UCF police bust student gambling ring on campus

James Nunez
STAFF WRITER

After a year-long investigation by the UCF PD, thirteen people, including UCF staff members, Student Union restaurant employees and owners and two students were charged with gambling on Aug. 1 of this year. Sgt. Randy Mingo investigated the case after receiving information of an illegal football pool from an employee of a Student Union eatery in November of 1999.

"Our goal was to determine whether any collegiate athletics were involved, which there were not. Also, to see what the extent of the pool was, and if any state equipment was being used to perpetrate the crime," commented Sgt. Mingo.

The informant advised police that the average winnings exceeded $150 each week. About 28 employees made wages of up to $5 each week to enter the pool. Daryl Krogman, owner of the Sweet Treats Shop, collected the money. Suzanne Halpin, a Student Union staff member was responsible for generating and distributing betting sheets containing NFL teams, the code names of each player making a wager and their winning percentage. Evidence suggests that the sheets were being made on a computer owned by the State of Florida. Gary Campbell, the informant's supervisor, Joe Mahoney, a Marriott employee, Kevin and John Wisnewski, employees of Shurr and students Kevin Ross and Richard Simon are just a few of the perpetrators charged in the crime.

In a surveillance operation, student gambling ring on campus...
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Internet radio club tries to start station

Students seek support from Radio-TV department, only to be turned down

Maggie Gunther

Radio-TV department, only to be turned down

WUCF does not provide adequate media access for UCF's 35,000 students, according to WKNT KnightCast president Sean Rugge.

"Although I enjoy some of the programming, WUCF does not reflect the many diverse cultures studying at UCF," said Rugge. He said that student involvement at WUCF is much too limited.

Rugge and a handful of students have organized a club to start WKNT, an Internet radio station for UCF students.

The club met with President John Hitt Oct. 20 and presented ideas and benefits of a student-run radio station. One benefit the club proposed is making club and organizational information available to students.

"It is difficult to find information on clubs, meeting times, contact information and events. There are many events that occur on campus that I do not know about until the day of, if not after the fact. This is where a student radio station could help." The station is currently operating through a donated showcast (Internet audio channel) from Internet audio company Zeromass. The club wants to set up funding to independently establish the station. "We are looking into many options for funding, including SGA's appropriation of Campus Information Technology Fund (CITF) funds, private funding and community sponsorships," said Rugge.

Rugge said that Hitt supported the idea of a student-run radio station and told the club what to do to be officially affiliated with the university, including opening an account with the UCF Foundation and finding space on campus. The station is currently run from student homes. The club is seeking space on the fourth floor of the Student Union or in the student resource center.

Ideally we would like to be integrated with the Communications Radio-TV department, being supplied with faculty advisors and offering internships for students," said Rugge.

Rugge said that Radio-TV department head Dr. Jose Manez-Cuadra is unwilling to give the club an opportunity to present their proposal.

The station can be heard in streaming audio at http://zeromass.phlo.net:7000.

The club meets every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in the Student Union's third floor South Lounge. Meetings are open to everyone.

Students make a difference

Diana Henning

"Make a Difference Day on Oct. 28 gave UCF students a way to give back to the local community," said Renee Blanchard, student director of volunteer UCF.

Students met and spent four hours of their time removing dead wood, small plants and tree stumps from specific areas of Fleet Peoples Park in Winter Park. This newly uncovered land, will soon be the site of more equipment and space for public use.

"I think that volunteering, especially for college students is important because it allows us to really see our community. Understanding what the problems in our community are, helps shape us for our future job experiences," commented Blanchard. Students can volunteer in a variety of ways. Organizations such as Volunteer UCF and Circle K International are a good start for college students.

Volunteer UCF provides programs, as well as one-time projects. On Nov. 15 students can help out with the Hunger Banquet. This is an event that gives a brief glimpse to students of how much hunger exists in the world today. Students that wish to attend must sign up and bring two cans of food. The food at this banquet will be distributed according to the percentage of hunger in the world. "For example, about five percent of the people will receive a three course meal, while many will receive much smaller portions, to show students the extent of homelessness and poverty," stated Blanchard.

Volunteer UCF also offers a program called SPARK, which is a program that offers a different service project once a month. There is no obligation to volunteer at any other time. Other programs include Get Carried, an awareness program about tissue and organ donating, and projects connected to Habitat for Humanity.

Circle K International also offers some possibilities for the interested college student. Currently, the club has two projects going. Nickel Wars involves collecting money for Iodine Deficiency Disorders. A jar is placed in each on-campus residence and the residence with the most nickels wins a pizza party. A Teddy Bear and stuffed animal drive is also currently underway. Last year the club was able to collect over 2,000 stuffed animals and plush toys to donate to Boys Town. Circle K also offers park/clearing cleans up, soup kitchen shifts and the opportunity to mentor ninth graders at Colonial H.S. Charter's are set up in 13 countries and meetings are every Monday at 5 p.m. in the Student Union.

The Honors College is also offering a program open to all students called the HERO program. The structure of


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Police Beat

Manager dips into store money for personal bills.

JAMES NUÑEZ
STAFF WRITER

On Oct. 10 Karen Collins, manager of the UCF Campus Convenience Store, informed Scott Henson, the store’s owner, that she had “borrowed” over $3,000 from the store. She stated that she needed the money in order to pay off unforeseen debts, doctor bills for her sick child and boyfriend, overdue rent and necessary car repairs.

After completing an audit, Henson found that exactly $3,784.20 was missing. He called Neil Wykes, the store’s owner in California. Wykes asked him to identify the shooter mix behind a dumpster.

On Oct. 29, Officer E. Lashinsky observed Mark Moore, an 18-year-old male student, strolling through the ATO parking lot carrying a box with the words “Natural Light” printed on it.

Upon approaching the defendant and requesting identification, Officer Lashinsky asked Moore to identify the contents of the box. Moore replied that he really did not know, and that a friend had asked him to carry the box.

Two bottles of Captain Morgans spiced rum, a box of “On the Beach” shooter mix and cranberry juice were found in the box. Lashinsky provided Moore with the option of dumping the bottles out and throwing them away or facing arrest.

Moore dumped the Captain Morgans and when Lashinsky became distracted by another individual, tried to hide the shooter mix behind a dumpster. Lashinsky caught on however and asked Moore why he did not toss the rest. Moore replied that he was not aware of what the beverage was, even though the box clearly stated 15 percent alcohol. Moore was arrested for possession of alcohol by a person under 21.

Motorist arrested for driving under the influence of Valium.

On Oct. 29, Officer Michael Johnson stopped a 20-year-old male motorist who was driving in the wrong lane on a divided roadway. Michael Spangher was arrested for suspicion of DUI. Upon searching the defendant, Johnson discovered a pack of cigarettes with a sticker that said “Barr” on one side, 555 on top, and 164 on bottom.

Johnson noted that the pills had the word “valium” and asked if Moore knew what they were. Moore replied that he did not. Johnson then called poison control, which confirmed that the pills were a prescription medication called Diazepam (Valium) - a controlled substance.

Spangher was charged with driving under the influence and possession of a controlled substance. He was transported to the Orange County Testing Center where he performed tests for officials.

Web-based company makes art supplies cheaper for students

RUTH HEIDT
STAFF WRITER

In 1995, a company out of Massachusetts known as StudentMarket.com created the first website where students could exchange books with each other or even sell them. Its purpose was to make it easier for students to purchase their own supplies unlike in recent years when they had the help of their parents or the supplies were provided for them. The strains on students’ budgets intensified when they are suddenly on their own.

“My art supply costs were always expensive,” said UCF student Nicole Furia. “It seems even worse now that I am in college.”

To begin this new addition, StudentMarket.com website has over 15 services geared toward the college student market such as inflatable furniture, wireless services, long distance plans and college loans.

“There are several services offered at StudentMarket.com,” said Oren Milgram, director of student services for StudentMarket.com, “but the art supplies division is the newest addition.”

Art supplies have always been an expensive investment for college students. The students are expected to purchase their own supplies unlike in recent years when they had the help of their parents or the supplies were provided for them. The strains on students’ budgets intensified when they are suddenly on their own.

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To begin this new addition, StudentMarket.com partnered with an art supply distributor that has been in business since 1948. They distribute over 40,000 different types, forms and brands of art supplies to companies across the nation. The company offers up to 40 percent discount off of retail prices.

“The process that the website follows is simple. The student searches a subject or brand of art supply that they are looking for and the website brings up listings of prices and a selection to choose from. There are low shipping costs that creates more of a convenience for college students.”

These services are not just offered to students. Professors and deans from several universities and schools around the nation, including Florida, are taking advantage of the services provided for art supplies and are used for their programs and departments.

StudentMarket.com has created a more convenient way for college students to shop that doesn’t strain their budget. With the motto, “It’s the online college shopping solution,” StudentMarket.com has reached thousands of consumers each year with their convenience and prices.

“We provide the products and services students want and need, in an attempt to make college life a little easier,” said Milgram.
Writing your future: Seminar gives insight into writing careers

TAYLOR CLARK
STAFF WRITER

There was standing room only in Coblentz Hall as English majors searched for the secret to a successful profession in writing.

Four professionals and experience and literary knowledge are the keys to a successful job search during a panel discussion for English majors on Oct. 30 at UCF. "I tell anyone interested to write, write, write and start right now," Karlayne Parker, a staff writer and assistant metro editor for the Tampa Tribune, said. "It's more important to me that you know the work environment." She added, while grades are important to employers when considering who to hire, experience will secure the position.

Employers always ask for a sample of published works. "We look for book reviews you have written," said Michael Duria, an editor and writer from the Washington Post Book World. "At the Post we don't teach you how to write reviews," he added. "You already know how to write them."

An assistant editor for a trade magazine, Rachel Squier said she saw her literary background each day on the job. She finds the analytical skills she learned in her literature classes help her greatly.

Duria also said literature will open doors. "We [at Washington Post] have to be able to sympathize and understand a wide range of material." Being well-read enables an Squires to "do the work of finding hidden gems." He said his passion for books helps him make a living.

Another important thing to know is how to make friends. "At times a person has to make friends with an editor," Duria said. "The only way to do that is to sit in their office and start a conversation."

