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Wireless company gives UCF the hookup

By BRIAN SMITH
News Editor

AT&T Wireless Services Inc. rewarded UCF with a $100,000 gift that will be used to establish a scholarship fund for qualifying students who major in electrical engineering or electrical engineering technology. The donation to UCF will be supplemented with an additional $55,000 from the statewide matching program. The scholarships will pay for students’ tuition, books and fees.

To be eligible for the scholarships, applicants must be full-time juniors or seniors and must have a 3.2 grade point average.

UCF President John Hitt said the donation will have numerous benefits.

"I am delighted to accept the gift from AT&T Wireless on behalf of future students who will benefit from the company’s generosity," Hitt said. "In a larger sense, all of society benefits when deserving students are given the opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills and values the equip them to live a more fulfilling life and to contribute positively to the community."

IN OTHER UCF NEWS

• M.J. Soileau, director of UCF’s Center for Research and Education in Optics and Lasers (CREOL), has been appointed interim vice president for research and graduate studies after the resignation of Diana Jacobs.

Jacobs held the position for three years and she has been reassigned.

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Cervone loves teaching warm weather

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Studies at St. Louis University in Missouri.

At the time of his graduation, he was fluent in Spanish, Italian, French, Portuguese, Latin and English.

Cervone has shared his gift and passion for foreign languages, and his students, many with the help of financial aid, are given this unique opportunity to study abroad and learn a new culture. The students bring back more than just summer credit, they return with a different perspective on life.

"The students come back culturally and personally changed and with a new tolerance of other cultures," Cervone said. "This is needed in a society where there is such globalisation of the economy. They learn more about a culture by being part of it."

Family life has always been an important part of Cervone's life. His wife, Nancy, is also a foreign lan­guage teacher at UCF.

"We have both lived happy lives and are so fortunate to live in such a world of opportunity," Cervone said. "They taught me to be more positive about life and let go of all the bad." "(Owen) has brought me boundless happiness as well as my two children. I have pictures of him all over my wall and people tell me he is the most photographed baby in the whole world." Cervone has many accomplishments both in and out of the classroom. At UCF he is a member of many committees which include scholarship and financial aid, the Board of Regents, Fulbright and the chairman and administrative council to name a few.

He is coordinator of the Office of International Studies and his photographs of Urbino have been on month-long display in the Library for the past four years.

Outside of UCF, Cervone is coordi­nator of the Foreign Film series, a legal interpreter, a special consultant to the Florida Board of Regents for Area Studies and Foreign Language Statewide, a member of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association and has been a language coordinator for the peace corps.

Cervone is content in his career. "Teaching at UCF has been a wonder­ful experience, especially getting to know my students," Cervone said. "I've always approached them as equals and respected them."

Jeffrey, a former student, is proud to have taught and advised by Cervone.

"Cervone is a rare professor, you rarely ever meet anyone of his intelligence and sophistica­tion and who also displays such warmth, enthusiasm and genuine attention to his students," Jeffrey said. "He is an excellent teacher, he never stands still and is always making contact with the students."

His students have given Cervone the same respect in return. "Respect from students is not something you demand," Cervone said. "You either deserve it or you don't. I feel respected and that is worth a lifetime of teaching. I can't think of anything else I would rather do than teach."


Lead Stories

• While Joe Camel-type ads lose favor in eige- norama promotions in the U.S., ads in other countries are stepping up their use of sensitive sales images, according to an April San Francisco Examiner report. A Marlboro ad in Cambodia features girls around 8 years of age in India, and the backdrop of the Joe Camel ad is a school; in Pakistan, the tobacco industry association used (along with packs of Winston and Camel) the Virgin Mary on its 1996 promotional calendar.

• Clive Winter, 45, third-highest-ranking official at the Lothian, Scotland, provincial health board, was convicted in December of 69 counts as part of a secret gang he had formed in order to violently attack people at random. Winter, said his boss, was "extremely intelligent, quiet and a placid man in the office," but according to testimony at his trial, he roamed streets at night purely, said a police detective, "to gratify his own last for violence."

