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UCF installs new water system

MICHAEL ROBBINS STAFF WRITER

The University of Central Florida has begun the construction and installation of over five miles of underground water piping. This project will redirect the university’s source of water, a solution to the dwindling water supply on campus that will ensure a water supply for all future growth of the campus.

“Ther’s a need for more infrastructure,” said Jim Uhler, Director of Environmental Health and Safety. “New buildings and facilities need to be connected. (The new system) has the capacity to increase this infrastructure.”

The main installation will involve three smaller projects over the next two to three years. The first project will involve an installation of pipes connecting the campus to the Orange County water main. This will provide the university with a larger source of water than our current declining supply.

“The Orange County water main gives us more water,” said Uhler, “Our water station is all most maxed out.”

The second smaller project is the creation of a new booster pump station. At first, this will serve to transport water from the mainline (the Orange County line) to Academic Village, the new housing project still under construction. More will be done at a later time to connect it to the

Women’s Center to benefit whole community

KATIE GARIAULO STAFF WRITER

Local women leaders decided on Feb. 15 that the Central Florida Women’s Resource Center should be accommodating, inviting and empowering to UCF students and community women in need.

Representatives from Central Florida service organizations, local government, businesses and concerned citizens gathered at the Orlando City Hall with representatives from the UCF Women’s Advisory Board and UCF student organizations for a Visioning Session. Their goal: to develop first-stage plans for a fully functional community Women’s Center.

Some of the 60 attendees included Linda Chapin, Sue Idtensohn, president of the Planned Parenthood of Greater Orlando and Cecilia Milanes Rodriguez, director of the UCF Women’s Studies Program.

The Central Florida Women’s Resource Center was recommended by the President’s Commission on the Status of Women in summer 2000. From then, Martha Haynie, the Chairwoman of the Board, led the members to organize and push for a Women’s Resource Center.

The Center will be strategically located so students and community women can benefit whole community.
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SAE members work as pit crew at Rolex-24

**BRYAN GESSNER**
**CONTRIBUTING WRITER**

What would you say if you were given the opportunity to work on a professional race team, meet famous people, and have all of your expenses paid for? Students in the University of Central Florida chapter of SAE recently took advantage of such an offer.

UCF SAE worked as pit-crew members for Team Gunnar at the Rolex 24 hours of Daytona Feb. 1-4. This is the second consecutive year that Team Gunnar and UCF teamed up to run the 24-hour race. Gunnar Porsche Racing has made a name for themselves in their last 25 years of sports car racing, so much that they have been able to attract such personalities as, one of this year’s GTI drivers, actor Paul Newman. At age 76 he is the oldest driver to ever participate in the Rolex 24-hours of Daytona. The next two drivers of this year’s GTIChampion Porsche have very close ties to the University of Central Florida, Michael Brockman and Gunnar Jeannette. Brockman is an active UCF alumni who has made a name for himself as an accredited driver. Gunnar is currently an engineering student at the University of Central Florida. At eighteen years of age Gunnar has already entered the record books as being the youngest driver to complete a 24-hour race and has plans of becoming an international driver.

UCF-SAE has been involved in SAE Collegiate design competitions for about 25 years. They have had strong standings in the Mini Baja competitions for the past ten and had a respectable showing as a rookie team in last years FSAE competition. It was UCF’s reputation in engineering and SAE collegiate design competitions that attracted Team Gunnar to UCF.

The connection between UCF and racing permitted three undergraduate and four graduate students from UCF to participate as pit-crew members at the Rolex-24. This partnership gives students the opportunity to see how a professional race team operates and as well as the effects of automotive design on vehicle performance. Students aided such tasks as suspension set-up and tuning. This allowed them to see the effects of their adjustments by talking to professional drivers to see how the changes affected the handling and feel of the car. They also went over such things as pyrometer (tire temperature) readings with the team to determine the true effects of the set-up changes. Members of UCF-SAE were also able to get in on some action on race day as the fuel and tire guys.

In an effort to better prepare its members for their future careers and career options UCF-SAE looks for opportunities such as this. The members that attended the Rolex-24 hours of Daytona feel that the SAE collegiate design competitions offer excellent preparation careers in engineering whether it is industry or racing.

**Did you know?**

**Compiled by BECKI PAYNFL STAFF WRITER**

The Library contained approximately 1.3 million volumes, 2.2 million microfiche and microforms, 1.3 million government documents and 30,000 media titles in 2000-2001.

There are 210 Graduate Teaching Assistants at UCF.

The mascot, the Knight, was picked by "Operation Mascot", a committee composed of students, staff and faculty members in 1970. In 1993 when current Athletics Director Steve Sloan took over, the Knights became the Golden Knights.

**Random Facts of the Week**

- It takes a lobster approximately seven years to grow to be one pound.
- The average person falls asleep in seven minutes.
- Ducks will lay eggs only in the early morning.
- Ramen, noodles which are popular with college students as a cheap, quick meal, were invented by Momofuku Ando in 1948. Ramen noodles are now widely consumed in more than 30 countries. The Japanese eat about 45 portions of ramen per capita yearly. Americans, introduced to ramen in 1970, eat four portions per year.
- Though human noses have 5 million olfactory cells with which to smell, sheepdogs have 220 million, enabling them to smell 44 times better than man.
- Each word represents a world in us, a world possibly not been until they arrive, and it is only by this meeting that a new world is born.

-Amitai Nissim

Website of the Week Guess the Dictator! Television character lets you pick either a dictator or TV character and the website guesses your pick, quite accurately.

http://206.177.130.81/dicatoratuder

Around Campus Spring commencement will be held on Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5 at the UCF Arena.

Are you from here?? Here are some 'interesting' town names located in Florida.