Duria emphasized the importance of flexibility in the field of journalism. "I cross old media boundaries every day of the week," Parker said. "We are improving the quality of the media."

Computer experience also makes an English major more marketable no matter what profession they enter. Duria said, almost every job has a computer attached to it; therefore a technology minor is a good idea.

An assistant editor who attained his job at the Post with a strong cover letter, emphasized its importance. "You never know what little things will make a difference in a job search," Duria said. "Deliberately try to impress the people involved." An eye-catching, well written resume and cover letter is an excellent way to stand out. Providing something that is different will astound employers and increase your chances of getting hired, he added.

All four panelists agreed persistence is an essential strategy when trying to get a job. Calling often and sending a resume even if a company is not hiring will show strength and interest and perhaps secure the job. "Sometimes taking a lower paying job is the first step in the right direction. It may help get a foot in the door until other opportunities present themselves," said Karen Shelley, a recent UCF graduate and marketing editor for Houston Chronicle.

Parker and Duria stressed the importance of studying a publication before interviewing. It helps you become familiar with the publication, and may also help you think of ways to improve the product.

School publications such as the Central Florida Future or Knightline, an online publication, help students gain the writing experience and clips that publications look for. Parker encouraged English majors to take advantage of the writing opportunities on campus.

Every year the television, print journalism and the internet converge more and journalists accept the challenge. Media in cities such as Denver, Sarasota and Washington are experimenting with this system of convergence. Writers must be well-rounded and comfortable in all media.

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News

Message boards, emails large part of curriculum

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given on message boards. Tests can be given online as
in a real classroom, depending on the course and profes­
sor.

Online courses can be convenient for both tradition­
al and non-traditional stu­
dents. Students with young
children prefer online cours­
es because it gives them the
option to stay at home. Dawn Kaisen, a mother of
two, cannot depend on her
husband to stay home with
the children because of the
amount of traveling his job
requires. "It allows me to
make two things: my biggest
priority instead of just one," Kaisen said. "I can be here
for my children if they need
me and I can also finish
school."

Online courses are con­
venient for matters of time.
There is no definite hour you
have to go to class. Students
can sit in their pajamas at 3
a.m. and check message
boards, e-mails or even take
exams.

The courses are not neces­
sarily easier because you
do not have to attend class.
Students must become an
active learner and become
responsible for their own
learning.

Dr. David Fabianic, a
criminal justice professor,
teaches four courses online
this semester. "Students may
take one course and learn it is not for them," said Fabianic.

Depending on the course,
students can be required to read more than 1,000 pages of material within
the semester. Instead of hearing a lecture and being able to ask questions directly,
students must teach them­selves a majority of the infor­mation.

Lori Thompson said,
after taking a fall semester of online courses, she prefers
attending traditional classes.
"The pressure of keeping up
has taken the enjoyment I
always receive from school
out of the picture."

Online courses are not for
everyone. If students are
interested, they should meet
with the professor to review
the syllabus and learn what
would be expected of them
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Students, staff disciplined by Human Resources

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tion, the confidential informant was then employed by Sgt. Mongo to participate in the pool. A total of $535 was spent by the UCFFD during the operation, as the informant would pay the necessary $5 fee each week. The informant was able to obtain a betting pool sheet and identify the player's code names, both of which were used by Sgt. Mongo as evidence.

After the UCFFD had developed a sufficient case against the suspects they sent a charging affidavit to the state attorney's office.

Krogman then handed over a computer disk that he claimed contained all of the gambling information, a blue folder containing one week of bets and a Zip diskette that was said to contain spreadsheets of the football games and players.

Not one of the perpetrators was found to have any criminal records and were described by police as being cooperative. The defendants admitted their involvement in the gambling pools and voluntarily waived their Miranda Rights to make a written statement. UCF staff members were not only charged, but they were also disciplined by Human Resources.

UCF volunteers work with students at Hillcrest Elementary

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of this project revolves around a club concept. College students visit Hillcrest Elementary, an inner-city school located in downtown Orlando, and spend a few hours, one day a week, with some kids discussing topics such as sports, games, art, music and international cultures.

Danny Siegel, nationally known for his accomplishments in the volunteer field and for founding the Ziv Tzedakah, a non-profit organization devoted to supporting little known people who are doing great things for others, said, "People who want to know who we really are should watch the host."

"You absolutely have to wait on the host."

"I didn't know there were two different styles of eating," said Dem. "I prefer American Style. I don't care how long it takes me to eat. I prefer to eat with my right hand."

Senior Irene Pons said, "I learned not to take off my shoes. I always do it at weddings and bar mitzvahs. But unless my feet stick, I don't think I'll stop."

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Overloading of dinner plates biggest American etiquette faux pas

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dining do's and don'ts. By the end of the evening, Dem addressed over 65 dining etiquette policies and answered students' questions throughout the dinner. Dem provided detailed instructions in American Style (switching hands to hold utensils) versus Continental Style dining. She explained how to hold, maneuver and position silverware correctly using each style.

She stressed the importance of proper communication skills such as smiling, making eye contact, greetings and handshakes.

Dern also warned students to avoid committing the three most common and obvious etiquette mistakes many Americans make. "Eating too fast, taking too big of bites and overloading their plate."

Dern said the biggest etiquette mistake she saw UCF students make were proceeding into the meal without waiting for a signal from the host.

"The host signals the beginning of everything," said Dem. "You absolutely have to wait on the host."

Dern has provided etiquette instruction to several groups at UCF, including the Presidents Leadership Council, a select group of students who act as ambassadors for UCF. This was Dern's first appearance at CEL's Etiquette Dinner.

Dern has made a career out of teaching etiquette skills to children, teenagers and adults in personal and corporate settings. Dern says that etiquette skills have declined among the last few generations, which is why there is a need for etiquette training.

" Civility is back in style," said Dern. "People are wanting to know the rules of etiquette because of the lack of it in society."

Students who attended the event all learned etiquette skills that they were unfamiliar with before attending the event. Some students confessed that they were not sure if they would follow the rules of etiquette Dern explained.

"I didn't know there were two different styles of eating," said freshmen Jade Grandy. "I prefer American Style. I don't care how long it takes me to eat. I prefer to eat with my right hand."

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Lake Claire hosts variety of events
Funds are no problem, only low turnout rates

Krista Zilzie Staff Writer
Lake Claire resident assistants hosted their first annual Halloween at the Haunted Shores of Lake Claire on Oct. 30. The camp-inspired event invited Claire residents to roast marshmallows, tell ghost stories and eat free burgers around a campfire at Lake Claire. The next evening Lake Claire’s Aquarius courtyard held a Halloween party that invited all UCF students to participate in a costume, pumpkin carving and pumpkin-pie eating contest.

Each semester Lake Claire hosts three large events and each individual courtyard hosts several small events. Large events like Halloween or the Shores of Lake Claire are held once a month. Small-scale events like ice-cream socials, chess tournaments and movie nights are held more frequently. All events are funded by the United Residents Student Association (URSA) who oversees all aspects of campus housing at UCF. This semester Lake Claire received $1,700 to fund events.

“We can ask Student Government for more money if we need to, but so far we’re okay with the funds URSA has provided for us,” said Lake Claire Council President Josh Rebin.

Receiving sufficient funds for their events is not a challenge for the Lake Claire Council. Their biggest task is getting residents to attend their events.

“We promote these things as best as we possibly can. We put flyers up, knock on doors, but there’s only so much we can do,” said Rebin.

Krista, helping, Lake Claire Vice-President said, “We don’t get big turn-outs because they’re usually upper classman and have their own lives.”

She added, “Mondays and Tuesdays are better nights for events because people don’t go out. We usually get more people to attend these nights.”

Lake Claire’s next event will be a pasta dinner and food drive at Thanksgiving time. Lake Claire residents will be required to donate at least one can of food in order to take advantage of the free pasta dinner. In December, Lake Claire RA’s will hold a Relief Night during finals week.

Kaczynski finds death penalty a terrible irony, Klaas firm supporter FROM PAGE 1
Ed Foster.

Kaczynski turned his brother in to the authorities in April of 1996.

“1 realized it would have been completely irresponsible not to turn him in,” said Kaczynski. He is now a strong supporter of the anti-death penalty movement.

Klaas’ daughter Polly was stolen from her mother’s home during a slumber party. She was then raped and murdered by Richard Alan Davis. Davis was sentenced to death and sits on death row.

“I think of Polly every day and I dream of her at night,” said Klaas. “I feel that in the U.S. this [the death penalty] is nothing more than a common sense reply to a violent society.”

Klaas is a firm supporter of the death penalty and feels that if life sentences were actually that the society could do away with the death penalty.

“What we have in the U.S. is the big lie. The big lie is sentencing only to release them. If they are sentenced to 10 years they only serve five years. If they are sentenced to five years they get almost immediate probation,” said Klaas.

Kaczynski said that the death penalty was a terrible irony to murder. He feels the United States has a broken system of justice and that society can’t clearly distinguish the guilty from the innocent.

“It sets up human beings in human institutions as if we were Gods,” said Kaczynski: “I think it confuses revenge with justice.”

The debate was very informal and brought up numerous issues from both sides. Kaczynski and Klaas take this debate around the country.

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Paul Wilson
STAFF WRITER

UCF may have cleared its first major hurdle with its big win last week and now it's up to us as students to show that we can support our team.

In 2001, UCF will be one of only three independent football programs along with Navy and Notre Dame. This game is big for UCF, and not just because UCF is hosting the eighth ranked team in the nation. Conferences that have both big-name and high-attendance schools are wise to take a look at UCF. A sell-out at the Citrus Bowl on November 11 would show conferences that UCF has the fan base and the team to be a positive addition to any conference.

"When you get the television exposure of conference play, you play everybody," said UCF Assistant Athletics Director John Marin. "It's important for the value of its degrees and attracts business to the community. We have some fantastic academic programs here, but how often will you see anything about them on national television? But, in conference play, our football team will be seen on TV. The whole perception of the university will change. We will not only be known as a regional school on the east side of Orlando. We will be nationally known."

However, this game could have the opposite affect. With the eyes of the major conferences on Orlando, it would be a bitter disappointment for fans if the attendance were average or below average crowd to the game. It also may be a sign to the conferences that UCF is not ready for the opportunity. This is a perspective that I, and most at UCF, do not share.

