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Strike up the band, everybody loves a parade

By TARA SUH DORSEY
Staff Writer

Once again it's the time of the year when students get dressed in their black and gold spirit wear to show their UCF pride. This year's Homecoming festivities include dinner at Medieval Times, a carnival and a home basketball game against Auburn. To cheer the Knights' football team, a parade will be held in downtown Orlando before the game on Nov. 15 at 4 p.m.

"The parade will start at 11 a.m. on the corner of Highway and Robinson proceeding east," said Andrea Quatry, the Homecoming parade director. "Then it will turn south on Orange Avenue and then west on Church Street and finish at Garland."

There will be numerous entries participating in the parade such as Hard Rock Cafe's $30,000 float, which will be its premiere display, and the House of Blues' mobile.

"Dr. LeVester Tubbs, vice president of Student Affairs, will be the grand marshall of the parade. Also taking part in the parade: three Chicago cop cars and walking characters from the show; Mr. and Miss Orlando; 540 AM, The Team; and a array of UCF students participating in their black and gold spirit wear," Quatry said.

By BRIAN SMITH

Senator Jrume LaRossa said

"Going home again to promote Homecoming, Week and school spirit among campus groups and organizations."

This year, the spotlight will shine on Nov. 13 in the UCF Arena at 8 p.m. Sixteen acts will take to the stage to entertain students and boost the anticipation for Saturday's football game against Eastern Michigan.

For many years, Skip Night has been an important tradition at UCF because it gives students the opportunity to show their support for the school as well as displaying their own individual talents. Organizations must also prove its ability to work together as a team in order to pull off a hilarious skit.

Mark Rothschild, Skip Night coordinator, said he thinks the event is unique in its effectiveness to boost school morale.

"It's a creative way to get everyone to do now," Manselle said. "This means that our role has changed over the years, though the main purpose remains the same which is to cater to the needs of minority students on campus both in and out of classes."

Blanding said the main purpose of the organization is to develop and perpetuate a program that identifies and helps the minority students at UCF as well as establish and promote open lines of communication between students and the administration, faculty and staff.

Also, the AASU works to enhance the dissemination of information to minority students and to cooperate with other organizations to provide a diverse learning experience for all students.

"We particularly help students with

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Police study a case of stolen identity

By ANNE MARIE MONTALI
Staff Writer

Wendi Shewalter, 23, reported that someone had obtained her transcripts and was posing as herself in order to lease a car and buy furniture.

Shewalter discovered someone had been using her personal information when she received a call from a car dealership on Oct. 21 telling her that a car she had leased was going to be repossessed.

Shewalter discovered the suspect had been issued a driver’s license with her name and the information with the picture. Police are still investigating the case.

In other reports by the UCFPD:

• John Clark, 54, reported a valve was loosened in Computer Center 1, causing over 6 inches of water to flood the second floor and leak down to the first. Clark left the building at 2:30 p.m. and received an anonymous phone call at 4:35 p.m. informing him of the flood on Oct. 29. Estimated damage is between $4,000 and $5,000.

• A sign was reported stolen by Brandy Pektor, 24, from the Delta Gamma parking lot on Oct. 29. The sign is valued at $60. Pektor is willing to prosecute.

• Eugene Morrison, 42, reported the theft. Morrison left the substation about 4 p.m. on Oct. 24 with the tools locked inside the fenced area. He arrived at 7 a.m. on Oct. 27 and saw the fence had been cut open, the master padlock broken and the tools missing.

• Andrew Burke, 19, reported his parking decal stolen sometime during the term. He first noticed it missing after he received a citation. Burke is willing to prosecute.

• Beverly Ervin-Frazier, 45, reported damage to her Kimono Silk Art sculpture. She left the sculpture hanging in her office in the Visual Arts Building at about 8:30 p.m. on Oct. 28 and returned on Oct. 30 to find the line holding the sculpture had apparently been cut causing the sculpture to fall to the floor. The value of the sculpture is estimated at $2,500. Ervin-Frazier is willing to prosecute.

• A generator, saw, drill and several other tools were removed from the Florida Power Substation on campus. The theft occurred between Oct. 24 and Oct. 27.

• Denise Hammonds, 27, reported her vehicle parked on campus at 9 a.m. when all of the doors were locked securely. When she returned on Oct. 30, she had received a citation for parking without a permit. Hammonds noticed his rear driver’s side door to be slightly open and his hang tag was missing. Nothing was taken from the vehicle. There are no suspects at this time. Hammonds is willing to prosecute.

• Theresa Frasier, 18, reported her purse stolen from the Business Administration Mac Lab. She left her purse at a workstation while she was gone for 30 minutes. When Frasier returned, her purse was gone. The purse contained her driver’s license, student ID, credit cards and $46. The theft occurred on Oct. 28. There are no witnesses or suspects at this time and Frasier is willing to prosecute.

• Gregory Nenson, 42, reported a stolen sculpture of an African Ceramic Mask from the Visual Arts Building sometime between noon Oct. 14 and 11 a.m. Oct. 15. The mask was valued at $300. A painting and sculpture were also damaged in the room. Nenson is willing to prosecute.

• Cristina Martin, 20, reported her license plate was taken from her car on Oct. 30. Her car was parked at the arena and in the Lake Claire parking lot. Martin said she believes the theft could have occurred in either place.

• Christopher Lee, 18, reported his car was vandalized. Lee parked his car near Seminole Hall around 10 p.m. on Oct. 24. When he returned at 1 p.m. Oct. 25, Lee found several scratch marks along both sides of the hood of his car. There were no fingerprints left on the car. Lee will prosecute.

• The cash box was removed from room 115 in the Visual Arts Building sometime between 10 p.m. on Oct. 29 and 8 a.m. the next morning.

Seven people have access to the room, all but one have been contacted. No other items were taken. The box contained $130. The victims are willing to prosecute.

• Will Davis, 42, reported his Masonry tools in a bag locked inside a storage trunk stolen. On Oct. 27, Davis noticed his bag along with all of the tools were missing. There are no witnesses or suspects at this time.

• Dáleena Burchard, 67, reported her car had been broken into. She parked her car on campus at about 3:30 p.m. on Oct. 26. When she returned at 6:30 p.m., she found her credit cards, driver’s license, checkbook, glasses and cash were missing. There are no suspects at this time.

Students can vote thru November 13th at 5pm outside the Student Union. Call 823-6471 for more information.
Hawke's reality seems blessed, not biting

By IAN SPELLING
College Press Service

Ethan Hawke looks sharp and handsome in a crisp black suit, his face clean-shaven and his brownish-blonde hair swept back perfectly. It's a far cry from the visage that once earned him a reputation as the grunge poster boy.

"I got so sick of reading about that," Hawke says. "I just didn't know where it came from or what it was about. In hindsight I think people really thought I was that guy in 'Reality Bites.' They thought that's who I was, and I wasn't. That movie came out and I was suddenly in the tabloids, suddenly the grunge guy. People just responded to that character.

But when people responded to Hawke as Winona Ryder's slacker boyfriend in 'Reality Bites,' often it was with a complete lack of seriousness. He's got the goatee - the classic things where people chances are people won't mistake Hawke for his latest character. In the futuristic drama "Gattaca," Hawke stars as Vincent Freeman, an In-Valid in a world of Valid, a naturally born, flaw-free human being trying to get by in a world of genetically engineered, perfect people. Dissatisfied with his lot in life, Vincent overhears switching identities with a paralyzed Valid (Jude Law), rising through the ranks at the Gattaca Corporation, dating co-worker Irene (Uma Thurman) and preparing to realize his seemingly unattainable goal of piloting a rocket into the cosmos.

Matters grow tense, however, when the mission director at Gattaca turns up dead, and Vincent must hope the launch date arrives before the authorities - sneaky detective Alan Arkin and investigator Loren Dean -- discover his true identity.

"Gattaca" makes you think. It's really original. There are so many things in it that I like," Hawke says of "Gattaca," which cost an incredibly modest $14 million to produce and was written and directed by first-timer Andrew Niccol, during a conversation at an office at Sony Pictures' Manhattan headquarters.

"When the DNA broker (Tony Shaloub) comes to me and says, 'You can pick a person, he doesn't have some crazy computer or morphing FaceOff thing.' He only has this little datebook -- like thing with three vials of blood."
The release of "Gattaca" sets the stage for something of a Hawke film festival, which also includes an upcoming remake of 'Great Expectations' and "The Newton Boys," the latter from Hawke's 'Before Sunrise' director, Richard Linklater.

"They liked him and hated him at the same time, and they felt the same way about me. They thought, 'Oh, what a punk. Look how he takes himself so seriously. He's got the goatee and the grunge bulls.' I was just playing a part like I play any other part. It was one of those classic things where people think you're the character."

—Ethan Hawke

"I thought the movie was stupid. I don't need to be a $20 million man," he says. "Part of that comes from a sense that I don't think I'd be very good at those kinds of movies. I've gotten some scripts for movies that went on to be really big hits. I don't want to name films because it would be disrespectful to the people who did them. But I'll see the movie and the guy who did it was much better than I would have been, because I thought the movie was stupid."