- Howey-in-the-Hills
- Mayo
- Niceville
- Okahumpka
- Pahokee
- Plant City
- Red Head
- Two Egg
- Webster
- Weeki Wachee
- Wewahitchka
- Yellow Jacket
- Yellow Water

Be afraid, be very afraid:

- Some uncommon phobias
  - alektorophobia: fear of chickens
  - triskaidekaphobia: fear of the number 13
  - tauroaphobia or tauraphobia: fear of the color black
  - leukophobia: fear of the color white
  - panophobia: fear of the world

**Quote of the Week**

Each word represents a world in us, a world possibly not known.
Figments of our imagination

UCF women and body image

"You are so fat!"

Yes, reflection of mine, you are so, so fat. You and I are fat. We are so fat. Trusty mirror of ours, lie to us and tell us we're anything, anything but so fat. Because that's an image we certainly can't bear.

Heard this mantra before? Maybe yours is the same. Maybe it's how skinny we are. How tall we are. How short, weird, gangly or small we are. Where would all we be without that mirror/self relationship that permeates our thoughts? That which infiltrates our speech; makes itself at home in our living rooms, bedrooms, kitchens; and situates itself quite in our minds... body image.

On the college campus, this issue seems to be particularly relevant. Puberty is out of the way; most women have yet to begin worrying about ourselves, so we definitely shouldn't be worried about those extra/not enough pounds, not to mention the shape of our tummies - right? We wish. Though most of the UCF young women interviewed for this piece are relatively accepting of their bodies, all admit to struggling at one time or the other with their physical image.

There is not alone, a recent body image study in Glamour Magazine showed that 52 percent of women today are unhappy with their bodies. In addition to this, 44 percent of the women questioned said losing weight would make them happier. 

A romantic evening with someone you really like, a promotion at work or hearing from an old friend, according to Glamour.

So what's with this perspicacity to a body image? Who do we want to look like, and why? Why, for 52 percent of us, according to what we got enough?

The most popularly blamed source for the image of ourselves, according to media. From television to movies to radio, women are getting thinner and thinner, and their shapes are more and more unattainable. Twenty years ago, models weighed eight percent less than the average woman. Now, however, models weigh 23 percent less than the average female, according to Kelly Yarborough, a UCF Reach Peer Educator.

In a body image training class, Yarborough, a sophomore, pointed out that a majority of the images of women on magazine covers are air-brushed and technologically corrected. So even the models can't look like models, apparently.

"Why is it that the mirror/magazine cover are closer to reality than they appear?"

However, because the media is such a presence in our lives, it's easy to see images of these women and associate them with physical appearance with what it means to be successful. When the women in the spotlight weigh 105 pounds, and mention in a lean 5'3" things begin to look great for the typical American woman, weighing in anywhere from 140 to 160 pounds, at 5'4."

"If I listened to the media I would be running for the Slim Fast and trying to rid myself of 10 pounds," said Brenda Scott, a UCF student, who said she was about 90 percent satisfied with her body.

UCF students interviewed, however, think the trend of negative body image is informed by much more than the media. A Women's Studies Certificate graduate who declined to be named thought body image is influence by the media, parents, family, and friends. "All of these factors contribute to each individual's perception of how they see themselves. Some of these factors contribute on a more subconscious level than others, however they are all factors that play into how individuals develop their personal self-image," she said.

Other students surveyed believe the responsibility for body image lies solely with one's parents, while others simply believed it had everything to do with personally deciding on a look, and then attaining it.

One student said the problem lies in our society and the way we are instructed to evaluate ourselves.

"See struggle when I look at people's bodies... but I don't think other people in our society see it that way. I think our society judges how much self-respect a person has according to what their body looks like, and I don't think that is right," she said.

"I think our bodies have become a war zone, especially for women. We are taught, far too young, that our appearances count -- but we come to learn and understand that appearances aren't everything," she added.

This may be truer than we'd like to admit. According to a Harvard study cited in Glamour, even when education and other social factors are taken into account, "heavy" women boast household incomes averaging $6,710 less per year than thinner women. And, it's difficult to deny that our appearances also factor into our success in getting the jobs we want, and in attracting the opposite sex. But if more than half of all American women are dissatisfied with their looks, perhaps it's not "only natural" that they would worry about such things in order to find the right job or significant other.

The prevalent negative body image among American women is most likely a combination of all these things: parents/family, friends, as well as athletic and tiny women on magazine covers, women who only represent a minority of real-life, every day women.

However, all these things feed into and relate to our society's image of body: specifically, what the body should look like, and the social repercussions of not fitting that specific image.

"[Physical appearance] is important in our society and there is no doubt about that and you have to decide if you are going to work in that system to live or not. I'm at a moment in my life where I choose not to work in that system and life is even more fulfilling - suddenly the anxiety is gone," said the Women's Studies Certificate graduate. People have the choice of accepting or rejecting society's imposed standards. Until this happens, we just may continue the daily struggle with the mirror, desperately attempting to achieve the impossible and impractical, ignoring the possible and the practically perfect in all of us.

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**Crew team member rows way to success**

**Elaine LeBlanc**

Staff Writer

Twenty years old and rowing her way to the top. In this dot-com age of quick success, junior Katie Auger proves that sometimes dedication and hard work is the key to success.

The Political Science major held her first oars as a freshman in 1998 when she joined the UCF Crew Team. Throughout the year, however, Auger was not passionate about her rowing career. “I really joined just to get some exercise,” she said. “Also, because it was my first time rowing, I was a novice in the slowest boat.”