"We have high-profile athletes and wins against top teams, but UCF isn't well known," says Athletics Director Steve Sloan. "But, UCF is an easy sell if someone takes a look at the facts. Our numbers are very good. When a team is added to a conference, the other schools are a little hesitant to show up the rice pie. Florida State tried for at least 20 years before they even considered UCF and its very competitive. They want to know what we can bring to them."

Let's show the conferences that we can put a quality product on the football field, but also in the stands also. See you at the game. It won't cost you a cent, and could pay off big time.

Kym Soluri
STAFF WRITER

Paul Wilson

Small and proud:

 Why do people think silicone equals beauty?

DIANA HENNING
STAFF WRITER

Granted it feels good to win, but how important is football really? Is it worth paying $350 for a ticket to a game you can watch on TV? Or paying $29 during a game or when fans scream and shout and rub it in for a day or two, but the extremes that were shown in the Alabama game gave a new meaning to the worst ridicements.

Police surrounded UCF's marching band at every turn. One of a sold out game of 83,000, only 1,500 of those people were UCF fans, yet we out chanted them throughout the entire game, and this being their homecoming. Add in the hundreds of students, and you end up with a recipe for a chaos.

The UCF band had to be escorted by police to the game and back to their hotel in Birmingham, because they were afraid to stay too close to the University. The entire game was constantly policed by police and in the shuffling end when UCF scored those winning points, every single policeman highlighted it to the section of field containing UCF students.

UCF's biggest weakness in many ways was the student body. Exchanged. Alabama fans even went so far as to throw rolls of solid paper and bands of Tide at the UCF fans to enforce their motto "Roll, Tide, Roll."

Football is meant to be an exciting sport, and it is fun when your school has enough school spirit to out cheer all entire stadiums, but some people simply take this game too seriously. Sure, I would be mad too if we lost our homecoming. But hey, we are a football team. We shouldn't have to involve the police and it was something I have never heard of before.

Sports should be fun, not feared. You shouldn't have to worry every minute while on foreign territory whether you're safe or not. Football games should consist of tailgating, cheering, and having fun no matter the turn out of the game or where it is.
ELENA JACOBY
Staff Writer

May the teachers love us too much to let us go, or maybe the parking services people just can't stand the idea of losing potential parking violators and there's a conspiracy going on between them and the university to keep us here. Who knows what it is? Somehow all UCF students seem to have trouble getting out of here in four years flat. It makes me wonder: "Can you finish?"

Upon entering my final year in college at UCF I was filled with a slight nostalgia. This was my last full semester in college - ever. Stupid I know. I would miss being a student during Homecoming, football and most importantly the holiday break, a whole month off! That comes to a screeching halt once you hit the real world.

I was sailing smoothly through my fall semester with a full load and an internship that I was actually learning from when I sailed straight into the brick wall of reality. It was time to register for the spring semester, and after getting my "you're-ready-to-graduate" class audit in the mail, I panicked. There were three glowing minutes beside a basic English, math, and history class. Think that's bad? That wasn't the worst of it.

I tried numerous times to get in contact with my designated advisor, but every time I was met with a closed door and strange office hours. I had to seek out one on my own. He was nice and told me, "Go see OASIS about that problem," as he waved me off. So much for one-stop shopping.

OASIS was also reluctant to help me. The kid taking appointments assured me that unless it was extremely important, I should solve the problem with the advisor in my college. Umm, he sent me to you buddy. "We only have two counselors seeing students right now," he explained, "so it's hard to get in to see them." Where was I going to school? I wondered. Is this some small, private college, or a state university of 50,000 students? Sometimes I wonder.

My three classes finally got siphoned out, but to me said, that wasn't the worst of it. I decided to go back to see my self-appointed counselor for some advising on my final spring semester. He hit me with some hard news.

"You're not getting out of here until December," he calmly assured me.

He then proceeded to explain, again calmly, that apparently there is one class required for my blessed major that is only offered once a year in the fall. Needless to say, I wasn't currently in that class. Once a year! Give me a break! I'm already into my spring semester. I was stuck.

Since then, I have overheard numerous students talk about the same problem. "Can you believe I have to stay here for two stupid classes?" they utter, dumbfounded. This will delay my job-search, and who will hire somebody without a degree? "Just wait sir, your class will be over in December..." I know I'm not alone in my problem. Just look around you. How many fifth and sixth year seniors do you know? Why can't we get out of here? Why is UCF known as "U Can't Finish?"

I think, UCF needs to get better organized. They should stop building parking garages in remote areas on campus, and start building better communication between faculty, staff and students. Unless freshmen come into college with a clear vision of exactly where they want to be in four years, they too will be here longer. Advisors, not just "randomly assigned professors" in your college, need to actually advise students about their academic careers. They need to let students know about roadblocks like classes only offered once a year, or no summer classes offered in the beginning. It may be which major we choose. We don't need to be hand-held through our four plus years, but a little guidance wouldn't hurt, after all we're paying enough for our education these days.

As for me, I'll just be here a little longer. My father still doesn't understand why I'm not graduating in May. I tried to explain it to him. College isn't the same as it was 30 years ago. It takes longer, and quite frankly, they want to keep you here as long as they can. They don't make it easy. He asked about advisors, and I told him "Good luck. Closed doors don't give good answers."
Student finds the courage to go back

Recently a good friend of mine confided in me that she had been sexually abused in high school. She has been at UCF about the same amount of time I have and she has been suffering with what happened to her and wasn’t sure if she should go back and tell someone what happened.

She told me a terrible story of how a teacher took advantage of her and how she lied because she was scared. She trusted this person and felt tortured by the fact she had held him in such high regard. The reason I am writing this is because when I think of people being molested I often think of young children and not high school and college students. But as I think more about it I realize it could happen to anyone. It can happen to anyone.

Sexual abuse by someone you know puts many new twists on a situation that is already hard enough. I’ve heard that many victims of sexual abuse can’t come to terms with what has happened for quite some time. Imagine someone you trust hurting you. You want to tell but a part of you still can’t imagine anyone believing you and you can’t imagine hurting them back. After all this is a person whom you trusted, befriended, or even respected.

Most of the women that I know today say that they would tell immediately, but I am not so sure. Everything is so much easier said than done.

Fortunately, my friend is going back and changing her original deposition which was a lie. She has found the strength to fight back. It doesn’t matter that it happened some time ago. It doesn’t matter that she lied. People who study these cases completely understand the feelings that go along with these awful situations.

All I can say to anyone reading this is please, if this has happened to you and you feel as though you all ready get away with it. Don’t let the person who hurt you get away with it. And don’t let them do it again to someone else.

This column is for my friend who has inspired me with her strength and courage. I wish the world had more people like her.

Debate raises questions

At 8 p.m., on Nov. 2, a fascinating exchange of ideas took place at the UCF Arena. The event was a CAB sponsored debate between two nationally prominent figures representing diametrically divergent points of view on Capital punishment, David Kaczynski and Marc Klaas. David is brother to ‘Unabomber,’ Ted Kaczynski, who was captured after David and his brother’s writings, then the FBI. By the time he was arrested, the Unabomber was responsible for 3 deaths and twelve injuries. Marc Klaas was father to Polly Klaas, a twelve year-old girl who on Oct. 1, 1993, was abducted from her home, then raped and murdered by a repeat offender with a history of violence and drug abuse. Since his daughter’s murder, Klaas has become a tireless advocate for victims’ rights and the death penalty.

Kaczynski spoke first, graciously thanking the audience for their warm welcome, then taking a moment to appreciate Florida’s warm weather. After dispensing with formalities, Kaczynski began a moving plea for society to maintain the sanctity of human life by dispensing with the use of the death penalty.

“Currently, when we survey the nations of the world that still employ capital punishment nations like China, Libya, Iran, Afghanistan, all notorious violators of human rights – it is pretty obvious that we here in the United States are keeping bad company among a dwindling number of nations that practice legal homicide.”

Kaczynski then addressed Capital punishment’s disproportionate application to the uneducated and the impoverished, as well as the unequal
Death penalty discussion led by those with personal experience

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balance of resources between the state and defendants in capital cases, Kaczynski challenged death penalty advocate's justification of execution as a response to unspeakable evil with several interesting points:

"...innocent people have been sentenced to death. At last count, since 1976, 89 innocent people have been sentenced to death, and then exonerated," said Kaczynski.

After introducing himself, Marc Klaas detailed the night his daughter was abducted from her California home by a knife-wielding stranger and his subsequent discovery that the kidnapper had previously been convicted of two kidnappings and released from prison only 3 months earlier. For those who would challenge his pro-death penalty stance on moral or religious grounds, Klaas described his view of Capital punishment as, "nothing more than a money-back guarantee effective from date of installation. Time Warner serviceable areas only. Not available in all areas."

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Making your vote count at www.UCFfuture.com

With election day Nov. 7, we wanted to know last week who you were going to be voting for in this year's election. Below is what you told us in our online poll.

Harry Browne - (37%)
Al Gore - (30%)
George W. Bush - (27%)
Ralph Nader - (5%)
Pat Buchanan - (6%)
I won't be voting - (2%)

Next week we want to know if you think smoking should be allowed on campus! Hop on the net and cast your vote at www.UCFfuture.com.

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Florida State University plans power-research facility in business park

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Innovation is on the way. Jobs too.

At least 300 of them will be available in 2002 when the Florida State University Research Foundation completes an $11 million, 80,000-square-foot facility in Innovation Park.

The building, the first approved in Innovation Park since 1996, will be home to the Center for Advanced Power Systems, which will work with the U.S. Navy on research and development of an all-electric ship.

In July, the Office of Naval Research awarded the FSU Research Foundation $10.9 million to create the Center for Advanced Power Systems. The center will be operated by 200 to 300 researchers, including scientists, engineers and students from FSU, the Florida A&M University/FSU College of Engineering, FSU's National High Magnetic Field Laboratory and other industrial partners.

The FSU Research Foundation -- with an endowment exceeding $56 million -- serves as the fiscal agent for privately funded contracts and grants, and it receives and manages royalties from research done by the university's staff and students.

"I can't tell you how excited I am to see this positive movement in the park," said Bruce Host, chairman of the Leon County Research and Development Authority at Innovation Park.

Host said four businesses in the park are affiliated with FSU and one is affiliated with FAMU.

