. Now we want to keep them coming back, so it's time to get after it for real."

The Black team, led by Jones, Hodge, and sophomore forward Mario Lovett, handily trounced the White team 53-32 in a 15-minute scrimmage. Lovett surprised the spectators by showing off a new dimension and launching a pair of three-pointers to pace the Black. Returning sophomores Davin Granberry and D'Quarnes Stewart also thrived for the winners, while junior Brad Traina, sophomore Cory Perry, and freshman Benorti Simmons paced the White.

Senior forward Tony Marlow shows his stuff during warm-ups during Friday night's Midnight Madness. More Madness photos, Page 27.

Photo by MIKE MARSHALL

**Hunger for experience drives Liljenquist**

By JEFF CASE
Staff Writer

UCF assistant volleyball coach Miriam Metzcus describes redshirt sophomore Lisa Liljenquist in one word: Raw.

But through quiet observation and listening, Liljenquist has become the young star on a senior laden team.

"She wasn't really taught everything about the game [entering UCF]," Metzcus said. "She didn't know there were so many strategic ways of hitting, looking at the court and looking at your opponent."

"She was turned into a tremendous player. She's very quiet, but she is so in tune and keyed into what is going on. She listens to what everybody has to say."

Liljenquist's lack of experience is not apparent. She has shown a lot of maturity and doesn't have it," Marcos said. "She has a disadvantage, in my opinion, against every team we play, because I know that everyone of those players played two or not three years of club-level (prior to college), and she played very scarcely. I couldn't be more thrilled with her as a player."

After graduating from Oviedo High School in 1995, Liljenquist redshirted her freshman year. Appearing in 32 of the Knights 36 matches, Liljenquist split the season at both setter and hitter. With the addition of setter Amanda Fielding, a University of New Mexico transfer, Liljenquist will continue to play the season at hitter.

Senior Anabel Marcos says Liljenquist's lack of experience is not apparent. "She has shown a lot of maturity and a lot of experience even though she doesn't have it," Marcos said. "She definitely has the poise and the confidence [to win this NCAA game], and we definitely treasure her."

"Liljenquist saying being younger only motivates her more."

"I want to play better so I can be at See SOPHOMORE, Page 24

What might have been far from Benoit's thoughts

By DEREK GONSEULIN
Sports Editor

Forgive defensive line coach Andy Cox if he doesn't get too excited about every one of senior Jermaine Benoit's big plays. Instead, he thinks about what might have been had his defensive end redshirted his freshman year.

"You look at him now and you could only imagine what he could develop into next year," Cox said. Benoit had only two starts in his first two seasons while playing behind Emil Ekyo, who signed with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 1996. With the starting right end spot to his own his junior year, he cut loose with an eight-sack, 55-tackle performance.

Benoit said he regrets not having one more season.

"Sometimes I wish I had taken the year off, but everything is working out for me," he said. "You can't turn back time."

Coach Gene McDowell has repeatedly said Benoit is deserving of All-American and even Outland Award status as the nation's top lineman. Benoit's team-leading statistics back up McDowell's boasts: 70 tackles, including eight for a loss, 21 quarterback pressures and 5.5 sacks. He is the first defensive end in school history to be the first-team preseason, 100-tackle Lineman UCF history.

"I talked to my friend, who is the offensive line coach at Mississippi State [Jerry Fenrin], and he says Benoit is the best he's seen just from looking at the film when they were getting ready for South Carolina," Cox said.

"Jean's deal is to have a little finesse. He's got real good feet. To be honest, I hope no one figures this out: I've got a feeling people are going after him instead of away from him where he can chase down the play. Instead of letting him chase they could get a 300-pounder to hit him in the mouth and I hope that doesn't happen."

With 335-pound Anthony Kapp and 351-pound Randy Thomas at the offensive tackle positions for Mississippi State, Benoit could run into such a scenario in Starkville. Reserve end Mike Ounn said the

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