"The other part of it is I want to make movies I like, and they tend not to even cost $20 million, total. They don't pay you a lot of money to do 'Before Sunrise,' but I wanted to make it. If someone offered me $20 million to do a movie I really wanted to do or to work with someone like Stanley Kubrick, it's not a remake of the David Lean film version. I wasn't sure it was such a great idea. I was very apprehensive about it. I saw it the other day, and it's pretty incredible. This guy, Alfonso Corin, is a Mexican-American filmmaker. He made 'A Little Princess.' He and the cinematographer were childhood friends in Mexico, and they've made one of the most visually arresting films I've ever seen. He has this magical flair."

Hawke describes Linklater's latest film, "The Newton Boys," as the director's first studio film-and the first with a plot.

"Ricky's never done a movie with a plot before. He just hasn't," says Hawke. "I think people are just hanging out over here. 'Suburbia' is people hanging out at a gas station. 'Before Sunrise' is people hanging out in Vienna. 'Dazed and Confused' is people hanging out on the night of graduation. 'Newton Boys' is basically a comedy and a Western rolled into one."

Hawke smiles when he explains that, at the moment, there's no next project on tap. He's content to relax at home for a while, though he might devote a chunk of time to mounting an original play with his theater company, Malaparte. Though Hawke may be best known for his films, which also include "Dead Poets Society" and "A Midnight Clear," his greatest passion is for the stage. The theater is in danger of getting very tired, he says. "It's not speaking to young audiences and finding new audiences. It's so expensive. If there were any way to make it cheaper and to put out a good piece of material that was new, that would be ideal."

As the conversation comes to a close, Hawke contemplates the reality that several of his acting peers are earning $10, $15, even $20 million a picture. Hawke makes far less than that and, based on his rather artistic, off-beat choices, doesn't seem to want to earn $20 million. Does reality bite?

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Hostile amendments delete $2,700 of funding

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Sen. Alberto Amoreos motioned for a hostile amendment to delete the $200 from the funding bill. "I object because originally this event cost $700 and $500 was placed in the appropriation of finance committee," Sen. Carmen McDonald said. "The request is for $200 of the $900 cost for the event." The amendment was approved by a majority vote.

Following the vote, Sen. Richard Maxwell motioned for another hostile amendment to delete $2,500 from the GLBSU speakers' fund. "I think we give the Campus Activities Board enough already through appropriation of finance for speakers on campus," Maxwell said. "I don't feel that this can benefit the student body as a whole. I think $2,500 is pretty steep." McDonald again objected and said CAB does not fund every organization on campus or determine what type of speaker it would like to have.

The amendment was approved by a majority vote. The two amendments slashed about $2,700 from about $4,500 of funding from the GLBSU bill. The GLBSU also wanted to be funded for a rally event that took place at the Orlando City Hall. "The event was to raise awareness for the school and the community," the representative said. "The GLBSU gives guys and lesbians a place to go when they find themselves alone. It is open to any student." Halscott asked whether UCF students took part in the rally. "A majority of the people at city hall were UCF students," the representative said.

Sen. Cheryl Baum approved the funding of the rally. "They try to get people who are uncomfortable with their own sexuality to be more vocal about it," Baum said. "This is the same as ROTC. This is their way of getting people involved. These people had a big day." The senate voted in a majority to provide the funding for the rally.

Organizations shine at Skit Night Thursday

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"Skit Night hasn't just become a ritual for its annual performers. Many students find it just as enjoyable to sit in the stands and watch each year," junior Arc Zulu said. "I participated in a skit my freshman year and it was fun, but I'd rather just watch my friends." It's cool to see what everyone comes up with especially this year because it seems like we have more school spirit than ever before.

Freshman Kimberly Uhl is looking forward to the homecoming festivities. "I think it's great that the whole school seems so excited about homecoming," Uhl said. "It makes me feel more at home here to see everyone joined together for the school. I feel like I'm a part of it all." Skit Night will honor student actors and outstanding artists. This year's banner winners will be announced at the event. Contestants are advised to attend to find out the results of their efforts.

Pre-Kwanzaa celebration Nov 19

The festival will feature guest speakers, a parade, and a presentation by Walt Disney's Afrocentric Mickey and Minnie Mouse.

Saturday's parade invites community involvement

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The Homecoming committee would like for students to be aware this will be the best parade UCF has had and it encourages students to witness the diverse groups involved.

The parade starts at 11 a.m. on the corner of Hughly and Robinson in downtown Orlando.

For many community leaders and businesses, the parade will be the first opportunity for them to decide whether to support the school in greater capacities. "We really want to get the community involved with UCF," Quartry said. "The parade is a good way to help them support their home team."
**Games on the Green**

As an old favorite, students can take a break to enjoy some adult size games: UCF Green, 11am-2pm.

**Jerry Maguire**

A Homecoming tradition like no other: big screen movie madness outside at the Reflecting Pond. Show starts at 6pm, so bring your coaches and get there early to enjoy the free glow necklaces and other goodies.

**Giveaway**

The Central Florida Future, Digital City Orlando & Subway will be at the Student Union South Plaza from 11am-2pm giving away gifts and prizes.

**Skit Knight**

Tradition continues with a series of ten minute skits performed by campus clubs & organizations. Banner Contest winners will be announced. Make sure you support your club or organization at the UCF Arena, 8pm.

**Spirit Splash**

Are you ready? It’s time to show you bleed Black & Gold. That’s right, it’s time...once again, for UCF to come together around the Reflecting Pond as local band, Average Joe, kicks off UCF’s pep rally at 2:15pm. Appearances by UCF basketball & football players and coaches and Cheerleader’s Chiller’s will be there to turn on t-shirts, towels, and other cool stuff will be given away.

**Fan Fare**

Head over to the UCF Arena right after the Spirit Splash to tailgate with 540 AM The Team Sports Radio. Food vendors will be on site.

**UCF vs Auburn**

UCF’s first basketball game of the season starts at 7:20pm in the UCF Arena with an awesome team ready to rumble against Auburn. Admission to the game is free with UCF Student ID, $7 Reserved Seating, $5 General Admission, $5 for ages 5-17. Call 823-1000.

**Homecoming Parade**

**Fat Tuesday’s**

Orlando watch out! After a crazy, hectic, insanely spirited week, UCF will not be held back as we wind through the streets of downtown Orlando starting at 11am. A free buffet for UCF students prior to the parade at 11 Tuesdays will start this day out just fine.

**Tailgate**

UCF Alumni Association will be sponsoring the Knight’s Fan Fan Fan at Thinder Field at 1pm with Hard Rock Cafe serving the event and a performance by Derek & the Smurfs. Event is free, food tickets are $8 Alumni Association members & UCF students, $10 general public. Call 833-4133 for tickets.

**UCF vs Eastern Michigan**

The nationally recognized Golden Knights take on the Eastern Michigan Eagles in the Florida Citrus Bowl at 4pm. 1997-98 UCF Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned at halftime. Free with UCF Student ID, $8 General Admission, $15 Reserved Seating. Call (407) 839-3900. Game is sponsored by Florida Hospital.

**Awards & Firework Show**

After UCF defeats the Eagles, the Official Homecoming Awards will take place with the winners for Black & Gold Sign Contest, Skit Knight, Spirit Banner, Float, & Spirit Car announced. After that, sit back and relax as the best eye fireworks show explodes overhead, a spectacular event sponsored by UCF Student Government.

**Blues Traveler**

It’s been a long day. A long week, in fact. But don’t worry—the final event of Homecoming 1997 will be absolutely pointless. The University of Central Florida and House of Blues are extremely proud to present Blues Traveler with special guest Jonny Lang at 8pm, directly after the fireworks display in the Florida Citrus Bowl. Tickets are (gasp!) free with the price of admission to the game (see above). The first 10,000 UCF Students admitted to the game will receive a wristband for admittance onto the field for the fireworks concert.

**Questions?**

407.823.6471

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LEAD STORIES

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NOT MY FAULT

• Wendell Williamson filed a lawsuit in June in Hillsborough, N.C., against his former psychiatrist, Dr. Myron Liptzin, blaming him for the 1995 shooting rampage in Chapel Hill, N.C., in which Williamson killed two people and for which he is now housed in a state mental hospital. Williamson claims he was impelled to the rampage because Liptzin had just retired, leaving Williamson without counseling.

• Joe Murphy of Janesville, Wis., complained to reporters in August that he had just gambled away his lump-sum $40,000 Social Security disability grant and that it was the government's fault. Murphy is reported to have told authorities, and won, to have his grant paid directly to him instead of to a third-party adviser (which is typical in cases like his). Murphy's old position, quoted to a reporter: "I said, 'Just gimme the money, gimme the money, gimme the money.'" Murphy's current position: "If you're mentally or physically disabled, the government should protect you. What they did was give me a loaded gun and say, Shoot yourself." In Philadelphia in September, a federal judge sentenced John G. Bennett Jr., 60, to 12 years in prison for a fraudulent charitable-fund-raising pyramid scheme, eight years less than the minimum he should have undergone on sentencing guidelines. The judge was persuaded that Bennett committed fraud only because of a delusional disorder characterized by a "search for religious fervor" that he believed that any conduct was justified as long as it served God through philanthropy.

