Technology helps people see the person behind a disease

By NATALIE NATALE
Staff Writer

Senior Jessica Mesker has a pen pal. A course at UCF and the Internet brought them together but they have become closer because of a deadly disease.

"Her own daughter doesn’t even know she has HIV," Mesker said. "She found out she was infected 11 years ago when her husband became sick and checked into the hospital.

"He died 13 days later of AIDS. They were married for 76 days and she was seven-months pregnant when he died."

Mesker is enrolled in ISC 3901, HIV Disease: A Human Concern, a course dedicated to educating students about the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS).

This undergraduate course in cardiopulmonary sciences covers topics such as epidemiology, substance abuse, ethical issues, immunology, transmission, sexuality, symptoms and statistics of this disease.

As of 1997, there were 62,200 reported cases of AIDS in Florida.

The virus begins with infection and passes through the asymptomatic stage, the symptomatic stage and then develops into AIDS. It attacks and breaks down the body’s immune system leaving the body vulnerable to serious, often deadly infections.

Professor Sharon Douglass began the course in 1985 with 12 women registered for the class. Enrollement has since grown.

Econlockhatchee gets cleaned by the Environmental Society

By LORI CARTER
Staff Writer

David E. Hernandez, College of Education, died of pneumonia on March 12. Dr. Rosie Webb-Joels, chapter faculty member, has been the president of United Faculty of Florida (FTU) spoke highly of her friend.

"He was a gentle man who had little tolerance for incompetence, laziness and duplicity (trying to cover things up)," Webb-Joels said.

According to Webb-Joels, Hernandez wore many hats at UCF.

He was a charter-chair faculty member, FTU first chair, FTU faculty Senate member for 30 years and helped the staff and employees with questions about the benefits that were available to them.

"He was always very adament in expressing his views, sometimes for a sake of an argument or discussion," Webb-Joels said. "He would play devil's advocate. Most of the time he always knew where you stood on an issue. You may not like it, but he was always very adament in expressing his views, sometimes for a sake of an argument or discussion." Webb-Joels said. "He would play devil's advocate. Most of the time he always knew where you stood on an issue. You may not like it, but he was always very adament in expressing his views, sometimes for a sake of an argument or discussion."

By JAMES COMBS
Staff Writer

Five UCF students are hoping a three-week project will help clean the underground water at Kennedy Space Center's Launch Complex 34.

The project, which was completed in March, may serve as a means to eliminate water pollutants.

During the moon exploration of the 1960s, NASA used trichloroethene (TCE) to clean its Saturn rockets. The TCE was dumped into the ground and worked its way into the grand-daughter. It degraded slowly and caused contamination.

Three years ago, NASA called administrators at the College of Engineering and asked them to use a new technology to clean the water; said Debra Reinhart, associate dean of the College of Engineering.

The project involved driving a hollow pipe 40 feet deep into the ground and filling it with iron filings.

The process involves removing the pipes and leaving the filings. The ground is churned with a powerful auger to get an even mix of filings and dirt.

This creates a four-feet thick permeable wall for the contaminated water to flow through. The TCE reacts with the iron filings, thus cleaning the water. Eventually, the iron filings get coated with corrosion products causing the reaction to slow down. To eliminate this problem, the students used ultrasound to knock off the corrosion products and restore the reaction.

"It is just like using ultrasound to clean jewelry except we had to stick it in the ground," Reinhart said.

To get the ultrasound in the ground.

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Engineering students help NASA clean its ground water
Cars aimed at college students and their wallets

By OLIVIA K. CURNOW
Managing Editor

SEOUL.—If you’re in the market for a new car, you may want to wait until the summer. That’s when you have the opportunity to drive a car free for six months.

Daewoo Corp., a Korea-based industry that manufactures automobiles, ships, tankers and televisions, is releasing a new line of cars into the United States in August. The three cars, Lanos, Nubira and Leganza, are aimed at the college market, according to Daewoo Chairman Kim Woo-Chong.

Because the company will not advertise through traditional means of television and newspapers, they have developed the “Ride and Buy” program. Through this program, interested buyers can apply for the short or long term test drives. Criteria include a driver’s license and no history of DUIs or other serious traffic violations.

The test drives will give prospective consumers the opportunity to drive one of the cars free of charge, with the insurance provided by Daewoo. One thousand cars will be available for the program. The short term will last one week and the longterm test drive lasts six months. The drivers are expected to report on others’ opinions of the cars every week, thus enhancing their word-of-mouth ad campaign.

“We want to invite people to test drive our cars,” said J.C. Park, one of four regional managers in the U.S. “We want to let them understand that there are cars at an affordable price.”

Park realizes the problems that may become associated with the program. Either Daewoo must set stricter guidelines for eligibility or provide more cars for the program.

“There must be misuse of opportunity, we expect that,” he said. “But, we have to take that risk. I think after a couple of tries, most people will appreciate the opportunities.”

The Daewoo stores will open in Los Angeles, Atlanta, Chicago and New Jersey, then expand to major Florida cities, such as Miami, Tampa and Orlando.

LANOS

My first test drive was the Lanos, the smallest car in the lineup. With an appearance similar to the Honda Civic Hatchback or the Geo Metro, the exterior of the Lanos was, for lack of a better word, “fun and sporty.” However, the interior left much to be desired. The patches of lime-green, mauve and gray design was unsettling on the eye. I thought it was too flashy for my tastes, and nearly everyone I spoke to agreed.

The drive was a good one, though. The Lanos doesn’t have much pick-up, but it’s pretty easy to maneuver. Because of its size, though, I was more than careful behind as you put your car in reverse.

“I liked the Lanos the best,” said Rick Wong, a student at University of California—Los Angeles. “It’s a fun car. It’s cute. When I drove it, I felt like I could really get around and go crazy driving.”

The Lanos is expected to sell for $10,000 to $12,000.

NUBIRA

The Nubira was, I must admit, my absolute favorite. Reminding me of the Ford Escort or the Toyota Tercel, it was the easiest of the three to drive. It had speedy pick-up, and when making quick turns, I didn’t feel like I was going to get thrown to the other side of the car.

Unfortunately, the interior did not suit my tastes once again, but was much tamer than the Lanos. Both the front and back seats were very roomy and comfortable.

“It had decent power,” said Devin Kirschbaum, a graduating senior at California State University. “I noticed the European suspension is a lot stiffer than American suspension. The interior was kind of boring, there was nothing special about the interior, the instrument panel was run-of-the-mill.”

The Nubira is expected to sell for $14,000 to $16,000.

LEGANZA

The Leganza was classy. It resembles the Toyota Camry or the Honda Accord. The leather, roomy interior was the most comfortable in the lineup. The ride was smooth and stable, not as jolted or quick as the other cars.

“I love the Leganza,” said Grace Jang, a student at University of California—San Diego. “I would definitely buy it, if I had enough money. Due to financial reasons, though, I would probably opt for one of the other cars first, then buy the Leganza once I get into my career.”

2.0 liter engine, 134 hp.

The Leganza is expected to sell for $17,000 to $20,000.