• An April Associated Press story from Decatur, Ala., reported on the severely reclusive mother and daughter, Evelyn and Marilyn Arnold, who died of natural causes within a week of each other in December. According to neighbors and relatives, Evelyn, 85, controlled every aspect of Marilyn’s life, which may have deprived the daughter of the ability to survive after Evelyn’s death. Among the pair’s identifiers were: Marilyn’s abject fear of the telephone; Evelyn’s need to record in a notebook every wrong-number telephone call she ever got; their disregarding the bathtub because they feared the wooden crates with 5-inch nails to fortify their demands for a salary increase and other benefits.

Maybe Saddam Hussein will fall for Roseanne

• The London Daily Telegraph reported in January that Syrian Gen. Mansur Thass told his men not to attack Italian peacekeepers. The chase had ended sever­

Puzzling joyrides

• Shirley Jean Shay, 41, was arrested near Salt Lake City in April after commanding a gas on fire truck and leading police on a 50-mile chase at speeds up to 70 mph, including the last 20 miles after all six tires had been punctured by road spikes. No motive was given. And a man led police on a brief vehicle

Never give up

• In March, after four hours of questioning and waiting, police in Springfield, Ill., gave up and got a search warrant for the mouth of Mr. Eunice Husband, 27. Husband had stuffed three marble-sized bags of crack cocaine in his mouth and refused to open up, though he continued to talk to officers through his clenched teeth. After getting the warrant, police took Husband to a hospital, where he was sedated

Maybe India and Pakistan could have done this, instead

• In April, Malaysian skydivers guided the nation­

Recent protests

• As the U.S.-Iraqi conflict heated up in February, two members of the Sons of Freedom Doublokers attempted to revive the pacifist sect’s tradition of protest in Bumby, British Columbia. They went on a 25-day hunger strike in jail, where they are serving two-year sentences for setting

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Crashing and burning in summer school

By JASON HEIRONIMUS
Opinion Editor

Crash summer courses: an exercise in futility?

We are now heading down the home stretch of the first summer term with only two weeks left. Yet, I feel as if it has been more than three months since I started the classes I am now taking. These classes are long, arduous tasks that take serious commitment and time. While my classmates frolic in the sun, I spend four hours a day in a stuffy classroom with a teacher who is as bored as I am.

Is this the best learning environment? Over the years, summer courses have become a necessary evil. They are crash courses in futility and you must struggle to keep your head above water. One chapter in a week, a quiz in the middle, and a test at the end of each week. As the immortal Ferris Bueller once said, “Life moves pretty fast sometimes. If you don’t stop to take a look, you just might miss it.”

Though this may not be an accurate quote, it suits the topic. If you stop to take a look, you might see your progress. If you already have missed an entire day’s work, you may, however, be accountable to your professors.

I am now going to present to you one of my classes, the professor consistently calls for a “no questions” session in which the students are required to listen to an hour lecture while biting their tongue for the duration. How can an individual learn anything when he/she is unable to clear up any details they may not understand?

This may be the worst display of lecturing I have ever experienced. When I look upon the faces of my fellow classmates and see their looks of bewilderment and bedazzlement, coupled with their bleeding tongues, it is easy to understand how this may negatively affect a student in some way, shape or form.

It is as though my professor is saying: “I am now going to present to you something you have never seen or heard of before and is extremely complicated and then when you get confused, don’t say anything!”

My other class has a problem all its own. As I had mentioned, it is a class where if you fall behind the tiniest bit, you stay behind. But if you are lucky enough to get a running start, you turn into a jet plane. Those who are able to stay in the fast lane seem to get small privileges one way or the other.

I am now going to present to you one of my classes, a small dose of the disgruntled postal worker syndrome, I assure you I am not the only one who has noticed. I was even petitioned by a classmate to not write this article as to he/she may have a better chance of receiving one of these small privileges. It may be obvious I am not one of the privileged, and have thus failed to depart from the slow lane or else I wouldn’t be writing this column.

