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SPARK ig-knights volunteerism at UCF

By GWEN R. RHODES
Staff Writer

Volunteer UCF has set up SPARK in an effort to recruit people. SPARK is geared toward individuals who may have thought they did not have the time to fit volunteering into their busy schedules.

The organization, which started in January, is in need for people with ideas for organizational projects or who just want to help make the world a little better.

In addition to the Special Olympics, the volunteers have helped with the St. John's River Cleanup, UCF Beautification and Habitat for Humanity projects.

"We had a really great response for Habitat for Humanity," Zelniker said. "About 40 or 50 people showed up to help. We've gotten more students as the months have gone by."

Students who are on the organization's phone list are called and asked if they would like to work on a specific project.

Sigma Chi prez moves into a different office

By GWEN R. RHODES
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Sigma Chi President Andrew Cupicha was elected as the president of the Southeastern Interfraternity Conference (SEIFC) on Feb. 14 in Atlanta, Ga.

SEIFC represents colleges from 11 states. It is a group of fraternity men who have shown excellent leadership skills in their Greek systems and on their campuses.

This past year, Cupicha served as SEIFC vice president. As president, he will preside over the executive committees of fraternity councils from more than 100 southeast colleges.

As vice president, Cupicha served as a liaison between the president and SEIFC members in Florida and Georgia.

"The vice presidents are each assigned specific states," said Cupicha, a pre-law major. "We then coordinate with the various interfraternity councils at each school in our assigned area."

Cupicha said the job is difficult.

"It is pretty tough because the job is spread over a large area," Cupicha said. "We have to do a lot of planning for the conference, and it's held in February.

"We want to have sessions at the conference which are customized to fit the needs of the SEIFC members in addressing the issues they have to face on their individual college campuses."

Cupicha said it was his desire to help keep the information at the conference's up-to-date.

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Victims hang symbolic shirts on campus

By LORI CARTER
Staff Writer

The UCFPD Victim Services Unit, women's studies and the REACH program presented their third annual Clothesline Project on April 7.

The T-shirts made by victims of various crimes, including those with the Central Florida Clothesline Project, will be displayed during National Victim's Rights Week on April 25 in downtown Orlando at Lake Eola.

The T-shirts were made by victims of violent acts. There were three workshops prior to the display.

"Victims come to create shirts in a supportive environment," said Kim Williams, victim advocate for the UCFPD Victim Services Unit.

"It's a lot like a support group. There are counselors in case the victim needs to talk because it involves a lot of emotions," Williams said. But the victims that are referred to victim services are usually ready to help increase public awareness.

The color of the T-shirt corresponds to a specific act of violence.

Williams said she remembers.

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Two divisions unite to enhance student learning

By OLIVIA K. CURNOW
Managing Editor

UCF administration is about to face two major changes once the spring semester finishes: the merge of two of the largest divisions and new leadership.

On May 11, Dr. Thomas Huddleston, vice provost for enrollment and academic services, will become the interim vice president of a new division after student affairs vice president Levester Tubbs resigned.

Huddleston said he has agreed to a two-year trial period for the division and he appointed Huddleston because of his previous experience as associate provost for student affairs at Bradley University.

The new division, which does not have a name yet, is a combination of the enrollment and academic services and student affairs divisions. The decision to merge the two was suggested by a committee appointed by vice provost Gary Whitehouse.

Whitehouse said his job is difficult.

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"We want to have sessions at the conference which are customized to fit the needs of the SEIFC members in addressing the issues they have to face on their individual college campuses."

Whitehouse said he is a strong supporter of the idea that they could choose which projects suited their needs and interests.

According to Zelniker, it is perfect for students who need community service hours. Zelniker plans to have more projects lined up in the fall.

"We don't have a lot of money to do stuff, so we often work with other groups and pool our resources," she said.

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Acoustic guitarist Angela De Pollo performed on front of the Student Union on April 7 during the Third Annual Clothesline Project.

Photo by MIKE MARSHALL

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Avoid the temptation to pull the alarm.

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Nicholas Cage falls for Meg Ryan in "City of Angels."

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Engineering teams prepare to race in rough terrain

By BRIAN SMITH  
News Editor

In May and April, UCF will send auto engineering teams to the Mini-Baja competitions, which are patterned after the baja 1,000 off-road race.

The teams built two different vehicles due to the differing terrain. "We have a steel frame car for the Southwest," said Gary Morris, captain of the team of UCF students heading to El Paso, Tex., for the Mini-Baja West in mid-April. "For the east, we use an aluminum frame."

The Mini-Baja vehicles are designed for one person and are powered by an eight horsepower Briggs and Stratton engine. The design will be judged on construction, acceleration, maneuverability and performance.

The teams will compete in a four-hour endurance race over rugged terrain.

"Endurance is important out west," said team advisor Charles Nuckolls. "They have lots of rocks. In the east, the mires are more amphibious."

UCF has sent teams to off-road races for 20 years and have placed in the top five. To improve, UCF plans to focus on a long-range plan.

"We have included several freshmen and sophomores in the teams this year," Morris said.

The goal of the plan is to build more experience teams in the future. About 67 students are involved in the design and the building project. Twelve students will make the trip to El Paso.

Students from 46 universities in the United States and Mexico will compete this year in Texas. One hundred fifty colleges and universities from all over North and South America will take part in the total series of contests, which are sponsored by the Society of Automotive Engineers.

In other UCF news:

- UCF was selected with 56 other universities throughout the nation to take a leadership role in a program initiated by President Bill Clinton called "The President's Initiative on Race."
- April 6 through 9 marked the beginning of UCF's participation in the national program. The focus was to discuss how higher education, in conjunction with local communities, can prepare students and graduates to address and interpret racism in its many forms.
- Activities during the week included a dialogue about race, racism and reconciliation in the Student Union after the film The Color of Fear.
- Representatives for Florida Leader magazine visited UCF on April 7 to make an official presentation to the Student Government Association (SGA).

SCA was awarded as the "Best Student Government, Public University." The representatives met with a variety of UCF officials: Chris McCray, department of housing; Reuben Rodriguez, Office of Student Activities; Greg Mason, Greek Affairs and other Greek leaders.

- More than 40 UCF organizations encouraged people to "Get Carded" between April 2-8.

The campaign began with a kickoff dinner on April 2, which was held at the Student Union. The dinner provided real-life experiences to be shared with student leaders to broaden their understanding of the issue and encourage their support through the distribution of donor cards.

Speakers at the dinner included:
- Dr. Mary Palmer and Sheriff Stephen M. Oelrich.

The highlight of the week occurred at the Student Union's South Plaza on April 8. Second Chance, a jazz and rock band, played at the Get Carded Concert and Festival.

The concert provided students and faculty with information about organ donation, tissue transplant and the significant impact of the donor shortage on minority populations.

Facts about organ and tissue donation:

- More than 58,000 Americans currently await organ transplants.
- Many more are in need of life-enhancing tissue transplants to restore vision, ease mobility and to alleviate burns and illness.
- Ten lives are lost each day, 4,000 each year due to the critical shortage of organs and tissue.
- Transplant success rates are at an all-time high. According to a recent report from the Department of Health and Human Services, one year post-transplant patient survival rates are 72 percent for lung, 79 percent for liver, 82 percent for heart and 92 percent for kidney.

Huddleston looking forward to new challenge

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where he worked with President John Hitt.

"Dr. Huddleston has significant managerial experience related to student affairs," Whitehouse said. "He was an early pioneer in integrating student enrollment issues within the mission of a traditional student affairs organizational model."

The division will unify formerly separate functions such as housing, counseling and testing, student health services, recreational services, student legal affairs, financial assistance and academic advising among many others.

Although Huddleston, who has worked at UCF since 1993, is looking forward to heading the division, he said it is too premature to plan any changes.

"That's part of the challenge and opportunity," he said. "How best can we take two student oriented divisions and make a better organized division? Collaboration is going to be a key issue. We are going to move as quickly as is prudent and do an evaluation after the first year. We'll do as much as we can with as much as we can."

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T-shirts tell stories of violence

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one particular T-shirt during her three-year histo-
ry with the project that has stuck with her.

"Teach me to cry and when I’ve learned to cry,
teach me to laugh, so I can dance in the
paddle of my tears," the T-
skirt said.

According to Williams, 50 percent of the calls that come into victim ser-
vice include: domestic and relationship
violence, stalking, bat-
ttery, assault and hanging phone calls.

"Speak-Out gives people the neces-
sity to speak-out over the microphone," said Victoria Ott, board
member of Full Circle. "Full Circle members will read anonymously for people.

According to Ott, the speakers included a repre-
sentative from UCFPD, who stressed the depa-
tment wanted to get more involved with the stu-
dents on campus and spoke about the Students to make students aware that crimes occur on cam-
pus and that services are available 24 hours a day," Williams said. "You don’t have to give informa-
tion to the police. We encourage reports being done, but they are not mandatory.