Despite the heavy competition in the automobile industry, Daewoo expects to be one of the top ten automakers in the world by the turn of the century.

“We understand our position, we are newcomers, and we have to start from the bottom,” Park said. “We are challenging to establish a status quo. This will bring a sound and healthy competition to the market. After Daewoo, we cannot see any other manufacturer in the world big enough to enter (the U.S.) market.”

Olivia Curnow was one of eight college students from the U.S. invited to preview the new Daewoo line in Korea.

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Grants given to develop preventive drugs

By GWEN R. RHODES
Staff Writer

The UCF Center for Diagnostics and Drug Development (CD3) has awarded its first grants to six faculty researchers in their efforts to develop new drugs and new testing procedures for life-threatening diseases.

The grant recipients represent UCF's chemistry, microbiology and molecular biology departments: Dr. Saleh Naser, Dr. Otto Phanstiel, Dr. Karl Chai, Dr. Ratna Chakrabarti, Dr. Cristina Fernandez-Valle and Dr. Harry Price.

"We have three goals in mind for CD3," said Dr. Howard Miles, CD3 co-director. "We want to improve the education and training of our students, to set up and demonstrate that our faculty researchers might otherwise be off. The CD3's purpose to help Central Floridians in particular was decided based on two major factors. The first factor is Florida's large and growing retirement population. Since the incidence of cancer is known to increase with age, an increasing number of Floridians are at risk of being diagnosed with cancer. In fact, 5,000 new cancer patients receive treatment each year in the Orlando area.

The second factor is due to Florida's position as a primary entry point for new immigrants which contributes to an increasing incidence of tropical and other infectious diseases, according to Miles. The research underway at UCF will open the way for commercial development of new drug treatments.

"Our research will go a lot further than CD3," said Price, who holds a doctorate degree in chemistry. "Price is working on the development of fluorescence-based assays for the detection of inhibitors of DNA-directed enzymes. His project will speed the screening of potential drugs by working on methods that would allow more efficient detection of substances which inhibit the growth of pathogenic organisms and cancerous cells. Price said he has been working on the concept for more than two years.

"This grant means that I am now provided with the funds that I need to start these experiments," Price said. "It will allow me to support a student to perform supervised research so that we can get this project past its initial phases. "We will be able to actually set up and demonstrate that our new design does work." Naser is working on a project which involves looking in tropical plants for drugs which are active against the germs associated with tuberculosis. These pathogens are increasingly resistant to existing drugs and there is a constant need for new drugs to replace them.

"We have just finished producing the first four drug candidates and are evaluating their ability to accomplish their task," Phanstiel said.

"According to Miles, the growth of CD3 will also improve the education and training of UCF students by enhancing current graduate programs and creating new doctorate programs. "It will also give our students more opportunities for internships and for getting jobs in the area after graduation," Miles said.

With the formation of the center, UCF hopes to become closer to its goal of Research I university status.

Research 1 is the highest rating in the country and is determined by the number of federal research dollars a university generates and the number of doctoral level programs it offers.

The UCF center is unique in the nation by including diagnostic and drug development in an academic setting.

The only other institute, which is somewhat similar in regard to identifying pharmaceutical leads, is located in the school of pharmacy at the University of Mississippi.

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Students use internet, e-mail to communicate

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climbed to include 210 male and female students.

"My goal as a teacher has always been to make a difference in student's lives," Douglass said. "I always hope for positive changes."

In 1981, Douglass became intrigued by the disease, which suppresses the immune system, after reading an article about HIV from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

In 1988, Florida passed the AIDS Omnibus Act. Douglass was driven by the act to spend 15 hours each day giving HIV presentations to health professionals.

UCF's universal Internet and email access have been incorporated into her course. Students are now given the option of developing an educational program about the prevention HIV or receiving an HIV-positive Internet pen pal.

Students who choose to have an Internet pen pal are required to interact with the Friend at least twice a week via email, direct instant message or chat rooms.

Has spoken to her pen pal over the telephone but feels most comfortable communicating with her on the Internet. Mesker's asymptomatic pen-pal goes by the pseudonym "Jersey Girl."

She has not disclosed her HIV status with anyone except for Mesker and her immediate family. This full-time secretary takes daily medication for HIV.

Another HIV-positive pen pal, "Philtraum," believes the pen pal experience accentuates the suffering of people being behind the disease.

"My pen pal and I began communicating with tentative politeness, but that was quickly replaced by a genuine and mutual enjoyment in getting to know one another," Philtraum said. "We are frank with each other. I didn't pull any punches on her about my heroin addiction, and she gave me a glimpse into the relative risks and dangers in her life."

Junior Kim Benjamin and sophomore Andrey Willett opted to develop traditional educational programs. Benjamin and Willett have created a calendar filled with pictures, statistics, events and poems about AIDS.

Douglass encourages freshmen to register for the course.

"This class opened my eyes to the critical disease that is affecting my generation," said senior Amy Naylor.

Volunteers get involved, made a difference

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Econlockhatchee watershed.

"The fact that the UCF campus is located in the Econlockhatchee watershed tells us that the health of this river depends upon our every day activities," Ahrens said.

The society has been working with the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD), the Little/Big Econlockhatchee State Forest, Watershed Action Volunteers (WAY) and Hidden River Park to improve the river's health.

For the St. Johns' River Celebration, the society and volunteers cleaned the Econlockhatchee from Highway 50 to the Lake Picket Bridge. The celebration continued at Blanchard Park following the cleanup. Awards were given for the two projects of the most piece of garbage collected.

Prizes were awarded to participants and the title of Nearest Trash was awarded to the "taken out," a battery free flotation device.

The x-rated video did not get brought out for the awards ceremony due to the number of children present, Purser said.

Bill Graf, SJRWMD, expressed his amazement at the accomplishments of the volunteers.

More than 380 Orange County volunteers picked up about 12,100 pounds of garbage. The Environmental Society and volunteers collected 5,500 pounds of trash.

The society volunteers constituted one-sixth of the total volunteers and made a significant contribution to the overall effort to improve the river's health.

"That really bumped our levels in the river," Graf said.

"That definitely says a lot about their genuine concern for the task at hand."

Due to a paperwork error, much of the collected trash was not hauled away so many of the volunteers used their vehicles to carry the trash to a dump.

"They definitely went above and beyond," Graf said.

The society's motto is "Get Involved. Make a Difference."

Upcoming society activities include summer officer elections and a camping trip after the spring semester ends.

The camping trip could take place at Ocala National Forest or Wekiva Springs.

On April 15, Earth Day, the society will have a display promoting campus-wide recycling. In addition, Dr. Henry O. Whitter, director of the UCF Arboretum, will guide tours of the arboretum.

Ahrens said there are about 30 members in the society, mostly biology majors, but the group is not exclusive.

There are even journalism and anthropology majors, Ahrens said. He said the society is looking for diversity in the upcoming elections.

"We're looking for some fresh ideas," Ahrens said.

An important aspect of the society is the spirit of volunteerism.