• Garrett Masai, 34, who failed his bar exam in 1994 (63,888 points, vs. 65,000 for passing), sued the Oregon State Bar in federal court in Portland in September, claiming that he would have passed except for the incessant sound of a jackhammer doing repair work outside the test site. Mauas, unfortunately, also took the exam in 1997 without a jackhammer and also failed, but he said he still would have passed in 1994. According to a Boston police detective testifying at the April murder trial of Anthony P. Clemente, Clemente refused to accept blame for the murders of four pimps and a rival mob and instead accused the police: "You (the police) should have stopped the feud) a long time ago. You guys got caught. You should know what's going on. (The police department's part-

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UPDATE

• Gary Arthur Medrow, then 47, made News of the Weird in 1991 when he was arrested in Milwaukee for impersonating a police officer over the telephone as he carried out his locally well-known obsession of calling up a female and convincing her to physically pick up another female in the room and carry her around. By 1991, he had been arrested more than 50 times over the previous 23 years. In October 1997 he was charged with 24 more counts in Milwaukee County. A typical ruse, said police, was to tell a woman that she had been spotted at an accident scene by her male counterpart carrying a victim to safety, and when the woman denies that she is the heroic woman, Medrow talks her into role-playing the accident scene.

NO LONGER WEIRD

• Adding to the list of stories that were formerly weird but now only occur with such frequency that they must be reported from circulation: (21) Intense provocateurs and judges who believe overdue-literary-book scofflaws deserve jail time, or at least a criminal record, such as the 90 days of supervised probation a 43-year-old, Providence, R.I., woman received in August for keeping four children's books more than a year. And (22) DUI tickets dispensed to inebriated people hoofing down public roadways on a bicycle, or a horse, or in the case of Roy Embry, 34, in Morgantown, Ky., in May, a riding lawn mower.

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Opinion

Celebrate Homecoming before going home

By JASON HEIRONIMUS
Opinion Editor

Homecoming, what a glorious time for the school. It is much like the holidays to non-college affiliated people. It is a chance for all of us to smile as one under the assumption that we all really like each other. Activities are planned so that our wandering brains will be constantly entertained under the strain of so much happiness and spirit. There is the presence of alcohol to keep us from thinking too much during the raucous celebration.

All in all, Homecoming is a fun time and it is pretty hard to critique any school event that brings Blues Traveler to the student for free! But one question remains: why is it called Homecoming when there is only one month left of school?

This question is quite trivial but essential upon a review behind the meaning of an event such as Homecoming. First you have the word "home" which connotates either a negative or positive image in your head, and then you have the word "coming" which for as far as I can tell forwards a person or persons that you are going to arrive at a certain place at a future time. While these are not the strictest of definitions I believe them to be right on the money, and if you didn't know what those words meant in the first place then you probably don't deserve to even be reading this article.

When these two words are put in a stupid equation like this: home + coming = Homecoming then a magical word is created. People plan weeks ahead of time for this week of events. Sororities and fraternities spend hours making T-shirts for all the events. Liquor stores stock their shelves to meet the overbearing needs of their customers. The campus is alive with anticipation for the big game. But why, once again, is this Homecoming celebrated enjoyed at the end of the semester?

In high school they celebrate Homecoming at the beginning of the year, don't they? It just seems natural that an event as big as this one, that is celebrated once again, is this Homecoming of the year, don't they? It just seems natural that an event as big as this one, that is celebrated during June. Why? Because the whole idea is that you are enjoying the October Fall with enormous amounts of beer. That just wouldn't be right in June. St. Patrick's Day wouldn't feel right at any other time other than March. Why? Well, because that's when St. Patrick drove all the snakes out of Ireland, or was that the pied piper? And besides, when else are we gonna' drink green beer, February?

The point is that the names of these celebrations must go along with the time. Homecoming would be a great name if it were held right at the beginning of the semester when all the students are actually coming home for the few next months. But with only four weeks and about ten papers on my mind I would rather them call it Goinghome, which would better explain the excessive drunkenness due to the excessive amount of work that will be demanded of students in the next month.

One more question: exactly how long are we going to be hanging around the Citrus bowl on Saturday? From my understanding the game starts at 4 o'clock, which means that all the die-hard fans will be the around 1 o'clock to start tailgating. After the game will be the Homecoming Court and fireworks extravaganza, and after that the concert will finally start. We're talking about an investment of at least 11 hours at the Citrus Bowl. Eleven Hours! That is an extraordinarily long time to be in one place, let alone a footloose and fancy free. There are 35,000 other drunks. I expect it to be a good time, though a long one. I suggest that students pace themselves during the day's festivities. It is going to be a long day with the best parts coming at the end, and you don't want to miss that.

It is obvious that UCF has worked very hard to make this Homecoming one of the best ever. I'm sure that it will be a tremendous hit. I wish everyone a merry Goinghome celebration and a happy hangover on Sunday. Enjoy this weekend, because it will last the time to really relax and have a good time until mid-December.

DOCTOR FUN

Are you guys going to go cheating or do I have to get the gun removed?

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Games on the Green
Wednesday, Nov. 12, 11am-3pm, UCF Green

Jerry Maguire
Wednesday, Nov. 12, 9pm, Refecting Pond

King & Queen Elections
Ann Thursday, Nov. 13 By 5pm, UCF Student Union

Skit Knight
Thursday, Nov. 13 At 9pm, UCF, arena

Spirit Splash
Friday, Nov. 14 At 2:15, Reflecting Pond

Homecoming Parade
Saturday, Nov. 15 At 11am, downtown Orlando

Blues Traveler
Saturday, Nov. 15 At 9pm after the Homecoming Game

Hamlet
Sunday, Nov. 16 At 8pm, Student Union, 3rd Floor

Laughter on the 23rd Floor
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By NATALIE NATALE
Staff Writer

Spirit Splash is a tradition unique to UCF. It began more than 12 years ago when fully clothed students in the Homecoming spirit plunged into the Reflecting Pond. On Nov. 14 at 2:15 p.m., the tradition will be revisited at this year's Homecoming pep rally.

UCF cheerleaders, the Starlet Knight dance team and the UCF marching band will come together around the Reflecting Pond. Average Joe, a local band whose lead singer is a UCF alumna, will perform. Basketball players, football players, Knightro and his girlfriend Gingerro will make appearances. Football coach George McDowell and men's basketball coach Kirk Speraw will give pep talks to the students. Also, the Campus Activities Board will give away a $250 book scholarship and UCF paraphernalia including towels, T-shirts and inflatable basketballs.

"It is an unwritten policy that people don't normally get into the Reflecting Pond," said Jim Uhler, director of Environmental Health and Safety. The Reflecting Pond is aesthetically designed to enhance the atmosphere on campus.

The Reflecting Pond was renovated last summer. The surface was painted with algae resistant aqua blue paint. The water capacity was doubled to 230 gallons and an average depth of two feet, and a chlorination system was developed. Overexposure to chlorine can harm the skin. However, there are not any reported cases of injuries due to levels of chlorine in the water.

The Reflecting Pond will be refilled after the Nov. 12 showing of the movie Jerry Maguire at 8 p.m. Also, the computerized irrigation system will turn the fountain off for the Spirit Splash. CAB predicts that attendance at this year's Spirit Splash will be the largest in the history of the event. CAB invites students and alumni to U-Knight in black and gold colors.

Golden Knights are encouraged to bring virtually anything to demonstrate their spirit such as blow horns, megaphones, silly string, body paint and rafts. In past years, shirtless males showed they bled black and gold by painting their chests in UCF colors.

"You don't have to be part of a group or organization to support homecoming 1997," said Danielle Marable, assistant director of Homecoming.

Officials from Student Government will be on-hand to monitor the spirit of various clubs and organizations. The clubs and organizations are competing for the Spirit Cup trophy. Following the Spirit Splash, the UCF Marching Band will lead students to the arena for the Fan Fair tailgate party in the arena parking lot before UCF's basketball game against Auburn.

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Why 21? How the minimum drinking age became law

By MAT HERRON
College Press Service

To Matthew Heisman, the 21 minimum drinking age law sounds like the result of political kick-back zone.

"I don't think you can pick an age and say, 'You're responsible enough to drink,'" said Heisman, a University of Kentucky first-year pharmacy student, who just turned 21 and said he hasn't been carded in four years.

Historically, arriving at the 21 minimum drinking age wasn't that simple.

Restrictions on drinking, buying and selling alcohol to minors date as far back as prohibition, the period in the 1920s when the federal government banned alcohol nationwide.

The government changed the constitution in 1946 to allow 18-year-olds to vote, adhering this age group all the freedoms of being an adult "except the one of being an adult," said Norman Lawson, a political science professor who teaches civil liberties and the constitution in 1964 to allow constitutional authority to pass libation for some categories, we judge them unenforceable.