"There is a lot of research energy that flows from the foundation," Host said.

On Friday, foundation officials, along with those from the Office of Naval Research, FSU and Leon County Commission, will break ground on the new building. It will be opposite the mag lab at the corner of Levy Avenue and East Paul Dirac Drive.

Construction on the facility -- which will serve as the park's anchor tenant -- will begin in the spring or summer. Completion is scheduled within a year afterward. Once completed, it will boost the park's employees to 1,900 and its tenants to 12.

The new building program begins with this building and will continue into the future," said FSU President Sandy D'Alemberte. "This is a wonderful example of how a university can successfully collaborate with private enterprise and local government -- Innovation Park, the Economic Development Council and Leon County in this case -- and have an important economic impact on a community."

Florida State University plans power-research facility in business park

**FLORIDA**

U of Illinois students urge university to cancel Eminem concert

**BILLY O'KEEFE**

**THE CAMPUS**

Eminem's coming to town. And like a devoted groupie, controversy is following him everywhere.

A group of students from the University of Illinois is asking the university to cancel a concert featuring the controversial rapper, who has come under constant fire for lyrics depicting acts of violence against women and gays.

More important to the group, however, is that the university's approval of the concert, to be held Thursday night at Assembly Hall, is an example of how a university can simply drag its feet until the concert ends, and that profiting from the concert, whether administrators admit it or not, is the school's only priority.

"We are not doing this to [kick] off people who are going to the concert, and we are not doing this to censor anyone," says sophomore Nick Sakurai, one of the group's founders. "We're asking the university to do the right thing."

But Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Eugene Burton says that the Assembly Hall advisory board, which consists of both students and faculty, met the concert with "great enthusiasm," and that the administration and the concert's promoters signed a contract based on their own approval of the event.

"We can't just cancel it; especially this close to the event," says Burton. "It's just doesn't work that way."

Burton notes that despite the university's inability to cancel the show, he and other administrators have been in contact with the students and are willing to give them an avenue for their opinion.

Sakurai thinks that the university is simply dragging its feet until the concert ends, and that profiting from the concert, whether administrators admit it or not, as the school's only priority.

"The profit issue is probably the most important issue, but the university is trying to divert from that and turn it into a freedom of speech issue," he continues. "But freedom of speech occurs when the government is not profiting from it."

Burton says that he is "very much in tune" with the group's happenings and has offered the students a chance to voice their opinion Thursday, either outside Assembly Hall or on stage during the concert itself.

"It's their right as a student group to voice their opinion on this issue, and it's important to us," he says.

But Sakurai says that a protest, much like his pleas to the administration, would fall on deaf ears, and that he would not change an appearance at the concert for fear of physical retaliation.

Instead, the group has fashioned an online petition, located at http://www.dayofsilence.org.

Sakurai hopes that students, who he says have expressed indifference toward the group's crusade, will see that the show's cancellation, however important, is not the group's primary goal.

"This campus is hostile enough toward non-predominant students without exacerbating more hostility," he says. "If we can't hold the university accountable for something as vile as this, what can we hold it accountable for?"
I know how it is with books, but is the show always better than the film? By all accounts this movie wasn't supposed to work. At least, we were thinking that it wouldn't work. We had heard of the gossip before production wrapped, caught word of how much it was costing Columbia, saw the unintentionally humorous Cover Girl ad that was passing itself off as the trailer and are fully cognoscente that the transition of a network program from television to celluloid can be difficult, at best. So it was written, so it shall be done—Charlie's Angels: The Movie, will suck; seems like we were all set to make fun and throw stones like we did when The Mod Squad was released. Fire when ready. And wouldn't ya know, just when we least expected it, out comes the most surprising film of the year and we are seated to be served our crow in heavy portions. Oops!

"Charlie's Angels" the TV series kind of helped guys back in the seventies put into perspective (XY chromosome speaking) what feminism was all about: Boobs are cool, but boobs alongside a piece of weaponry are even cooler. At least, that is what I got out of it while watching the reruns. The strength and individuality of women can be shown in mysterious ways, like Jaclyn Smith coming out of a pool dripping wet or Farrah Fawcett being rolled down the Pacific Coast Highway in nothing more than a pair of skates and a pink bikini. The movie version does not bother itself with trying to raise the level of equality, as it is appurtenant to Hollywood, nor the world. It knows better, because when it comes down to what it wants to say it gives you the response equivalent to a loud belch and it's okay.

But hold on a minute -- a guy named McG directed the film, who so far built his reputation out of making numerous neon lit music videos -- that doesn't seem to fit. Well first, the guy knows his stuff, instead of taking the premise of show and just interpreting it as a film he knows he should approach the material like The Brady Bunch Movie. The more camp the better, and if at all possible get away with the most suggestive glimpses of the female anatomy that is humanly (i.e. the MPAA) allowable. He is a latter day version of Andy Sidaris without the nudity; a gentler Russ Meyer for the "TRL" set minus the gratuity. Shooting from a heavily reworked yet undeniably witty script by Ed Solomon and John August, he takes the self-deprecating material and purées it with everything from Hong Kong cinema to deadpan nostalgic satire. Is it deep? About as much as a training bra. Is it dumb? Just as bad as Melanie Griffith on a double shot of GHB. Is it fun to watch? Like seeing two girls make out...Almost.

As to what resembles a plot, I'm not quite sure, but in between segments of Cameron Diaz shaking her @ss and Drew Barrymore showing ample amounts of cleavage, a millionaire responsible for designing a voice recognition contraption is abducted and it is up to our Angels (also including Lucy Liu) to find him. Something about the loss of privacy is included also, but the film isn't preoccupied with the formalities -- or plausibility -- of the script. And why should it, it recognizes that it's mocking itself and runs with it, giving us something highly entertaining in the process. Not only does the threesome come off fantastically well, but they are helped by the supporting cast of Kelly Lynch, Sam Rockwell, Tim "I'm just a sweet transvestite" Curry, Tom Green and Bill Murray hamming it up as the Angels beloved den mother, Bosley. Oh, and then there's Crispin Glover. Crispin Glover! Our favorite non-intentional cinematic nutjob from the 1980's comes back from whichever rock or rehab he was binding under to play the sword swinging, evil henchman (well, "nutjob") who knows kung fu. There are actors, and then there is Crispin Glover—"nuff said.

From its lapdance je ne sais quoi, Charlie's Angels is today's pop culture response to what the feminist mystique is trying to say it is, or at least I think it is. Meaning that the term can still represent in some circles, strong, balanced and lovely individuals capable of a multitude tasks and who, if need be, can kick your @ss at any given moment. But then again maybe it is all just a bunch of shameless T&A, and who am I to try and interpret if it is reaching for something else. So what, the film doesn't care which allows us not to either. By now we should be able to embrace the shameless c*cktease, we want these girls to jingle all the way.
Ever wanted to be a rock superstar, but didn’t know how to make it big? The key to success is in the demo tape. The demo is what gets a musician’s foot in the front door. What makes a good demo? That answer is given by a man known as One Eyed Jack. He had no interest in becoming a musician; he came to Orlando to be a stuntman at Universal Studios. Before he knew it, he was picked up by Trans Continental Records, given a job with them and a chance to pursue his growing interest in the music industry.

Jack listens to all the demo tapes that come into the company. He is one of the key people in charge of finding new talent. Jack was kind enough to sit down and talk about his career as well as give some pointers on what makes a good demo tape. Jack is definitely a teacher. He is starting his own music career while helping others begin theirs. He has written a theme song for Florida’s Special Olympics, entitled “A Champion,” and done various benefit concerts. His music is tentatively scheduled for release in 2001. Jack’s music reflects stories about his life, making him a wonderfully detail-oriented storyteller. He grew up with 20 brothers and sisters. Although he is blind in one eye, that hasn’t stopped him from trying to achieve his dreams. Jack’s motivation and perseverance make him an original.

What was it like growing up with 20 other children?

Jack: “There weren’t 20 kids at one time. My mother had seven kids and I was the youngest. My dad was a minister, therefore we brought in a lot of foster kids. At one time there were 14 kids in our house. It split my family up, my mother left and the remaining six kids were step brothers and sisters.”

How did you realize music was your talent?

Jack: “In 1993 I met a guy who write jingles and thought it was pretty cool. I had the chance to write a jingle for Picway Shoes, it went nationwide.”

How did you get involved with Trans Continental?

Jack: “In late ’94 or early ’95, I had a friend that worked as a DJ in a nightclub and he introduced me to Bob Fischetti who is vice president here at Trans Con. After I sang for him and Johnny Wright [of Wright Entertainment Group], they both thought that there was something there, so I recorded my demo. They were both so generous to me. Bob has been like a brother to me. He knows why I write music and what I write about. He’s given me so much support. Now I am the publishing coordinator here. Which means I listen to all the demos and put together electronic press kits for each of the groups as well as other things.”

What are some tips you could give up and coming singers?

Jack: “Send the highest quality material you can because you want to catch somebody’s ear. Also try not to record a song unless you think it’s the best song you’ve ever heard. You don’t want to record songs that aren’t going to be hits. You don’t have to spend a lot of money; there are kits you can get for home computers that produce a good quality sound. You want it to be professional; you want to have a lyric sheet accompanying it if you write your own material. Definitely a good photo and biography with some pertinent information like what’s got you this far and stuff you’ve done.”

How long does it take for a group to hear back from you guys?

Jack: “I try to get back to them within a month and I send a reply letter to each person who sends us a demo.”

Is there a particular style of music that Trans Con wants to put out?

Jack: “We’re starting to diversify from just pop music. We have some new music acts coming out like Latin, rap and country.”

What qualities do you look for when listening to a demo or deciding on a group?

Jack: “A lot of it is the song. I know that if you’re an artist, you have to have something that’s different from everyone else. Everybody is trying to be the next ‘NSYNC or Britney Spears, but they’re already there. Why would you want to be them? You got to be something different to catch a different portion of the same market. Also writing your own material is very important.”

Don’t the boy bands already have writers?

Jack: “They do, but they’re already established. O-Town is writing their own material, so you’ll be hearing new fresh material from them that isn’t of them same consistency of the writers who are already established. There will be a little bit of variety here.”

What advice can you give aspiring singers?