"Students at UCF can affect the Econlockhatchee watershed in a positive way," Ahrens said. "By volunteering, you can make an important contribution to the overall effort to better understand and protect UCF's watershed. Your watered.

For more information about attending a meeting of the Environmental Society, send an email to ucfenv@pegasus.cc.ucf.edu or visit its homepage at http://pegasus.cc.ucf.edu/ucfenv/
Students enter new generation in new building

By KATHERINE MARTIN
Staff Writer

UCF recognizes the need for more classroom space and feels the pressure to keep up with the latest technology. The new general classroom building is an attempt to meet those needs.

"The administration has committed UCF to being one of the top technology schools in the nation," said project manager Tom Woodruff. "The lecture halls are similar to the main auditorium in the Computer Sciences Building, except the new auditoriums are an advancement upon it. We are trying to use the latest technology and systems with this building."

Woodruff said construction will begin in July. The classroom building will be three stories high with computer rooms, classrooms, two large-capacity lecture halls, anatomy labs and docking stations in the hallway where students can plug in a laptop computer. The project's cost is estimated at $9.5 million and will be funded by the state.

According to junior Shannon Taylor, UCF has docking stations in the main computer lab. "I think it's pointless to have more docking stations," Taylor said. "Not many students use them now and they are planning to build more. It's pointless to build something we've already got."

The auditorium along with several classrooms will be equipped with the capabilities of distance learning, where several classrooms can link together and learn from one instructor and each other.

"There are monitors facing the students and the instructors," Woodruff said. "At the same time the instructor is teaching to students here on campus, they are teaching to more students at the Brevard, Daytona Beach and downtown Orlando campuses.

"If someone in a remote location asks a question then a seminar is activated and the instructor can talk with that student one-to-one," Woodruff said.

"The students love it," Woodruff said. "They don't have to drive 60 or 70 miles each way to go to school."

For some students this is an advantage over other schools but others have their doubts. "I wonder how effective it is for the students," said professor Trenton Holloway. "It's harder for the students to come see you during office hours."

"We should definitely make use of distance learning technology," said graduate student Avaida Ciment. "Personally, I like the classroom format better, but it should be available to serve a particular type of student."

The classrooms will also have the capability of digitized presentations. Holloway said the building and existing auditorium need to have the capability for traditional slide presentations.

"They expect everything to be in a digitized format," Holloway said. "I have hundreds of slides and it would take a long time to digitize them all. They don't need to do away with all the media at the expense of another."

Woodruff said many classrooms are already equipped with this technology, but UCF eventually plans to take this concept further.

"Down the road, every student will have a laptop issued to them," Woodruff said. "[The students] will purchase the laptop and turn it in at the end of the year, much like a book at the bookstore."

The classes will ultimately be broadcast on a frequency that will only be received by a computer with an ID chip. If the student is within range of the frequency, then they could take their classes on the laptop.

"By making this technology available for all of the students, then everybody has the same level of technology," Woodruff said. "Everybody has an equal chance, not just the student who has money. Then the only limits are what you put upon yourself."

The general classroom building will be located next to the satellite utility plant and diagonally across from the Communication Building. It is anticipated to be ready for students in the fall of 1999.

Senate puts differences aside, gets down to business

By JOHN TURNER
Staff Writer

Unlike previous weeks, the Senate meeting on Friday was smooth. As a result, senators were able to focus on issues that affect the student body.

Funding bills for several clubs and organizations were passed with $6,612 allocated.

Siegel, chair of the organization, appropriation, and finance committee (OAF), officially introduced the 1998-1999 activity and service budget.

He was asked many questions about the process the proposed budget must undertake before it is sent to the administration for final approval.

Siegel said any senator seeking to add more moneys to a particular program proposed in the budget would have to be taken out from another agency's request.

Siegel also said the "consequence of doing this is not pretty and will face the wrath of the particular club or agency you cut money from."

Sen. Chris Day noted a particular organization received a 300 percent increase, which would benefit the student body in a positive manner.

"Student government has been working hard to fund noteworthy clubs and agencies all year, such as Volunteer UCF, whose funding on the proposed budget has increased to 300 percent," Day said. "This is because the organization is a great reflection of the students that go to this university."

Siegel said there are 53 other clubs and organizations that made finding requests from the $50,000 in the Senate working fund. These clubs and organizations will be contacted sometime within a couple of weeks for an appearance before the OAF committee.

"Scott Ambrose, a spectator at the meeting, said the meeting went smoother than usual. "I am impressed by the change from the book to another," Ambrose said."

"The Senate was run with professionalism and maturity. This is what I expect in the leaders I vote for in the office they serve," Sen. Jamie Halson said he was proud to be a senator.

"This is the Senate that I have always wanted to be a part of," Halson said. "I would prefer if the student body president would send as memos addressed publicly rather than hear him cause a ruckus, which disrupts the normal flow of business in this legislative body."

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**Someone removes lion’s nose with a sledgehammer**

By ANNEMARIE MONTALI
Staff Writer

Michael Brantley, 22, reported the lion statue belonging to Sigma Alpha Epsilon was damaged on the nose and right eye.

None of the members of the fraternity knew who could be responsible. The damage appears to have been done with a sledgehammer.

The value of the statue is $3,000.

In other reports from the UCFPD:

- Timothy Frederic, 20, was arrested for possession of alcohol under the age of 21 and possession of an altered Florida driver’s license. Police observed Frederic standing next to his vehicle behind the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house.

- After approaching him, officers noticed Frederic to have blood shot eyes and to be unsteady on his feet. Two 12 packs of beer were found in his car.

- Matt Haasman, 23, reported that somebody broke into his vehicle sometime between 8:45 p.m. and 2:15 p.m. on April 1. Haasman’s radio was damaged but nothing was taken.

- Fingerprint were taken from the scene, but there are no suspects at this time.

- While on patrol in the parking garage, police noticed a fire extinguisher had been removed from the wall and was lying on the ground.

- After further investigation, police found the extinguisher had been discharged along with several others on the fourth floor. The physical plant has been notified to replace the broken fire extinguishers.

- Todd Taylor, 19, reported a theft from his room in Polk Hall.

Taylor reported that sometime between 5:45 p.m. and 6 p.m. on March 25 somebody entered his unlocked room and removed several items.

Among the missing items are three Sony PlayStation CD games. There was no signs of forced entry. Fingerprints were taken from the room. One of the missing games is valued at $40.

Taylor is willing to prosecute.

- Jeffrey Zinnert, 19, reported that sometime between 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on March 31, someone removed three credit cards from his wallet. Zinnert’s wallet was in an unsecured locker in Building 39 on campus. Zinnert attempted to cancel his credit cards but was told someone charged $290 on his Visa card.

- Terry Langford, 50, reported two area floodlights were taken from outside one of the trailers near the Wellness Center.

The floodlights were last seen on March 16 at about 7:30 a.m. Officials at the Wellness Center are willing to prosecute.

- Stephen Olender, 20, reported to police that his vehicle had been damaged while parked on campus.

