Five impeachment affidavits filed

Former presidential candidate claims conflict of interest

Shelley Wilson

Senate president pro tempore and former presidential candidate Jaime Halscott brought five affidavits of impeachment against Student Body President Darin Patton to the Legislative, Judicial and Review Committee (LJR) on June 9 and to Senate on June 13.

The first affidavit charged the swearing in of Patton was a conflict of interest since there was still a contestment of the Patton clarifying statement.

In the second affidavit, Halscott stated access to his office was taken away. Halscott went on to say that the Student Union Information Desk to gain access to my office in SU 214, he said, "I was told that I had been removed from the list and was subsequently shown the access list." Fred Piccolo, one of the witnesses on this affidavit, stated his opinion of the situation.

The student body president does set the access list, but also Jaime has an office here and should be granted access to it.

Access to the Student Government Office was changed recently by Dr. Kenneth Lawson, the associate vice president for Student Development and Enrollment Services, due to several items that turned up missing. Those items included a television set, documents taken from mailboxes, post cards removed from the suite entry window, and alleged disappearance of Election Commission materials.

As a result, new hours were set from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., any meetings scheduled in

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UCF grad establishes credit website for students

Elaine LeBlanc

A recent UCF graduate created a website geared toward informing students about establishing and maintaining good credit. The site, StudentCredit.com, also offers online credit card applications. Russell Gentile, who received a Finance degree in 1995, cofounded the business.

Good credit is summarized by "The Three Cs," as defined by Citibank: Credit, capacity, and reputation.

Character- How responsible you are about paying your bills

Capacity- How much you can pay a loan based on your money management skills, income and financial position

Collateral- Security for the lender in case you do not pay back the loan.

The site also advises to establish solid responsible credit with a credit card. Instead of writing checks for small purchases each month, credit card use will be encouraged by the full balance before the "due date." The site includes explanations of credit card vocabulary such as secured vs. unsecured cards and joint vs. individual credit.

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University President Dr. John Hitt signed off on the ‘99-’00 Activity and Service Budget on June 11. Hitt made several changes to the budget before signing by line-item vetoes or vetoing a portion of it.

Allotments for the fall and spring Career Expos for the Engineering, Education, Business, Health & Public Affairs, Arts & Sciences, and Graduate Engineering College Councils along with the Personal Development Lab and the College Publication for the Councils were vetoed, totaling $150,000. The lines could be approved, Hitt wrote, if detail the university desires appropriate is provided within the applicable time limits.

College Programs for Engineering, Education, Business, Health & Public Affairs, and Arts & Sciences were vetoed in its entirety. These programs were listed as programming director, Graduate Assistant Support, OP’s Student Assistant Support, study area, development labs, College Appreciation Functions, Meet the Dean, and information display cases. Hitt questioned the rationale of them on the budget and also asked for detailed information about them.

Lines concerning certain clubs were vetoed in part, according to Hitt, because incorrect amounts were listed. The Agricultural/Horticultural Society was vetoed at $12,000 with the correct amount being at $2,000. UCF Paintball, was vetoed at $9,000 with the correct amount at $5,000.

Hitt made several recommendations in regards to the budget. The new Recreation Building was a top concern on the memo. “Senate should reallocate the $651,958 to the Recreation Services Building Fund since on October 21, 1998, the Activity and Service Fee Review Committee recommended that appropriate resources be set aside for the next three years for the new project.”

Hitt also wrote that the Student Senate should verify the registration of all clubs and organizations allocated monies in this budget prior to the release of the funds allocated, and that the clubs and organizations should be officially registered by the start of the new fiscal year in order to receive allocations.

Starting on June 10, Senate has 15 school days to make new budget recommendations for expenditure of the vetoed portion of the fund according to Florida Statute 240.235 (a)(2).

After those revisions, the Statute also allows the university president to veto any line or portion and reallocate by line item the vetoed part to obligations guaranteed by activity and service fees.

Along with this fiscal budget, close to 100 requests have been made within the past few months out of last year’s addendum budget. According to Dr. Kenneth Lawson, associate vice president for Student Development and Enrollment Services, most of the requests came in late April and were approved by former Student Body President Jason Murphy. The administration held off on funding all of the requests since they totaled over $500,000 and was not sure if all of that was available since the original addendum budget was only requested at $750,000.