"We can help with anything you are a victim and need help. call 823-
5555 and ask for a victim advocate.

Greeks win awards of excellence

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as possible.

"I would like to get more involved in what is
going on at the individual campuses and be able
to better customize the issues we discuss at the
conference," Cupicha said. "We often have the
problem that by the time the conference is held, the
issue has already been dealt with.

"Then it is discussed at length at the conference
and suggestions are made. The representative
then wishes that they had the suggestions earlier
due to the issue has already been dealt with.

Cupicha said he is up to the challenge of
addressing that problem as well as researching
other issues such as risk management policies
and campus leadership issues. Risk management
policies have become a major concern at the
national level for college Greek organizations.

According to Cupicha, three Greek chapters in
the nation have chosen to "go dry," which means they will not serve alcohol at their chapter func-
tions.

"Taking more responsibility for the drinking
problems associated with fraternities is one of the
main goals of risk management," Cupicha said.

"Most people have the Animal House stereotype
in their minds when they think of fraternity men.

"What they fail to realize is that fraternities are
built and survive on their high ideals and ethics.
They seek out good men and strive to make them
better." Cupicha said he wants to focus on other issues besides
drinking

"We want to get away from the focus on al-
cohol and focus more on what the organizations
were actually founded for, which is to promote
community service and to grow as an individual," Cupicha said. "Our local community is scrutiniz-
ing us more and more so it is time that we address the issue.

Cupicha said he intends to make risk manage-
ment part of his agenda at the SEIFC.
An endurance race for a cure

By KATHERINE MARTIN
Staff Writer

A majority of people in the United States battle with cancer. They battle cancer either by having it or supporting a family member or friend inflicted with the disease.

"The Relay for Life was started in Tacoma, WA, by a man who walked 24 hours for cancer," said Karen Neely, American Cancer Society spokesperson. "The Relay for Life has been the signature for the American Cancer Society ever since.

Participants of the event can run, walk, rollerblade or use another method to travel around the track for the 18-hour period. The participants of the event will form teams with about 10 to 15 members.

The event begins with a survivor's lap of victory, which also honors those who have died. This is the second year for Florida's Relay for Life, and it has expanded to two locations so more teams can participate.

The event will begin at 6 p.m. on April 24 and finish at noon on April 25. This is an annual fundraiser for the American Cancer Society.

Sorority hunts for Easter eggs with local school children

By DAWN MYERS
Staff Writer

Alpha Xi Delta spent the morning of April 9 with the children in the Bonneville Elementary Head Start program.

The sorority members hid Easter eggs throughout the playground for this first hunt.

In other Greek news
• Alpha Xi Delta and Sigma Chi is hosting an alcohol presentation titled, By the Numbers. The presentation will be held on April 20 in the Student Union Key West room 218 AB at 7:30 p.m. The presentation will consist of numerous fact and statistics.

• Alpha Delta Pi is hosting "8-Ball," which is a billiards competition at the Wing Shack on April 20.

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SPARK acts as liaison between students, agencies

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Volunteer UCF is an information resource and referral source for UCF students. It acts as a liaison between students and the community.

"So, if you came in as a student and you were interested in doing some criminal justice work we have books of lists with all the agencies volunteers need," Zelniker said. "Basically, what we do is match the student need with the agency need."

According to Zelniker, Volunteer UCF also puts on special projects during the year like the Hamper Banquet in the fall, Get Carded organ-donor dinner on April 2 and the organ-donor festival and concert held April 8.

"We do the volunteer fair in the fall in which about 100 agencies come out and set up tables with exhibits to let the students know what is available in the community," Zelniker said. "Since we started SPARK, many people who have gotten involved, get caught up in the spirit of it and say 'I like doing this,' especially those who helped with the Special Olympics. Also planned for the fall are projects such as "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" which involves children from the Eastern Agency and YMCA. The group is also trying to match up kids with UCF students, mimicking the Big Brother/Big Sister program.
Will the real athletes please stand up?

By CLAIRE WEINGARDEN
College Press Service

March Madness is here, bringing with it that widely held, seldom-challenged belief that the hardest working athletes on the basketball court are the ones handling the ball. College mascots know better. And aside from all the bumps, bruises and unbelievable body odors they have to endure, many say their jobs are some of the best gigs around.

"Outside of the costume, I would consider myself to be a pretty shy person," said Tara Mabray, a junior chemistry major who is a Baby Jay mascot for The University of Kansas. "But once inside the costume, I can really turn it on." "Athletes? These people aren't athletes," you say. But then you've probably never run around a basketball court or football field for hours on end wearing shoulder pads, fake fur overalls and 40 pounds of fiberglass headgear like John Seelman, a senior biomedical engineering major who is a Wisconsin Badger mascot.

High endurance is the key to being able to stay alive out there while you're in costume," said Craig, a senior chemistry major who is a Baby Jay mascot for The University of North Florida. "I probably lose 10 pounds per game because I sweat so much. It's not a pretty picture." Added Mabray: "To be lively in that costume for hours on end, you've got to be a fairly athletic person. It gets unbelievably hot in there."

"Wearing that head can be terrible, especially the first couple of times," said Scott Craig, Duke University's Blue Devil. "I try and rinse the head out with a vodka and water solution, but really, it's no use. I feel for anyone who has to get near me after the game."

"Mascots dance, dive, tumble, jump up and down and play fight with mascots from opposing teams — anything to pump up the crowd if the team was losing," said Craig. "I had to dance around in a gym for two and a half hours without even wearing the costume. I might as well have been naked." Before they're hired, mascots also have to prove they're fast thinkers. "I had to do a lot of improv," said Craig, a senior biomedical engineering major" (The judges) wanted to see what I would do to pump up the crowd if the team was really cold. They also wanted to see how I would react if Duke had just scored the winning basket against UNC."

And, like any good athletes, mascots have to follow a few rules: They always lose play fights when they're working an away game; they don't talk while in costume (Some schools even require them not to reveal their identities to anyone); and they try not to go into the stands without security.

"It's just not smart to head over to the crowd without having someone else with you," Craig said. "People mess with you, and 12-year-old boys are the worst. They know you're not real, and they're usually trying to prove it to the little kids who think you are. So they're always trying to rip my head off or mess with my costume."

Then there was that little crowd surging incident. "I went into the student section and some big guys picked me up," Craig said. "I ended up in the alumni section, where no one was into the whole crowd surging thing, so I fell on a stack of chairs." "Ouch. That's OK," Craig said. "It's just a part of the job."
Test anxiety can produce low self-worth, high self-doubt

By LINDA RAMOS
Staff Writer

Test anxiety can be defined as an extreme sensation of stress experienced during a testing situation. In order to know how to reduce test anxiety, you first need to tackle the causes behind it.

Carol Kanar, in The Confident Student, lists two main causes of test anxiety. They are feelings of inadequacy due to lack of study preparation and viewing grades as a measure of self-worth.

Feelings of inadequacy due to ineffective study preparation can lead to self-doubt and lack of confidence. Students who study poorly at the last minute or do not study at all are prone to experience anxiety during test time. Other students feel anxious during exams because they view grades as a measure of self-worth.

For example, a student who gets a C on a test may believe he/she is just "average." Other students feel anxious during exams because they view grades as a measure of self-worth. They may view an exam as an extremely important way to prove his/her self-worth, and getting a C may mean he/she can never be an A student. This student may view exams as a measure of self-worth because no matter how hard he/she tries, he/she will never get a good grade.

Student, lists two main causes of test anxiety. In order to know how to reduce test anxiety, you first need to tackle the causes behind it. By LINDA RAMOS

A grade is a measure of performance for recalling, organizing and evaluating material learned within a period of time. Grades are not determinants of how well you can perform in other areas of your life. Once you have figured out your test anxiety's cause, work on eliminating it. If being unprepared is the cause, then the only way to eliminate this problem is to study.

Kevin Paul of Study Smarter, Not Harder suggests not to allow test anxiety to overpower you to your detriment but to take action against your fears by being well prepared.

What material will be covered on the test?

Start studying at least one week prior to the exam date. In College Basics by Martin and Peter Lunenfeld, students are advised to study difficult material early during study sessions. Most students do just the opposite by procrastinating. So by the time they get to study the harder concepts, their energy levels and motivation are at an extreme low.

Don't say to yourself "I got a 73 percent on my exam again. I must be stupid or something because no matter how hard I try I just can't ever do better." Instead, take the grade as a challenge to learn from your mistakes in order to improve on the next exam.

Finally, a little bit of stress can be to your advantage. A little rush of adrenaline and nervousness can help you perform your best and get through test questions. Reflect any anxiety felt during the exam to the exam to help you get through it. Let test anxiety work for you not against you.