But this type of teaching must stop at some point.

The fact remains this type of problem has no business in a classroom especially at the collegiate level. Favoritism abounds in this class and it has been compounded with the stressful structure of a summer class to keep the smart smarter and the dumb dumber. Not that 1 or any of my other classmates are dumb, but instead we are ignorant for two hours a day, sinking like the Titanic. (A good example to my sorry state is my reference to the Titanic.) We are made to feel as if we are helpless and hopelessly lost in a world foreign to us. Which, by no effect of irony, we actually are!

Crash summer courses: an exercise in futility?

This is not my first unsuccessful attempt at summer classes but it is my last, thank God! Not once have I taken a summer course which was a positive environment for learning and bred a sense of self accomplishment. This may, however, be accountable to my extraordinarily bad record of consistently getting the wrong teachers, at the wrong time, in the worst environment, always.

Maybe other students have had wonderful experiences with summer classes, I don’t know. But what I do know is that what is taking place in both of my classes is wrong. But the record will never reflect these things. The record will only reflect our grades, and our grades will reflect poorly upon the professors.

Any questions? Sorry, we’re out of time.
Semisonic is a semi-sized rock band with semi-pleasing music. An array of chords and a good rhythm color this album. Their style is a hybrid between Dave Matthews and Counting Crows. But they can reach deep to get more of the in your face rock and roll. They have an ability to bring back the rugged rock sounds of the 70’s and 80’s past. Front man and vocalist Dan Wilson does a good job in guiding the band into deep to get more of the in your face rock and roll. They are intrepid, going for the extreme sounds, rather than just skimming the surface. If you want a glimpse of their style, listen for their new single, “Closing Time,” on the radio.

From the rural Perkiomenville, Penn., comes a band with techno tools. These tunes are less lyrical and more instrumental. When their debut album is spinning in the stereo, a concoction of David Bowie, Radiohead and Pink Floyd magically emits from the speakers. This album doesn’t fall into the techno scene, but it is more of the kind of rock you’d expect to be manufactured in a factory rather than a studio. The first single, “From Your Mouth,” is a display of a breakdown of the common rock song, and then the total reconstruction of the tune in their signature name. ‘God Lives Underwater’ had a glimpse of the nation touring with Lords of Acid, Spacehog, Filter and Korn. They represent a new style of music that is definitely pleasing to those who like to try the new ‘Cold Cut Combo Sub’ served with fries...$3.99. Enjoy $1 SouthPaw Longnecks from 9-11 p.m.

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Graduate inspires with collection of poetry

By MERCEDES MCELMURRY
Staff Writer

As our society keeps growing and growing and technological advances increase every day, slowly consuming our very lives, it's hard to make time for the social, personal, and cultural aspects of our lives. We get so caught up in the day to day drab of life: work and school, work and school. But one new author reminds us to take time and enjoy life and experience it to the fullest. This author, Echo, is a graduate of our very own University. A Farewell To Reason is his first published book that explores the human soul through its journey of life.

The book of poems was inspired by the author's own experiences, which come from diverse sources. Throughout his life Echo has experienced many social extremes. From growing up in a trailer park and dropping out of high school to working and winning a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, he has also worked for the U.S. Army Material Command (AMC), during which he earned a Master of Science in Industrial Engineering with honors at Texas A&M University. He now currently lives in Orlando where he works for the U.S. Army at Simulation, Training, and Instrumentation Command (STRICOM), as a systems engineer in the area of combat simulation. His poetry has been published in various literary journals such as "Poet's Review," "Rhyme Time," and "Poet's Review." This is his first attempt at publishing a book and he also did all the artwork for it as well.

Echo: I did it for myself. I like to write and get to know people. And for relaxation to get away from every day life.

CFF: What was your inspiration for writing these poems?

Echo: Well, the first thing is that I hate to write about one person; throughout my life all people have inspired me. And two, it's important to express lust and other emotions, its fascinating to me. Sometimes people cover up those feelings, I'm not afraid to let people know how I feel.