Jack: “Life is very short, be confident in your self. Every rainbow comes after some rain. There’s always some hard times, but there’s always a rainbow at the end. You just have to remember that and keep pursuing.”

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despite the boy-band stigma, Orlando is a very good place to call home if you’re in a local band. It’s a city full of clubs, independent music stores and musicians of all types — which creates some healthy competition among bands to get noticed. But contrary to what MTV tells us, popularity is not always a sign of talent. Really. Local band Pistis was not nominated for the recent Orlando Music Awards, although their 1999 release Bread & Circuses is just as solid and more original than many of the bands awarded this year.

The first track, "Apropos," starts the album off with a powerful kick—upbeat drumming that quickly dissolves into somber vocals combined with melodic guitar work and keyboards. This song sets the pace for the rest of the album with only a few exceptions. Bread & Circuses is an album full of beautiful harmonies and creative guitar parts, but the band does not sacrifice power to achieve a pretty sound.

The quiet vocals on "Maximum Entropy" give way to powerful guitar riffs and rough drum work. "The face of war is my face" reflects the anti-war sentiment, sings lead singer Josh Harden, his voice soft against the chug of guitars. Throughout the album he sings with honesty and directness, giving the album an intimate feel.

Harden’s vocals are soft and subdued. He sings, "Separated and confused, I couldn’t trust the one who I thought would solve my problems. They have been replaced with Eric Bass on guitar and vocals and Nick O’Hara on drums. Pistis has since played at many local clubs, including Hard Rock Live and House of Blues, and was one of 15 bands chosen to be part of the New Band Showcase at the Cornerstone Festival in Bushnell, Illinois this past summer.

The members of Pistis have defined themselves in the Orlando music scene simply by discovering what many bands overlook: power in sobriety. It’s a delicate balance to mix subdued vocals with emotional instruments without sounding overbearing or whiny. Pistis manages to be heartfelt without the sap and doesn’t drag the album down with depressing, heavy instrumentals. Bread & Circuses is an impressive piece of work from a band that is bound to receive the attention it deserves.

Check them out on Monday, Nov. 20 with Bring Back Joel and Fair Veronica at Sapphire Supper Club in downtown Orlando. For more information, check out the band’s homepage at www.pistis.com.
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This year's Halloween at the House of Blues saw the greatest potential for a rock concert: five awesome local bands, a costume contest, a chance to win dinner with Sevendust and all proceeds benefiting the Orlando Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Gloria from WJRR was also there to give out prizes and candy. However, the concert didn't live up to its expectations. The standing room was unusually quiet and there were some unexpected surprises as far as the mechanics of the concert were concerned. Overall, the musicality of this event was superior for its low $10 ticket price.

The concert opened with Liquid Vinyl, a band I had the privilege of reviewing about a month and a half ago. They put on another awesome show, performing the well-known hit "Da-da." This band is so hard and puts so much effort into their songs, it's a wonder they are still yet to be signed by a major record label. After all, the stage literally shakes when they perform. When they came into town again, I strongly urge you to see them.

Next up was a band named Cider, who were totally new to me. Their style is a combination of Collective Soul and Bare-Naked Ladies. What was awesome about their performance is that they do not take themselves too seriously. The band came out dressed like characters from Austin Powers and performed as their character would. The performance ended with the fomosos coming on stage and dancing with the band.

The next performance was from a band I saw about six months ago. From that time period on, Naive has identified itself as an awesome band. Voted one of the top five unsigned bands in Florida, they've opened for the likes of Silverchair and the Offspring. Naive's musical performance has a quality that is hard to come by in many bands today: charisma. Now this doesn't mean they talk through the whole performance. They just show it in the way they play their instruments. For example, bassist Brett Berdoll moves like no other bass player I've seen onstage before: loosely and casually. The band played their fan-favorite "Supernatural" and another six songs.

Virgos (pictured below) is a band I have frequently talked positively about. Their performance style is straightforward and full of energy. They put everything into their work, have truly poetic lyrics and show a close relationship with their fans. However, this performance came as a disappointment to me. It started out promisingly enough with one of their old songs from their CD "Signs of a Vacant Soul," called "Disregarding." The crowd seemed really into it and started screaming the lyrics along with lead singer Brett Hestla. After this song, they played two more new songs: "Know You" and "Simple." It was after these that the band started experiencing mechanical difficulties. Brett's guitar wasn't playing the way it should, and the band was forced to say, "Wow." You could actually hear the vocals performed by Vaughn Rhea. Not only that, they were good. The band performed various songs, including "Desire." Among the band's accomplishments, Von Ra was named 1999's best pop/rock band and live act of the year at the Orlando Music Awards.

This concert was a great musical experience for everyone. The standing room was surprisingly bare and the crowd wasn't as rowdy as it usually is. As a result, this was a calm concert where you were forced to pay 100 percent attention to the bands that were giving their all for a worthy cause.

For more information about four of these bands, you can visit any of these websites to hear their music yourself:

- Liquid Vinyl: www.liquidvinyl.com
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How are we surviving in the down time between Grammy Awards 5-CDs?

PI J. Harvey
Astonished from the City, stories from the Sea, Island Records, it's not like anyone wanted PJ Harvey off, but after 1998's semi-lackluster endeavor, 'This Desire,' things weren't looking great. She returns then, with 'Stories from the City, Stories from the Sea,' an album that builds over intensity and importance.

"A Place Called Home" and "You Said Something" might be as radio-friendly as she'll get, while "Big Exit" exudes all the fury and hellfire you've come to expect. Add in the mesmerizing duet with Thom Yorke, "This Mess We're In," and Stories might be one of the best albums of the year, and possibly the best of Harvey's already solid career.

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Rock out to: "Big Exit; "This is Love," "This Mess We're In"
LEAD STORIES

— The Alberta Ferrat-Fashion house instantly introduced, in New York and London, self-described "ghastly gross" suits, but these have been met with rose-resistant "cold fusion." A bill introduced recently in the New Mexican legislature proposes a 

judge for failing to report

Weakened Parents

Parents at a September seminar at the Akron Family Center shared with them.

Compelling Explanations

— Roe V. Wade, the Stanley Family Research Foundation told parents at a seminar in New York City that the definition of "self-esteem" should begin by age 2, and used properly, it will build self-esteem because it lets children know they are loved.

Three typical club in New, East, England, applied for a license within the past year, asking the exemption from the current 10-year-old minimum rule because it discriminates against custom-

ers who are blind, in that they would not have equal opportunity to experience the show unless they could touch.

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Crisis in the Workplace

The Rapid Employment, New York, Common wanted to increase the viability of "cold fusion," can suit the employed for "irrational discrimination." As long as an employer has a seriously held conviction that he or she may be judicially sanctioned under federal law, even though the validity of possession behind "cold fusion" is begun. The petitioner, Paul A. LaViolette, ishooded at the U.S. Patent Office.

— "Ban driver" Danie McGowan, 35, was profiled in The New York Times in August after his 10th arrest for impover-

ishing a city transit worker. Said McGowan: "I am not a drug addict, but I've done the (bad) activity. I like the noise, I like the people who work around here." Said one official, "What you do goes in kind of dusty, but he is very much on the ball." McGowan apparently came up with the plan while waiting to get in and train employees at all levels. He is well-

specialized in transit procedures and tech-

niques, said McGowan, "If I tell you the truth, I wish they would just fire me!" It could be a lot easier.

Driving While Involved

— Lucinda Omate, 23, was charged in August with impeding her 8-month-old son in a car crash in Florida, according to police reports, an smack was clearly apparent, but the family was cheering here. And Kenneth Herro, 48, was charged with manslaughter in August in Little Rock, Ark. After his car crossed the center line and struck another car, according to police, Herro was driving (with his hands) while engaging in his crack collection. A 27-year-old woman was killed when the three tires of her car ran over her tanks in August, according to witnesses, she was driving while applying makeup.

Update

— Three months ago, News of the World referred to laws in Alaska, Texas, and Georgia (until May, Louisiana) on the 900 that banned the sale of products whose primary purpose is to stimulate genitals. In October, the U.S. Court of Appeals upheld the constitutionality of Alabamian laws, and in August, the Austin Chronicle reported on how Texas police are coping with that state's law — "work-related" depression, even though the cause of the depression was manipulative. The state appeals board acknowledged that the employees. Gail Simms-Allen, had been justifiably fired for inaccurate work and a bad attitude.

Least Competent Criminals

— Federal grand jury Mark Vincent Hinckley, 37, part of the panel that had turned down lawyer Philip G. Butler's challenge to hisivery exclusion. Butler had represented himself at trial and lost, and then claimed on appeal that the reason he lost was that he had failed to inform himself adequately that acting as his own lawyer was foolish.

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A Nice Halloween for the Smiths

Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith got a treat this past Halloween. They welcomed their new daughter, Willow Camille Reign Smith. She weighed in at 6 pounds, 10 ounces. She was born on Halloween night in Los Angeles. Smith has been married for three years and has two other children, Jaden Christopher, 2 and Trey, 8 (who was from a previous marriage of Smith's). Smith is currently preparing for a movie in which he'll play the legendary Muhammad Ali. In theaters now is Smith's movie The Legend of Bagger Vance. Pinkett Smith is in Spike Lee's latest flick Bamboozled also in theaters now.

Ben Folds Five Folds

After six years together, alternative-pop group Ben Folds Five has called it quits. Each of the members wants to go their separate ways. They all say there are no hard feelings between them. "The band is splitting on good terms," frontman Ben Folds said. "We are very proud of our three albums and our little hit [1997's "Brick"] and our audience. Now it is time to bow out with dignity rather than to make that final 'cash-in' record and tour which, of course, is very tempting." According to the band's manager, Alan Wolmark, the band broke up so the three members could pursue other interests. The members are very proud of their three albums and their live shows. "We are very proud of our little hit [1997's "Brick"] and our audience. Now it is time to bow out with dignity rather than to make that final 'cash-in' record and tour which, of course, is very tempting." According to the band's manager, Alan Wolmark, the band broke up so the three members could pursue other interests. The guys have been doing just that. Folds recorded a song, "Lonely Christmas Eve," for Jim Carey's How the Grinch Stole Christmas (opening on Nov. 17). He's also contributing a song to an upcoming independent movie 100 Girls and making a solo album. Bassist Robert Sledge and drummer Darren Jessee are both starting their own bands. 