The biggest single request on the addendum budget that has not gone through was for $3,077,000 for a bigger study lounge for the Engineering Building. The initial request on a memo was dated on March 15 from Engineering Dean Martin Wanielista to David Siegel, engineering senator and College Council member.

“Students suggested to me for 3 to 4 years that they needed more study space,” Wanielista said. “They asked me if I would support a bigger lounge and I said sure so I let them handle it.”

Wanielista said he believes more than the College of Engineering will benefit from the bigger study space.

“You don’t just find Engineering students there,” he said. “There are students all over there. One day all I found there was business majors.”

The funding, however, was put on hold by the General Counsel of the university on June 9 and addressed in a memo to Interim Vice President for Student Development and Enrollment Services Tom Huddleston from university attorney Mary Beth Liberto.

“It appears to me that such proposed funding is not permissible under Florida Statute 240.235 (a)(2) and 240.295(2)(e). Pending my further research and rendition of a final legal opinion in this matter, it is my legal opinion that such funding be frozen and that no such remodeling be initiated.”

Florida Statute 240.235(a)(2) says that the student activity and service fees shall be expended for lawful purposes to benefit the student body. In general, Statute 240.295(2)(e) says construction of facilities or remodeling of existing facilities to meet needs as determined by the university are authorized and available for such purposes.

According to Lawton, there are four different types of fees that universities may use.

The first is Auxiliary which is self-supporting programs such as housing and student health services. Contract & Grants is the second which is when professors apply for certain grants, then there is Activity and Service Fees which is paid by students, and Education in General which is funds from the state that pays for things on campus such as academic buildings.

The debate then is if student money can pay for an addition made to a building that was paid for by the state. Wanielista thinks it can.

“Building a new building you would need Education in General funds, but modifications come from all kinds of funds,” he said.

The expansion is still being looked into. Five transfers totaling $274,000 which were to be made into the addendum budget were also put on hold. One transfer for $50,000 was to be from salaries from the Recreation Center was never even told to employees then.

“Nobody has told us anything. I don’t think it could possibly happen because the money is not there now,” said Loren Knutson, director for Recreational Services.

More than $100,000 has been spent year-to-date on miscellaneous projects and more than $525,000 has been approved for computer equipment.

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Halscott: Patton ordered cabinet desks emptied

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different times have to be in a different location.

The third affidavit dealt with the desks of members of the Election Commission and C&O Chair Charlie Lee being emptied. Halscott wrote that Patton had all cabinet desks cleared out. Senator Anna Berger asked Halscott at the Senate meeting why he didn’t stop someone if he saw him or her removing the desks.

“I saw the desks that were actually empty,” Halscott responded. “I had to put them in an affidavit format that states what I actually saw.”

The former adviser of SGA, Ossie Pulls, wrote a memorandum to Patton to clarify any tampering of official documents.

“On May 14, several members of the staff and I cleaned the Cabinet/Senate area. I personally took the responsibility of clearing the Election Commission cubicle because I knew how important it was to make sure that documents were not discarded and I can assure you that no documents were discarded. Any document that I found was neatly stacked and placed in the credenza above the desk. In addition, the computer files were never touched by me or the staff on that day so any claims regarding the computer being tampered with by those who ‘cleaned’ the area are unfounded.”

The fourth affidavit was in regards to expenditures former SG President Jason Murphy approved but Patton put on hold, according to Halscott.

In the affidavit, he wrote all presidential acts are valid until the president leaves office and once signed, all subsequent executive officers are obliged to carry out the orders regardless.

According to the SF Finance Office, most requests came in around May 18. Lawson, stated that the funds were originally looked at by the administration to see if they had enough funds to cover them to begin with. Lawson stated he did realize there was enough money to cover all requests for the addendum budget.

Patton said his reason for looking into the funds was to protect them.

“I didn’t feel all of the funds were allocated the way it was expected and distributed properly for the students of this university,” Patton said.

The fifth affidavit discussed Patton being sworn in as president while there was still a contestment of the Spring ‘99 elections.

“This contestment appeal was filed by myself no less than 30 minutes following the Council’s decision to find the contestment lacking in evidence,” Halscott said. “There is not yet a resolution of the contestment appeal.”