This apathetic trend continued into second year as she faced another obstacle. Although she had some experience behind her, Auger did not make the varsity boat in the fall. This setback only contributed to her lack of motivation. However, in the spring semester of 2000, Auger’s times improved and a seat opened in a varsity boat. “Once I was in a faster boat, I really pushed myself to keep up with the other girls,” she said.

“Watching her dedication grow really motivated me to get out of bed,” said roommate and teammate Katie Ream. Auger trained throughout the summer to qualify to row as a lightweight (less than 130 lbs) in the fall. “There was just no way my times could compete with openweights who could be more than six feet tall,” the 5’7” Auger said. This intense regimen paid off, and in fall 2000, Auger was pulling her best times yet.

Along with teammate Amanda Ream, Auger competed in the U.S. Rowing Identification Camp in Princeton, N.J. In addition to these accomplishments, she took home the gold medal at the Eag Splints, a statewide event on Feb. 11.

“In three to four years, we’re hoping she will make it to the national team,” Lightweight Coach Chris Deutrick said. “She absolutely has the drive, the potential, and the mental focus to do that.”

But first, the UCF Crew Team must begin its spring season. The men’s team, the lightweight girls and one novice boat will compete in the Metro Cup against Rollins College on Mar. 3. Meanwhile, the openweights and two novice boats will head to Tampa for a brush with the University of Michigan.

“We are really excited to get the season started,” said Captain Lindsay Hoffman.

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**Counseling service, educational resources to be offered**

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access its services. Shelly Park, a member of the UCF President’s Commission on the Status of Women and former director of Women’s Studies, emphasized the need for inclusiveness and an assurance of privacy for anyone visiting the Center.

Other specifics the women identified for the Center were counseling services, health information, legal advice, parenting skills and educational resources for mothers.

The next step, according to Kerstin Casey of the UCF Women’s Studies office, will be a Women’s Studies Advisory Board meeting on Feb. 27. These members will review objectives from the Visioning Session, and outline a plan for gaining resources; in finding funding; and volunteers and sponsorship.

For more information on the Women’s Resource Center progress and developments, students can call the UCF Women’s Studies Office at (407) 823-6502, located in Colburn Hall 207A, or e-mail them at womens@pegasus.cc.ucf.edu.
UCF to add additional Business building by 2002

James Nunez

Farmer Baker Barrios, Architects, Inc. has finalized a contract with UCF to design and construct a second Business Administration building by 2002.

Once the contract is reviewed and approved by President John Hitt, Farmer Baker Barrios will undertake the program verification, design, interior design and construction administration services of the building.

With its construction budgeted at about eight million dollars, the second building will be located to the east of the original Business Administration building and will be architecturally compatible with the original structure. In fact, officials claim that the new project will fit nicely into the campus’s entire landscaping scheme.

Lisa Moten, marketing coordinator for Farmer Baker Barrios, believes that the new building will complement and enrich the character of its surrounding buildings, by promoting an image of superior design in one of the more commonly visited areas of the campus.

By promoting a 62 percent increase in faculty, the new building will contain specialized classrooms and numerous faculty offices. Therefore, the 51,845 square foot building will alleviate the recent space problems encountered by the ever-growing university.

As one of the 10 largest colleges of business accredited by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business, UCF’s mission is to become a nationally-recognized leader in business education by focusing on the innovation and excellence of the field, said Moten.

This project does not represent the first marriage of Farmer Baker Barrios and UCF. In fact, the eight million-dollar Center for Public Safety, Forensic Science and Security, the 10 million dollar Recreational Services building and the eight million-dollar UCF Teaching Academy will be completed by Farmer Baker Barrios in the near future.

“Our firm highly values UCF as a client,” said Moten. “I’m very grateful to be undertaking this project and (for) being a part of the future of the fastest growing universities in Florida.”

Library Exhibitions in March
1. Chinese Painting, by Rose Lee, Artist
2. Tobacco Awareness: Did You Know That? By Terri Langford, Office Assistant
3. Women’s History Month: History, Culture and Health, by Dr. Cecilia Rodriguez Milanes, Director, Women’s Study Program
4. Living a Cruelty-Free Life, by Jennifer Armstrong, President, Campus Action for Animals
5. Distinguished Author Series - 2001, Grace Paley, by Cheryl Mahan, Reference Librarian, University Library
6. Making a Difference Through Social Work, by Dr. Mary Vin Hook, Director, School of Social Work

Opposing views

Many students gather around the greens area located adjacent to the Math and Physics building Feb. 21. Ministers from a local ministry debate the Bible and other various religious topics with passers by. Debates such as these are a semi-regular occurrence on the green and often stir much controversy and debate.

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Old water system could not handle school growth

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CATEGORIES FOR THE ENTRIES - To be awarded to students last year ranged from The top three students submitted by 250 entries submitted by UCF students. The top three winners in each category received awards. The total amount of prizes awarded to students last year totaled $5,000.

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Campus becoming safer, but do students feel they are protected?

MICHAEL ROBBINS  STAFF WRITER

Freshmen Eric Vannamalsen doesn't show much concern when going across campus during the later hours of the night. To him, travelling on campus in the middle of the night is no different than a trip across campus in broad daylight.

"There's nothing to fear out there," said Vannamalsen. "If there was a problem, I could find a way to be safe."

Vannamalsen's disregard for the possibility of a violent crime occurring seems justifiable, being that the university only suffers from an average of 39 major crimes per year, none of which being higher than burglary or aggravated assault.

With one of the lowest crime rates of any Florida state university, the University of Central Florida is considered to be an extremely safe campus for the student body.

"Compared to other campuses, [UCF] is safe," said Residential Assistant Nick Guiter. "This interior is well lit and open to plain sight, with buildings spread apart; other campuses don't have that kind of environment. As long as you follow the rules of common sense, you'll be safe."