But the increasing number of drunk-driving accidents influenced state legislators to pass the bill, and Kentucky had little interest in challenging the law.

South Dakota and Louisiana, however, did.

called Wendell Manuel sued segregationists to challenge the 21 minimum drinking age law when the state's minimum drinking age was 20.

"I maintain that 21 minimum drinking age law is unfair," said the judge's decision.

James Stargardt, a legal evidence that 18- to 20-year-olds had no (problem) with passing the statute excluding 18-year-olds from buying and selling alcohol.

"It keeps people out of bars, it disfracts and it even cost me a couple of jobs," said Rawls, a New Orleans law enforcement officer.

"Ike any evidence that the 21 law is virtually unenforceable.

And when it is enforced, be it by bartender, police officer or store clerk, students say it's not done consistently.

"Ike any evidence that the 21 law is virtually unenforceable.

By BERNIE MILANO
College Press Service

At this point, you have a reliable copy of your resume on computer file, with a few already printed out on good quality paper. Already your resume contains all the relevant information it should the period to the campus, you'll obviously want to get your resume to them. Remember that this is the only time a company will be coming to you. For the rest of your life, it'll be the other way around. So make the most of it.

There's an unfortunate tendency among graduate school-bound seniors to ignore on-campus recruiting events, since they're so sure they'll be studying and not working the September after graduation. Plans change, though, and these students end up wishing they had at least gotten the interest of a company or two. The fact is, you can always close down an option, but it's difficult to open one up later.

For companies you're interested in working for that don't come to your campus, it's important to make it as easy as possible for the company to interview you. If your travels are taking you to the city where the company is located, drop them a line along with your resume beforehand, telling them, "I'm going to be in town on this date, and was wondering if you'd have time to see me." Indeed, you could go out of your way to visit them, provided the cost isn't prohibitively high.

The time-honored method of simply mailing a company your resume with a cover letter is still very much in practice. It's true a clerical person will more than likely be making the first cut.

Now that you've got a resume...
Drinking now can mean trouble later

By BRIAN DUNN
College Press Service

Ruth Staten hears the tragedy unfold every day.
She hears about the students who drink heavily and often because they think all other students drink heavily and often. She hears about the students who constantly miss class and forget friends.

She hears about the students who drink to get drunk, who black out, wake, drink and black out again.
She hears because she counsels students with alcohol problems at University of Kentucky Student Health.

"We know that underage drinkers are drinking more frequently (than people over 21) and in greater amounts," she says.

And drinking more often and more heavily puts the person at greater risk of becoming an alcoholic, she says. But that's not the only factor.

College environment, family genetics and anxiety can also lead to the disease known as alcoholism, Staten said, a psychiatric nurse who teaches in the College of Nursing.

Theories abound as to why alcoholism exists, but for any person to become an alcoholic, he or she must first take a drink.

And binge drinking doesn't help matters. American college students spend $5.5 billion dollars on alcohol each year, more than they spend on soft drinks, tea, milk, juice, coffee and books combined, according to the Journal of American College Health.

The journal reports 62.2 percent of students attending four-year colleges or universities said they drink at least one alcoholic drink a week.

"College students are drinking in ways that may put them at tremendous risk," Staten said. Alcoholics usually start drinking at an early age, according to Alcoholics Anonymous, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

Therefore, people might feel increasing pressure to drink. Perhaps the high school then college environment might force students into thinking they must drink because everyone else drinks. Staten said. Perhaps underage drinkers might drink to fight anxiety. Perhaps young drinkers might form a drinking problem because they have a line of alcoholics in their family.

"One risk factor for a person becoming an alcoholic is the person's parent," she said. "People underdrank more (than those of age), so they're putting themselves at greater risk (of becoming an alcoholic)."

Mladen Brkie, a 19-year-old business and management freshman from Bosnia, has witnessed the effects of alcohol in European countries such as Italy.

"One risk factor for a person becoming an alcoholic is the person's parent," he said. Perhaps because the alcoholics, he said. But people who drink because they are depressed have a higher risk of becoming alcoholic.

In Bosnia, more people drink to escape, therefore more people become alcoholics, he added.

Either American teens tend to want to prove themselves. Perhaps they decide just because they're told they can't, he added. At college, he said, American students want to prove they can drink heavy and often because they perceive other students do it.

At any rate, American college students who succumb to this increase their tolerance level, a sign that alcoholism is on the horizon, he said. What starts as four drinks in a night might grow to eight or nine.

"You need to learn to control yourself," he said. Seth Clark, a 21-year-old mechanical engineering sophomore, said he doesn't think underage drinkers will become alcoholics.

"I think it takes a certain person to become an alcoholic," he said. "Just because you drink underage doesn't mean you're going to become an alcoholic."

Clark said he started drinking when he was 15 and he has an uncle who is alcoholic, but he said he doesn't think he'll become one.

"My definition of an alcoholic is someone who craves alcohol," said Clark, who said he doesn't drink as often as he used to. People who drink to escape problems are more at danger, he said.

Whether students are drinking to escape or to fit in socially, they need to ask themselves, "When is too much, too much?" Staten said.

The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism lists the following signs that someone has a drinking problem:

* They are unable to control their drinking; regardless of what they decide, they wind up drunk.
* They use alcohol to escape problems.
* They develop a change in personality.
* They develop a high tolerance and start to drink everyone else under the table.
* They black out and sometimes do not remember what happened while they were drinking.
* They have problems at work or in school as a result of drinking.
* Their family and friends show concern about their drinking.

Two kinds of alcohol problems exist: alcohol abuse and alcohol dependency, commonly called alcoholism, Staten said.

Alcohol dependency differs from abuse in that tolerance increases drastically over time and withdrawal symptoms occur, such as morning shakes, hallucinations and seizures.

Otherwise, dependency and abuse are similar, Staten said. Both interweave with daily life as they hurt health and social functions.

Also, withdrawal symptoms increase as alcoholics age. Fatigue, then sweating, restlessness, irritability, the shakes, muscle instability, hallucinations, seizures and delirium tremens (DTs) set in when a person stops drinking after any duration.

"Alcoholics who quit drinking can have seizures and die," he said.

Staten, however, said alcoholism isn't the only or the most urgent problem of underage drinking. Problems such as date-rape, violence, drunken driving and alcohol poisoning, which leads to lung failure, are predominant dangers to college students.

"I guess we've made it easy (to binge drink in college) — no big deal," she said. "But that's lent itself to the problems we're having today.

"Culturally, we've become comfortable with being drunk."
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Entertainment

Mardi Gras in Belgium has a special tang

By DOUG LANSKY
College Press Service

BINCHE, BELGIUM -- If you have enough plastic necklaces from Mardi Gras in New Orleans and are tired of Rio de Janeiro's nearly naked samba dancers, why not try something really wild next February and book a room for Mardi Gras in Belgium? Binche has been showering Mardi Gras crowds with oranges for the past 300 years, making it one of Europe's most famous (and vitamin-rich) festivals.

On my way to Binche (rhymes with ranch), 35 miles south of Brussels, last season, I hopped off the train in the German town of Cologne for some pre-Mardi Gras reveling. The Catholic center of northern Europe, Cologne has quite a large party of its own with ranch), 35 miles south of Brussels, last season, I hopped off the train in the German town of Cologne for some pre-Mardi Gras reveling. The Catholic center of northern Europe, Cologne has quite a large party of its own.

The good people of Binche start warming up for the event with two months leading up to the long Lenten Carnival weekend that ends on Mardi Gras, at which point they could be running amuck in Cologne, it costs nearly $2,000 to be a Gilles. All this, I was told, just to celebrate the arrival of the orange in Belgium from South America 400 years ago. I'd hate to think how they celebrate the arrival of beer.

While watching Les Gilles pass in the street, I met Gregory, who introduced me to his brother, his girlfriend, his brother's girlfriend, his parents and the parents of his girlfriend and his brother's girlfriend. They bought me several rounds of drinks, brought me home for lunch, toured me around the town's bars (where drummers would occasionally pass on their way to the toilet with marching sorties of Les Gilles, bought me more drinks, then brought me back home for dinner and insisted I spend the night -- more hospitality than I got from my own parents.

The problem was, with the exception of Gregory, I had forgotten their names and felt a bit silly asking, especially after I'd been fedding me all day. It took an amazing amount of skill to sustain conversation with these 10 people for an entire day without knowing their names.

In the afternoon, Les Gilles doffed their masks and strapped on 3-foot-tall ostrich-feather hats instead. They marched through town and tossed out oranges to the crowds lining the street -- between 100,000 and 300,000 oranges in all. It wasn't exactly raining oranges. Some marchers gently lobbed the fruit into the crowd and some threw it. You had to stay on your toes, or duck. If you lost concentration for even a moment, you'd probably catch an orange in the eye.