That contestment appeal was upheld to give Halscott seven days for another judicial hearing, but at that hearing the Council ruled again there was not enough evidence to uphold it.

The Halscott/Lee ticket was disqualified from the Election Commission and Palla, wrote a memorandum to Patton to clarify any tampering of official documents. “I never had the council of the future. Seminole Ford/Autonation USA (AutoNation) is the largest automotive retail network in the United States, and one showing the automotive retail experience.

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Students celebrate Smoke-Out Day on campus

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This past April 20 some UCF students chose to celebrate a holiday that not only receives no National recognition, but is also a blatant violation of this country’s laws.

The herb is marijuana, and college students all over the nation took advantage of the day off to celebrate National Smoke-Out Day.

The origins of the holiday aren’t exactly known for sure, however, it is thought that it was started by a group of UCLA students during the mid-1970s.

Despite the ambiguity of its origins, the actual goal of the celebration itself is very clear: to smoke as much marijuana as you possibly can before the clock strikes midnight, which signals the end of National Smoke-Out Day.

At around noon on April 20, fields and meadows throughout the UCF community were dotted with tents and encampments. It was almost like a re-enactment of the 1970s flower child movement.

One participant who requested his name not be printed said, “Today is like a day where everyone can forget their lives and just chill out. I mean, we all have so many problems, I know I do. Here, I can be myself, and get as high as I wanna be, and no one will razz me for it.”

Of course, National Smoke-Out Day is not all peaches and cream for all those involved — the police find themselves in a frustrating position.

Orange County Deputy John Lear called Smoke-Out Day a “real problem for the police. I mean, most of the kids who participate are very, very stoned to do anything really dangerous, but that’s not the point. Marijuana is illegal for a reason — it’s a hallucinogen that is potentially dangerous to the person who uses it and everyone around them. It impairs judgment, motor skills, and decision-making abilities.

“Now apply that to a whole group of people smoking grass for fun,” Lear said. “The potential results are disastrous. But there’s very little we can do. We just can’t go into the camps where the kids are smoking and bust the lot of them. And as long as they aren’t causing any trouble, what are we going to do? The Constitution applies to everyone, even potheads.”

Most people who participate in National Smoke-Out Day say they really don’t worry about reprisal from law enforcement officials.

Another participant, who requested his name not be used, said, “The police really don’t ever bother us. I’ve been doing this since I got to school three years ago, and I’ve never seen a cop bother anyone.

“And likewise, I’ve never seen anyone really get rowdy — I mean, we’re high man, we can’t really do anything but eat, laugh, and talk about things that only make sense to someone else who is high.”

Website creator assures security for customers

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Gentile said, “Plus, most of these cards are geared towards college students trying to build credit.”

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“We don’t want people to see this information,” Gentile said. “The only people who see it are the user and the bank. Our company does not see any of it. The sign-up process is simple. Ryan Westberry, senior, received a credit card from StudentCredit.com. He said: “It was really easy. No one was bribing me with a free CD case to fill out an application. I looked over all the cards offered, decided on one and entered all the required information. Plus, I learned a lot about how important good credit really is.”

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Senate. On June 7, Patton requested the judicial Council to consider and review the establishment of appointing qualified students to vacant Student Government offices, with concurrence of the Senate.

Patton informed the Council that senators are finding friends to serve and signing their seats over for being in the house, he did not have his ID there. Ingerham then asked for his name and birth date to verify. The student gave the name of Keith M. Kemp with a birth date of 04/16/76. As the officer began sending the information to his dispatch, the student threw his can of beer and began running.

The chase through the SigNu Chi house ended with Ingerham pinning the student to the floor and cuffing him. The student was then taken to Seminole County Fire and Rescue for treatment of a small burn sustained during the chase. The officer then took the student to Orange County Jail.

On April 25, George E. McManns was arrested and charged with resisting arrest without violence while riding his bike near the Arena. While directing traffic out of the Arena around 12:25 p.m., UCFPD Officer Scott Lowen saw two bicyclists, one male and one female, heading east in the west-bound lane against heavy traffic exiting the Arena. Another officer at the Arena motioned for the bicyclists to move into the other lane.