Oprah: Four More Years

Talk show queen Oprah Winfrey has signed another four years with Viacom's King World Productions. The contract will take her through the 2003-2004 viewing season. The announcement was a surprise to many because of Winfrey has been avoiding the subject. Winfrey said, "I am finally at a point in my life where I'm doing the kind of shows I've always wanted to do-helping people to see themselves more clearly and to make choices that lead to more fulfilled lives." She and senior members of King World Productions have agreed to make other syndicated shows with the company. The Oprah Winfrey Show is in season number 15 and is at the top of all other syndicated talk shows.

Daly Gets a Slice of the Pie

MTV's "Total Request Live" host Carson Daly is engaged to actress Tura Reid. According to USA Today, Daly proposed on Oct. 29 in Manhattan. Daly dated Jennifer Love Hewitt and was linked to Christina Aguilera, but he has found his match. Reid is best known as "Vicky" in American Pie. The couple met during MTV's "Spring Break Special" in March. Daly told PEOPLE magazine: "I swore I would never date another actress. I can't handle the drama and the games." Reid told PEOPLE earlier this year that she has "never felt so excited. [Daly's] humorous and sarcastic but has the great soul. And he's like a dog, he's so loyal." Daly makes a cameo in Reid's next film Josie and the Pussycats. The couple hasn't chosen a date for their wedding, and they're being secretive about the details.
My new girlfriend and I have been getting more hot and heavy lately. I, like most guys, enjoy oral sex. I know she's willing, but how do girls feel about "the outcome?" How can I bring this up (before it's too late) and find out what she would rather do when I'm about to...? I think I speak for every guy when I say, "please swallow," but are most girls grossed out or offended by this? I don't want to offend her or run her off.

Dear Clueless,

For most people with extremely high morals, engaging in this sort of activity seems almost taboo at first. So, when dealing with the fireworks at the end, analyzing the stage you are at in your relationship can help prepare you for what she will more than likely do. This is a sticky situation that every couple must go through. I can't tell you what "most girls" would prefer, but I can help you figure it out for yourself.

In a serious, long partnership, most people will do anything to please the other person. In this case, it is all right to ask her what she would prefer, rather than just guess. She will want you to be happy, just like you wish for her to be. Asking her to ingest rather than excrete would be acceptable, just be ready and willing to reciprocate often for your mate.

If this is a fledgling, month long courtship that is just entering this new territory, as I'm gathering is your case, to ask this of her would seem overbearing and almost rude. You are willing to do this with each other, that is a big enough leap for the time being.

Test the water carefully by being courteous these first few times. Let her know in advance when something monumental is about to happen and let her decide for herself what she wants to do.

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-Clueless, 2r, male
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In the final match, Georgia State became the conference champs, downing Mercer by a score of, surprise, 1-0. In the 61st minute of the game, freshman Daniel Ely-Kelso gave the Panthers a lead they would never relinquish. It happened when freshman midfielder Stephen Adams passed to fellow mid­ fielder Terrance Johnson at mid­ field. He sent a through ball to Ely-Kelso, who dribbled through the box and hit a 15-foot shot to the lower left corner. Panthers goalie McKone took home tournament MVP honors after saving four shots and recording his fourth straight TAAC tournament shutout. It's familiar ground for the senior, who was in goal when Georgia State last won the tournament in 1997. He had 11 saves in two matches this year.

"I thought the difference was Danny McKone in goal," said Daser. "He really came up big for us." Mercer finished the year at 9-8-2. Georgia State is now 12-6-0 and move on the NCAA play-in match next week against the win­ ner of the Atlantic 10 conference. The final score meant that all five matches were decided 1-0, the first time ever in TAAC tourna­ ment history.

The UCF men's soccer team finished the 2000 sea­ son with a 2-14-3 record, the worst in program history. CFE STADIUM

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Men's soccer season ends with 1-0 tournament loss

Chris Bernhardt

STAFF WRITER

A trying season for the UCF's men's soccer team came to a close Thursday night when the Knight fell 1-0 to Campbell in the season ending TAAC Tournament. The third-seeded Camels, host-team for the single elimination conference tourna­ ment, barely held off the sixth­ seeded Golden Knights despite outshooting them 22-5. Both teams played solid defen­ sively throughout the first half, keeping the game scoreless going into halftime. Then UCF came out in the second half and nearly took control. In the 47th minute, freshman midfielder Chris Beaulie broke free from the Camel's defense, but his effort was thwarted by a point-blank save from Campbell goalie Eric Swaval. Campbell then made an attempt at opening up the scoring six minutes later, but senior forward Peter Burn'sy's shot hit the crossbar. As the game went on, the Camels began to open up their shot advantage. In the 67th min­ utes, Campbell was finally able to grab the lead. Freshman mid­ fielder Shea Geyer took the ball across midfield and passed down the right flank to senior forward Raffy Huguian. He sent the ball across to junior forward Antonio Da Silva, who put the ball past the UCF sophomore goalie Anthony Joseph.

UCF finished the season at 2- 14-3. Campbell, 6-11-1, moved on to play second seeded Georgia State the next night. In Thursday's earlier game, #4 Florida Atlantic advanced over Stetson in a 1-0 double­overtime nail biter. TAAC All-Freshman selection Mark Hawkins was the hero, scoring with just 4 seconds left in the second OT. Both teams had their chance to put the game away early. In the first half, fifth seeded Stetson had two great chances to score on consecutive shots. Joe Fitzpatrick, a junior midfielder from Jensen Beach, FL, hit the right side of the cross­ bar from 18 yards out. Teammate Kjell Aasheim tried to put in the rebound but hit the center of the bar. Hawkins then had a chance to give FAU a lead in regulation on a one­ on­ one with Stetson goalkeeper Tim Reik, but hit it over the crossbar. The Hatters also blew two chances in the first overtime, when JR Casadonte missed a shot right and Scott Winch missed a header off a corner kick. But at the end of the second OT, Guy Tremed hit Haskin on a crossing pass to set up the win­ ning score. Reik had 5 saves, while FAU keeper Justin Kolstad had 9. The Owls record improved to 10-6-1 and they moved on to face top seeded Mercer. Stetson went home with a record of 8-12. In the two semi-final games, both top seeds were able to advance as the 1-0 score continued to be thematic. Mercer took out Florida Atlantic by that score in overtime and Georgia State beat Campbell with the same tally. With 1:08 left in the over­ time period, TAAC leading scor­ er Neil Zarac headed a corner kick from junior Max Rooker for Mercer's victory.

FAU's best chance to score came in the regulation's final minute by Tremad, who had a point blank shot saved by Bears goalie Lachio Filib. It was one of his five saves on the night. Mercer, the defending confer­ ence champ, had a chance to score in the 83rd minute when Zarac missed on one of his seven shots. "You have to give credit to FAU," said Mercer Coach Tom Melville. "They played the best I've seen all year and really stretched the field against us. It was a tough game for both teams, but we were fortunate to come out on top,"

Later Friday evening, Georgia State's TAAC Co-Player of the Year Scott Mora sent host Campbell to defeat. The game remained scoreless throughout the first half, both teams launch­ ing early 2 shots each. Then much like they did to UCF, the Owls outshot the Panthers 11-3 in the second half, but were unable to score. Early in the half, Adam Martin attempted a shot that went from 20 yards out. Later on, Geyer was able to get GCU goalie Darren McKune off guard in overtime and Georgia State...
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UCF picked fifth and seventh in preseason polls

DAVID MARSTERS
STAFF WRITER

The UCF women's basketball team was picked to finish fifth in the TAAC by the coaches and seventh by the media at last week's TAAC Women's Basketball Media Day. Reigning conference champion Campbell University topped both polls, while Georgia State placed second and Samford placed third in each set of rankings. The fifth place vote by the TAAC's coaches was a boost for the Golden Knights, who finished last season with a 9-20 overall record, 5-13 in the conference. Rounding out the Coach's Poll were #4 Stetson, #5 UCF, #6 Mercer, #7 Florida Atlantic, #8 Troy State, #9 Jacksonville and #10 Jacksonville State. The remainder of the Media Poll went #4 Florida Atlantic, #5 Mercer, #6 Stetson, #7 UCF, #8 Troy State, #9 Jacksonville and #10 Jacksonville State. The media picked Campbell to win the season ending TAAC Tournament, while Georgia State and Campbell tied for that honor with the coaches, getting four votes each.

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UCF Volleyball Gets Another Key TAAC Win

UCF (16-10, 7-1 TAAC) defeated conference foe Jacksonville State (9-17, 2-5 TAAC) in three games (15-6, 15-12, 15-5) last Saturday at the UCF Arena. The Golden Knights pulled in front after a slow start to win the first game 15-6, but had difficulty maintaining their lead as errors almost cost them the game. However, they managed to hold on to win 15-12, and then sustained the momentum to sweep the Lady Gamecocks with a third-game score of 15-5.

Golden Knight freshman outside hitter Leyre Santana Saint led all players with 15 kills. Fellow freshman Lindsey Whalen added 12 kills, while junior middle blocker Piper Morgan chipped in with 10. Junior outside hitter Shelly Kraeger tied for seventh in school history with five service aces, while Whalen and junior Lisa Caporano each served three aces. UCF is currently 18th in the NCAA standings for service aces. The Golden Knights held JSU to a .008 hitting percentage, and are now 4-0 all-time versus the Lady Gamecocks.

Earlier in the week, the Golden Knights defeated non-conference opponent North Carolina A&T State 15-12, 15-12, 9-15, 15-2 at the Corbet Sports Center in Greensboro, NC. Junior Piper Morgan led all hitters with 17 kills, Whalen had her sixth double-double of the season with 15 kills and 13 digs, and captain Shelly Driggers had 10 kills and five block assists in the win. Following that game, UCF lost to interstate rival South Florida in four games (15-10, 15-7, 11-15, 15-13). The loss was an improvement from UCF’s 3-0 loss to the Bulls in September.

"UCF is a pretty good team," said UCF Head Coach Meg Colado. "We gave up too many long runs, and we couldn’t close them out."

Morgan again led the team in kills with 16, and also had two block assists. Same added 15 kills.