Safety on campus at UCF is notably higher than other universities in the state. With only 39 major crimes a year compared to FSU who had over 140 major reported crimes, the campus provides one of the safest environments for students in Florida.

"Compared to other school's, this campus is pretty safe," said freshman Leanne Mancavage, "I know people at FSU and UF who have been mugged or robbed; my friend [at another state university] was once robbed twice in one week."

In order to prevent violent crimes on campus, administration has taken numerous approaches to providing a safer environment. For example, the human resources department, in collaboration with the campus police force, provides numerous seminars on safety for young women, such as RAD, a self-defense course.

Another means of providing safety to students is through the use of the Student Escort Patrol Service (SEPS). Students are able to call for a ride from one point on campus to another from 7:30 p.m. till 12:30 a.m., giving them a means to avoid walking on campus late at night.

One of the strongest means of protection provided by UCF to students is the on-campus police patrol. This provides the students with a constant means of protection that is always available.


In order to make accessibility to police officers more available, UCF recently installed more emergency call boxes for student safety use. With these devices, a student is able to call for help and will usually have an officer available to them within sixty seconds.

In an example of their use given by Williamson, a young lady who was being harassed was able to use the emergency call box to receive aid from the police.

Despite most students feeling safe, numerous individuals still show signs of anxiety in regards to safety on campus.

"I feel safe usually," said freshman Jordan Casey, "However, I feel more apprehensive when the campus is deserted late at night. [The campus] has an eerie feel to it."

Though these organizations and programs are supposed to provide a safer environment to the campus, some students feel that they aren't doing enough. There are students who feel that the campus could do more to provide security to the students, beginning with the tightening of the police force.

"I don't feel that safe on campus. I don't see cops that often and when I do, they don't feel the need to note my safety," said freshman Katie Wright. In one example, Wright noted seeing a police officer on the top floor of an empty parking garage, merely sitting for a period of twenty minutes. "We need more people patrolling, or for current people to get better."

Another qualm from the student body is the lack of security at bike racks and around the dorms. In regards to petty theft, considered a minor crime, UCF had an average of 282. Some feel this could be prevented if more security was placed in areas where valuables are kept.

While I feel safe in general, it would be better if security was placed near people's stuff, particularly the dorms and bicycle racks," said freshman Loryannna Michalek, who recently had her bike stolen. According to Williamson, the best way to avoid becoming a victim is to be aware of your surroundings. For example, to avoid a stolen bike, use a heavy-duty lock; to avoid becoming the victim of a violent crime, avoid low-lit areas or any place where you don't feel safe.

"(Students) have to continue to keep their guard up, and not be careless," said Williamson. "Don't be lax. Remember the ABC's of crime. And students have to focus on everything surrounding them, not just academics. That's how crimes occur."

According to the police force and other representatives on campus, one of the easiest ways for students to help make themselves safer on campus is to become familiar with the phone numbers of organizations, the SEPS phone number is 407-823-2424 and the campus police departments phone number is 407-823-5555.
Around Campus: Spring Commencement Information

Spring commencement will be held on Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5 at the UCF Arena.

Friday, May 4
10:00 a.m. - College of Education, College of Engineering & Computer Science and School of Optics
2:00 p.m. - College of Business Administration and School of Hospitality Management

Saturday, May 5
8:00 a.m. - College of Health and Public Affairs
11:30 a.m. - College of Arts & Sciences I, Psychology, Nicholson School of Communications

GUEST TICKETS
Each candidate who participates in commencement exercises will receive tickets according to the following schedule (based on the maximum seating capacity and number of participants at each ceremony):

Friday, May 4
10:00 a.m. ceremony - College Education, College of Engineering & Computer Science and School of Optics
5 tickets

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Queen of Hearts
Sigma Phi Epsilon held its annual Queen of Hearts contest among sororities, and Amanda Pittman of Delta Delta Delta sorority won the crown at the end of the one-week competition to benefit the American Cancer Society. The week actually comprised several separate events, like a Penny Drop (water jugs were placed outside the Student Union, and the girl with the most pennies by the end of the week won, though one group of sororities could drop quarters or dollar bills into the opposition’s water jugs, thus subtracting a certain number of pennies from the total score), a kickball tournament and a dance competition. Zeta Tau Alpha won the overall week competition, but it was Pittman that became the fraternity’s Queen of Hearts. In addition to these activities, Sigma Phi Epsilon also raised over $1800 for the American Cancer Society with its “Brother Auction,” brother Shaw Cooper did his part for charity, pulling the night’s highest bid at $185. Last year Queen of Hearts raised money for the Children’s Miracle Network, but this year will contribute over $2500 to the American Cancer Society.

Women’s Circle Raises Awareness
The UCF Panhellenic Women’s Circle—part of the Panhellenic Council, the governing body of all women’s sororities—held its first V-Day 2001 on Feb. 14 to help end violence against women throughout the United States.

“The only way that we can curtail the problem of violence in our society is to raise our social consciousness and awareness that the problem exists,” said V-Day coordinator Heather Stevens. The Women’s Circle passed out cards featuring statistics and resources concerning violence against women. Attached to the cards were white ribbons to pin over the heart.

Fraternity Works With Habitat For Humanity
Fifteen members of Delta Tau Delta fraternity also worked to help the community this past weekend, as they constructed a great portion of a house for Habitat for Humanity on Polk Road, past downtown. When the brothers arrived, only the concrete had been poured. At the end of the day, the fraternity had built nearly half of all of the walls for the house. Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization utilizing different community groups to build houses for underprivileged families.