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Students protest big business with annual teach-in

By CHRISTINE TATUM
College Press Service

Bulletin boards never bothered Scott Gunsaullus until he went to Florida State University.

Once a harmless way to announce campus news, upcoming parties and apartment openings, they have become dumping ground for colorful, glossy ads hawking everything from credit cards to CDs and high-interest loans, he said. And the boards are filled with so many ads, Gunsaullus said, that there's little room to post anything else.

So, in the spirit of Teach-In — a student-led, grassroots effort aimed at challenging corporational growing involvement in higher education — Gunsaullus decided to do something about them. With the help of a few friends, the junior political science major stripped many boards of corporate advertising.

Anything being sold to students by anyone other than students came down.

"That's what Teach-In is all about," said Gunsaullus, one of several students on his campus who participated in this year's event. "We have to let people know the power is in their hands to change what they don't like. Students have options and rights.

And many are tired of the growing influence big business is having on their education, said Ben Manski, a member of the Democracy Teach-In Council, an international coalition of student groups based at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He said he is especially angered that the majority of his school's board of regents is made up of business leaders who were appointed by the state's governor. When students recently learned that one of those regents was the governor's largest campaign contributor, Manski said they collected more than $1,200 with hopes of bribing the governor into appointing a student to the board. (He didn't accept the money.)

"We want everyone to take a closer look at how corporations are using colleges and universities — even to the extent that they're affecting what kind of research is done," Manski said.

"Most decisions are made from the top down, and that's not a true democracy — especially when the decision makers have close ties in corporations. Are they really concerned about students, or do they want to use us to make money?"

Students at more than 120 universities in the United States and Canada posed similar questions at a wide range of events. At Harvard University, students listened to lectures on the growing impact corporations are having on the environment and medicine. Gunsaullus said students at Florida State invited independent food vendors into the student union to pass out freshies and show everyone that they don't have to put up with the high prices being pushed on campus because of Marriott's exclusive deal with the university.

At York University in Canada, about 100 students barged into a board of regents meeting. After prompting the school officials to leave, students assumed their posts and voted to dissolve the board altogether.

"What they did probably won't stick," Manski said with a chuckle. "But it shows what a lot of us are thinking: Students don't get real representation."

School officials who have watched many of the events unfold say the students are asking important questions.

"It's not a bad issue," said Roger Howard, associate dean of students for the Madison campus. "I think everyone is concerned about finding the appropriate balance between state funding and a university's need to go out and find alternative sources of revenue."

More than 20 international activist organizations — including Earth First, the United States Student Association and Britain's Corporate Watch — sponsored many events. Manski said the number of teach-ins has grown dramatically since the idea was first conceived a couple of years ago.
Where do you think you're going?
Not very far without a spring tune-up

By NEIL SIMON
College Press Service

Every spring it's the same old scene: Students who left their bicycles outside all winter start riding again as if the snow and sleet that frosted their wheels never fell.

Chains and brakes squeaking, they make their way through campus, hoping the sounds will disappear the more they ride.

Bike experts, who do plenty of business this time of year, are already rolling out their annual snow and ice for three months.

"Their bikes aren't ready," said Josh Horton, a sophomore at the University of Oregon. "I rode it the other day, and the gears were grinding and wouldn't shift."

No bicycle, no matter how expensive, is immune from the need for a spring tune up, Boi said.

"Check the air in the tires, and at least oil the chain. These two things are major," he said. "They'll save a lot of wear and tear on the bike."

Bike shops typically oil chains and pump tires for free - tasks that take less than 10 minutes.

Even if your bike is in good shape mechanically, experts say there are still a number of things you can do to keep yourself safe when riding - and your bike safe when you leave it behind:

1. Buy a helmet. Comfort first, price second. If it doesn't feel good, don't buy it, because you'll never wear it. Find a comfortable helmet with a sticker indicating it meets safety standards. The sticker will tell you the helmet and its straps passed drop tests and strength tests.

Average cost: $35.

2. Wear the helmet correctly. Think safety, not glamour. A helmet is no use if it's worn like a baseball cap on the back of your head. The bottom of the helmet should rest just above your eyebrows. The straps should be tight enough so the helmet stays in position on your head.

3. Dress in light colors. Dark is bad, light is good. Reflective jackets are a bonus, but if you just wear white or bright colors people will see you.

4. Light up your bike. More lights, more safety. A flashing red taillight is more effective than relying on drivers to see you.

Some bike shops offer these locks at the manufacturer's cost to their students. Average cost: $35.

5. Lock up your bike. Forget chain links; go for heavy metal. The U-shaped locks are best for locking your bike (frame and wheel) to any bike rack or pole. Some campus police stations offer these locks at the manufacturer's cost to their students. Average cost: $20.

6. Lock your seat, too. Now that your bike is safe, you want something to sit on. Most bikes have a quick release seat, so unless you plan on bringing it to lecture with you, lock it up. A "seat leash" is one way to deter thieves. The "leash" is an 18-inch cable, that bolts to the seat clamp and seat, and wraps around the bike frame. It stays on your bike all the time, so there's no hassle every time you park.

Average cost: $4.

"My friend thought he had an expensive bike, so he didn't have to maintain it," said Brad Philan, a student at Lane Community College in Oregon. "I rode it the other day, and the gears were grinding and wouldn't shift."

"It was doing a few bunny hops, and (the bike) couldn't take the pressure," said Josh Horton, a sophomore at the University of Oregon, who fell on some pavement last month after riding a bike that hadn't been tuned up in awhile. "The front wheel shot out, and I felt on my face."

Even bikes left indoors can have problems when hitting the road for the first time in a long while.

"Water left behind from winter could be in the frame and rust chains, trouble that isn't always obvious before a bike rider gets hurt."

"I never fell."

"Their bike wasn't ready," said Rob Boi, owner of RRB Bike & Service, Ill., told a student who left his bike under the dorm.

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Average cost: $4.

"My friend thought he had an expensive bike, so he didn't have to maintain it," said Brad Philan, a student at Lane Community College in Oregon. "I rode it the other day, and the gears were grinding and wouldn't shift."

"No bicycle, no matter how expensive, is immune from the need for a spring tune up, Boi said.

"Check the air in the tires, and at least oil the chain. These two things are major," he said. "They'll save a lot of wear and tear on the bike."

Bike shops typically oil chains and pump tires for free - tasks that take less than 10 minutes.

Even if your bike is in good shape mechanically, experts say there are still a number of things you can do to keep yourself safe when riding - and your bike safe when you leave it behind:

1. Buy a helmet. Comfort first, price second. If it doesn't feel good, don't buy it, because you'll never wear it. Find a comfortable helmet with a sticker indicating it meets safety standards. The sticker will tell you the helmet and its straps passed drop tests and strength tests.

Average cost: $35.

2. Wear the helmet correctly. Think safety, not glamour. A helmet is no use if it's worn like a baseball cap on the back of your head. The bottom of the helmet should rest just above your eyebrows. The straps should be tight enough so the helmet stays in position on your head.

3. Dress in light colors. Dark is bad, light is good. Reflective jackets are a bonus, but if you just wear white or bright colors people will see you.

4. Light up your bike. More lights, more safety. A flashing red taillight is more effective than relying on drivers to see you.

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LEAD STORIES

- In February, Cambridge (England) University researcher Fiona Hunter, who studied penguins' mating habits for five years, reported that some females apparently allow male strangers to mate with them in exchange for a few nest-building stones, thus providing what Hunter believes is the first observed animal prostitution. According to Dr. Hunter, all activity was done behind the back of the female's regular mate, and in a few instances, after the sex act, Johns gave the females additional stones as a sort of tip.

- In March, trial began in Leslie Szabo's $17 million lawsuit against a Hamilton, Ontario, hospital for not making her 1993 childbirth pain-free. Physicians said that painless childbirth cannot be achieved without the anesthesia's endangering the child, but Szabo said she expected enough comfort to be able to read or knit while the child was being delivered. She admitted to previous run-ins with physicians, explaining, "When I'm in pain, the (words) that come out of my mouth would curl your hair." After five days of trial, the parties reached an undisclosed settlement.

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FAMILY VALUES

- Following the August death of 122-year-old French woman Jeanne Calment, Canadian Marie-Louise Febronne Meilett, 116, was named by the Guinness Book of Records as the world's oldest person. In an interview with the Associated Press on that occasion, Meilett said her hobby was finding a girlfriend for her 81-year-old son at the nursing home where they both reside.

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Pulled fire alarms are no laughing matter

By JASON HEIRONIMUS
Opinion Editor

Sometimes as college stu-
dents we feel that it is our con-
stitutional right to do stupid
things. We go out at night and
come home in varied mental
and physical states and decide
that it is time to let our pres-
ence be known. This has got to
stop.