According to police reports, when the couple didn’t respond, Lowen crossed the street and shouted at the riders to ride with traffic. McManns then put his bike down and ran, and kept shouting for them to stop and come back. They did not respond. Lowen then got into his patrol car and stopped the bicyclists. McManns got off his bike while yelling at the officer, saying he didn’t have the right to harass them. Lowen asked for identification and explained the laws that stated riders had to provide it. McManns wouldn’t concede and climbed on Lowen’s bike, instructing his wife to do the same. Lowen then called for another officer to assist.

After further explaining and asking for his identification, McManns still would not comply. The officer then cuffed McManns and placed him under arrest. As they were cuffing him McManns shouted, “I’m going to sue if you put these on me.”

Process under scrutiny after complaint

recent meeting where Senate members asked Smith if his appointment was an orchestration by the executive branch; however, Kevin Koenig and Fred Piccolo were questioned that same day and asked what kind of scrutiny will they face if they had the choice.

Piccolo explained at the hearing the difference in questions.

“Senate know me and knew my goals, whereas they didn’t know Smith’s. They knew where I was coming from, whereas they weren’t sure about him.”

Smith, however, believes certain Senate members have kept the agenda of others hidden when he came before them.

“My first reaction to my question was that [David] Siegel pictured me as a puppet,” Smith said. “I explained to him that I sought after the seat myself. I was totally surprised the questions were not on the same level.”

Senator Koenig said Senate rarely ever asks the same questions.

“People are in Senate for different reasons,” Koenig said. “A few of which are to get involved, facilitate funding for their club, and/or they enjoy politics. Senators will ask appointed questions to determine how that appointee will affect their reason for being in Senate.”
A tribute to rock and roll

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Just imagine. Kiss, Ozzy, Led Zeppelin and the once decent Metallica on one stage for $8. If it sounds too good to be true, it is. In reality, it is the Monsters of Mock tour, a package in which tribute bands share the stage for one night. In essence, I would be seeing three of my all-time favorite bands on one stage for a fraction of the price it would cost to see them. It is not the real thing, but it’s close enough.

The first band was Ozzy’s tribute band, Crazy Train. The singer tried to look like Ozzy, even though he resembled a less fatter Chris Farley with long hair. Maybe he faked his own death since he felt his true calling in life to imitate Ozzy in small clubs. Not even Ozzy on his worst day could sound as bad as this guy. He gets an “F” for effort, though. In all honesty, a tribute band is supposed to be a third-rate imitation of the real deal. As David Bowie would say, “the band was all together,” musically the songs did justice to the original songs. The guy who played Ozzy took his job pretty seriously and he even moaned the audience at the end of the show like he would, without a doubt the most unnecessary sight of the night.

Next up was Zoso, the Zeppelin tribute band. I love Zeppelin and since it is highly unlikely to see the real deal, this band will have to do. The guitarist looked like Tony Iommi, the bass player looked like Dave JR from Megadeth with longer hair and the singer looked like big bird dressed as Robert Plant. The singer tried to do a good job and sometimes it worked better than others. The real star was the band itself. The guitarist was good, but he was no Jimmy Page. The rhythm was great, especially the drummer who was every bit as good as the late great John Bonham. They focused too much on the softer songs instead of the heavy stuff like “Dazed and Confused” or “The Lemon Song”, but to their credit they did not focus too much on the tried and true Zeppelin and took a couple of well-intentioned risks.

A Metallica tribute band is a rarity within itself. Although the band is still active musically, they are hardly a shadow of their former selves. Battery, the Metallica tribute band, represented the hope of disillusioned former fans like myself to forget for a while the present and remember the songs we used to love. The band started night with “Creeping Death” which is perhaps my favorite Metallica song, but problems quickly started to surface. First of all, the drummer was every bit as incompetent as Lars Ulrich. Like Lars, he had a fancy kit which he never put to good use. The singer used the double bass probably twice during the whole set, taking away greatly from the band’s intensity. The guitarist were average, although their song selection was poor. Battery chose to focus on standard material that the band plays to death until this day. “Enter Sandman”, “One,” “Sanitarium,” and “Sad but True” (the Hulk Hogan song). It would have been better if they played the stuff that Metallica has not felt like playing in years like “Lepers Messiah,” “Disposable Heroes,” or “Shortest Straw.” Now when they played “Whisky in the Jar”, I felt I had enough. I could have lived without them playing any of the new aterna rock material. Like the real Metallica, Battery did whatever they felt like doing.