Breakfast Addresses Women’s Issues
In an effort to increase awareness of issues affecting women in leadership positions, Pi Beta Phi sorority hosted a breakfast on Sunday, Feb. 11, for the executive councils of all UCF sororities. Dr. Shelly Stonecastle, head of the Psychology Department at UCF, was the guest speaker for the morning, and she addressed working environment concerns for women in power. The breakfast also gave the different sorority executive councils a chance to meet with one another and increase communication between chapters.

Highway Cleanup
Meanwhile, the brothers of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity held their third highway cleanup of the year over the weekend, cleaning trash from a stretch of Alafaya Trail. Social Service Chairman Eric Kadlecick coordinated the effort, for which 42 fraternity brothers came to support. Kadlecick is currently planning another highway cleanup for the fraternity, and is looking into a beach cleanup as well.

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South Parking Garage or South Bronx?
Officer Mike Johnson was dispatched to the South Parking Garage to a reported burglary Feb.17.
Johnson arrived to find Jaclyn Esposito, who had discovered that her gray Acura had been broken into and burglarized. She claimed that she parked her car on the second level the previous day, and when she returned, she noticed that the driver’s side window had been smashed in.
Upon searching the car, she discovered that her Sony stereo player worth approximately $100 had been removed. Following a wire that was hanging out of the hatchback, she finally found that her $402 ten CD disc changer was taken as well. Photographs of the evidence were taken, but police do not have any suspects.

Those Seminoles are a bad influence
Officer’s Demuny and Johnson arrived at Volusia Hall on Feb.18, in response to the smell of cannabis. Once they arrived at the dorm room 176, the found two students from UCF and two from Florida State were occupying the room.
Upon searching the dorm, the officers found a plastic bag with hashish, several drug paraphernalia items and alcohol. Student John Widmer was placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance without a prescription. Two other students were issued Notices to Appear for drug-possession. The two FSU students received written Trespass Warnings, and all four were issued Student Judicial Referral forms.

Be on the look out for ‘Doctor Evil’
Richard Ficker, superintendent for U.S. Walls and Ceilings, called police Feb. 1 in regards to a grand theft.
On Jan. 26, Ficker discovered that a Grabber Construction Laser had been removed from its yellow protective carrier within a gang box. He did not report this to police, however, because he wanted to first ask fellow workers if they knew the whereabouts of the laser.
After time had passed and no one had returned the laser, Ficker called police. Ficker mentioned that on Jan. 26, two individuals were laid off from U.S. Walls and Ceilings, however, neither seemed disgruntled. No physical evidence was found at the scene.
The laser is only one year old, and is valued at about $500.

Shouts of ‘Girl Scout cookies, $3,’ could be heard as Girl Scouts circulated UCF’s campus Feb. 21 selling their cookies to raise money for their troop. Thin Mints are their top selling type of cookie they said.

Pedaling their wares
Don't think of blaming Bush

Letter to the Editor

In regard to an article in the Feb. 7 issue. Bush tries to fill big shoes of Clingon...I don’t know whether to laugh or pity the inept so called Journalist Katie Giraulo...ahh is this chock full of what? What kind of Liberal hack writers do you let near a keyboard to spout such drivel? Even after Clingon’s class...less way he left office, after his dirty money from the Chinese and criminal fugitives, the lies and abuse of power of the pres...you have imbeciles like Ms. Giraulo still drinking the Koolaid. Clintons legacy? Ms. Giraulo still drinking the Koolaid. Anyone with real brains shows that Americans want a REAL president with issues. Looks like the only trusted president we had was old Slick Willie! So Ms. Giraulo how do you like those apples? I’m curious as to what kind of journalist you think you are, because I’m not impressed. So what kind of text books do you use, “Liberal’s for Dummies?” But please don’t think of yourself as a journalist. It’s quite ironic and funny that you write for the Central Florida Future, because I’m thinking your future in Central Florida is going to be working for the “Penner Pincher,” you left wing liberal. I wish people in America and you can choose who you worship. Just don’t expect the rest of the country to: gose step by step in line with you. Thanks for your time.

—Lay Gueytert

Animation Major

Death of race car driver overdone

Chris Zapatter

staff writer

I have never been so disgusted by my fellow Floridians as I am at this moment. As the kid-napping of Ellen Gonzalez (by his once or twice removed Miami family members) the rigging of the election by Republicans elected officials and the introduction of O.J. Simpson into our habitat were not enough, we now have the death of Dale Earnhardt to irrefutably convince the nation that we deserve the name “Florida.” For the past week I have heard about Earnhardt’s death ad nauseam. The local media, which should be reporting actual news, has chosen instead to saturate the airwaves with less analysis of the accident and one hackneyed retrospective after another.

Dale Earnhardt competed in a particularly dangerous sport for thirteen years and was involved in a rather unremarkable accident which resulted in his death, a death which might have been prevented had he opted to wear the Hans headshock safety device readily available to NASCAR Drivers. Earnhardt’s death may be a great loss to NASCAR and it’s fans, and it may be a tragedy to his family and friends, but it is not a tragedy in the grand scheme of things. I have yet to hear any noteworthy contributions to the betterment of mankind Earnhardt ever made outside of being a damn good race car driver - not grounds for canonization. I could understand this kind of collective mourning if it had been someone like music legend and stalwart humanitarian Elton John who passed away. (John has donated millions of dollars to AIDS research and continues to entertain.)

As a college student working late nights or maybe even having that late night class leads you to miss those awesome prime time network movies and shows. What’s left is the late night shows which may cause you to flip for hours just finding the right show to calm your yells and hopefully put you to sleep.