Recently at my place of resi-
dence there has been a rash of
fire alarms being set off. This
only occurs at the most incon-
vienent of times, like three
in the morning. This kind of
shenanigans, and that is exactly
what they are, are exactly what
gives college students a bad
reputation. Why is there this
need to cause a public distur-
ance in the middle of the night?
Doesn’t anyone have any
respect for each other any-
more?

The incident that has incited
this column happened when a
person decided to pull the fire
alarm at four in the morning in
my complex. I usually stay up
late, but four in the morning is
no longer late night, it is early
morning. I respect everyone’s
right to party, but when it
fringes on my right to get a
good night’s rest that is when
I get upset. But I have to give
the person that pulled off this
heinous crime some credit, he/she
did a fantastic job. Not only was
I violently thrown out of
my deep sleep, I was very
confused as to just exactly
what country I was in and what
my name was. I guess if you
want to do a job, you do it
right.

But what is the fascination
with fire alarms? Is it because
they are so convenient? They
are perched on every wall with
a lever that is screaming to be
pulled. Or some of them have
c glass cases around them
with the bar that wants to
break the glass so bad it hurts.
I admit, I often feel the need to
give in to these temptations
just to see what it would feel
like. But I think I know how I
would feel. I would feel horri-
ble for disturbing everyone and
would probably fuss up to my
crime. So am I the only one with
this sense of morality?

Pulling a fire alarm should
be equal to robbing a conve-
venience store. But I think the
latter offense to be the most
serious. Let us think about
what the thought process of an
alarm puller is. First, in all
likelihood they have to be
toxiccd. This is an absolute
for no one in their right mind
would commit such an act
sober. Second, they probably
are not looking to pull the
alarm but upon passing it the
alarm begins to talk to them.

"Please pull my little red lever,
It’s been so long since I’ve had
the chance to stretch out. Plus,
I’m so quiet all the time. I
need to let my presence be
known so that everyone can
stop taking me for granted. But
the best part is that after you
do this for me, you can go
tell your drunken idiot friends
that you were the perpetrator of this
crazy act and then you’ll be the
madman!!!

After this the drunken stu-
dent is pretty much deter-
minded, after all they just had
a one-sided conversation with
a fire alarm. The drunkard then
carefully ostriches his trem-
bbling arm in the direction of

so to right into this subject. I
just don’t understand how people
find enjoyment out of making
others uncomfortable. My only
conceivable answer to this
question is stupidity. How can
something that seems so
ridiculous to the rest of us
seem so enticing to the rest of
them? And speaking of “them,”
who are they? I’ve never met
any of these people. I’m not
saying that everyone I know is
brilliant, but everyone that I
have had the pleasure of
encountering at UCF doesn’t
seem to fit into this category.
So who are these people and
where do they live and how do
they find the reasoning to com-
mute some of the acts that they
do?

Maybe I am just getting too
old for these kinds of college
pranks or maybe I'm just
lucky enough to not be among
the stupid who find these acts
humorous. But I would like to
do something about the alarm
pullers. If you are an alarm
puller, let your opinion be
known. Write me and tell UCF
what your rationale behind
your actions is. Maybe they are
championing a cause. Maybe
they are against silence. Or
maybe they are against people
who are smart enough not to
do such things. The point is:
I don’t know. So write in and
tell me how you feel. After all
the rest of us ignorant people
enlight-
ened to the reasoning behind
what you do. I know we can
bridge the gap between us, so
all you have to do is speak out.
The Hope Scholarship not much hope for those in real need

By MICHAEL LOGAN
College Press Service.

Becky Stephens is the kind of student who could benefit from the HOPE Scholarship, a new federal law. The 26-year-old is raising three children while working toward a degree in psychology and special education at Millersville University in Pennsylvania.

As a single mother, she receives $2,700 in grant aid and $4,500 in student loans, it isn’t enough for Stephens to attend classes while her husband, Danny, supports a family of five on a $18,740 in-come and overall funding by $240 million. That represents 3.4 percent growth over the prior year—barely enough to keep up with inflation. In fact, it lags behind the average rise in college prices, which increased 5 percent last year.

Another longstanding objection to tuition tax credits is that they may tempt schools, especially low-cost institutions, to raise tuition prices to capture more federal aid.

Take, for example, the case of Gretchen Lancero, a 23-year-old second-year student at Yuba Community College in Lomi Linda, Calif., who is working toward a degree in dental hygiene. Lancero and her husband, Jeff, earn $32,000 annually. Lancero pays $13 per credit hour in California’s community college system—a rate among the lowest in the nation. Still, she qualifies for a $312-a-year HOPE Scholarship. Lancero could collect even more if California charged a higher rate for its community college tuition, thereby passing to the federal government a greater share of the cost to educate her.

Lancero insists that state legislators are not likely to risk political popularity by raising tuitions, and that private institutions subject to market pressures would find it difficult to raise prices without chasing students into the arms of community colleges.

But in California, analysts already have recommended that state legislators consider raising tuition because, as one detailed report points out, the state would capture more federal aid. There is no indication yet of what California will do.

Expansion of need-based programs is a sure way to avoid tuition increases, said Lawrence E. Glaudens, director of policy analysis for The College Board. Because only a small population of students receive the Pell Grant, Glaudens said a school could not justly raise prices to cover the cost. And given that an investment in the current system would extend more benefits to low-income students, why not put the $32 billion earmarked for the HOPE Scholarship and the Lifetime Learning Credit into the Pell Grant?

That’s what Glaudens recommended last year when he testified before Congress. Along with the smaller programs—such as the Education IRA—about $40 billion in education tax breaks were on the table, but little of that money went toward direct expenditures.

Between budget constraints and a conservative Congress, large-scale investment in the Pell Grant was unrealistic, Glaudens said.

“The wasn’t any way to get a $40 billion tuition savings package,” he said. “I had to be convinced of this. It became real apparent to me when [then White House adviser] George Stephanopoulos said ‘You don’t get it. We have to increase tax cuts, not spending.’ ”

That line of reasoning helped Clinton win his bid for re-election over Republican candidate Bob Dole, who wanted a 15 percent across-the-board tax cut. It also carried him through negotiations surrounding the fiscal 1998 budget.

The only government-run program Becky Stephens is counting on to help her out, she said jokingly, is the lottery. She doesn’t complain about her inability to take advantage of the President’s scholarship or the Lifetime Learning Credit because she says she has hope. Sticking the beads on a necklace her 8-year-old son, Josh, made for her in art class, Stephens said, “I believe that God gives you what you can deal with.”
What does “Earth Day” mean to you and what is its global significance?

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— Melissa Zelniker, Junior, Criminal Justice/ Legal Studies, Miami Beach.
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Gunshot fire leads to confiscation of cannabis

By ANNE MARIE MONTALI • Staff Writer

Police responded to a report of shots fired on campus on April 7. When they arrived, officers found a blue Chevrolet parked near a dirt mound where the shots were heard.

A male and female inside the car were approached. Police did not see any weapons, but a pipe, rolling papers and a small stem of cannabis were seen in plain view in the center console.

The items were confiscated and both people inside the car were approached. Police did not see any weapons, but a pipe, rolling papers and a small stem of cannabis were seen in plain view in the center console. The male was of age and was released. The female was a juvenile and was taken to UCFPD, where her mother was called to pick her up.

In other reports from the UCFPD:

Renee Martin-Culet, 19, reported someone attempted to enter her locked vehicle. Martin-Culet parked her vehicle on campus on April 7 at about 10 p.m. When she returned at noon the next day, she noticed her locks had been tampered. Someone apparently used a slim jim to pry the passenger door open. The lock on the door was broken but no entry was gained. Martin-Culet is willing to prosecute.

Caleb Conley, 18, was arrested on April 8 for possession of alcohol under the age of 21. Police observed Conley standing outside of Polk Hall with a beer in his hand at about 10 p.m. After being approached, Conley began to run away from the officers. Officers chased him into a room in Polk Hall. Conley was then placed under arrest.

Jason Tauritz, 20, reported that he parked his Acura Integra on campus on April 3 at about 12:15 a.m. When he returned three hours later, he discovered someone had keyed his car. Every panel was damaged except for the roof and trunk. Two insignia caps were also taken from Tauritz’s car. The caps are valued at $25.93 each. The damage to the vehicle is estimated at $1,400.

Police responded to an alarm at the UCF Bookstore on April 5. When officers arrived, they noticed several flyers on the outside bulletin board had been set on fire. The board was not damaged when officers patrolled the area the day before.
By FOREST CRUMPLER  
Staff Writer

Director Brad Silberberg, who first came onto the cinematic mainstage with "Casper," makes an excellent transition into "serious" moviemaking with "City of Angels." Based on the 1987 German film, "Wings of Desire," this U.S. adaptation stars Nicolas Cage ("Con Air"), Meg Ryan ("Sleepless in Seattle"), and Dennis Franz ("NYFD Blue") and mixes a cast of superb actors with stunning visual imagery to make one very touching and moving film.