Olender parked his car at about 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 24. When he returned an hour later, he noticed his driver’s side door had been dented. The damage appeared to have been done by a stone. The damage is estimated at about $500. Olender is willing to prosecute.

**Sororities collect derbies to aid hospital**

By DAWN MYERS
Staff Writer

– Sigma Chi will begin its annual philanthropy on April 15. Derby Days is a week-long event with games and activities.

– Sororities compete and earn points for collecting toys that will be donated to theArnold Palmer Hospital for children and women.

– Throughout the week, the fraternity members will be wearing derbies.

– The sorority that collects the most derbies will be awarded additional points. In addition, there will be a clue hunt for the Golden Derby.

– The Student Wellness Advocate Team (SWAT) is holding its annual 5K run at Greek Park.

– People can register in advance for $4 or on April 17, which is the day of the race ($5).

UCF students can register for free. T-shirts will be given to the first 250 people and prizes will be awarded to the team with the most spirit.

– The Greek VIP breakfast will be held on April 9 in the University Dining Room. Presidents from each fraternity and sorority, along with campus administrators and directors, have been invited.

– The first Greek Senior Seminar will be held in the Student Union on April 14.

– There will be speakers to help with resume building, networking for a job and informing students on being active as an alumni. The seminar will begin at 7 p.m.

**Education alumni chapter golf tournament set**

The UCF College of Education Alumni Chapter will hold its annual scholarship golf tournament on April 17 at Ekana Golf Club.

All proceeds benefit scholarships for UCF students pursuing a career in education.

In addition to golf, participants receive free use of the driving range, goodie bag, lunch, beverages on the course, barbecue dinner and are eligible for awards.

Cost is $60 for students and $75 for all others. Cost is $12 for anyone who wishes to eat dinner only. Hole sponsorships are also available.

The four-player, shotgun scramble event begins at 1 p.m. Registration start at noon. For information, call UCF-ALUM.

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Hernandez did what needed to be done

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you knew.

Gary Orwig, interim chair of the College of Education, said Hernandez was very willing to teach large sections of courses with no help.

"He contributed very freely to the administration of the College of Education," Orwig said.

"Every time there was something that needed to be done he was more than willing to do it."

Kim Hilsenroth, a student of Hernandez’s, enjoyed taking his classes.

"He was a really good teacher," Hilsenroth said.

"His class was very enjoyable and he was really upbeat."

According to Hilsenroth, the class used to conduct court cases and he would come into class with a judge’s gown on and play the part to a tee.

Webb-Joels said Hernandez was thoughtful and helpful to the students, but he did not give away A’s. Students had to earn them.

Hernandez loved Scotland and the Lake District of Northwest England, a place he visited frequently. Webb-Joels said, "His favorite color was plaid and he did not know his left from right."

"If he was your friend, there wasn’t anything he wouldn’t do for you," Webb-Joels said. "I will miss him very, very much."

Memorial Contributions can be made to The Carter Center, One Copenhill, 453 Freedom Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30307. Attn: Gayle Becker.

The contributions should indicate that they are given in memory of Hernandez and are to be used for research of mental illness.


Computer models, ultrasound aided in research

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ground, the students dug four-inch wells in the middle of the permeable wall. They inserted a probe that permits the ultrasound waves to reach the ground.

The ultrasound saved the students’ time and money from having to pump the ground water out and treat it above ground every five years. Reinhart said the construction for the project cost more than $200,000.

The students have been researching the project for three years using laboratory experiments. They recreated the ground water in columns and filled it with dirt and iron. They took the contaminated water from the site and pumped it up the column to see if the contaminant was gone.

Manoj B. Chopra, associate professor of the College of Engineering, said the students used a computer model to get a visual image of how the project would look. Before the students looked at the computer model, they had the columns separated.

"When we analyzed this we found out it wouldn’t be safe," Chopra said. "We learned that there was a chance that water would go between those two columns so we joined the columns together. The computer model told us a lot of good things."

Ultrasound has never been used to clean ground water, Reinhart said. UCF has a patent on this method.

Student Marc Cannata was responsible for figuring out how the ultrasound would be used in the ground.

"We had to set up tests to measure its effectiveness in soil," Cannata said. "That was the hardest part because it had never been done, and we had no guidelines to go upon. We were breaking new ground!"

Cannata liked that everyone worked as a team on the project.

"All of our work came together as one," Cannata said. "We all enjoyed the field experience and that was something you couldn’t learn in the classroom."

Student Stephen Burwinkel had to get the purchase orders ready for the project.

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LEAD STORIES

• In January, Iowa became the second state to require employers to provide reasonable restroom breaks, and in April or May, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration plans to issue the first-ever federal directive on the topic. OSHA acted after hearing from employees who routinely were not permitted to leave their stations for hours at a time. Some reported having to soil themselves, others brought empty bottles to their stations; and others refrained from liquids the whole day. An organizer for the Food and Commercial Workers Union said denial of restroom access is the No. 1 issue among poultry industry workers.

• Open Season: Three weeks before a U.S. Marine Corps pilot clipped a ski gondola in the Dolomite mountains in Italy, killing 20 people, a British air force Harrier jet accidentally dropped two half-ton, unarmed leg spurs.

• Stress, menstrual cramps, earaches, sinus, nosebleeds and the flu. Doctors at the Center for Neuroimmunology that the Lancet medical journal that the injectable into almost all men who injected it into their urethras but that the rigidity usually subsided within a couple of minutes. Measurements for their work were obtained via a Rigiscan, which shows the pressure exerted by the erection, and by patients' hanging a 750-gram weight to see if their penises could hold it. (A few can support a 1-kilogram weight, which Dr. Ermanno Greco says is “peak virility.”)

• In September in Center Point, near Birmingham, Ala., Tim and Marine Smith were convicted of promoting prostitution in their massage parlor, but the women who work for them were not charged because the legislature in that Bible Belt state never got around to making prostitution illegal in Center Point or in several other areas of the state.

• In August, the Food and Drug Administration issued a warning against an electrical cattle-prod-type device called The Stimulator, sold by at least six companies to be used to electrocute livestock of about $45,000, by claim¬ing disability benefits from a World War II hand injury while working full-time as a house painter. Once a month for 22 years, Hill put on an arm brace, got into a wheelchair, and reported to the local federal building to pick up his “paycheck.” (The jury deliberated 12 minutes before finding him guilty.)

• In order to get around local ordinances that shut down their stripper bars, entrepreneurs in Eureka, Calif., and Ladson, S.C., converted their businesses. Tom Razzoo’s Top Top Club became a recreational vehicle promotion facility in November, and now customers sitting under the flashing lights are handed numerous brochures for RVs while they watch women do pole dances.

• In January, Ladson’s Jerry Colombo converted his Club 2010 into the “Church of the Funny Bunny,” featuring Bible-reading followed by a procession of pastie-wearing dancers.

• Christina Mack, 35, was arrest¬ed for attempted murder in Peoria, Ill., in December, based on a neighbor’s statement that Mack had told her she planned to cover a floor with oil or grease so that her boyfriend, who has lost his right leg in 1992, would fall down the stairs to his death. He fell, all right, and hit his head, declined medical assistance. Mack, however, also fell, knocking herself out, but fire¬fighters revived her so the police could take her away.