Around 10:45 p.m. you stum­ble in the door of your small apart­ment after having to close shop and head home. At least you don’t run into that five o’clock traffic and give hand gesture, maybe only once or twice. You do watch TV as a change of heart to read all. Those late night shows that you find the news on 12 channels all showing the same thing, but you decide not because it too violent for the time of night. Maybe that Chainsaw Massacre movie would calm your nerves more but of course it’s not on till next week. You flick through the channels looking for that show that make fun of anyone, Blank Date. Now if you’re looking to laugh at someone that must really not have any chance for a love life, watch this show. It might cheer you up and at the same time it reminds you of a time you spend watching tv from your different commentary. Next channel switch you find The X-Show, a new show for the young adult in everyone. Maybe you try the central. The Man Show but with spokes models instead of juggies and maybe some real advice. The X-Show talks a lot about sex, sports, and chicks. This show may raise your blood pres­sure to a higher level then the last time you saw a chick in a string bikini. MTV shows the teenage late night soap opera Undressed, for those that want to live the life of a bunch of horny teens. No, you won’t see naked chicks. Another show to baffle your mind is Crossing Over with John Edward. This man talks to the dead and lets you know how they are doing. Fact or fiction this is for you to decide,
Bush's plan: Learn to speak proper English

Opinion

What is a tragedy?

With the recent passing of Dale Earnhardt, I must ask what people consider to be a tragedy. On the evening news I hear time and again the word tragedy come up when mentioning Dale Earnhardt's death. To his family and close friends, sure this is quite tragic, but why does the public consider his passing so tragic? These race fans act as if they know him personally, and they, for the most part don't. You don't know what he was like when he went home at night, or when no in the spotlight. There are many other things I would consider travesties, and this is certainly not one of them.

Eminem's appear­

Awards, and especially to see Eminem's appear­

three times on a nation-wide broadcast to watch the controversy behind Eminem's appearance during the Grammy Awards, and especially to see how he acted away from the race track. Eminem slipped the s-word past the censors a total of 40 instances, CBS viewed by millions. I am sure if I was like when he went home at night, or when no in the spotlight. There are many other things I would consider travesties, and this is certainly not one of them.

I was also distraught, as I am sure Dido was, to see Elton John singing her part in the duet between Eminem and Elton John on the song "Stan." Not that I have anything against Elton, but he is certain­

ly not Dido.

And finally on this mat­

ter... since when do you thank your audience by flipping them off? The last time I gave someone the finger was on the East­

West Expressway when I got cut off ... I know for a fact I wasn't thanking that guy! Learn some tact Marshall Mathers.

Drug testing fakes

A biotechnology company by the

name of Discovery Laboratories from Pennsylvania is lob­

bying the Food and Drug Administration to test a drug on infants in Latin America.

The company wishes to use placebos, or dummy drugs, the would have no affect on the infants along with the drugs which are to be tested.

Infants' parents that would receive the placebos would be under the assumption that their child was being treated for the illness just as the rest of the children, but in fact would be receiving no treatment at all.

Why would you want to do this to anyone, much-less an infant? These types of experiments have long been illegal in the United States. This is morally wrong and quite unethical.

Enough tuberculosis to go around

Last week a Seminole County high school student was diagnosed with tuber­

culosis. Students throughout the school are to be tested. The is the same disease that Melvin Sherrod, featured in Feb. 21's

Insipid Thoughts, was kept detained in jail for three weeks for having. Sherrod was finally moved to a hospital last week but is held there against his will. He might as well be in jail.

The question comes, are we going to lock this high school student up in a hos­

pital room, or a jail even, to "protect the general public" from contracting this dis­

ease? Of course not. Why is this child granted a right that was taken away from Sherrod?

Underwear where?

Recently there was another big sale in front of the University of Central Florida Student Union. No, not postres. No, they weren't selling cell­

phones. No, they weren't signing people up for credit cards.

They were in fact selling Victoria's Secret. Yes, that's right, bras and panties galore. Who, may I ask, goes shopping for these underwear in front of the Student Union? Better yet, who came up with idea to sell Vickie's underwear there?

Quote of the Week:

"Rarely is the question asked: Is our children learning?"

--George W. Bush on education.

(Quote is from a Bush statement in Florence, S.C. on 1/11/00)

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Greenland: Home of math geeks, poets and bad dressers

Cindy Greenberg
TULANE HULLABALOO

Greenland.

So many images and ideas must be brought to consciousness when you think of Greenland, the most common of which are ice and cold.

But that’s not what I see. For me, Greenland is that huge mass of land that seemingly leaks from the North Pole. On a flat map of the world, Greenland rivals South America in size. It’s simply ginormous; it’s comparable to Canada and it dwarfs the lower 48.

And yet, compared to most of the world, it’s fairly insignificant. Hardly anyone lives there; it’s mostly ice. Yet you, I and everybody else have so much in common with that huge hunk of ice lying out of Canada.

Everyone has a Greenland: a seemingly colossal and super-significant issue that hangs from his or her head like an unremovable garment, with which no other part of his or her conscious self wants any association. You’re not always aware of it, yet it’s always there. You’re reminded of it occasionally when you’re planning a trip; you notice it when you have some idle time before that hated math class.

Math.

That’s my Greenland.

Some suggest to me that I was socialized to be a lousy math student, but there isn’t much logic underlying that conclusion. I was raised around numbers, as my father is a businessman. If I had to guess, I would say that one day I just decided math and I were a bad marriage, and it just wasn’t worth the mental effort. A few boring classes and failed exams later, math, my Greenland, was a place I just didn’t want to be anymore.

So I escaped a few years ago and haven’t returned since.

But en route to other more desirable locales, my Greenland still remains a tremendous obstacle.

For a person who wants to go into business, but hates numbers, a math requirement is a burden.