The story centers around Seth (Cage), one of the countless angels who roam throughout Los Angeles observing people's lives, births, deaths, and even thoughts. After an eternity loving and moving film, Seth begins to wonder what being human would be like. Seth is instantly transfixed by a human, Dr. Maggie Rice (Ryan), who manages to almost see herself visible to Maggie in order to help her instantly. Seth begins to wonder this, thinking that there was no reason for the loss of his human boyfriend. Fearing the loss of his true love, Seth takes the plunge and falls to the depths of mortality.

Nicolas Cage is, as always, not only a master of facial expression but a uniquely talented actor of the depths of mortality. Nicolas Cage is Seth, an angel who falls in love with a doctor (Meg Ryan) and is willing to do anything to be with her in the romantic drama "City Of Angels." what he is and tells him that there is a way for the two lovers to be together. Messinger shows Seth that he was an angel once and chooses to give it up to become human, Seth finds that he has the choice to stay an angel or fall and become human. Confused at his new options, Seth turns to his friend and fellow celestial being, Cassiel, for advice. When Maggie finds out what Seth is up to and what he would have to give up to be with her, she rejects him and runs off to marry her human boyfriend. Fearing the loss of his true love, Seth takes the plunge and falls to the depths of mortality.

Seth and Cage work wonderfully together. They are able backed by great performances by both Dennis Franz and Andy Braugher, who plays Cassiel. "City of Angels" makes excellent use of some fabulous visual imagery, with great camera angles and some impressive scene setups. A very moving, romantic, and powerful film that is definitely worth seeing.

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LISTEN UP! By SHANNON WRAY

Dimitri From Paris
Sacrébleu (Atlantic Records)

After popping in this amusing French collection, I really fell in love with the flirty feeling it gave me. Dimitri has hit a spot in my soft, romantic heart and even those nap-sayers that deny any foreign romance will truly be weak in the knees. When coupled with his classic ability to mix and match, Dimitri composes a beautiful musical adventure. On the track cover, there is a sincere letter from an endearing fan, who after listening & reminiscing back to 1944, was “once again drawn by the mysterious charm of Paris, where romance awaits at every street corner.” Come on now, with sentences like this describing the power of music, how can I even begin to tell you what “Sacrébleu” remotely sounds like. Well, here goes. Cut sixteen. “Un World Mysterious” uses violins to create the mood, while a sexy French whisper utters “Mysteriouse.” Pretty sassy. Other tracks like “Reveries” feature the crackle of old style recorded music, complete with a sleek intro and deep enduring echoes. But, my personal choice, the one that I listen to repeatedly, is “Une Very Stylish Fille.” or “I’m a very stylish girl?” Yes it has soundbytes from some old time movie stars. The vixen like rhythm flows so naturally, that I really want to slip into something more comfortable, sway over to you and ask “How do I look?” One can only hope to get the same response that this little sex-pot did.

The Thompson Brothers Band
Blame It On The Dog (RIA records)

This trio prides itself on it’s ability to “push the envelope of country, while staying grounded in its roots.” Well, I don’t know if that would be my exact description. Their ability to rock hooky-tokks from Music City to Maine, isn’t my idea of time well spent, but everyone’s entitled to their own opinion, right? The first cut off of Blame It On The Dog, (Life’s Too Short) begins with a quote that says it all. “I was born and raised in this one-house town.” That, to me, was the essence of this entire song and the next and the next. The Thompson Brothers Band deserves credit for their attempt to stray from typical country, but they just couldn’t get past the dull drum stories of their home town. Andy Thompson, (lead vocalist/guitarist) swears that he “won’t let (his) daddy’s farm hold (him) down” and other stories feature daring attempts to undergo love repairs and such. The band got their start in the Boston suburb of Norwell where brothers Andy and Mass “cut their teeth playing along with their father’s” Willie Nelson 8-tracks. “I can recognize their hard work, and “Blame It On The Dog,” The Thompson Brothers Band’s third album spins an honest sound from the fabric of country music, however, I personally couldn’t get involved in their stories, or their sound.

Lucky 13
Chromosome (New Urrh Records)

Lucky 13 was formed during mid-1996, right here in our hometown O-town. But I really don’t think that this is just another local club band that just buzzes around downtown. Lucky 13 has some depth in their lyrics and their sound that will take them far. The all but true track “20 Seconds” has already received local and national airplay, and the good word on Lucky 13 seems to be spreading fast. Once referred to as a combination of David Bowie and Soundgarden, their cocky just talk/singing is reminiscent of early Rolling Stones. However, like other talented bands, Lucky 13’s sound is slightly altered, depending on the mood, the song, and the feel of that particular track. “20 Seconds” especially, shows off the band’s ability to be real and entertaining in the same time. The type of charismatic atmosphere that makes you want to party with them after the show. With the story of a waitress (Denise) and a romantic (John), the megaphone like narrator tells how “they got up, they got down, they went round and round; Jenny did it too soon; 20 seconds to love.” There is also a secret track (13 of course) that contradicts this punk bands image of racing speed. Its a live-like, easy brush of the strings type song that dabbles in touches of sexy “friend” comments. I love these lyrics: “Impressed by your integrity, intrigued by your philosophy, I hope you like the company, cause I got nowhere else to be.”

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Between a rock and a hard place
Aiguille: a great rush, workout
By GREGG HALKUFF
Staff Writer

Like most college seniors, I reached a point where I felt I didn't have any extra time to exercise other than opening and closing the fridge. It's true that I got lazy, but I was constantly looking for alternative ways to stay in shape. I decided long ago that I do not like to run too much when choosing a workout, and that I like to eat unhealthy foods too much to ever quit (still thin too). So over the last two years I have stayed in shape mostly by doing situps and pushups, occasionally. So when I was asked to go try indoor rock climbing I was really curious, and when I mentioned it to my roommate, he immediately called the hospital and reserved an ambulance. I do admit to being slightly accident prone (name a body part and I've broken it), but don't despair because there are places for us.

One of them happens to be indoor rock climbing, a safe and very challenging workout and adventure. I went to the Aiguille Rock Climbing Center in Longwood with mixed feelings and emotions. I am an adrenaline freak and have skydived and bungee jumped, so danger is not new to me (can you hear the James Bond theme music in the background?). I was excited to do something new and even more excited when I saw how safe it was. The best words for it is controlled emotion danger. They make you feel as if you are really climbing a dangerous mountain and you want so bad to make it to the top that you forget about everything else. You forget you are harnessed to a rope and that if you slip or can't get up the wall, you are completely safe because every climber has a person spotting them. Physically, you are not really in danger, but emotionally your nerves are taxed.

I consider myself a typical male in many ways. I am a macho , whip it out and put it on type of person while they climb, you have to attach yourself properly to the other side of the rope. This is where trust comes in. If you trust the person who literally has your life in their hands, you are good to go.

Now, I will admit, I was a little afraid of heights. The first time climbing was a little scary, especially when I looked down and realized that I was just being held up by one rope and a harness. And believe me, when I say that the harness is not all that comfortable, especially when you are coming down the wall: MAJOR wedge time. Needless to say I didn't venture to the top. But, with less apprehensions than the first, the second time was actually fun, it gave me a lot of self-confidence. I just thought to myself, "I'm going to do this," and to the top I went. I never thought I would be doing anything like this and it was great.

It was good exercise not only for your body but for your mind as well. Rock climbing is a thinking game, you have to plan where you are going to move to next. Each wall has a different level of difficulty and thinking strategies, and some walls you don't even use harnesses with. I did attempt to free climb, but the hard part was getting down without a harness. I wouldn't say that this is easier for boys than girls or vice versa. If you think it, you can't worry what sex you are. There were several girls doing better than some of the guys. I really enjoyed myself, and everyone would, whether you are looking for something fun to do for exercise or just feel like building your self-confidence, check this place out.

Aiguille Rock Climbing Center is open seven days a week in Longwood and provides all the equipment and training you need when you arrive. Monday is student day, which includes unlimited climbing and your email for ten dollars. For exact prices and directions, please call 407-322-1439.
The first bone that moves when the music hits

By MICHAEL J. CHRISTOPHER
Staff Writer

I met with the members of Groove Bone at a local pub during a trip to examine it's layout and meet with the manager to discuss a potential show there. Over a quick meal I had a round table discussion with guitarist David G. Rankin, bass player Rick Navarro, and drummer Eric Frates.

CFF: How old was your mom when you were born?
David: 43. My mom's 70.
Eric: The youngest of eleven.

CFF: How about your influences?
Eric: Tower of Power, anything funky, anything nasty that's got a little bit of stench coming from it.
David: Kool and the Gang.
Rick: Funkadelic.
CFF: And the bass man?
Eric: Funkadelic.