The interesting thing -- in fact the most amazing part of the festival -- was that everyone just held onto their oranges for "good luck." No one threw them back. I had 10 oranges in my pocket. I was dying to launch. I wondered what a crowd of New Yorkers might have done here: sold the oranges or simply let them fly? KNOW BEFORE YOU GO


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Students' spirits to feast at the UCF Fan Fair

By JEFF CASE
Staff Writer

The Eighth Annual Knights' Feast Fan Fair promises to be the best yet, said Darla Olive, coordinator of special projects at the UCF Alumni Relations Office.

"It is definitely much bigger and better than in years past," Olive said. "The Fan Fair is free and everyone is welcome to it. We'll have a giant slide, a moonwalk and there will be a cannon shooting out free T-shirts."

The Alumni Association is sponsoring the event and will have its first exposure in the local media.

SHE 100.3, WJRR 101.1 and AM's 540. The Team, will be broadcasting live from the event. More than 2,000 people are expected to attend.

This is an increase of more than 500 people from last year, Olive said.

Knights' Feast Fan Fair will begin at 1 p.m. on Nov. 15 at Tinker Field, which is located next to the Florida Citrus Bowl. It will feature Derek and the Slammers, a local cover band who have participated in each year of the fair's existence.

Tinker Field will also host the Campus Showcase, which will display UCF's five colleges' programs and recent developments.

Olive said the Alumni Association and corporate sponsors will also be on display. Visiting the displays will benefit participants, she added.

"Each college is represented in a tent and they'll be handing out free items," Olive said. "In the alumni tent, we are giving away some different items and we have some corporate sponsors who are coming out to give some things away as well."

The Hard Rock Cafe will enter the event.

"This year there will be two areas serving its food ticket holders versus the one area we had before," Olive said. "Also, they will be bringing their mini-Hard Rock Cafe, which is a replica of the cafe and has two windows for better service."

Two hundred food tickets have been sold in advance. The numbers are similar to last year's pre-sale numbers, Olive said.

Food tickets may be purchased either at the gate or in advance. Tickets are $8 for students and Alumni Association members. The tickets are free for lifetime Alumni Association members, $7 for children age 10 and under and $10 for others.

With the purchase of a food ticket, a person will receive a free CD from the Hard Rock Cafe. A pre-purchased food ticket will automatically enter a person in the prize drawing held at the end of Fan Fair, Olive said.

Drawing registration is also possible by displaying the UCF spirit card found in the Nov. 7 edition of The Orlando Sentinel.

"Everybody that has been given or has shown a spirit card has been given a spirit spotting card," Olive said. "Our volunteers in the Alumni Association will have spirit spotting cards on Nov. 7 and will start giving them out the entire Homecoming week. Whoever receives one of those cards will bring it to the alumni tent at the Knights' Feast Fan Fair and drop it in a bowl to be entered."

"We have a stack of spirit cards at the Alumni Association office. We will give a stack to the Student Government. The purpose of the spirit spotting promotion is to try to raise spirit in the community, but we definitely want students to show it as well."

Anyone who receives a spirit spotting card is eligible for the three prizes: a UCF watch, a UCF gift basket valued at $100 and three $75 UCF diploma frames.

Due to the large turnout expected, UCF students are asked to make minor changes to their plans, Olive said.

Students are being asked to take an alternative route, specifically Colonial Drive, to the stadium instead of the East-West Expressway due to expected congestion.

Tailgaters are advised to not bring kegs of beer because police will confiscate them.

Olive said the Alumni Association at (407) 823-2586.

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By COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

CHAPEL HILL, N.C.—Usually when students are stopped for alcohol breath tests, it's cause to worry.

That is not the case at the University of North Carolina this fall. There it's researchers, not police officers, who are conducting most of the tests.

Three teams of 26 researchers from UNC's Highway Safety Research Center are collecting information on campus drinking habits and testing students outside their dormitories, fraternity houses and sororities, and apartments.

The manager of the study, Rob Foss, said many times, student anecdotes are useless since students are naturally reluctant to express their impairment because they expect to act a certain way when drinking.

"This is an opportunity to learn better what is going on—to find out if it is better than we think or worse than we think," Foss told The Chronicle of Higher Education recently.

Federal and state grants totaling $200,000 are helping to support the research.

Study Finds Moms Do Have Favorites

TORONTO—If you suspect Mom likes one of your brothers or sisters better than you, you may be right.

A study found that 90 percent of mothers surveyed favored one child over others. Co-researcher Jill Suttor, a visiting sociology professor at the University of Toronto, told the Canadian Press news agency that most mothers admitted having a favorite child.

But the found Moms were reluctant to say so.

"You think of family violence and child sexual abuse as big secrets in families," Suttor said.

"But it's amazing to me how much more responsible people seem to be with talking about favoritism among their children," Suttor told the news agency.

The study also found that children who had lots of trouble with the law or alcohol or drugs were not their mothers' favorites.

"Those problems tend to reduce closeness," Suttor said.

The study surveyed 30 mothers aged 65 to 75 and their children in the Boston area.

Student Computer Wizards On-Call At Residence Halls

DAYTON, Ohio.—The computer tuner is jammed, and your paper is due in an hour. Or you can't call up the class notes you typed in at the student library because of incompatible software. You need help at their desk within a few hours, said Tom Skill, UD's assistant provost for academic affairs.

Skill describes the computer consultants as updated versions of the traditional resident assistant.

But for Rombach, it's just fun job. The junior accounting major says he doesn't have any plans to pursue computer consulting for a career.

"Here on campus I love being able to go to a house and socialize with the resident while I fix the problem. It's really fun." B.U. Players Protest Decision To Eliminate Football

STORRS, Conn.—When Boston University football players suited up for their game against the University of Connecticut, they wore plain white jerseys with black numerals and white socks. Adhesive tape covered the small B.U. logo near their left hip. The only scar let the Terriers wore was limited to their helmets.

To the players, shedding their school colors and team logo was their silent form of protest and symbolic what they felt they had become: Team X, a team without an identity.

The players' protest was in response to the university's Board of Trustees decision on Oct. 23 to drop its football program, effective at the end of the season. After 91 years, Boston University's last football game will be played Nov. 22.

BU administrators say the move was necessary in light of the high cost of the sport. Ed Carpenter, BU's director of sports information, said the football program was costing the university nearly $3 million a year but bringing in only $900,000 in revenues.

By dropping the football program, BU will increase spending on women's sports by $500,000 each year and will add 23 scholarships for varsity women's teams. However, Carpenter said the decision to eliminate football was not made solely to comply with Title IX, the federal law that prohibits sex discrimination at institutions that receive federal funds.

"Women's sports will benefit because of the reallocation of funds, but it's very important for people to realize that this is not a Title IX issue," Carpenter said.

Poor attendance at games by students and fans also contributed to the decision, he added.

For the players, who now call themselves the X-men, the decision was a painful blow to an already stressful season. Players on the team, which has yet to celebrate a victory this season, told The New York Times they feel betrayed and abandoned.

"It's so important to each and every one of us that it has become difficult to understand why this is happening," said Travis Raint, a BU junior.

Calling 911 is the best way to handle an emergency situation. Students may also want to intervene if a couple is having a loud argument but no one seems to be in immediate danger.

In that case, a student might approach the couple and cause a distraction, "even asking for directions to a residence hall," Rosen said. "It's an indirect way of intervening.

Students concerned that someone they know is in an abusive relationship can call the national hotline to get advice on how to help the person. Rosen said. The hotline can provide the student with information on the nearest shelter.

While MSU is the only university to offer an on-campus shelter for students who are in abusive relationships, a number of them—some studies suggest as many as one in four students—experience some type of relationship violence.

Rosen, from the MSU Safe Place, urges students who are in abusive relationships to call the National Domestic Violence Hotline, at 1-800-SAFE-HAVEN. Students who suspect a situation of relationship abuse should also seek help.

The woman was unharmed. A month earlier, a University of Michigan senior was stabbed to death outside her apartment by her live-in boyfriend. Police fatally shot the boyfriend when he refused to stop stabbing her.

The incidents have shocked the campus and prompted action. While students enjoy healthy dating relationships, a number of students say they have been involved in a shouting match or a physical altercation.

"There are a lot of them—some studies suggest as many as one in four students—experience some type of relationship violence," Rosen says.

SU Interests Students not sweating breath tests

By COLLEEN DE BAISE

College Press Service

EAST LANSING, Mich.—After a vicious attack on a Michigan State student, advocates for victims of relationship violence are urging students to intervene if they suspect abuse.

"If they hear of an incident going on—even yelling and screaming—call 911," said Holly Rosen, director of the Michigan State University Safe Place, the nation's only on-campus shelter for abused students.

The MSU student, Akiko Oyaizu, 22, is in stable condition and expected to recover after she was stabbed in the neck, hands and foot with a butcher knife Oct. 27.

The 19-year-old in the case, her 19-year-old boyfriend, Jirapat Praepetch, also is expected to recover after stabbing himself in the throat. MSU Police Capt. Tony Kleibecker said officers were sent to Oyaizu's on-campus apartment after she called 911 for help.