Next up was KISS ARMY!!! I am a big fan of Kiss, but I have had the misfortune of never seeing the band live. So this was the closest I got to fulfill that dream. Of all the tribute bands, these guys were by far the best. Kiss’ larger-than-life image lends itself easier to impersonation. All the members looked the part. Ace had the spacy “I’m drunk on stage” look down. He, like the real Ace, looked like he was playing on another planet. Paul Stanley looked like he practiced really hard playing with his hair like the Stardchild himself. His stage raps were straight out of the Alive albums and Gene Simmons did the whole flame throwing, blood-spilling thing. Now whoever played Peter Criss played a lot better than the Cat Man himself. I know it is not nice to pick on the Catman but he never sounded as great as the drummer in Kiss Army. I was delighted to hear “She,” “God of Thunder,” and “C’mon and Love Me”, but there were a couple I would have liked to have heard but with so many Kiss songs it’s hard to play every request. They finished the set with “Rock and Roll All Nite” and all was good.

Apart from the show, what made Kiss Army better than the other tribute bands is that it came closer to capture the spirit of the original band and brought out that inner Kiss that was inside all the people in attendance.

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Lead Stories

In April, the Unique Recoveries collection agency in Bombay, India, hired six eunuchs to go to the homes or offices of obstinate debtors to embarass them into paying up, by dancing around and threaten­ ing to lift their sari to expose their "genitallessness." Unique's director said he expects this business to expand and that he will hire 100 more eunuchs. Many Bombay eunuchs earn money by crushing weddings and hangings and until they are paid to leave.

The devestation of Kosovo this year by Serbian forces also disrupted another part of some Kosovars' lives: their extensive international crime organizations, which were addicted until the capture of a May report to the San Francisco Chronicle, "dominated" the narcotics business in Europe. The Kosovo war has now been supplanted by more vicious Albanian crime organiza­tions, sometimes in conjunction with Sicilian Mafia families just across the Adriatic Sea, supported by a corrupt Albanian parliament. In March, the Albanian crime "boss of bosses" was arrested in Milan, Italy, on Mafia, Roth, at an international, an International Crime Tribunal meeting in France.

In April, the Great Floridian Marker Program's deadlines was extended again, to September, because it is still far short of its millennial goal to officially recog­ nize the 2,000 all-time greatest Floridians. Though the program has been in operation for more than a year, municipalities have nominated so few people (170) that program personnel may finally be realizing that there simply have never been 2,000 great Floridians.

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8. John Hope
9. A. Philip Randolph
10. R.K. Narayan
11. Henry M. Flagler
12. Walt Disney
13. Panhandle Red
14. Zora Neale Hurston
15. Robert Frost
16. Mary McLeod Bethune
17. Dr. Samuel M. Crockett
18. Mary McLeod Bethune
19. William Underwood
20. William Paton

Lead Economic Indicators

In January, officials in Chebhabash, Russia, imposed a 5-table (about 20 cents) monthly tax on domestic dogs, based on their use of electricity and water. And in May, the owner of the Letotop antiques shop in Sofia, Bulgaria, told reporters he hoped for a quick end to the bombing in neighboring Yugoslavia so that his missile debris (from NATO misfires that hit Bulgarian) would retain its high value and not be diluted by further debris from more NATO misfires. And a May Knight-Ridder News Service dispatch reported that Chile has covered for its lug­ ging copper business with such dynamic exports as shave lotion made from snail slime.

Cultural Diversity

More than 2,500 people were reported kid­ napped in Colombia in 1998 in what are called "fish­ ing expeditions," in which almost random groups of people are abducted until the captors sort out who is valuable and who isn't, according to a June Chicago Tribune story. Kidnapping is such a fact of life in Columbia that the format of one Bogota radio station is almost exclusively messages for kidnap victims.

In India, 600,000 "untouchables" continue their miserable existence despite pledges by the govern­ ment to give them basic educational and health care. According to an April report in the London Observer, the government was to term a traditional Gurbuz tribe pas­ ttime as un-Islamic "gambling." In the game, two men toss eggs together, and the one whose egg breaks is the loser. In January, a man was arrested for break a up a game in the city of Khon, the tribemen resisted, and in a standoff, five soldiers and seven tribemen were killed.