CFF: Why did you choose the pen name Echo?

Echo: I wanted something that sounds smooth, has a sense of mystery and is kind of new age.

CFF: What is the title A Farewell To Reason significant? What does it mean to you?

Echo: Well, it is the title of the poem on the back cover, and basically, people get too consumed, we never place enough priority on the social, personal, and cultural aspects of our lives.

CFF: What would you like people to know about you and who you are?

Echo: I want people to know that I am not judgmental. I'm open, and I can identify with everyone. There are great people everywhere and in every group.

CFF: What do you want the readers to get from reading your poems?

Echo: I hope that they will learn to experience the great things in life and not get caught up in their goals. Everyday think about life and enjoy it, don't wait till the end.

A Farewell To Reason is an inspirational book, and if you are like those of us who stumble through life from one goal accomplishment to the next, never stopping to smell the fragrance of life, this book will put you in check. The book can be purchased at several local Orlando locations, The Sharma Emporium, next to the UCF Cinemas, The Spiral Circle and Out in About Books, located on 17-92. You can also call 407-247-6553 or contact the web site at www.bookmasters.com. Echo does encourage anyone interested in the book or just interested in talking to him to contact his personal web site at: 

http://members.aol.com/echo487157/farewell.html
By Mike Marshall

What is your favorite way to beat the heat this summer?

I like to fly to Colorado and go summer skiing.
- Cassandra Kravcenko, 21, West Milford
  New Jersey, Psychology

I like to go to the pool and lay around and not to squat!
- Matt Dolan, 20, Palm Harbor Florida,
  Social Sciences

I drink lots of water and head off to the beach.
- Jacklynn Roney, 20, Cocoa Beach,
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I turn my air conditioning on.
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Single mother juggles studies, mother responsibilities

By VICKI DeSORMIER

Staff Writer

Summer is no day at the beach for Jenny Hill. The mother of two is a full-time UCF student who also works part-time at a local book store. When school is out for Lindy, 6, and Shannon, 8, Hill said it throws a monkey wrench into her life.

"I want to go to school in the summer so I can get it over and done with," she said. "It makes me crazy, sometimes, trying to juggle school and work and day care, but I don't see it as a choice."

Hill said she decided to go back to school after her husband filed for divorce two years ago. She realized she only faced dead-end jobs that paid very little with a high school diploma. She convinced her parents to help her pay her tuition.

"Oh, they're wonderful about this," she said. "I know I'm so lucky to have parents who would do this for me and not tell me that I should have thought about this when I was younger instead of getting married right out of high school."

So, at 36, she is starting over.

"I feel so old sometimes," she said. "Really there are a lot of older students, but sometimes I just notice the difference when I am late to class because the girls were too slow getting ready or when I have to miss class because the sitter didn't show up."

Hill said she wishes all she had to worry about was showing up for class and getting her homework done.

"But, especially in the summer when they're out of school, I have to figure out what I have to do with them, I have to go to class and rush out to go pick them up and I have to try to study while I'm entertaining them and doing household and cooking dinner and stuff," she said.

"I get by," she said. "I want my degree and I want to learn the skills I need to get a good job. I can't let the grades really bother me. I do my best and I learn what I need to."

Hill said the balancing act she does every day is more work than she ever put into school is when you're young," she said. "I thought I'd get married and he'd take care of me for the rest of my life. Boy, was I wrong."

She said she hopes her daughters learn from her mistakes. She tries to encourage them in their school work and get them to do their homework with her.

"But when it's summer, they just want to have fun and here I am with my nose in a book all the time," she said. "Sometimes it makes them nuts."

She has managed to keep her grades "at a respectable level," but she hasn't made the honor roll either, she said.

"I'm old," she said. "I'm a little older. I can't be like I was when I was younger."

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Jones one step closer to NBA dream as individual workouts await him

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on-one, two-on-two and three-on-three games, had their vertical jump and reach tested, and were weighed and measured," Speraw said. "He really has done well for himself. He's definitely helped his stock."