David: Earth, Wind, and Fire.
Eric: They're down. Else than that, it's just that.

David: Basically we have our own production company, Bone-a-fied Productions. Any time we step out on a gig Bone-a-fied provides the PA, as well as through that company we set up our accounts through the local radio stations, with the local clubs and secure their monies and our monies to go out and do the promotions. We do it on a gig to gig basis, based on who's in town and what kind of clubs we're showcasing at. The clubs that allow us to showcase our own music are going to get a lot of good promotion from us because they're allowing us to come in and play our original stuff.

Eric: Basically we keep it real. We go in and let our music talk for us and we don't have to call them back. We get called.

CFF: You have your debut CD available right now. Where can someone find it?
David: You can find it at all Peach's locations, at the Golf Tube in Melbourne and Cocoa Beach, you can also find it at Waxtree here in Orlando, Music 4 Less in Kissimmee, Peach's locations, at the Cocoa Beach, you can also find it at Waxtree here in Orlando, Music 4 Less in Kissimmee, and soon at Jani Lane's Sunset Strip, and SOON all over the world baby!

CFF: What's the best thing about being in a band?
Rick: Best is getting to play live and getting the reaction from the audience.
Eric: Knowing that I'm using my God-given talent to do what I love and still making money to survive in this world, because some people aren't as fortunate, having to dig ditches or going to college for eight years...
Rick: Whooo! Pointing the finger at Michael!
Eric: No, I just thank God for my talent.

David: Writing songs that change peoples lives.
CFF: And what's the worst thing about being in a band?
Eric: When you're sick. Stay home, and nobody comes in, and there ain't much bad about it. When you're in a band you're usually with your brothers and they're gonna carry you when you're down. Else than that, it's just that sometimes society looks down upon that as not a career, more like a hobby, and it's very much real to all of us, it's terrible that we have to answer for it.
David: Worst thing about being in a band is not being able to read people's minds.
Rick: Smoke, being in a place that's full of smoke. Dealing with unpredictable people, and when you're in band it's like a marriage, there are ups and downs, so you just have to treat it carefully.
CFF: Pop quiz - How many bones in the human body?
Eric: 236!
Rick: Whooo!

CFF: How many grooves in a Groove Bone?
David: Only one. Baby.
Eric: I thought it was like eight or nine?
David: Only one groove in the Groove Bone, you see it's two words, groove and bone.

Groove Bone can be seen and heard this month on 4/14 and 4/28 at Sloppy Joe's, 4/17 and 4/18 at Sunset Strip, and 4/24 at The Green Parrot.

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**Cookbook is a taste of Orlando**
By HENRY SPRINGS
Staff Writer

With the barrage of specialty and celebrity cookbooks that are filling local book stores you may find yourself in need of something special to lead you around Central Florida or possibly by your own kitchen with authentic recipes. Although Central Florida doesn't have a Wynona's or a Four Seasons it has some well established restaurants with unique atmospheres and entomists to sample. One of Central Florida's little secrets is a volume of signature recipes from 50 of Central Florida's best restaurants, "Restaurant Secrets."

"Restaurant Secrets" premiered on local book store shelves on March 13th. It offers a large selection of entrees from restaurants in Orlando and surrounding areas including Lake Buena Vista, Winter Park, and Daytona Beach, just to name a few. It's a colorful volume complete with photographs and simple instructions on how to prepare simple and sometimes elaborate signature dishes. There are also phone numbers and addresses, if you'd like to make reservations to expand your horizons.

The names and selections run the gamut, Max's Grille offers a recipe for a whole grilled snapper stuffed with rosemary and lemon. La Cerveza Es Hora offers a bistrot le crepes boulilhoise. Or you may prefer something a little more mundane like clam chowder from Cape May Cafe. Whatever your tastes, seafood, pork, mushrooms, zucchini, chicken, pasta, and vegetable dishes, there will be something for you to try.

Entertainment Publications, who put the book together, is hoping to cash in on its success and subsequent additions possibly featuring the best soups, appetizers, or desserts. More than 650 community groups and 230 schools throughout Central Florida have benfitted from 2.4 million dollars raised during the last three years by Entertainment Publications. Sales of the cookbook will go towards raising the additional one million dollar goal. Last year and this year's funding will go towards benefitting school technology rooms, playground/nursery equipment, transportation vehicles, seeing eye dogs, youth homes/building funds, and much, much more.

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**THE Crossword**

A CROS S
1. More protected
4. Contemplated job
10. Scheming
14. Type of sprint
15. ---
16. Tops orbit
17. Chinese, in a way
18. Friend in need
19. Humble choice
20. One you share
22. It may be Scotch
24. Intrigued
27. Owned poorly
30. Like Chianti
31. Slices older
34. Car
35. ---
36. White heron
38. A druggist of the trade
40. Table open
41. Piano key
42. Past, present or future
43. Mumps or West
44. Major's pad
45. Come to
46. Ant of crime
48. Strengthen
50. Kupt in need
52. Sightseeing
55. Most unparty
59. Taken to task
61. Peach or orange
63. Batterier inventor
64. Halves
65. ---
66. German
67. "Dura" song
68. Marathon runner
69. Surtains

DOW N
1. Heard now
2. Signed
3. Hair on head
4. Attempt
5. Mechanic's answer
6. Peanut letter
7. Drum
8. Building addition
9. Prairie wolf
10. Hummed
11. Weather word
12. Seated part
13. Chance upon
14. One of the Cousins
15. Actress's wife
16. Tell a tale
18. Marks
19. Groups of actors
22. Indian currency
23. Make almonds
24. Author's writing
25. Food cool
28. Trees
29. Heavy volumes
30. Magnificent
31. Plums
32. Amends
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35. ---
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42. ---
43. ---
44. ---
45. ---
46. ---
47. ---
48. ---
49. ---
50. ---
51. Pick up an onion
52. Bearing

ANSWERS

53. Approximately
54. Apron
56. "I'm in love"
57. Am"
Kappa Sigma fraternity charged with numerous violations

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BATON ROUGE, La. — Louisiana State University officials have charged members of Kappa Sigma with several violations of school policies after the fraternity threw a "barnyard party" during which members allegedly killed animals, paid strippers to perform, served alcohol to minors and screwed derogatory phrases on the clothing of women in attendance.

Members must now decide whether they are going to contest what university officials have called "serious offenses" or face punishment as decided by a school administrator or judicial board made up of school officials, faculty members and students.

Before hitting the event, the fraternity filed appropriate paperwork with the university and was explicitly told that no alcohol or live animals would be allowed — terms the fraternity agreed to live by, said Kelly Brady, a spokesman for the university to discipline law service.

"Law school professors are encouraged by the American Bar Association to do pro bono work," Labot said. "I think that's all we've done here."

Lunenburg said Sloucm has "beau­tiful flowers" for me, "but I'm not a botanist floating around."

University officials have not dis­ciplined the professors, but it's still uncertain whether they will, school spokesman Ken Service said. "The university recognizes and understands that this is a complex issue," Service said.

In light of the controversy, school guidelines are revising university guidelines stating under what condi­tions faculty members may per­form free services or accept outside work.

NCAA To Pay Tarkanian
$2.5 Million

FRESNO, Calif. — The National Collegiate Athletic Association announced April 2 that it will pay men's basketball coach Jerry "The \"Slid\"\" Tarkanian $2.5 million to settle a lawsuit in which he alleged the association had been at odds. After Tarkanian left a job he had held from 1968 to 1993 at California State University at Long Beach, the association put the school on probation citing several violations it claimed happened under his watch.

Tarkanian filed one suit against the NCAA in the 1980s, charging the association of not allowing him due process throughout its investiga­tions. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1989 that the association is not a government agency and therefore not bound by the constitu­tional provisions of due process. But that didn't stop Tarkanian from again filing suit in 1992. In the law­suit, the court claimed the associa­tion was conspiring to wreck his career. The case was scheduled for trial next month in Nevada — a state where Tarkanian, who led UNLV to the national men's col­lege basketball championship in 1990, is still very popular.

The association tried to have the trial moved elsewhere, but did not get approval from the courts — rulings that may have influenced the NCAA to settle the case.

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Knights try for better showing against FIU

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The final costly error on defense came when centerfielder Esix Sneed overran a single, allowing the Hatter's Troy Parker to score the game-winning run from first. Stetson, which entered the game with a 6.25 ERA, shut-down UCF over the last three innings, striking out the only senior outfielder Will Croud's single in the sixth.

"We got the lead early, but just didn't do the things to keep it," said freshmen first baseman Matt Bowser, who went 7-for-11 with two home runs in the series. "We didn't keep hitting, scoring runs and playing defense and that's why [we lost]."

Reliever Jason Arnold (1-2), who struck out four in two innings, took the decision after entering in the sixth and letting the two runners he inherited to score and give up the unearned run off Sneed's error. Held pitched five winnings, striking out five while allowing six hits and six runs, four earned.