• Recent Sympathy: Schoolteacher Jody Sue Stein allegedly accepted thousands of dollars in gifts and disability payments based on an elaborate, false claim that she had a brain tumor (St. Louis, June 1997). Valerie Jones, 27, was arrested in 1998 and charged with fraudulently getting disability benefits from a nonexistent leukemia-stricken infant daughter (Yorktown Crossing, Va., October). Police officer Allen Blank, 30, and his wife allegedly misused $43,000 from neighbors for a bone marrow transplant for their 7-year-old daughter (who did not need one) and spent it on themselves (Tulsa, Okla., January).

JUSTICE FOR ALL

• In August, the three murder convictions against Michael Pardue, 41, which sent him to prison 24 years ago, were dis¬missed by the Alabama Supreme Court as the product of a coerced confession (and a sister of one of the victims said she accepts that Pardue is innocent). However, the state Board of Pardons and Parhes said in November that it will not release Pardue, because of three subsequent convictions during those 24 years, for attempting to escape from the prison that was wrongfully holding him.

• Right Place, Right Time: In October, a federal judge in Albuquerque refused to send convicted casino robber Loretta Martinez, 61, to prison for stealing $7,000 in an April 1997 robbery. The judge noted that, in the inter¬im, that particular casino was found to be without proper state authority and thus was operating illegally at the time of the heist. Martinez was not required to make restitution, the judge said, that would be like reimbursing a drug dealer for his losses.

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The resolution further backs those who claim the tradition of using the mascot to teach students more about Native American culture. "It's a mistake to get rid of the chief," he said. "(We) could be used as an educational tool in ways that could make both sides happy."

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"Mercury Rising" packs a lot of heat

BY FOREST CRUMPLER
Staff Writer

The latest of the Bruce Willis action flicks turns out to be not as bad as one might think. Director Harold Becker, whose credits include "City Hall" and "Sea of Love," breaks into the blood and guns genre in a very stylistic way. Mercury Rising has a refreshing mix of intense action, skilled performing, and a good storyline that are usually absent in this type of movie.

Bruce Willis stars as FBI undercover agent Art Jeffries, whose job is on the line due to a botched assignment and a questionable psychological profile. Reduced to low level assignments, Art is called in to investigate a missing autistic child whose parents were found dead in a presumed murder/suicide. Art finds the boy, Simon, played by Miko Hughes ("Zeus and Roxanne") and has him rushed to the hospital. When visiting the boy at the hospital, Art thwarts an attempt on Simon's life. Art rescues the boy and he and Simon are forced to flee, on the run from the killers and the FBI who now think that Art has lost it and kidnapped Simon.

After the fighting, for their lives and getting away successfully, Art finds that the real battle has only just begun. The new battle lies in trying to find out why Simon's life is in such peril and even worse, how to get Simon to trust him enough to tell him what he might know. This proves very difficult for Art because, to Simon, Art is a stranger, and every kid knows that you "never talk to strangers." After a few more attempts to silence Simon, however, this rule goes out the window and Simon and Art form a bond of trust and friendship...sort of.

While this is all going on, two men who work for the killers, contact Art and inform him that the sadistic killers that he is fighting really work for the National Security Agency, at the top of which is Lt. Colonial Nicolas Kudrow played by Alec Baldwin ("The Shadow"). They tell Art that the reason Simon is in such danger is that he inadvertently cracked a government supercode named Mercury. It was printed in a puzzle magazine to test its strength against some of the most feared group known to man, the geeks. Although Simon is autistic, he is also a genius and managed to decipher this mega sophisticated code and now he is the NSA's number one target.

Mercury Rising provides some excellent action scenes that aren't too unbelievable, a lot of really good acting, and a pretty original storyline. Miko Hughes does an incredible job in his performance and being way too admirable for his own good only adds to this. As always, Alec Baldwin does a great job and is expertly intimidating and wonderfully evil in his role.

However, while it does have many good points, this movie is not perfect. For one thing, every single time the kid looks at the jumped mercury code, they play this totally cheezy $1 billion man music to show how his genius brain is deciphering this supercode. After the third time this becomes simply comical. Another downer is that the action through-out the film does a great job building up to what is hoped to be a great climax and while the final confrontation is OK, it doesn't quite deliver what was expected. It does end on a warm and touching moment that stays well out of the "totally sappy" zone. All in all it's a good flick that should be enjoyed by an action going person or one who wants a good story.

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Outcast FBI agent Art Jeffries (Bruce Willis) must prevent Simon (Miko Hughes), a nine-year-old autistic savant who becomes the target of assassins after inadvertently deciphering a top-secret government code in "Mercury Rising."
Moodymann
Silent Introduction
(Planet E)

Put this CD in your player, sit down and open the inside flap. Read "I want to say what’s happened to all the tragedy that live and die in Detroit everyday. Then you’ll get the gist of where Moodymann is coming from. At first, I thought this album was OK, nothing great, so great lyrics that make you think about truth, justice, and the American way. However, once you just chill with Moodymann’s way of-born music, you’ll see where he is, Detroit. This isn’t Detroit music. I said to myself, then I looked on the inside cover and glanced at all of the family pictures of Moodymann himself, his grandson, him with weird faces, & his baby pictures. Then, as I listened to what Moody was saying through his music, I understood what he was trying to put across to everyone. "I Can’t Kick This Feeling When I Hit." Features a lot of tasteless talk, mumbo jumbo night you say. "Doozers" begins just like they all do, with a simple repetitive beat, that increases with momentum as the keyboards continue to play. Moody seems to play on a bass beat for a while (there is no rush with his music), then he’ll add a slight difference to the mix. Some chimes, a sax here and there, whatever sounds good at the time. Moody himself looks stuck in the ’70s, with his get-out-of-tow­n afro and his cool circular shades, yet he seems to perfectly fit the theme of the film. He’s the only song that I honestly liked and it is the only one I’ll listen to again & again.

**City of Angels**
from the Motion Picture Soundtrack
"City of Angels"
(Madonna Summer/Sire Records)

Before I go into the details of how delightful, (yes delightful) this CD is, let me first spell out the bands that are featured within this soundtrack. U2, Alisia Morisette, Peter Gabriel, Goo Goo Dolls, Sarah McLachlan and Grammy award winner Paul Cole, A-W-E-S-O-M-E. This album highlights a captivating collection of songs from some of today’s most celebrated superstars and features new material as well. I’m sure you’ve heard a couple of these songs that have been featured in Alisia’s “Uninvited”, her first new recording since Jagged Little Pill or U2’s “If God Will Send His Angels”, but maybe you haven’t experienced Sarah McLachlan’s "Angel", my personal favorite on the album. This delicate song of hope and personal faith is as serious as the singer herself, and Ms. McLachlan always seems to create those songs that make you sit back and think. She even felt it as though the movie itself “pulled at all the right heartstrings.” The Goo Goo Dolls, too also feature an essential “Yes” that seemed to perfectly fit the theme of the film. “What moved me most about the film,” commented John Rzeznik of the Goo Dolls, “was how it presented a parable of the defenses we develop to protect ourselves and how taking a leap or risk is so important to really love; to be really alive.” I love when respected artists like these come together for a soundtrack that they truly enjoy making, I think that it shows throughout this album how dedicated each group/artist felt while producing these songs.