When the first officers arrived on the scene, they found her laying outside her apartment, he said. "She had been stabbed several times and was bleeding heavily.

Police were able to drag her out of the way and give her immediate medical help, Kleibecker said. "One of the arteries in her neck was severed," he said.

Praepetch, also an MSU student, threatened officers with a knife as they attempted to talk to him, police said. "The man stabbed himself in the throat, and then continued to walk about the apartment waving the knife. "Sometimes he would stick it back in his throat," he said.

Praepetch held the officers at bay for two hours until losing consciousness. He is charged with assault with intent to commit murder, Kleibecker said.

Police had been called to the apartment one other time in early October when the couple were involved in a shooting match.

The campus attack comes days after a jilted boyfriend pumped three bullets into his former girlfriend's new beau in a West Virginia University dormitory before turning the gun on himself.

The woman died but the victim is expected to recover. The woman was unharmed. A month earlier, a University of Michigan senior was stabbed to death outside her apartment by her live-in boyfriend. Police fatally shot the boyfriend when he refused to stop stabbing her.

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Clinton grilled by hispanics in L.A., Miami and Buenos Aires

By MAGGIE WELTER
College Press Service

LOS ANGELES--Young leaders on two continents grilled President Clinton Thursday about subjects ranging from education to drug trafficking.

Clinton, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, as part of his South American tour, took part in a televised town hall meeting with teens and twentysomethings called "Voices of the Future: Face to Face with President." For about 45 minutes, Clinton answered questions from a studio audience in Argentina and from mostly Hispanic audiences in Buenos Aires and Miami. The Miami and Los Angeles audiences communicated with the president via a two-way satellite link.

During the question-and-answer session, Clinton addressed a number of issues, from global trade to human rights in developing nations. But audience members seemed to be most concerned about the United States' plans for furthering technology and education in the Americas.

Clinton told audience members one of his main goals of his weeklong trip was to encourage South American leaders to help their citizens gain access to the Internet.

"One of the things I've been trying to do on this trip is to get all of the leaders of South America to work with me, especially Argentina and Brazil, to dramatically increase the technology available to students and then the use of the Internet," said Clinton.

While Clinton was greeted by applause by audience members at the session, hundreds of Argentine students outside protested. Police in downtown Buenos Aires arrested more than 200 people after a group of students stoned store windows, lit fires and burned the American flag in protest of Clinton's visit.

Also, although Clinton appeared before a hand-picked audience thousands of miles from Washington, he did not escape questions about the campaign fund-raising controversy dogging him at home. One moderator asked Clinton if there was "anything valid in any of those concerns." About the White House's fund-raising practices during the 1996 re-election campaign.

Clinton hastily replied, "No," then added, "It's true that I asked people to support me and it's true that from time to time I used my contacts, I think that's how democracy works."

Standing on a small blue carpeted stage, Clinton appeared comfortable as he spoke casually with microphone in hand.

The young leaders were chosen by Univision, the Spanish network that sponsored the meeting. A translator was on hand to facilitate the question-answer session, which was beamed to more than 500 million households in 33 countries in this hemisphere and Spain and Portugal.

John Phillips, a University of Southern California junior and member of the student senate there, said he liked what he heard about the president's plan to encourage technology development in South America.

"I think he's taking a good approach to improving relations with South America," said Phillips, who did not attend the event but caught Clinton's remarks on the news. "By extending technology into their countries, the people will become better educated about the need to cooperate in a global economy and be able to improve their own lives."

Drug use was another topic of concern in all three audiences. Clinton said the two key elements to lessening drug use were one, to convince people that drugs are deadly, and two, cutting off the supply.

"You must fight all the chain of supply, and you must change the whole psychology of demand," Clinton said.

To do that, South American governments must cooperate with the United States, Clinton said.

"What we have to emphasize is that our approach is partnership, whether it's Mexico, Columbia or any other country in the world," he said.

On the question of Puerto Rican statehood, Clinton also told audience members that its status should be decided by the people who live there.

"Whether a commonwealth, independence or statehood, it should be totally up to the people of Puerto Rico," he said.

Audience member Monica Santis, 22, of Los Angeles, says her mother is from Puerto Rico and was satisfied with the president's answer about statehood.

She added, however, she was less impressed with Clinton's comments about drugs.

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Looking for a job? Look no further.
Site can offer help when term papers stack up

By STEVE BARNES
Web editor

CYBERSPACE - Bloodshot eyes, incoherence and nervous twitching brought on by all-night binges that pollute the body with a cornucopia of stimulants. No, we’re not talking raves here - we’re talking term papers.

That’s right - term papers. With the holidays and term paper deadlines right around the corner, many of you will be pulling a series of all-nighters in which you will research and write those mammoth papers which were designed to occupy your thought process for months, not hours.

But what the heck, it’s always been in the past (if it ain’t broke - don’t fix it, I always say.) In any case, some of you may be in need of a little help. Fortunately, we have that wonderful tool - the Internet, to bail us out when the going gets tough.

Literally hundreds of “term paper warehouses” exist on the ‘net, all just dying to sell you a paper to assist you in your research.” Of course none of the papers offered on the ‘net are designed to be submitted as your own work. That would be plagiarism (grounds for expulsion.) Having said that, and knowing that no UCF student would ever be inclined to cheat in any case, let us move on to explore a couple of the more popular sites which provide this type of service.

School Sucks is a leading supplier of “model term papers,” which are available (free) via the Internet. The thousands of papers available come from students just like you (kinda scary huh?) from all over the country.

The papers are organized by category and cover just about any topic you could imagine; anthropology, history, politics - you name it, it’s here. To access this wealth of information, go to the home page at http://www.schoolsucks.com and click on the “thinner stats.” This link will take you to the listing of available papers.

All you have to do is click on a subject area and then browse through the papers listed. Once you find one you like, simply highlight it, click “copy” and then paste it into your word processing program. As I said, all of the papers at School Sucks are free and most of them are worth every penny. But seriously, the quality of the papers varies wildly from top-notch graduate level work to the kind of stuff more suited for lining the bottom of your bird’s cage. The point is, be selective.

Another good place to begin your search is TOP (Thousands of Papers) at http://www.termpapers-on-file.com/web/

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If you know of a web site which might interest your fellow students drop me a line at: news guy@usa.net and I will try to review it in a future article.
First woman to play college football
By MARCO BUSCAGLIA
College Press Service

SALEM, Ore.–Liz Heaston’s kick on Saturday was one for the record books.
It wasn’t that Heaston’s kick broke any conference records for distance or for points scored. But with her kick, she did become the first woman to play college football.
It’s a day the 20-year-old Williamette University student says she’ll never forget.
“I knew it was a big deal when I was out there but after the fact, it really started to sink in more and more,” Heaston said. “I think about all those people who’ve wanted to do this, and to be the first, well, that’s really special. I’m really proud I could be a part of it.”
Heaston says she figured she’d get noticed after kicking a couple of extra points Saturday during Williamette University’s 27-0 win over Linfield College.
Yet she says nothing prepared her for the media attention she’s received since the game.
“I knew there would be some people calling, asking questions, stuff like that,” Heaston said. “I just had no idea it would be like this – no idea at all.”
Despite Heaston’s moment of glory, she still has more important things on her mind.

Schedule will test Knights
From PAGE 24

ing only his third year of organized basketball and has reportedly made tremendous strides.
A Day will prove a stern test for UCF big men Bucky N’Diaye and Bucky N’Diaye. Scott White and Davin Cranberry. Their leading returning scorer, small forward Bryant Smith, will be pitted against either Mark Jones or Bucky N’Diaye, and should prove to be one of the game’s more intriguing matchups. The game itself is only the first of a number of marquee encounters highlighting the Knights’ ’97-’98 season.
After hosting Auburn, UCF plays its second consecutive SEC opponent when it travels to Gainesville to meet the Florida Gators. After hosting McNeese State and battling Bethune Cookman at the Daytona Beach Ocean Center, the Knights will welcome Toledo the UCF Arena on Nov. 29. The Rockets are one of the better teams in the MAC and boast a talented center Casey Shaw, who is a preseason player of the year candidate.
Following a trip to Winthrop and two home dates against Nova Southeastern and St. Thomas, UCF will take off to Milwaukee, Wis. on Dec. 23 to battle Marquette, arguably the toughest opponent on the Knights’ schedule. The game will also mark a return home for Jones, a Milwaukee native. The team’s final game against a non-SEC opponent will be on Dec. 30, as UCF closes out the year by rekindling its rivalry with South Florida.
“One of the main issues I had when I got here was our scheduling. I wanted to face the best,” said Jones. “That was one of the first things Coach Speraw and I talked about, and they’ve done a wonderful job with it. You only get better by playing the best, and I’m really happy with the schedule.”
With a renewed hope and a fighting chance to fill the UCF Arena for the opener, something the Knights hope is a recurring theme all season long.
“We need our fans behind us. They need to pack this place and serve as a sixth man,” said Jones. “You don’t understand how much of a difference that makes and how much it helps a team. Our fans need to come out and support us.”
The schedule should serve as a superb drawing card, and Auburn is first up.