The offense, fairing better than the defense, scored 31 runs against the Hatters. Senior shortstop Eric Riggs had the performance in school history in earnings. "He's a freshman," Bergman said. "He's still trying to strike out every batter," Arnold has 31 strikeouts in 26 1/3 innings. Bergman tested senior starters Todd Bellhorn (8-0, 1.70 ERA), who is three wins away from tying the school's record for a season, in order to give the two-way player's arm a break. Bellhorn has played in right field for 40 games and pitched 53 innings. Bellhorn still played outfield in all three games. He had three hits in the series opener and a pair of RBI singles in the third game. ... Starter Chris Miller pitched in Bellhorn's place, allowing seven runs, four earned, and six hits in four innings. ... Riggs career day pushed his batting average over .400, but it dropped to .394 after he went 2-for-8 in the doubleheader. Riggs leads the team with 20 doubles and 47 RBI.

Looking ahead: UCF travels to Miami to face Florida International April 17-18 after playing weekend games at South Florida (April 14) and against Bethune-Cookman College (April 15), which is coming off a 13-1 loss at top-ranked Miami on April 12.

The Knights lost two of three at home the last time faced the Panthers. UCF and FIU are tied for first in the TAAC Division at 6-3, so this weekend could determine who will win the division's No. 1 seed for the conference tournament in early May. The Panthers have won seven of their last nine regular-season meetings with the Knights. "We have to approach the FIU series one game at a time," Bergman said. "We have to go down there and play hard and make some things happen.

Stetson right fielder Tim Parker slides by UCF catcher Erik Johnson for the winning run in the Hatters' 7-6 victory on Saturday.

Men's team shoots final-round 310

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34th with a 10-over-par 226. Simon Sanint finished 45th with a 12-over par 228. The tournament featured nine SEC schools, plus Florida State, Memphis and UCF.

The Knights play in the TAAC Championships April 20-21 in Atlanta, Ga.

Education alumni golf tourney set

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

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Transfer RB scores 3 touchdowns

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make. It's the officials' call, so I let them make it. I'm glad they made it the way they did.

After some deliberation the officials upheld the touchdown call, claiming Thorpe was never touched. Thorpe completed the two-point conversion to wide receiver Charles Lee to stretch the lead to 43-40. The game ended with Culpepper running out of time in his own territory. "I talked to the officials before the game and told them that both quarterbacks were not to be hit. If they're tagged, they're down. Obviously (official) Kevin Williamson didn't see it that way," Black team coach Mike Kruzek said. "Jeff Fye could've ripped his head off, but I'm glad he didn't." He did what I told him to do, and that's not hit him. It was a good show, at least, and we got through it without many injuries."

Culpepper and the Black team took command early, with running back Daryl Jones scoring the first of his three touchdowns on the opening drive. The Gold team answered on its first play from scrimmage as coach Paul Lounsberry called for a reverse pass that resulted in a 70-yard touchdown heave from Lee to Mark Nousant. Culpepper led his Black squad to scores on all of its first-half possessions, running in the final score from six yards out with 18 seconds left to put his side up 33-14 at the half. After the Gold were out of sync early," Thorpe said. "We did a super job of eating the clock so it took us a while to get going. Once we got the ball rolling at the beginning of the third quarter, we never stopped"

Running back Mike Grant scored his second touchdown on a 20-yard pass over the middle to pull within 13. Thorpe then culminated an 11-play, 72-yard drive, the longest of the day, by diving in from the 1-yard line to draw the Gold within five. Culpepper finally came out of the game, giving way to junior transfer Kelvin Robinson. Robinson didn't attempt a pass, keeping the ball on the ground to kill the clock, but a fumble at the 42-yard line gave the Gold a chance to complete the comeback.

"We should've won the game. It was a fluke at the end and they all know that," said Black team tight end Blake Thames. "We'll kid each other about it. Even though it was a competition we're all a team. It's all in fun."

Gold assistant coach Sean Beckton said: "The drafting of the teams told us it was going to be an evenly matched game. We're getting bragging rights. We rag each other throughout the week about this game, but it's really a reward to all the kids who have basted their butts all spring," Beckton added. "Culpepper guaranteed he was going to win this one, and we were going to do our best to make it hard for him. They put it on us early, but we hung in there and never laid down."

The game is especially meaningful for the two senior quarterbacks. It gives Thorpe a 2-0 advantage over Culpepper in head-to-head battles, something that Thorpe isn't going to let Culpepper forget anytime soon.

"I've been trying to keep my mouth shut because I was wanting to win this last one before I started talking. Splitting with him would not have done me any good, but now that five beaten him both times I can hold it over his head," Thorpe said. "I hope he makes it to the NFL Hall of Fame, so I can give him a hard time about it until we die."

Running back happy to be back in Florida

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 coach Mike Kruzek, Jones chose East Carolina for several reasons. "UCF already had Marquette Smith and Gerod Davis and they had just signed Mike Grant," Jones said. "They were still a Division I-AA school and I had I-A offers from ECU, Georgia and Tulane and it was mainly a best type thing."

After a season at ECU, Jones followed his recruiters and Pirates offensive coordinator Todd Barry to JSU, where Barry became head coach. Despite a successful season, the cold Midwest winters and a turf field eventually caused Jones to transfer to UCF. "I probably could have gone and stuck it out and made the best of it, but I felt it was more beneficial to me to play one year down here in Florida than two years in Illinois," Jones said.

Jones led all players in the annual Black and Gold scrimmage in yards (68) and touchdowns (3) last Saturday. He also had 20 yards on four receptions and should bolster the Knights' ground game in 1998.

"He's a great athlete," said quarterback Dainty Culpepper. "He's got great feet, great vision when he has the ball. He think he's got a lot of positive for this offensive game, no doubt."

Kruzek, who describes Jones as a quick, slashing back, said Jones' receiving ability will be needed next season. "He's a lane changer, he's tough to tackle, he can bust you on a dime," Kruzek said. "He can catch the football well and make things happen after he catches it. People will key on our wide receivers down field, so we've got to be able to drop the ball off and when we do, good things happen."

Jones needs to improve his breakaway speed, Kruzek said, something Jones knows all too well. "It's a never-ending quest to work on my speed," Jones said. "All my life, I grew up running summer track and I could never get as fast as the other guy. I think all the speed workouts then transferred into quickness. I don't have blazing speed, but I do all right."

Jones said he wants to continue to impress the coaching staff and is not concerned about who the starting tailback is. But Jones said he already has made an impression on his biggest fans, his admirers. "I want my little cousins and people that look up to a student-athlete to see a hometown product," Jones said.

"It was a big thing to me when I came home. I came home because I did it largely so people can see what happened to me after high school."

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UCF offense gains high praise

Sure, blitzing was prohibited, the quarterbacks were down by contact, and zone defense against a pair of senior quarterbacks would normally spell disaster, but 791 yards and 83 total points were eye-popping reminders of how potent the offense can be.

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Quarterback Daunte Culpepper will be the trigger man in the offense, but backup Jason Thorpe has proved he can be a worthy replacement at a moment’s notice. Michael Grant, Daryl Jones, and Eddie Mack will all see time at tailback. The receiving corps are even more impressive, featuring Burley, Mark Nonsant, Kenny Clark, Tavarius Davis, tight ends Blake Thames and Joey Hubbard and the fast-improving Charles Lee.

“Lee hasn’t been stopped all spring,” Kruczak said. “If this offense works hard, they will be something special.”

Spring game features position changes

The Black and Gold game showed fans a glimpse of what they can expect this fall when the Knights take the field. It also featured a glimpse at the unexpected players trying out new positions. Included in the fun was a former basketball forward at wide receiver in Tony Marlow, a cornerback at wideout in Paul Miranda and quarterback Tyson Hinsaw also giving wide receiver a try. Hinsaw caught a pass from Jason Thorpe for a 34-yard gain, which drew praise from Kruczak.

“That really surprised me that they put Hinsaw in at wide receiver,” Kruczak said. “He did a great job. He may have to move there permanently. He’ll play a lot out there. He’s got a spot.”

Daryl Jones, who made an impression at tailback with a game-high 68 rushing yards and three touchdowns, also doesn’t care where he plays as long as he’s out there.

“What ever coach wants to do with me, I’m fine with it,” Jones said. “I don’t care if I’m third or I’m sixth, or put me on the line, whatever. Just let me play.”

With Jones solid play and fullback Joe Field leaving the team this spring, UCF will use Dwight Collins at fullback. Collins will compete with Page Sessoms and Dossy Robbins for the first-team position.

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Thames creating playing time for himself

By TONY MEJIA
Staff Writer

When Blake Thames signed his national letter of intent with UCF, it was as an honorable mention all-state quarterback from West Palm Beach Forest Hills High School. He knew school’s like Ohio State, Ole Miss and UCF weren’t recruiting him to throw the ball, but rather to fill the much valued position of athlete, which is what Kruceck is looking for good enough to play somewhere.