**City of Angels**

**Agents of Good Roots**
One by One
(RCA records)

One by One is the third CD put out by this Richmond, Virginia’s foremost. Their music is extremely varied, so such that each song seemed to hold a different sound and a distinct atmosphere. Brian Jones (downbeat vocals) even commented on this contrasting collection; "We’re kind of a moody band and on this record, with three vocalists and so many styles, it lends itself to a variety of moods." Out of the 12 tracks on this album, nine featured a mixture of electric guitar & heavy metal ballads that resembled Nirvana slightly. One other track was the torchy “Mess Meheeding” and one was an upbeat poem, with a percussion background and a touch of pianist class. However, beneath this mélange of mediocre musical notes was one great song, one inspirational beauty that the entire CD should have been named after: “I’ll be back.” It begins buoyantly with a tender piano entrance that introduces a story of someone’s self. It’s not about coming back to an old love and it’s not about returning to a missed hometown, it’s about falling out of who you are and coming back. “I’m trying to patch up the pieces of broken time, I’m sorry I ran so far away from myself, but I swear I’ll be back.” Writing these words down, really does the song justice. It may sound sappy now, but believe me, it’s worth going out of your way to listen to. It’s the only song that I honestly liked and it is the only one I’ll listen to again & again.

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Comedian performs for charity at Arena

By BRANTLEY TATE BROWN
Staff Writer

Ever seen a jalapeno on a stick? Ever see one talk? You will on Thursday night at 8 p.m. when comedian and ventriloquist Jeff Dunham appears at the UCF Arena. This is his second performance at UCF and the Los Angeles based comedian is donating all of the proceeds to UCF Victims Services Unit.

Dunham recently won the American Comedy Award for "Standup Comic Of The Year." He has also appeared on ABC's "Ellen," NBC's "The Tonight Show," and "Comic Strip Live." Anyone familiar with his work knows that it is his onstage pals that steal the show. His sidekicks are Walter, a grumpy pinched-faced bald-headed man who looks like a prune sticking on a lemon and who doesn't like anything; Jose Jalapeno-on-a-stick, a giant green sleepy-eyed pepper who is the "politically incorrect part of the show;" and Peanut, a purple potbellied "woozie" with green hair and one shoe. However, it is the talent of Jeff Dunham who breathes life and believability into his characters. Astonishingly, he not only speaks for his dummies but also drinks a glass of wine while speaking for them.

The UCF Victims Services Unit is available to assist any member of the university community, including students, faculty, and staff. Mary Ann McCunn from the Victims department stated that, "In the past, some of the funds have been spent putting victims up in a hotel for the, providing transportation for court appearances, medical appointments, or outside assistance with legal aid and counseling."

The show will begin with a representative from the Service Unit that will speak on sexual rape, battery, and domestic violence. Then a music and dance video on sexual violence will be viewed, and then Jeff Dunham will take the stage. The night will surely be a crowd pleaser and an educational event for all and should not be missed.

Tickets for the show can be purchased through Ticketmaster or by calling the UCF Arena box office. Free student passes can be picked up in the Student Union in room 215. Also being offered are 20 VIP passes for $10 which will be given out Wednesday afternoon in front of the Union on a first come, first serve basis. The pass includes guaranteed second and third row seating and a signed autograph picture.

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Special to the FUTURE

Comedian/ventriloquist Jeff Dunham, shown here with friends, performs at the UCF Arena Thursday night. All proceeds will go towards the UCF Victims Services Unit.
BY STACEY COPELAND
Staff Writer

Theater is always one of two things: excruciatingly bad or marvelously good. Luckily, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," is certainly the latter. The Orlando-UCF Shakespeare Festival kicked off its 1998 Spring Repertory Season last week with the opening of "Midsummer," which is said to be Shakespeare's favorite comedy.

The play is centered around the marriage of Duke Theseus and Hippolyta, Queen of the Amazons. A young maiden, Hermia, must choose between marriage to a man she detests, Demetrius, and her true love, Lysander. That night they pick up and is well worth the wait. The director, Jim Heilinger, has decided to take a few, err, liberties with Shakespeare's original story. First of all, the play is now set in 1850s India. The dialogue in the play also contains many modern phrases and references. Let's just say that I'm pretty sure the original play didn't have any monkeys chanting "Auntie Em, Auntie Em".

The play is being performed at the absolutely gorgeous Walt Disney World Amphitheater at Lake Eola Park. I do have two words for you, though: BUG SPRAY! Bring lots of it or you'll have cute little red welts all over your ankles as proof that you did indeed go see the play. The Renaissance Revels, a troupe of dancers, singers, jugglers, fire breathers and puppeteers can also be found performing on the grounds surrounding the theater one hour prior to show time. Alternating performances of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and "Henry IV, Part I" will be held through May 9. Call (407) 245-0843 for ticket prices and dates.

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There are many happy returns with IRS site

By VICKI DESORMIER
Staff Writer

OK, you’ve procrastinated long enough. The clock is ticking and unless your parents are still claiming you as a dependent, which they can do until you’re 24 as long as you are single and in school, you had better file your taxes. The tortuous task of filing your income tax return is made a little easier by the Internal Revenue Service’s website at http://www.irs.gov/prepare.html. Sure, there is nothing pleasant or easy about all that accounting, unless, of course, you’re getting money back. But the friendly atmosphere of the easy-to-use website sponsored by one of the most hated government agencies makes the adventure easier.

There’s a little humor interjected throughout the site, part of an effort to make the government seem more user-friendly and less Big Brotherish.

The Digital Daily is presented by the Department of the Treasury and the IRS. It is, they tell you, the “fastest, easiest, tax publication on the planet” and it is fun, helpful and easy to use.

All of those lines and figures you never could figure out are explained one by one so you put the right numbers in the right line. Of course, it doesn’t hurt to do double-check on your figures when you’re done.

One of the best things about this virtual IRS office is you can’t missplace anything. The 1040 form mailed to you in January along with an explanation book was probably tossed out long ago after your friend spilled a beer across the kitchen table. And if it didn’t get thrown out, it’s really not the kind of thing you want to send in. Not to worry — you can print out a whole new form and the instruction booklet... or just leave them on the screen while you fill them out for easy reference.

And nothing can be more stressful than doing your taxes at the last moment. I’m not sure what you need if a special form. If you can get through on the IRS’s toll-free line, it probably will not be able to get you that form in time via traditional snail mail. Not to worry — you can just print that form from the website.

The site also includes tax stats, tax information for individuals and businesses, electronic services, help and education and even a “meet the commissioner” feature.