“For me to get back to soc ­cer,” she said, “It was fun but I’ve got a job to do on the gridiron field. I think I’ve got a lot more needed over there.”

The day after her first taste of gridiron glory, Heaston was on the soccer field, playing a defensive role in Williamette’s 3-2 victory over Pacific Lutheran.
Heaston played a soccer game on Saturday, too. She arrived at the football game only after her soccer game, a 2-0 victory over Puget Sound, was finished.
“I just rushed over to the stadium, changed uniforms in my parents’ van along the way, and ran out on the sidelines,” Heaston said.
She waited only 30 minutes before being put in the game to kick the extra point after Williamette’s second touchdown.
“The crowd was going pretty crazy,” Heaston said. “It was exciting.”
Williamette coach Dan Hawkins caught out Heaston before the season began after his starting kicker was injured.
Heaston had been practicing with the team for three weeks before her debut. “I was just looking for the best person to help the team,” Hawkins said.
Heaston’s “This had nothing to do with publicity. This was about putting the best people on the field. Liz helped us do that.”

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Foreign players add experience to women's basketball team

By BRANT PATRICK PARSONS
Staff Writer

The next time you want to complain how cold Orlando is this winter, ask one of the three new players on the women's basketball team from Scandinavia how they feel about the weather.

"I talked to some of my friends and they said it's snowing over there, so it's pretty hot outside here," said Frida Stromqvist, a 5-11 forward from Lindingo, Sweden, which is a part of Scandinavia.

Having gotten a late start recruiting in the United States, coach Lynn Bria looked overseas to complete her roster.

"A lot of colleges are going overseas," Bria said. "We were very late on the American kids, they seem to make a decision (on their college) early, so I went overseas.

A contact directed her eyes towards Scandinavia and without seeing any of them play, Bria brought three young players to UCF.

Joining the team along with Stromqvist are Anu Mahlamaeki, a 5-11 forward from Espoo, Finland, and Vuokko Timola, a 5-9 guard from Lindingo, Finland.

All three played on their respective junior national teams and bring with them needed experience to a young team.

"It is almost like getting a junior college player with the experience they bring," Bria said. "We need players that can come in right away, and that's why we went over and got them.

Mahlamaeki should be the one to contribute the earliest. She may be the most versatile player on the team, being able to shoot the ball from the perimeter and also play the post inside.

"Anu is the kind of player that makes the other players around her better because she does so much to hurt the other team," Bria said.

She scored 11 points in 30 minutes during the, 70-67, exhibition loss to the Baltic All-Stars on Saturday night, but Bria said it will be thrilling to play NCAA basketball.

"It was exciting to come to the U.S. to play basketball," Stromqvist said. "I wanted to try something new, it was good timing. I miss (family and friends) them some days, other days I don't think about them, a lot is going on.

The three live together and that has helped them adjust. Despite some different basketball terminology, they have adjusted well on the court as well.

"They asked what hustle was, asked what hustle was, asked what hustle was," Ely said. "I think they have done really well.

Fellow freshman Kelli Ely believes they have adapted well.

"I think they have done really well," Ely said. "They have learned the offense really well, they've blended in."

So far the overseas experiment seems to be working out wonderful and Bria expects to continue to search overseas to find the type of players that can contribute to UCF.

It also doesn't hurt the weather in central Florida is a bit friendlier than the weather back home.

"The weather is a lot better," Mahlamaeki said. "Back home" it snowing and cold."
Baseball team staying sharp in fall practice

By KEN JACOBS
Staff Writer

The World Series may have recently ended, but to coach Jay Bergman and his Golden Knights baseball team, opening day is just 83 days away.

For now, fall practice gives returning players a chance to prove they are ready. We're developing chemistry quickly, and the TAAC. Junior college transfers and new college freshmen also get a chance to prove they belong and can become part of the supportive cast of a possible four-round championship.

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As for the teams those pitchers will try to shut down, the schedule looks typically difficult for the Knights. The season starts on Jan. 31 in Winter Park against the Rollins Taras. The following weekend UCF hosts Auburn, Clemson, and South Florida in the annual Olive Garden Classic. The Knights then head to Houston to face the Owls and Oklahoma Sooners at the Houston Invitational.

March brings the annual homestand. The Knights will enjoy 14 straight home dates, hosting series against Centenary, Western Illinois, and Northwestern before the start of conference play.

Women's golf finishes fourth in Deep South

From PAGE 24 and Pennsylvania (15-7, 15-3, 15-12). UCF has extended its win streak to 22 matches, winning all but four of those matches straight games.

Led by Kristin Svalheim's three-under-par 69, UCF shot the low round of the day on Nov. 4 and finished fourth at the Deep South Invitational in Laurel, Miss. UCF entered the final round in seventh place and moved to fourth with its eight-under-par 288.

Svalheim was the low round of the tournament. It earned him a fourth-place finish at four-under-par 220, as well as a spot on the all-tournament team. Jason Opal shot a final-round, two-under-par 72 and finished tied for 155th at 225.

Southeastern Louisiana won the tournament by one shot over host Southern Mississippi.

Linebacker out for sea­son with injury

Sophomore linebacker Deaubrey Devine had surgery Nov. 5 on his left shoulder and will miss the remainder of the season. He dislocated his shoulder for the first time this year in a scrimmage during camp and had trouble on and off throughout the first eight games. He sprained his should­er against Nebraska. Doctors expect his rehabilitation to last five to six months.

Culpepper named to Good Works team

Duante Culpepper, recipient of numerous accolades for what he has done on the field, was honored Nov. 4 for what he does off the field when he was named to the American Football Coaches Association Good Works Team for "balancing academics and athletics and going above and beyond in volunteerism and communi­ty service." Culpepper was one of 22 from Division I-A and 11 from other divisions, named to the team.

Culpepper is active in community service through Bright Knights, a UCF-based program designed to teach ele­mentary school children the importance of setting goals and getting an education. He has also worked with ESTEEM (Education, Sports and Talent Encouragement Equals Esteem for Men), a pro­gram centered around providing positive role models for disadvantaged children.
EMU quarterback putting up Culpepper-like numbers

The reason the Eagles may not have to stop Culpepper is the Knights’ defense. UCF allows almost as many yards (419) and points (36.7) as the Eagles. UCF’s defense allowed previously unheralded quarterbacks at Mississippi State and Northeast Louisiana to have career days. EMU, however, has an outstanding signal-caller in senior Charlie Batch. Batch is 223 of 391 for 3,023 yards, 23 touchdowns and 10 interceptions this season.

“The key to their offense is Charlie Batch,” coach Gene McDowell said. “Batch is an outstanding quarterback and he’s in his sixth year, so he’s soaked in their system forever. He’s as good a passer as we’ve played here ever.”

McDowell said fans should see plenty of fireworks in UCF’s homecoming game. “They’ve scored a lot of points this year and lost a lot of close games like we have,” McDowell said.

“This could be another shootout. It could be, but I don’t know if it will be. If Daunte has a hot hand and Batch has his hot hand, I don’t see how either team is going to keep the other from scoring points.”

Both teams’ defenses have faced harsh criticism for the large numbers of points and yards allowed, but the Eagles and Knights have taken different approaches to their problems. While EMU fired its coordinator in favor of Martinez, McDowell said he has proud of the players and the coaching staff.

“I think if the media and our fans will take a look at one thing: We’ve got one defensive starter signed to play a football game and he’s a redshirt freshman — defensive tackle Fred Harley,” McDowell said. “That should explain something to even the most inexperienced football fan. These guys, in my opinion, are doing a great job.”

Running backs Mike Grant (452 yards, 10 touchdowns) and Dwight Collins (268 yards, two touchdowns) will be facing one of the worst rushing defenses in I-A (109 out of 112 teams). UCF has allowed 255 yards, but McDowell said UCF will unlikely attack their weakness with our weakness.” The Knights average 123 yards on the ground. With UCF going to the air, the Knights are more than capable of moving the ball against EMU’s defense, Martinez said.

“As talented as [UCF] receivers are, and we’ve already faced Randy Moss at Marshall, I think as a core team they are as talented as Marshall’s,” he said.

“They have a lot of weapons, so we have got to see if we can get them out today. The only thing I’m telling (my players), they can see it. It is there and real. There are no weaknesses in their offense with [Culpepper] as talented as he is.”

Martinez said he’s looking forward to seeing some of his defensive players against Batch. “It’s good to go back and see all the kids you built relationships with,” Martinez said.

“You always have feelings toward the kids you coach, like the (cornerback) Reggie Doster, the Donnell Washington and the Kenton Washingtons. Obviously some kids from last year aren’t playing right now, but I have a lot of respect for those kids. We developed a relationship in two years. I believe in the closeness of those players along with the rest of the defense. I look forward to seeing them again.”

Reminder to all UCF Football Fans

For the next two football games at the Florida Citrus Bowl all public beer sales will be closed at the beginning of the 3rd quarter instead of at the end of the 3rd quarter.