I’ve long spent my time in math classes flashing rude faces at the teacher, responding to test questions I didn’t know with smartass remarks and speaking my mind about how few practical uses this subject actually has.

But let’s face it — without math geeks, we — writers and poets, would still be sitting in our huts trying to figure out why “fire bad,” without the Internet to help us find the answer.

(Actually, it’s more probable that a good math student would be the one to say, “fire bad.” Most of us half-brained poets would realize that “fire bad” is grammatically incorrect, as it lacks a helping verb.)

And for once, a digestion has a point. Some of those math people out there who think there’s nothing wrong with “fire bad” must wonder how I can smugly claim that one day I just decided math and I were a bad marriage, and it just wasn’t worth the mental effort.

The probability of A plus B is equal to A times A completely objectively speaking, everyone can be the best at something, but there’s someone about whom to make jokes. The poets need the business tycoons and dot-coms so there’s something left about which to complain in their poems. Fashion industries need people who can’t match their clothes in order to sell outfits. And if everyone loved sports, there wouldn’t be enough tickets to go around, even for Tulane’s pathetic football games.

(Sorry to poke fun, but completely objectively speaking, football here really does suck.)

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Finally! I am now officially able to drink alcoholic beverages wherever I damn well please...well, except for church, or the grocery store, or my cousin's elementary school class. I just turned 21 and all I can think of is what now? What age do I now look forward to? Why isn't there another age to get excited about?

I don't want to get old! Everything starts to sag and wrinkle. And pretty soon I will end up looking like a saggy prune. It's like the earth just wants you to look so saggy that it just sucks you down whole.

Isn't life weird like that? It seems like every birthday I said I couldn't wait for my next one and now I just want to stay this age or at least go back to being five. At least at five you think beer is gross and it's cute to hit boys.

Okay so great, I can drink legally, but that's it. I don't feel as excited as maybe I should be. I mean where do I go from here? I think there should be some new age laws so that when I turn 30 I can have a big crazy shin dig. I have a good idea. Maybe they should make it illegal to eat pizza until you turn 30. That, to some, sounds way more reasonable than no alcohol until you're 21. I just don't want to dread all of my future birthdays.

All right, I know that is really dumb but I just feel so blah about the whole 21 thing. Great, now my body and metabolism are well on their way to slowing down.

I am so old. I guess I will just start drinking that milk-calcium shake thing so as to prevent osteoporosis. So whatever, happy birthday to me, someone get me my walker and a beer.
Celebrating the music of a king

Matt Phipps
Staff Writer

It was a warm Floridian day. The breeze was cool, the sun was shining, there was not a cloud in the sky...a beautiful day. Especially for a concert like this one. This was the atmosphere on Sat., Feb. 24 at the second annual Bob Marley Reggae Fest at Universal's City Walk.

As we walked into the gates at this indoor/outdoor venue, smells of Jamaican jerk chicken and other Caribbean delicacies wafted through the air. The first act we saw was Oil Down. The setup was superb for this show. It was located in The Groove, a nightclub in City Walk. You could either stand on the dance floor or sit in plush Movie Theater style seats that were located around the edges of the club. The lights were turned down low as they played. The mood was great. People were dancing on the floor and chilling on the streets.

We left The Groove and headed to the next show at Bob Marley’s, a restaurant/bar that had a great open courtyard in the middle. The 506 Crew was playing there. As we walked up into the crowd we heard the great reggae sound coming from the gazebo. Again people were dancing, drinking Red Stripe and having a great time listening to the sweet reggae music. As we left there with a smile on our faces, we went to the main stage to listen to Simpleton. Since Simpleton was one of the headliners, the crowd was a little bigger than in the clubs. His set was terrific and people were really getting into the music.

Directly after that Peter Metro got on stage, known to many as the best DJ in Jamaica, and we soon found out why. He played some great songs, told some hilarious stories and ended his set with a tribute to Bob Marley, the king of Reggae, by playing “One Love.” The crowd went insane, people’s hands were waving in the air as arms went around neighbors’ shoulders, it was a real sense of unity.

Other bands that played included Yellowman, Inner Circle, Rita Marley and the Ital. Unfortunately we could not stay for them or come back to the next day of this outstanding two day festival. As we left it felt like twenty pounds worth of anger and anxiety was lifted from us, all because of that relaxing reggae music.

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Eve got a better idea for the makers of 3000 Miles to Graceland: why not have spent the forty million dollars to charter a fleet of B-12 bombers and melodically (like, say, in the vein of the anvil chorus) bomb from above the Presley estate with megaton cargo bags filled with steaming, reek­ing, nagmode­welling piles of ele­phant sh*t. Desecration should always be announced with a certain degree of panache to it. Take that, Priscilla! And you too, Lisa Marie! And to all of those giddy and grieving nuclear families Winnebagoed in from Texas and Arkansas, here’s to your mama’s grave with bullets, ample cleav­age and a mongoloid. Baboon-faced, black, both that act crazy, both who get dead. Baboon-faced, who wants us to know he comes from the Tony Stewart world of stock car racing? Of the three women, one is a money grabbing, bed-hopping slut of the late 80s? Co-writer, director and head jackoff, Demian Staf­fer wants us to know he comes from the Tony Scott/Oliver Stone world of film style but we really could care less of whom he aspires to be associated with. His pacing, book­end with the classic shootout cliché adheres the stereotyped pre­ten­sion most associated with commercial action directors.