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Three future Golden Knight players

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Family helps Bellhorn prepare for pro career

By JEFF CASE
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If Todd Bellhorn ever wonders how tough the rigors of Major League Baseball can be, he need only pick up the phone and call his brother Mark.

Selected in the ninth round by the New York Mets in this year's MLB Amateur Draft, Todd Bellhorn has seen where the road that awaits him has taken his older sibling. For the former first-round draft pick from Auburn the trek has often been a long, confusing and sometimes endless road.

After a successful career at with the Tigers, preceded by appearances on the USA baseball and U.S. Olympic teams, Mark was drafted and signed with the Oakland Athletics.

Following two and a half years in the Oakland farm system, Mark was called up to the majors. A satellite system was hastily installed in the Bellhorn household to watch the budding star in the family.

Thanks to technology, Todd hears first-hand about the joy of playing before a major league crowd for a month or so in the majors, the disappointment of spending two or three months back in the farm system. It always seems to be back and forth, back and forth.

When you go into pro ball, there is nothing left as far as amateur baseball," said UCF baseball coach Jay Bergman, who has seen more than 25 former players sign contracts with MLB teams. "It is extremely competitive, like anything else, and it's the highest level of competition (Todd's) going to face."

Mark, a third baseman who teamed with his younger brother at Oviedo High School for two years, was recently sent back to Oakland's Triple-A affiliate earlier this month after spending part of last month on Oakland's roster.

The waiting game that players such as Mark face is better than never getting a chance at all, as former UCF player Chad Mottola can attest.

After being chosen in the first round Cincinnati Reds in 1992, Mottola chose to forego his senior season and signed with the Reds. Six years later, Mottola was still waiting for his big break as a member of the Cincinnati Reds Triple-A club, when he was traded and forced to start over and hope to finally get his chance.

"It all depends on the organization that signs you," said Todd Bellhorn. "Chad has been in triple-A for six years. You never know. You've got to have luck and I think it's hard to get there, no lie, but you've got to concentrate on what you are doing and talk to the other players who have been there."

The constant switching between triple-A and major league clubs can cause you to question the value of professional baseball, Todd Bellhorn added.

"Would you rather be in the bigs and not playing or in triple-A and playing all the time. I don't know," Bellhorn said. "It might be frustrating to some players to go back and forth all the time, but I think it depends on the individual and what they can handle it. For me, it's going to be a challenge and an adventure."

And if he ever needs advice, he will have plenty of people to turn to, especially brother Mark, and the bushel of UCF teammates selected alongside him. Their long journey begins now.
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UCF loses key players to major leagues

By JEFF CASE

The Major League Baseball Amateur draft came through UCF like a fierce hurricane, claiming three graduated seniors, seven underclassmen, and three recruits. After seeing 10 key components selected, UCF baseball coach Jay Bergman could have some lineup shuffling to do.

"It's like a double-edged sword," said Bergman in a phone conversation from the College World Series in Omaha, Neb. "You want them to get good and then they go from there. I think really we've prepared for it [the loss of players] and hopefully in our preparation [assistant coach Greg] Frady has done everything he can do. Certainly when you lose as many players as that, that really tears apart your ball club, but that's the situation as far as college baseball is concerned."

Junior pitchers Mike Maroth and Kevin Gordon were third-round selections, while infielder Eric Riggs was picked in round four.

After missing more than a month of the season due to mononucleosis, Maroth (3-3, 4.09 ERA) impressed scouts with his pitching and speed and was selected by the Boston Red Sox, who cited that solid lefthanders with Maroth's ability are hard to find.

Pitching in only his second season, Gordon (3-1, 2.63 ERA) was picked minutes later by the Colorado Rockies. Riggs selection by the Los Angeles Dodgers in the fourth round surprised few. The former basketball star from Brownsburg, Ind. was UCF's leader in batting average, home runs, and stolen bases. Held suffered through arm trouble all season and was not the same pitcher he was in 1997, when he was the staff ace and strikeout leader. Still, Held's potential caught the eye of St. Louis scouts.

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