Compelling Explanations

In April, William Whitfield, 34, won about $185,000 (U.S.) from a Calgary, Alberta, judge for injuries he suffered when motorist David Calhoum smashed into his brand-new truck in 1990. Among the dozens of claims against Calhoum, the $185,000, was Whitfield's acquired desire, still unsub­ sided to this day despite electroshock therapy, to kill Calhoum in retaliation. According to the judge, Calhoum failed to testify at trial. Former Calhoum, who had told his lawyer that he intends to kill Calhoum and then himself.

Teenagers, representing a decade gave their opinions not to not go to work for a job, but to work for a job, and six are keeping their promises. Of the other four (including Republicans Scott McInnis of Colorado and George Nethercutt of Washington and Democrat Merk Mushatt of Missouri), the best promise-voiding explanation was by Republican Tiller Fowler, elected from Jacksonville, Fla., in 1992 under the slogan "Eight (years) Is Enough." Fowler said in December 1998 that it was really his late buddy Leonard Lee Lake who masterminded the killings and that he, Ng, had what a psychologist called a dependent personality disorder that made him too doleful and compliable. Ng was so "docile" that he fled to Canada and skill­ fully fought extradition for six years after the killings and since 1991 has used numerous delay tactics, including firing several of his lawyers and using three of them, to avoid going to trial.

Update

In 1992 News of the Weird reported that a Cornell University researcher had developed an artificial dog, created using cows' blood to breed a 12,000 fleas a day he required for shipping to phar­ macaceutical companies in test flea and ticks, and delivered. (The dog replaced 25 real dogs, which were probably obsessed.) A June 1999 New York Times report finds that the now-senii-retired researcher, Dr. Jay Georgi, mainly sells the artificial dogs (whose effi­ ciency is now as great as that of 104 real dogs), but does keep a small population of these for small orders and emergencies. Dr. Georgi claims to retain his fascination with fleas: "I'm very fond of them!"

The Only Way Out

In February, the mayor of Carsonville, Mich. (population 583), hanged himself in his tool shed three days before a contentious recall election, pro­ voced by objections to his bill-paying lapses and vio­ lations of open-meetings laws. And in March in Tokyo, a 58-year-old executive, upset at Bridgeston Tire Co.'s large-scale (and for Japan, unusual) downsizing, which included a request that he accept early retirement, committed ritual hara-kiri with a 14-inch fish-slicing knife in a company conference room.

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Brisson, Batia receive All-Region honors

UCF first baseman Dustin Brisson (Wellington/Wellington HS) has been selected to the 1999 American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) All-Atlantic Region first team while designated hitter Mark Batia (Jonesboro, Ga./North Florida CC) has been named to the second team.

Brisson, a first team all-Trans America Athletic Conference selection, hit a team-leading .388 with a school-record 17 home runs and 76 RBIs last season. He also led the Golden Knights with a .748 slugging percentage and ranked second with a .481 on-base percentage.

Batia, who also played left and center field for UCF last season, hit .378 with seven home runs and 38 RBIs over 54 games. He led the team with a .558 on-base percentage and ranked third with 12 stolen bases.

Striegler sets goal of TAAC dominance

Fielding a list of potential recruits so he could call some of Florida's top talent to his program, he's been fortunate to be able to build good relationships with the AAU and high school coaches around the state. With only one assistant, her task will be even more difficult and her schedule more hectic.

UCF down to 2 for women's soccer job

UCF interviewed two finalists for the opening head coach of the women's soccer team. The remaining candidates are Amanda Crownwell and Neil Roberts. Crownwell is a 1992 graduate of the University of Virginia. She was head coach of the University of Maryland at Baltimore County from 1996-98 but took last year off to train for the U.S. National Team which she has been a part of since 1991. In 1996, she was an Olympic Team alternate. She is a resident of Lake Mary.

Roberts has been head coach of East Carolina University since 1995 and led the team to a 10-7-1 finish last year. He was a graduate assistant at North Carolina in 1987 when the Tar Heels won the national championship.

He graduated from Delaware and earned his master's from UNC. He interviewed at UCF on Tuesday.