The site is easy to navigate and, if you haven’t misplaced that shoe box crammed with receipts, you should have your taxes done in no time. But if you’re still young enough, you might want to have mom and dad claim you as a dependent... that’s the easiest way to do it.

UCF honors student-athletes

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UCF with a 10.56 time in the 3,000-meter run, placing 13th. Amber Twyner placed fifth in the javelin with a 129-feet, 11-inch throw while freshman Kacira Brand placed tenth in the shot put with a 42-foot, 5-inch toss. UCF will compete next at the Raging Bull Twilight Invitational on April 11 at the University of South Florida.

Athletes awarded for academic achievement

UCF honored a recipient from each sport for academic excellence at the UCF Arena on April 1. These awards are given by the National Consortium for Academics and Sports (NACoS) to individuals who exemplify the ideals of National Student-Athlete Day of balancing athletics, academics and life pursuits, and to those who go above and beyond to assist others in reaching those goals.

Here are the people UCF honored and their sport: Matt Lubozynski (baseball), Brad Traina (men’s basketball), Stacey DeVeaux (women’s basketball), Jennifer Pultz (crew), Lou Stulich (men’s cross country), Anne Penningo (women’s cross country), Michelle Boise (track), Daunte Culpepper (football), Kristian Svolbeim (women’s golf), Emma Soderlindh (women’s golf), Rika Rahelad (men’s soccer), Alyssa O’Brien (women’s soccer), Brionkgang (men’s tennis), Rachna Ashar (women’s tennis) and Down Hoffman (volleyball).

Men’s tennis team loses 2 of 3 on road trip

The men’s tennis team defeated Texas El Paso on April 3, 5-2, but lost to University of Nevada Las Vegas, 6-1, on April 1 and New Mexico State, 6-1, on April 4. No. 1 singles player David Winberg struggled on the road trip, losing all of his matches to fall to 15-4. UCF’s (12-9) Nos. 3 through No. 6 singles players all had victories against UTED The only other singles victory on the trip was No. 4 Greg Novak’s 7-6, 6-1 win over NMSU’s Jens Bollesay.

Women finish third at Ryder

The women’s golf team shot a final round 305 to finish third at the Ryder Florida Women’s Collegiate Challenge played April 3-5. UCF finished tied with South Florida and Florida State with a three-day score of 941. Florida (909) and Miami (913) took the top spots.

The Knights were paced by Tatiana Londono’s 225 (Tied for fourth, 81-73-71) and Emma Soderlindh’s 230 (Tied for ninth, 78-75-77).
Student, 32, feels she can cash in with degree

By VICKI DeSORMIER
Staff Writer

Kate Warner says if she had to do it all over again, she would have finished college in her early 20s, but at the time she thought work was more important. "I wanted to make money," she said. "I wanted to get rich and studying just didn't fit into that plan."

Warner said she dropped out of school after her sophomore year to take a management position at the fast food restaurant where she had worked since high school. She believed she would be able to purchase her own franchise after a few years and that would lead to her financial independence. "Of course I thought I would earn more than $6 an hour," she admitted.

And, she said, after a few years she realized that without more education into the intricacies of business and management, her dreams of owning her own businesses would remain just that: a dream. Even if she could afford the restaurant, making it a success required more than practical experience.

"It took a while — 10 years — but I finally came back to school," she said. At 32, she is nearly a junior and hopes to have a degree in business or computers within two years. The mother of two pre-school daughters, she still works 40 to 45 hours a week while maintaining about eight hours of classes per semester. "You just make the time for school," she said. "There's time to do what you need to do if you make the time."

Warner said she still has dreams of opening her own restaurant. Her husband is a chef, she says, and they feel they could operate a strong business. "But I'm not even going to try it without my degree," she said. "I really believe that is the difference between operating a marginal business and operating a successful business."

While she admits no one could have told her these things when she was a young woman, she intends to stress the importance of a post-secondary education to her children. "I used to think 'who needs to go to school? I have all the on-the-job-training I need.' But I figured out you need a lot more than knowing how to answer to someone else. Ultimately, you need to know every aspect of running a business if you're going to be successful."

She believes the courses of study she is pursuing will help her find the knowledge she needs to be successful. "There are no guarantees," she said. "But, then, there are no guarantees in life, are there?"
Kruczek to coach Culpepper in annual Black and Gold Game

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but I hope Culpepper’s continued health keep him on the sideline and it’s largely due to the system the coaching staff uses to break up the team.

In the days of Gene McDowell, can’t you imagine the circle-rimmed glasses, Bear Bryant-hat and half-chewed single-right knee?”

The offensive and defensive coordinators would split the team up via a draft. The rules were whoever got the last pick, the other coach would get the next two selections and then they would go back-and-forth, taking one player at a time. A key rule was that if a coach took a starter at a certain position, the other coach immediately got the backup.

To make a long story short: In 1997, when then defensive coordinator Brian VanGorder took Culpepper with the first pick, then offensive coordinator Kruczek took the team’s best pass rusher, the team’s starting left tackle and he got Thorpe, all before VanGorder got to choose a second player.

The result: Kruczek’s Black team quarterbacks had all the time they needed to throw, while Culpepper was running from defensive end Jermaine Elmott most of the afternoon. Look at the numbers: Thorpe went 17 of 22 for 198 yards and a touchdown, while Culpepper was nine of 16 with two interceptions. Black 31, Culpepper 20.

Culpepper

He even re-entered the game in the fourth quarter to try and rally the Gold team to victory.

“Doesn’t like to lose at Tic-Tac-Toe,” Kruczek said.

“ ‘That’s just Culpepper. He expects to win at everything he does and that’s what’s going to make him a success in life. That’s what makes him such a success academically. I think that’s a tremendous quality. He wants to win and he hasn’t won one yet, so obviously we’re going to try and give him the resources to get that done.’

“The rules on dividing the players will be the same this year, but Kruczek said he will coach Culpepper regardless of which team he is on. Kruczek is hoping a spring game victory will strengthen the bond between them.

“ ‘My opponent is the last two years you have taken him,’ Kruczek said. ‘I promised Dunite last year that he and I would work together in his senior year, so that’s what we’re going to do. I’m going to coach one side, unlike Gene [McDowell], and probably Paul [defensive coordinator Paul Lounsberry] and ’Chiz’ (defensive coordinator Gene Chizik) will coach the other side and Dunate will be with me. We haven’t lost too many of these things.’

Chizik said he doesn’t want to be the head coach that goes against a fired up Culpepper in his final Black and Gold game.

‘I’m not really sure who the head coaches will be, I think we’re not going to lose the game, but the coach that goes with me after Culpepper, I think you’re going to have a crazy one.”

Kruczek said he won the previous two years against Culpepper by drafting heavily on the defensive side of the ball, which is a theory Lounsberry will likely imitate.

Kruczek said the coaches meeting often get as heated as the players during the game.

‘It’s pretty interesting,’” Kruczek said. ‘ ‘There’s a strategy thing that goes on Tuesday-morning. There are arguments. I mean it gets crazy in there. It gets worse than the players.’’