Eight Golden Knights Named to Soccer All-TAAC Teams

Soccer coaches around the Trans America Athletic Conference named UCF senior defender Sami Teittinen, junior forward Reni Huriz and freshman midfielder Risto Koskimies to the All-Conference teams that were announced last Wednesday.

Teittinen, a first team selection, anchored UCF’s defense and was selected to the Louisville Soccer Classic All-Tournament team and the FIU-Umbro Classic All-Tournament team. Huriz, a second team selection, has remained at the top of the TAAC list throughout the year ending the regular season ranked second in goals (10) and in total points (24). Koskimies, an All-Freshman selection, finished 13th in the league with five goals scored.

On the women’s side, five Golden Knights were named to the All-TAAC Team. First team selections included sophomore sweeper Jackie VanLooven, senior midfielder Cally Howell and junior striker Michelle Anderson. Second team selections are sophomore defender Sara McDonald and senior midfielder Claire Kabure. Freshman midfielder Ida Edstrom made the All-UCF selection, finished 13th in the league with five goals scored.

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Former University of Florida standout Claudia Stebbins of the Storm led all scorers with 32 points.

UCF continues its preseason preparation with a game against the Oklahoma Flyers at the UCF Arena on November 10 at 7 p.m. The Golden Knights open their regular season with the UCF Golden Knights Classic on November 17 and 18.
Bowl game still a possibility for Golden Knights

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With a win over Virginia Tech on Saturday, the UCF football team would become bowl eligible, and could vault itself into contention for the first bowl bid in Golden Knight history. There are a number of scenarios in which UCF could receive an invitation to a bowl, most of which are quite complicated.

To become bowl eligible, a Division I-A team must have six wins and have a winning record. A school can count only one win over a Division I-AA team in that total, which is why UCF must beat Virginia Tech to become eligible. UCF has four wins over Division I-A teams and three over Division I-AA teams, giving the Golden Knights a total of five victories that count. In order to get into a bowl, UCF would have to be invited to a bowl that had an at-large (no conference affiliation) bid, or benefit from conferences that don’t have enough eligible teams to fill their guaranteed bowl slots. Here is a synopsis of the possible scenarios.

1. Las Vegas Bowl – This bowl features the #2 team in the Mountain West Conference against an at-large bid. With a win over Virginia Tech, UCF should become an attractive team for this bowl’s at-large bid with an 8-3 record, a five-game winning streak, and wins over a nationally ranked team in Virginia Tech and a traditionally strong program in Alabama.

2. Oahu Bowl – This bowl features the #5 team in the Pac 10 Conference against the #5 team in either the Big East or the ACC. UCF could possibly fit into Big East/ACC slot, as the Big East may have trouble getting enough teams eligible. Right now in the Pac 10, Arizona and Arizona State are competing for the fifth spot with identical 5-4 records, but play each other in the final week of the season; so one will have six wins and a winning record. In the Big East, only three teams are currently bowl eligible, followed by Pittsburgh (5-3), Syracuse (4-4), West Virginia (4-4), Temple (4-5) and Rutgers (3-5). Pittsburgh has Miami (7-1), Temple and West Virginia left to play, and needs only one win to secure a bowl spot. Syracuse has Temple, Miami and Rutgers remaining on its schedule and must win two of those games to become eligible. WVU has to play Rutgers, East Carolina and Pittsburgh, needing two more wins. Syracuse and Pittsburgh are left on Temple’s schedule, with the Owls needing to win both of those games. And Rutgers must win out against West Virginia, Notre Dame and Syracuse, which is highly unlikely. If only one of those Big East teams gets to six wins, UCF could go to this bowl.

3. Aloha Bowl – This bowl features the #4 team in the Pac 10 against the #5 team in either the Big East or the ACC. For UCF, this scenario is identical to that of the Oahu bowl. The ACC will almost certainly have five bowl eligible teams, putting the #5 team in either the Aloha or Oahu Bowl. If the Big East does not get five teams eligible, then UCF could go to whichever of the two that the #5 ACC team does not.

4. GalleryFurniture.Com Bowl – This bowl features the #3 team in Conference USA against a Big 12 or at-large team. Though there is an at-large bid available here, this bowl is a long shot because Conference USA already has three bowl eligible teams, and the Big 12 already has seven that qualify. In terms of fan base, a Big 12 team is much more attractive to this bowl because it will likely bring in more fans and revenue than UCF could.

5. Micron PC Bowl – This bowl features the #4 ACC team against the #6 Big Ten team. While the ACC slot is filled, the Big Ten is having difficulty getting six teams eligible. Right now, five Big Ten schools are eligible, followed by Minnesota (5-5), Illinois (5-4) and Michigan State (4-5). To become eligible, Minnesota must win its final game against Iowa (5-5). Illinois needs one win against either Ohio State (7-2) or Northwestern (7-2), while Michigan State must beat both Purdue (7-2) and Penn State (4-6). If none of those teams become eligible, UCF could fill the Big Ten slot in this bowl.

6. Silicon Valley Bowl – This bowl features the #1 or #2 team in the Western Athletic Conference against the #3 team in the Mountain West Conference. The WAC spot is already taken, but the MWC currently only has two bowl eligible teams. New Mexico (5-5) must win its final two games against UNLV and BYU (4-6) to become eligible, while UNLV (4-5) must beat New Mexico, San Diego State (3-6) and Hawaii (1-7) to qualify for this spot. Because both New Mexico and UNLV play 12 games, they must have more than six wins to meet the requirement of being over .500. If neither of them do this, then UCF could fill their slot in this bowl.

As you can see, the scenario that could put UCF into its first ever Bowl Game is extremely complicated, but nevertheless might happen. The most important part of the situation, however, is that UCF beats Virginia Tech. If that does not happen, then all of these bowl possibilities are null and void because the Golden Knights will not be bowl eligible. But if it does, and UCF gets some help from some of these other conference teams, the Golden Knights could be going “bowling.”

Wednesday, Nov. 8th
12pm - 1pm
Come out and see the team that is going to Grill up the Hokies.

Outside of Student Union

Then head out to the Citrus Bowl on Saturday to see if we can "Fill The Bowl" as we take on Virginia Tech at 6pm!
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"Since day one, he came in and showed his competitiveness," said senior defensive end Fred Harley. "He said 'I'm willing to play for you guys and do what the coaches ask and do it the right way.' Whatever the coach asks him to do, he's going to do it. We need players like that. We need more players from Wauchula that come in here with the same mentality. I respect him a lot for that."

And the Golden Knights do actually have another player from Wauchula, who just happens to be sophomore Jake McKibben, Josh's younger brother. Jake was a walk-on in 1999, and, just like his brother, moved quickly up the depth chart because of his hard work and determination. Jake plays the other defensive tackle position, allowing for the two brothers to have the unique opportunity of lining up next to each other in a Division I-A football game. With senior Jeff Mauldin hampered by a knee injury, Josh and Jake have gotten to do that a lot, even starting two games together. Jake too wants to follow his brother's example, and says that getting to play alongside Josh is a dream come true. "It's an awesome feeling," said Jake. "I really can't describe it, it's just there's no better feeling in the world just seeing Josh there beside me on the field. He's a good role model that so many other people can look up to. He's known for being a hard worker and it rubs off on the field. He means a lot to this program."

Josh also feels very fortunate to be playing on the same team with his brother, saying that he is most confident when Jake is on the field with him. "It's great," said Josh. "He's my best friend for one thing. I know he'll do his job and I'll do mine. I have my confidence in the other ten guys also, but knowing that he's there, I have better confidence that he's going to be right there."

Likewise, whenever Josh is on the field, everyone else on the UCF defense gets more confident. He has been a recognized leader within the Golden Knight football program ever since he set foot in the door, and that role will become even larger next year when he will be a senior and likely voted the team's defensive captain. But for Josh McKibben, a guy who always finishes first in the sprints at the end of each practice, leading is not a problem; it's just the way he plays the game. "I try and bring leadership onto the field, and keep everybody calm," he said. "I try to get everybody straight on defense and just keep everybody motivated. Keep hard work and make big plays at times, and once you make one big play, it will catch fire. I always let everyone focus on me and show that I can do it, that I can lead, that I'm ready to roll. They can get behind me and I'll lead them."

And they, no doubt, will follow.
Virginia Tech could be without Vick, Davis

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ing in the second quarter after catching one pass for no yards. Fifth-year senior Dave Meyer was Vick’s replacement at quar­terback and completed 13 of 25 passes for 225 yards, one touch­down, and one interception. Leading the rushing attack was tailback Lee Suggs, who carried 23 times for 121 yards and two touchdowns. Suggs accounted for all but 41 of the Hokies’ total rushing yards.

“(Suggs) goes outside, he goes inside, he runs with authority, he runs over you,” said UCF Head Coach Mike Kruczek. "We’re going to hat this guy up and move the ball on offense, we’re going to have to move the ball on a consistent basis to keep it out of their hands, even with Davis not playing and even with Vick not playing. They’re still dangerous. Our offense is going to be our biggest defense that we can have.”

Kruczek, who was able to watch some of the Miami- Virginia Tech game from his hotel room prior to UCF’s game against Louisiana Tech on Saturday, thinks that the injuries to Vick and Davis may be too serious for them to be able to play very much against the Golden Knights. "I don’t see how either one of them plays very effectively," said Kruczek. "I think going in, (Virginia Tech Coach) Frank Beamer has to think he can beat us without them, regardless of what he’s seen on tape or what kind of strek we’ve got going. You gotta save (Vick) for the bowl game; 10-1, that kind of thing, get him healthy and not take a chance on a season-ending thing. You’ve gotta think he’s thinking that way.

UCF is coming off of its fourth straight victory, a 20-16 win over Louisiana Tech last Saturday. In a game that started ugly and ended uglier, the Golden Knights were happy to escape with a win. Quarterback Ryan Schneider went 18 of 37 for 254 yards, but began the game overthrowing nearly all of his passes in the first quarter. Things settled down for Schneider, however, as he hit Jimmy Fyziel for a 59-yard touchdown and 3 Kenny Clark for a 70-yard score to give UCF a 13-3 lead. Louisiana Tech took a 16-13 lead in the third quarter, but the Golden Knights scored on a 14 play, 90-yard drive in the Fourth to turn a 20-16 victory.