This change is for the Nov. 15 game against Eastern Michigan and the Nov. 22 game against Toledo.

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Something old, something new form dynamic duo

By TONY MEJIA
Staff Writer

In the Sporting News College Basketball Annual, the team preview of UCF's men's team lists its weaknesses as follows: "UCF has had a problem jelling in the past few years."

Heading into this week's season opener against Auburn, the Knights are as cohesive as can be, especially with senior newcomer Mark Jones and junior Brad Traina forming a brand new dynamic duo.

Traina is UCF's leading returning scorer. He had been dominant in scrimmages last season on his way to a very productive season in which he averaged 10 points per contest and was one of the Knights' leading rebounders. With Harry Kennedy gone, Traina figured to be the go-to guy this season, except of course for the arrival of a certain transfer from Minnesota.

If their grand opening performance is any indication, the spotlight is big enough for them both.

In an exhibition victory over the St. Petersburg AAU, a team which defeated UCF rather handily in an exhibition game last year, Jones debuted brilliantly, scoring 28, while chalking up 13 rebounds and dishing out four assists. Traina put up 24 points, grabbed nine boards and piled up a team high five assists. The two combined to shoot 19 of 30 from the field and committed only a couple of turnovers in an otherwise sloppy game.

"It doesn't matter who gets things done. We go out there and play. He's a talented guy," said Jones of Traina. "I'm looking for us to give people problems out on the court all year."

Traina understands that Jones' arrival at UCF has sparked the Golden Knights and has made them better.

"He does so much out there, he's real good. He gets everyone involved and steps it up. Everything has been different with him here," said Traina. "Practices are more competitive and everyone looks to him to be a leader."

Jones, who had to sit out last season because of NCAA transfer guidelines, practiced with the team last year and was key in the development of the team's freshmen last year. With so much experience, Jones was almost like another coach out there. Despite not being able to play in games, the transfer from Minnesota took every loss just as hard.

"Last year was real hard for me," said Jones, reflecting painfully. "I'd never been part of a losing team, so it was a first for me. On top of that, seeing the guys out there playing so hard, and knowing that if I could only play, I could make a difference, it was frustrating to just be sitting there watching."

Versatility and cohesiveness could actually be the hidden strength of this year's Knights. Players like Mario Lovett, D'Quarius Stewart, and of course Traina and Jones give UCF the option to field a wide variation of lineups.

"I think you'll see us do some interesting things out there. Players may not be playing one specific position," said head coach Kirk Speraw. "We've got plenty of options on this squad. Where in the past you would see a rebounder immediately look to outlet to the pointguard to start the offense, it won't be rare to see the rebounder bring the ball up the court himself. We're going to encourage that because we've got guys with those capabilities."

Jones and Traina will put many of their capabilities on display this season, with their teamwork ranking foremost on that list. Share and score alike — it's a pleasant thought.
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The best way to end a big football season is to do a little slammin’!
Women's soccer ends season in defeat

By KEN JACKSON
Staff Writer

For the first time in Karen Richter's UCF coaching history, the women's soccer team returned from the TAAC tournament without the championship trophy.

Tournament host Georgia State will go on to play the Conference USA champion on Tuesday after defeating UCF 2-0 on Nov. 8.

Richter said the game was a tough finish for a mentally and physically difficult roller-coaster season.

"We both had chances to finish," she said. "We didn't and they (GSU) did, and I am really proud of the season.

"When you have an up and down season like we did, it gets mentally tough at the end. We played a tough schedule and hoped it would prepare us for this tournament. But we had trouble finishing all weekend.

Showing the lack of offense that plagued the team at times this year, the Knights won their semi-final game without scoring in regulation. They played 120 scoreless minutes against Florida International before winning 4-3 on penalty kicks.

Auburn enters the Dungeon for UCF's debut

By TONY MEJIA
Staff Writer

Continuing the trend of playing big name opponents and gaining national notoriety, the UCF men's basketball team welcomes Auburn to "the Dungeon" for its season opener on Nov. 14. The opener gives UCF an opportunity to kick its season off at home against a big-name rival.

The Tigers are picked to finish fourth in the SEC West in the SEC's coaches poll. They return only one starter, power forward Franklin Williams, from last year's 16-15 squad. This year, Auburn will look to Williams, and the sophomore backcourt combination of Doc Robinson and Daymeon Fishback to get them off to a good start.

"Certainly, they are a talented team who will get after it, and are well coached," said UCF head coach Kirk Speraw. "We have to execute and play good defense in the men's basketball game against a team who will get after it, and are well coached."

Quarterback Daunte Culpepper needs 376 passing yards for 3,000 this season.

By DEREK GONSOULIN
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Former UCF defensive coordinator Willie Martinez remembers coaching against quarterback Daunte Culpepper in practice the previous two seasons. Now that Martinez is the defensive coordinator for Eastern Michigan, the thought of facing Culpepper when the game counts is not the welcome back he would like.

"So is Daunte Culpepper going to play?" Martinez said with a laugh.

"Cripes, man. Is there any way he can't play?" Martinez said there is little he can tell his players about Culpepper that they have not already seen in highlight shows. Through nine games, Culpepper is 199 of 327 for 2,624 yards and 23 touchdowns, which are career highs. He ranks fourth in the nation in total offense with an average of 330.2 yards and has rushed for four touchdowns.

Having taken over an EMU defense that ranks in the bottom 20 among Division I-A schools in total defense (averaging 476 yards) and points allowed (32.5 points a game) at midseason, Martinez knows the question may not be stopping UCF's defense but slowing it down.

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Men's soccer players earn all-conference

For the second consecutive year University of Central Florida men's soccer player Heikki Riikilahti has been named to the Trans America Athletic Conference first team. Sophomore Arno Nurmisto earned second team all-conference while junior Riku Riikilahti, sophomore Sami Teittinen, and senior Neil Thompson were awarded third team All-Conference honors.

Riikilahti, a sophomore forward, has amassed 36 total points and 47 goals in the two seasons he has played as a Golden Knight. He was named Trans America Athletic Conference Player of the Week (Oct. 21) after scoring eight times and assisting on one goal over three games and he is currently ranked 19th in the nation in goals scored (23). An ankle injury kept him from playing the final two games of the season, preventing him from the opportunity to score the two goals he needed to break the school record he set for goals in a season last year (24 goals). He finished the season with 47 total points, 23 goals and one assist.

So far, Riikilahti has six hat tricks in his career and has led UCF to its first national rankings under head coach Bob Winch. The Golden Knights were ranked as high as 13th in the nation by Soccer America this year. Riikilahti was named the TAAC Player-of-the-Week three times as a freshman and was the only freshman named to the Trans America Athletic Conference First Team for both of his two seasons at UCF. He played in 21 games and scored 23 goals, helping the Knights to the second most goals scored in TAAC history.

Riikilahti finished 1996 with 13 goals and four assists for all 30 points, second most on the squad. He also had three game-winning goals this year. Last season Nurmisto scored seven goals and assisted on eight for a total of 22 points as a freshman.

Riikilahti has twice been named All-Academic by the Trans America Athletic Conference and last season he was named All-Trans America Athletic Conference Hocoalor Mention. A defender, Riikilahti has scored twice and assisted on five goals in his career. Named to the 1996 TAAC All-Tournament Team, Riikilahti has served as the Golden Knights' captain the last two seasons.

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Volleyball wins 22nd-straight, now 24-1

The volleyball team (24-1/6-0 Trans America Athletic Conference) heads to Tulsa, Okla. Nov. 13 to play in the Oral Roberts University Showdown Classic. The Knights will take on host ORU Nov. 14 and Arkansas-Little Rock Nov. 15. UCF won all five matches it played last week in New York. Nov. 6 the Knights beat Hofstra (15-5, 15-9, 15-2) and at the Army Invitational over the weekend, they swept Army (15-1, 15-2, 15-4), Yale (15-4, 15-5, 15-12), Columbia (15-6, 15-6, 15-10).

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Photo by MIKE MARSHALL

Coach Karen Richter, center, did not win the TAAC tournament for the first time in four years.

Junior Kim Shrum drove home the winning shot on UCF's fifth attempt.

In the championship game, GSU scored once in each half against a UCF team missing a couple of weapons.

Senior Karen Plizga went down early in the FIU game with a knee injury and did not play in the final. The team's only other seniors, forward Sara Kane, had finger surgery three days before the tournament and played with a large bandage on her hand. In the final, freshman midfielder Claire Kohake was also lost to injury.

"It hurt a lot having one senior on the team and Karen had been playing so well," Richter said. "The lack of senior leadership was definitely a factor. A lot of our young kids learned to play at this level the hard way."

Richter had to start two or three freshmen each time out, but despite the youth Richter felt they the team had had the potential for a fifth straight conference championship.

"We had a lot of potential, but we struggled offensively all year," she said. "Danya [Harris] took on the role of scorer after Amy [Jones, last year's leading scorer] left and was our one constant on offense."

Richter said she will start recruiting for next year's team, immediate­ly, as now she has to try take the TAAC title from somebody else for a change.