‘ ‘The game has a friendly feel, but when you put these guys in a competitive situation, as far as football is concerned, it’s going to get crazy,’” Kruczek said.

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Receivers have mediocre performances in scrimmage

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"It was a lot better than last week as far as overall performance by both sides," coach Mike Kruczek said. "Last week the offense dominated and the defense kind of rolled over. They've been stepping it up all week. It was a much better effort and they executed well and forced the offense into some errors."

Dropped passes and the solid defense frustrated Culpepper, who completed only four of his last 14 passes. Culpepper finished the scrimmage 11 of 24 for 158 yards and two touchdown passes to Nonsant. He also carried 12 times for a scrimmage-high 107 yards.

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Baseball team hops to regroup with Stetson series

Senior pitcher Todd Bellhom (8-0, 1.29 ERA) struggled against FIU, giving up three earned runs and seven hits over 4.2 innings on April 3. "A Typical example of not walking ahead in the count," Bellhom said. "You have to get the ball over the heart of the plate when the count is 2-0 or 3-1. We didn't let the game get out of hand and I think they had a sense in them in the last inning (that we would beat them) when we got a couple of guys on." The team’s late-inning luck ran out in the April 4 doubleheader, as FIU made late scoring surges to earn the sweep. The Panthers (25-17, 4-2 TAAC) scored nine runs in the final two innings of the first game and five in the sixth inning of the second to defeat UCF 12-4 and 8-3, respectively.

"They just out-was us," said UCF shortstop Eric Riggins. "We’ve got to tip our hats to them, they were on fire with their bats the last couple of innings. We weren’t as aggressive as they were and that’s pretty much the bottom line."

UCF left 16 runners on base in the doubleheader, including six potential game-breaking runs in the fourth and fifth innings of the late game. Bergman said the team had similar problems against FIU last year, as the Panthers swept the series at the UCF Baseball Complex in 1997.

"Last year, we couldn’t shut them down in the end and this year we couldn’t shut them down at the end," he said. "They just wanted the game a little more than we did that basically it." After never leading in the early game, UCF jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the finale, but the Knights found themselves in a 3-3 tie by the seventh inning. Freshman closer Jason Arnold, who entered the game with a 0.43 ERA, pitched in the seventh and had his worst outing as a Knight. Arnold gave up four runs, four hits and walked two of the eight batters he faced in only two-thirds of an inning, leading to final, 8-3, score.

"We just have to get back to hitting and playing UCF baseball," Riggins said. "Sometimes you get the bounce, and sometimes you don’t. As long as you hit hard, you can’t do anything else."

Looking Ahead: A rematch of the 1997 TAAC Championship Game is set for April 10 as UCF will play a three-game series with Stetson University (19-19-1, 3-3) on April 10-11. The team tied the season series in 1997, 3-3, but the Knights defeated Stetson in the tournament, 14-5, to win the TAAC title. The Knights might be able to cure their offensive woes against Stetson. No one on Stetson’s starting staff has a winning record and its best pitcher, Jeff House, is 3-4 with a 5.40 ERA. Although the Hatters team ERA (6.06) is almost twice as high as UCF’s (3.15, first in the TAAC), their offense is steady.

Summer Serrano leads the Hatters in batting average (.303), RBIs (42) and hits (78). Stetson’s hitting (.503) and hits (375 team average) compares favorably to UCF’s (.392). Statistics aside, the outcome of the series may again come down to late game performance, Bergman said.

"You have to approach every game in the conference just like it’s the only game," Bergman said. "There’s so much parity between the four schools in the conference that we just have to go out and play hard, take advantage of the situations and score some runs. It’s not really that hard to figure out."

Notebook: Before facing Stetson, the Knights played at South Florida on April 7. UCF will face the Bulls two more times in April: at USF on the 14th and at home on the 21st. The Knights won the most recent match-up 10-7 on March 30th for the season series at 1-1. UCF leads the overall series with Stetson 40-32. The doubleheader between with Stetson April 11 will be televised on Sunshine Network. The first game begins at noon. ... Coach Jay Bergman received his first ejection of the season in the early game against FIU on April 4 after arguing over a close call at first base. FIU center fielder Jim Molina hit an infield grounder to the left of the pitcher’s mound. UCF pitcher Chris Miller threw the ball to first baseman Matt Bowser, who appar­ently tagged the base several inches before Molina arrived. Molina crashed into Bowser, jarring the ball loose and the first base umpire ruled Molina safe. ... Catcher Eric Johnson is on a 14-game hitting streak, which breaks his previous best of 12. ... UCF earned a No. 25 ranking in the Collegiate Baseball Division I Baseball poll for the week of March 30.

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For the Education and Research Community
By TONY MEHIA
Staff Writer

UCF’s first-team defense had to be thinking “here we go again” after Daunte Culpepper dissected it in the first two drives of the second scrimmage of spring on April 4. After all, Culpepper led UCF to six touchdowns in seven drives in the first scrimmage, and made his 8-yard touchdown run and a 17-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Mark Nonsant look effortless.

The defense rallied, however, holding Culpepper and the potent first-team offense scoreless in their next six drives.

“The defense stepped it up tremendously,” Culpepper said. “It was their attitude that made the difference. Their attitude was so much better than it was last week. They were tenacious, sliding around getting good sticks and good hits on the ball. They did everything that you look for in a defense.”

The second-team defense was impressive as well, forcing turnovers in each of the second-team offense’s first three possessions and not allowing a score in the first six.

Jeff Mauldin and Tito Rodriguez each had two sacks, while Paul Miranda and Justen Moore secured interceptions. The defense also forced a pair of turnovers.

Culpepper looking for first Black and Gold victory

By DEREK GOSGONIL Sports Editor

Quarterback Daunte Culpepper is going to have the best season of his collegiate career under the new regime of coach Mike Kruczek.

That statement should come from opinion to fact, barring injury (Shut up!), quite early in the upcoming season. With a softer schedule, well softer as going from banging your head against reinforced concrete to plate glass, Culpepper should be a Heisman front-runner, especially if he can lead the Knights to victory at Auburn, Gonzaga’s Gowz
Louisiana Tech and Purdue.

Kruczek, the former offensive coordinator turned head coach and former Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback, and his potential NFL star are together for one last season. One more year to make Culpepper’s dreams of a bowl game with Culpepper in the huddle (and with an interim head coach Kruczek on the sideline) come true.

But before Kruczek has a chance to put the finishing touches on (who the program hopes to be) the No. 1 NFL draft pick in 1999, perhaps Kruczek can give Culpepper something one would think he would already have three of: a victory in the Black and Gold game.

It may sound absurd, but Culpepper has yet to win one of the spring classics and he wants to win the final one badly.

“No doubt,” Culpepper said. “I’ve lost everyone I’ve been in and this is my last one, so I’ve got to win the last one going out.”

He’s been beaten by backup quarterback-backs (and no slight to Jason Thorpe, see KRUCZEK, Page 17) and made his 8-yard touchdown run in seven drives in the first scrimmage, Daunte Culpepper dissected it in the fifth.

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