UCF made the final minute more interesting than necessary when punter Javier Beorlegui boobbled the snap on a punt. Beorlegui had to chase the ball down in his own endzone, pick it up and kick it away, narrowly missing a Louisiana Tech block­er’s outstretched arms. Louisiana Tech had good field position, but senior strong safety Damian Dents ended things when he picked off a pass by Bulldog quarterback Luke McCowan inside the Golden Knights’ 2 yard line with 36 seconds left in the game. This victory kept UCF in contention for a Bowl bid, but they will have to beat Virginia Tech in order to make that goal happen. If the Golden Knights did receive a Bowl bid, it would be their first, and an amazing feat considering it’s only the team’s fifth year as a Division I-A school.

A win over the Hokies will be tough, however, if Vick is healthy. Vick is known for his rushing ability more than his passing game. Virginia Tech likes to run the option and run quarterback draw plays when Vick is in the game. He has rushed 102 times for 594 yards this season, averaging 5.8 yards a carry. If Vick cannot go, UCF will see a far less mobile quarterback in Meyer, who is a pure pocket passer.

The Hokies’ basic defense is a 4-3. Against Miami they sacked quarterback Ken Dorsey once for a loss of just one yard, and they recorded no interceptions. The defense also allowed running back James Jackson to run the ball 28 times for 145 yards. The Golden Knights will need to play with the same emotion and intensity they showed against Alabama in order to pull off what would be one of the biggest upsets in NCA A football this year. With a win against Virginia Tech, UCF would have its second “program-defining” victory in the last three weeks, and could a long way in placing the Golden Knights in the upper echelon of Division I-A teams. An 8-3 record with wins over Alabama and Virginia Tech would be hard for every bowl committee to ignore.

Next Up: Virginia Tech

When: Saturday, Nov. 11
Where: Citrus Bowl
Time: 6:00p.m.

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GAME 10

Offensive Player of the Week
Edward Mack

The senior running back converted a fourth-and-three situation in the fourth quarter with an 11-yard reception and then scored on a six-yard touchdown run later in that same 14-play, 90-yard drive to give UCF the lead for good.

Defensive Player of the Week
Damian Dumps

The senior strong safety finished third on the team with seven tackles, but it was his interception of Louisiana Tech quarterback Luke McCown with 36 seconds left in the game that sealed the victory for UCF.

Inside The Numbers

6
Number of times the UCF defense sacked Louisiana Tech quarterback Luke McCown in comparison. #23 Auburn only sacked McCown once on Oct. 21 and #2 Miami only sacked him twice on Oct. 28.

5
Number of times the UCF defensive line jumped offsides in the game’s second half.

3
Number of scoring drives in the game that lasted three plays or less. UCF had two of them, including a three-play, 72-yard drive in the second quarter that ended in Jimmy Frye’s 59-yard touchdown catch, and a two-play, 70-yard drive in the third quarter that culminated in Kenney Clark’s 70-yard touchdown reception. Louisiana Tech also scored on a three-play, 71-yard drive in the third quarter.

12
Number of tackles by junior middle linebacker Tito Rodriguez, which led UCF. It was the fifth time in the last six weeks that Rodriguez led the Golden Knights in tackles.

14
Number of tackles by UCF’s defense that resulted in lost yardage for Louisiana Tech.

34:49
Time of possession for Louisiana Tech in the game, compared to only 25:11 for the Golden Knights.

UCF defense contains McCown, Louisiana Tech

DAVID MARSTERS  STAFF WRITER

UCF took a page out of past U.S. foreign policy last Saturday, employing a strategy of containment to beat Louisiana Tech 20-16.

Facing a team that threw the ball 72 times against Miami the previous week and a quarterback in freshman Luke McCown who is rapidly becoming one of the nation’s top passers, the Golden Knights had to use a “tread but don’t break” philosophy against the Bulldogs. As they had in every game this season, Louisiana Tech was able to move the ball up and down the field, but the Golden Knight defense was able to keep the Bulldogs out of the end zone on all but two occasions. Junior cornerback Travis Fischer, who intercepted a McCown pass in the fourth quarter, said that the key for the defense was to bounce back when Louisiana Tech had a big play.

“We came in knowing that La Tech was going to make some plays,” said Fischer. “But also we had to make some plays. It was all about when they made their plays, we had to line back up and be ready to fight again. When they busted us in the mouth, we had to come back and bust them in the mouth.”

And bust Louisiana Tech in the mouth they did, sacking McCown six times on the night for a combined loss of 46 yards. Last year, when the Bulldogs beat UCF 46-32 at the Citrus Bowl, Tech quarterback Tim Rattay completed 46 of his 62 passes for 561 yards and five touchdowns, and was only knocked down once.

“They were embarrassed about last year,” said Kruczek. “They rose to the occasion. They played their hearts out tonight. We just weren’t keying the ball. You can’t listen to the voice or inflection. We have to get better than that. We had numerous offside fouls because of that. Along with having a knack for pulling opponents off, McCown also has a knack for throwing a lot of passes, which he did again on Saturday. In the game, McCown completed 34 of his 52 passes for 363 yards and one touchdown. But despite all the yards, the Golden Knights were able to contain Louisiana Tech’s offense, and in the end, force McCown into mistakes that cost the Bulldogs the game.

UCF’s interception came on UCF’s own two-yard line when La Tech looked like they were about to score, and McCown was intercepted by senior strong safety Damian Dumps inside UCF’s 10-yard line on the Bulldogs’ final drive of the game. Still, Kruczek had high praise for the Louisiana Tech freshman.

“(McCown) is going to be incredible,” said Kruczek. “I mean he’s going to be incredible. Smart kid, moves around. Took some vicious hits tonight. He got hit right in the face one time. I was surprised he even got up. He’s a tough kid.”

On this night, however, it was a tougher UCF defense that prevailed, as the Golden Knights improved their record to 7-3 heading into this week’s home showdown with eighth-ranked Virginia Tech.

Game Notes

Patterson Climbing in Record Books
With two sacks and three tackles for loss yardage against Louisiana Tech, sophomore defensive end Elton Patterson continues to have one the best individual defensive seasons in UCF history. Patterson now has 19 tackles for lost yardage this season, which ties the school record set by now NFL player Greg Jefferson in 1993. Patterson also has 10 sacks this year, which is good enough for a tie for eighth place in Golden Knight single season history. Patterson could break Jefferson’s tackles for loss record against Virginia Tech this week, but won’t get near Darrell Rud’s 1984 record of 19.5 sacks.

Long Distance Receiver
With his 70-yard touchdown catch in the third quarter against Louisiana Tech, UCF senior receiver Kenny Clark now owns two of the ten longest receptions in Golden Knight history. His 79-yard touchdown catch against Georgia Tech last year is third on the all-time list, and the 70-yarder against Louisiana Tech ties the ninth longest reception in school history. Clark has now caught touchdown passes in two consecutive games, and has now moved into a tie for seventh place in the UCF record books with 15 career touchdown receptions. Clark has drawn the attention of many NFL scouts this season and could possibly be taken in the 2001 NFL draft.

Hinshaw vs. Jordan
Saturday’s game against Louisiana Tech marked a matchup of the nation’s top two receivers. La Tech’s James Jordan and UCF’s Tyson Hinshaw. In last year’s matchup between the two teams, Hinshaw and Jordan combined for 17 receptions, and they equaled that number this season. In the game, Jordan caught 11 passes for 69 yards, while Hinshaw, despite leaving the game on two different occasions due to injury, managed six receptions for 42 yards. Jordan remains the top pass catcher in the nation with 89 receptions, while Hinshaw is still in second place with 78 catches.

Streaks Snapped
UCF senior wide receiver Tyson Hinshaw and junior placekicker Javier Booright both had impressive streaks snapped in last Saturday’s game against Louisiana Tech. Hinshaw had caught a touchdown pass in six consecutive games, but was kept out of the endzone by the Bulldogs. Booright had made 34 consecutive extra points this season, which was fifth-best in UCF history, but had his first extra point attempt against Louisiana Tech blocked, ending the streak.

Injury Report
UCF managed to stay fairly healthy against Louisiana Tech, with only three players getting hurt. Starting tight end Mario Jackson left the game for a while with an ankle injury, but returned to the field of play later in the game and is expected to be fine. Special teams freshman Keith Whatley bruised a rib, and Tyson Hinshaw had to be helped off the field twice during the game, reaggravating his separated left shoulder.

Head Coach Mike Kruczek said that Hinshaw would not practice this week, but will play against Virginia Tech.

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McKibben leads by example on and off the field

**David Marsters**

To be a great football player is one thing, and to command the utmost respect of your teammates is another. To have both of those qualities, however, is rare. UCF junior defensive tackle Josh McKibben is one of those special players who lead by example both on and off the football field. Josh McKibben is not the biggest defensive lineman you will ever see. In fact, at 6-foot-3, 265 pounds he is actually quite undersized for a Division I-A interior lineman. He is also not the flashiest defensive player you will ever see. He doesn’t dance or attempt to draw any extra attention to himself after making a tackle. But those things that he is not make him what he is - the hardest working and most respected player to put on a Black and Gold uniform. Players wish they were more like him and coaches wish they had more players like him.

"Josh McKibben steps up his level of play week in and week out," said UCF Head Coach Mike Kruczek. "He’s the catalyst on that defensive line. He’s an incredible football player and I just thank the Lord he’s only a junior and we’ve got him back next year for his leadership qualities and productivity."

It’s not enough about Josh,” McKibben came to UCF in 1997 out of Hardee County High School in Wauchula, FL, hardly the Sunshine State’s most glamorous town. Throughout his three years as a Golden Knight, his small-town America work ethic has transformed him from a scout team lineman into the anchor of the UCF defense. His blue-collar approach to football has produced results that are anything but blue-collar. In 1998, he earned the team’s Outstanding Defensive Rookie award, sharing it with linebacker Tito Rodriguez. Last season, he finished second on the team with 11 for lost yardage and three sacks, and was named the Golden Knights’ Most Spirited Player and Outstanding Defensive Lineman. This year, he already has 63 tackles, including 11 for lost yardage and four sacks. He also intercepted a pass against Alabama that set up a touchdown.

"He’s a leader," said senior wide receiver Tyson Himshaw. "He’s a fantastic defensive player and a great person."

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