UCF won the TAAC championship with Berg, a junior, placing second overall. Gundersrud, a freshman, placed third. Hartley had a stellar freshman year capped by her qualification to the Women's U.S. Open. Adam Hayes and Kristian Svalheim, both seniors, earned second-team TAAC honors on the men's team.

The all-conference teams feature the respective tournament medalists with remaining selections based on final GolfStat rankings for the 1998-99 season.

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Bergman seeks immediate help

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Columbus, Ohio and played at Potomac State CC. He was previously drafted by the Baltimore Orioles in 1998. Junior Daniel Stillman, a 6-foot-4 right-hander, throws in the high 80s and played at Pasco-Hernando CC.

Freshman Von David Stertzback was a First-Team All-State selection from West Minister High School in Plantation, Florida and played in the state high school All-Star game. He joins early signee Greg Hubbard, also a pitcher. The Knights got three players who play middle infield positions to help fill a void left by the graduation of second baseman Tim Bevth. Junior Raul Cruz played second base at Pasco-Hernando CC and hit .360 with 14 home runs last year. Junior Mike Aranda, also from Pasco-Hernando, and junior Mike Myers, a transfer from Oklahoma State, both played shortstop and will battle for playing time. Aranda hit over .400 in his two years at PHSS, and Myers hit .350 with six RBIs in only 13 games at OSU.

"We don't recruit the junior college players to be backups," Bergman said. "We expect immediate help from them, and they'll add to the quality of what we already have."

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Schneider arrives

with lofty credentials

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Schools in the Independent
ranks include Notre Dame, Louisiana Tech, Southwestern
Louisiana, and the U.S. Naval
Academy.

Meanwhile, the Golden
Knights added another candidate in the race to become
Daunte Culpepper's successor
as quarterback Ryan Schneider
(Plantation/Plantation HS)
signed a grant-in-aid.

Schneider, 6-2, 205, origi-
nally planned to join the squad
as a walk-on. After redshirt
freshman quarterback Brad
Banks was lost due to injuries,
there was a need to sign
another quarterback.

Schneider was the Class
Golden Knights bring in big recruiting class

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The UCF baseball program signed nine players in the late signing period, bringing its total number of signees to 13, including two football players who plan to play baseball and two early signees announced in January. "I'm really pleased," Coach Jay Bergman said. "Last year we got caught with so many seniors getting drafted, so we didn't have a chance to recruit some players to fill voids that were left (by the players who got drafted)." Of the 13 players signed, there are five pitchers, five infielders, two outfielders, and a catcher. Seven of the players are juniors, and the remaining six are freshmen. Junior right-hander Jessie Marlo signed with UCF after redshirting this past year at Louisiana State, so he still has two years of eligibility remaining. He played his first two seasons at Seminole Community College where he led the nation in strikeouts in 1998. Two fellow junior college pitchers will join him. "He has a good arm, but he wasn't ready to pitch at LSU's level," Bergman said. "He was fortunate to redshirt." Junior right-hander Scott Ridenour is from Bergman, Page 11

Jay Bergman will welcome a talented recruiting class to a large number of returnees expected to challenge for next year's TAAC title.

3 earn preseason honors; Schneider comes on board

SPECIAL TO THE FUTURE

Three Golden Knights were honored as Football News' released its preseason All-Independent team for the coming year. Junior receiver Kenny Clark, junior center Chris Lorenti and senior defensive tackle Justin Moore were tabbed as the best players at their positions among those in the Independent ranks. Clark, from Ocala, is expected to fill some of the gap left by the graduation of starters Shota Barley and Mark Nonsant from a UCF team that finished 9-2 last year. Clark had a very productive sophomore season, catching 40 passes for 481 yards and six touchdowns and was named UCF's most improved offensive player. Lorenti, from South Daytona, has been a star on the defensive line at UCF since his first game as a freshman. He graded out 80 percent or better for 11 games and 85 percent or better four times last year. Despite the high number of pass plays for UCF he surrendered only two and a half sacks all season. Moore, from Ocala, earned All-Independents honors from the Football News in addition to being named UCF's Outstanding Defensive Lineman last year. He led the team in sacks with eight and had a total of 47 tackles, including a team-high 12 behind the line of scrimmage.

Brisson and Batia honored

Two of the Killer B's were named to the Athletic All-Region Team. — PAGE 10

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