Thames plays so far this spring is assuring that he’ll have some place to play. If it wasn’t that long ago that Thames still harbored hopes of playing behind center. In fact, he was determined to transfer if he had to.

"Before spring started I still wanted to be a quarterback. When I asked Coach Kruczek about it, he told me to give tight end a try. At that point I was ready to transfer," Thames said.

"Now that I made the switch, I think it is the best place for me. I have no regrets about giving up quarterback. I think I have a big future at tight end."

Kruczek and his staff are sure hope so. Thames has received extensive playing time at tight end despite being at a lighter weight (he is currently 215 pounds) than his position demands. In the Black and Gold game, Thames was one of Daunte Culpepper’s favorite targets, catching six passes for 62 yards.

"I think we’ve definitely made the right decision with Blake. In the back of his mind initially in the spring, we wanted to try quarterback, but I made things clear," Kruczek said. "I said ‘No, under no circumstances are you going to play there,’ so he’s made up his mind that he’s going to play elsewhere. He’s that kind of young man and he’s going to make himself into a fantastic tight end."

Thames has been nothing if not boisterous in his pursuit of a place to play, and looks like he’ll make his mark at tight end. Thames entered college last year at a mere 198 pounds, but he has consistently added pounds since moving to tight end last year and he is promising more.

"I’ll just have to put on more weight to play there, I figure I need to put on about twenty more pounds," Thames said.

"I’m hoping to fit in well with the receiving corps, keep improving, and show what I can do."

Thames has shown glimpses of his ability with his performance in the Black and Gold game and in organized scrimmages. In the second spring scrimmage on April 4, Thames caught five passes for 90 yards and a touchdown. He combines speed with power, often dragging defenders for up to five or 10 extra yards before being tackled. His inspired effort led to cheers and encouragement from the sidelines, especially Kruczek.

"He’s going to be a heck of a tight end. He’s going to grow into a big body," said Kruczek. "We knew that he was going to be an inside receiver when we recruited him. He’s an athlete who can catch the football and he’s made up his mind that that’s where he is going to play. He’s been a big surprise so far."

Thames’ emergence gives quarterback Daunte Culpepper another option, which he welcomes. Culpepper said the converted high school quarterback can find playing time in an already crowded receiving corps.

"You can never have too many receivers. He’s a very hard worker," Culpepper said. "He showed today that when he catches the ball, he’s always trying to get in the end zone. He’ll be one of the keys to us having one of the best offenses in the country. That’s our ultimate goal."

While Thames thought he would be taking a different path than the one he’s embarked on, throwing passes instead of catching them, he agrees that the tight end position should give him his best chance for success.

"I hope I can catch a lot of passes. I think like a quarterback sometimes in that I always want the ball," Thames said. "Besides, I know what it’s like, if you throw a pass you don’t want your receivers dropping them. I always feel I should catch everything thrown at me. I know Daunte hates dropped passes, and I hate dropping them, so we have an understanding."
Colorado football game. Illinois State-transfer running back Daryl Jones (25) scored three touchdowns for the losing Black team.

By JEFF CASE
Staff Writer

UCF running back Daryl Jones keeps his family close to his heart. Literally. Jones has a tattoo on his chest that reads Daryl J, to remind him of his daughter, Delaria.

"My daughter has an obsession with [the TV show] Martin," Jones said. "She calls me Martin and she calls herself Gina [Martin's TV girlfriend]."

"I got it to tell her I'm Daddy, Daryl J."

Family first, entertainment second — something Jones may live by now, too.

But Jones said he didn't fully realize the importance of family until a game two years ago. As the starting tailback for Illinois State, Jones remembers coming to Orlando for UCF's homecoming game in 1996.

"I had all my family home and it was the first time people from Florida got a chance to watch me play," said Jones, who starred at nearby Rockledge High School. "It was like homecoming for me and it was UCF's homecoming."

Although the Redbirds lost 42-15, Jones led his team in rushing (18 carries, 76 yards) and was second in receiving (10 catches, 40 yards).

The whole summer of [1996], our players kept asking me, 'When are you going to play like you did in the Central Florida game?'" Jones said. "It took me some time to understand that it was just the fact it was a lot of things that can make you play your best — surroundings, atmosphere, things like that."

"I feel that if I'm going to be the best player I can, I need to come home."

Jones' road home has been long and winding. Originally recruited by UCF, Jones has a tattoo on his chest that reads Daryl J, to remind him of his daughter, Deiara.

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This year's Black and Gold game had one main difference from typical football games — the quarterback back could not be tackled. As a safety measure, Culpepper and Thorpe were to be ruled down simply by being touched or held. It sounds simple enough, but the rule provided a controversial finish to this year's game courtesy of Thorpe.

"I scrambled to my left and didn't see anything open, so I cut back and I guess everyone thought someone put their hand on my back," Thorpe said. "I didn't hear the whistle so I just kept running. Whether it was legitimate or not is not my call to make."

By TONY MEJIA
Staff Writer

Duante Culpepper had run out of time. Despite all that he's done in his career at UCF, Culpepper will never have won the annual Black and Gold spring football game. Fellow senior quarterback Jason Thorpe and the Gold team saw to that, coming back from a 19-point deficit to capture a 43-40 win.

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Gold team turns back Black, 43-40

By JEFF CASE
Staff Writer

UCF wins Stetson series, Bergman unhappy with errors

By DEREK GONSOLIN
Sports Editor

The baseball team won its series with Stetson, but Coach Jay Bergman expects much more from his team if it's going to be successful in the Trans America Athletic Conference.

UCF (29-14, 6-3) took two of three from the Hatters this past weekend, outslugging Stetson, 16-13, on April 10 before splitting a doubleheader on Saturday. The Knights gave up nine unearned runs in the series, including three in the loss, a 7-6 decision in the first game of the doubleheader.

"That's baseball, but it's not good baseball and that doesn't win championships," Bergman said.

With UCF up 6-3 in the second game of the series, catcher Shane Garrett's indecision in a fourth-inning rundown kept the Knights from recording the third out. After starter Travis Held had struck out Stetson's Jason Shipley, the two baserunners converged on second base. Garrett ran towards the runner from first base, but couldn't decide which base to throw it to and the runners made it to first and second safely. The following batter singled to make the score 6-4.

Held, who hadn't started in weeks due to a sore shoulder, hit the first batter he faced and threw the next batter's bunt into right field to start Stetson's four-run, sixth-inning rally.

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Track tunes up for TAAC at Raging Bull

Select athletes from the women's track and field team competed at the Raging Bull Twilight Invitational on April 11 at the University of South Florida. The meet, which featured USF, North Florida, Florida International, Florida Memorial, Florida, Miami, Bethune-Cookman, Florida State, and UCF, was an unscored team meet.

Six Golden Knights placed at the meet with Amber Twyner finishing in second place in the javelin (120-feet, 2-inches) and third in the shot put (36-feet, 5-inches). Amy Lendman placed sixth in the javelin (85-feet, 1-inch), 10th in the triple jump (13-feet, 4-inches), 12th in the long jump (14-feet, 6-inches) and 14th in the 200-meter dash (27.76).

Shar Lammers and Kelly Lackner placed eighth and 14th, respectively, in the 800-meter run. Lammers finished with a time of 2:27.49 while Lackner finished with a time of 2:34.31. Tammy Bryant placed 17th in the 1,500-meter run (5:32.00) and Nekisha Skyes placed fifth in the 100 meter high hurdles with a time of 14.94 seconds.

UCF will defend its Trans America Athletic Conference Championship title on Friday and Saturday, April 17-18 on the campus of Florida International University.

Women lose season finale, streak ends at 14

The No. 24 South Alabama women's tennis team beat No. 65 UCF, 9-0, in the season finale on April 11. The Knights, who had won their last nine matches, fell 3-6, 6-3, 6-0, 6-2, and 6-0 to Alabama.

No. 1 singles player Maris Widyadharma lost to Vanda Novakova 6-3, 6-7, 1-6 and No. 2 Ann Scantesson fell 6-3, 6-0, 2-6 to Lenka Jakubekova. No other Knight lasted longer than two sets.

UCF (18-5) looks to defend its Trans America Athletic Conference championship when the men's and women's TAAC tournaments begin April 16 in Mobile, Ala. The men's team (12-9), runners up in last year's tournament, will try for the first men's TAAC championship in school history. The championship games are on April 19.

Golf places 12th at Hitchcock

The men's golf team shot a final round 310, 310, and 330 to finish 12th at the Billy Hitchcock Intercollegiate in Opelika, Ala. on April 12. Kristen Svalheim led the Golden Knights finishing tied for 16th on the final day.

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