But you got to wonder why he made a movie specifically for this country’s population of socially challenged white boys. Not to overanalyze this, since it certainly doesn’t deserve the com­­ment, but there are three women and two black men in the film; the rest of the cast is made of penis owning Caucasians. Of the three women, one is a money grabbing, bed-hopping slut of a mother (played annoyingly by Courtney Cox), another is acted out as a teenage runaway/whore along for a quick ride and the other is killed so quickly we don’t even realize why she is in the film. For our minority supplements we got two guys, both black, both that act crazy, both who get dead. Rubbish-faced, misogynistic, backwater cinema finally has its Kane. Of the three women, one is a money grabbing, bed-hopping slut of the late 80s? Co-writer, director and head jackoff, Demian Staf­fer wants us to know he comes from the Tony Scott/Oliver Stone world of film style but we really could care less of whom he aspires to be associated with. His pacing, book­end with the classic shootout cliché adheres the stereotyped pre­ten­sion most associated with commercial action directors.
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Orlando was the band’s eleventh stop on their winter tour, which is to promote their latest live album released on Virgin Records.

Jack Johnson started the show off right with a set of soulful rock songs off of his debut album, Bradfire Fireflies, produced by JP Plummer, who also produced all of Harper’s albums.

A surfer and surf movie producer, Johnson is a new face in the music industry. His knack for songwriting got the attention of record label Enjoy Records after he wrote what really makes the band.

Originally from the Orlando area, Johnson was a new name that had already sold out the club by this time, the audience dancing and grinding up against the stage, obviously loving the attention. Luckily, the rest of the band returned for another encore, to end the show with energy. They performed an upbeat version of Marvin Gaye’s “Sexual Healing,” that had the audience dancing and grinning up on anything within arm’s reach.


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Staff Writer

As stated by E! Online, the 43rd Annual Grammy Awards should have been known as "EmTV." Blah blah blah controversy this. Blah blah blah hard lyrics that. I will be the first to say no one cares - or should care about the Eminem/Elton John performance at the Grammys. There was WAY too much hype about this event, all generated from this mild act, combining two musical genres that people didn't expect to see together. From the commercials for news reports following the Eminem/Elton John performance to promise that the act would be on the way, CBS made sure that they kept viewers interested in this musical event whose winners are determined by completely out-of-touch men sitting in a board room. The President of the Academy Michael Greene, who made a five-minute speech advocating controversy in music before Eminem even set foot on the stage, also heightened this melodrama. He was quoted as saying, "Let's not forget that sometimes it takes tolerance to teach tolerance." Isn't this exactly the opposite of what the media's reaction was thus far to Eminem? Okay, so the guy hit some homophobic lyrics on his album. He has explained repeatedly that they mean nothing and people should take them with a grain of salt. GLAAD and even the general idea held by the media beg to differ. The solution? Apparently, the Academy thought it would be a great idea to increase viewership to pair a rock legend who happens to be gay and the "controversial" rapper. What did people expect? That Eminem would break down and attack Elton John on stage? That's what the media had us believing. What actually happened was exactly what the logically minded would have predicted to happen: a completely normal and tame - at least by Eminem's standards - performance. Nothing stunning, nothing flashy, just another act at the Grammys. Eminem performed "Stan" with the help of Elton John's playing the piano and singing the sample from Dido's song "Thank You." When it was over, the two received a standing ovation and bowed elaborately while holding hands. Is this supposed to prove anything? Only what Eminem said all along. As the rapper himself stated at MTV's 2000 Video Music Awards, controversy was what helped him to become a platinum-selling artist. He even thanked those who made a huge deal and took everything he said to heart because, without them, he wouldn't have achieved the mega-success he has now. Once you got past the "main event" and the annoying forged controversy at this year's 43rd Annual Grammy Awards, there were some awesome - and, in my opinion, much more impressive - performances. The Material Girl herself, Madonna, did the first performance of the night. Arriving onstage in a holographic limousine with Lil Bow Wow as the chauffeur, she definitely proved she still has her edge. Who else can pull off the stunning moves she does? Granted she wasn't rolling around the stage in a wedding gown, but those days are over. In fact, after imitation performances by Britney Spears, Madonna's act wouldn't have been as impressive as it was without the suggestive moves. Instead, it was a tasteful display of choreography and vocal talent, a fabulous way to begin the evening. The winner for the most visually impressive and vocally enticing performance goes to Moby, Jill Scott, and the Blue Man Band. For those of you who don't know who this "Blue Man Band" is, they are, in laymen's terms, a group of men who play giant instruments that look like they came from a Dr. Seuss book. Needless to say, they are also - surprise! - painted blue. Jill Scott contributed her strong vocals to Moby's guitar-playing, and the result was a stunning performance that set the standard for the night. The awards presented that night were done smoothly between the "skin and bones" standard - in other words - samples from Dido's song "Thank You." "Despite the hype, there was nothing unusual about Eminem's performance with Elton John."
words, only the categories that the general public actually cared about were presented. Some of these categories were "Record of the Year," "Album of the Year," and "Best New Artist." Barry Louis Armstrong fans: "Best Historical Album" didn't make it on the air that evening.

One of the big winners for the night was U2. "We see ourselves as just an Irish boy band," said lead singer Bono after his wins Wednesday night. The band picked up three awards for "Record Of The Year," "Song Of The Year" and "Best Rock Performance By A Duo Or Group" all for "Beautiful Day" from their All For "Beautiful Day" album. Gesturing to his bandmates behind him, Bono added, "Actually it's hard to find four people this good-looking who are willing to write and record and perform together."

Perhaps the most disappointing moment at the awards was for the "Best Album of the Year," presented by music legends Stevie Wonder and Bette Midler. The Grammy was awarded to Steely Dan for Two Against Nature. Many people didn't see this one coming, as the band was pitted against other fellow artists Radiohead and Eminem. The band was about as thrilled with their award as if it had been a bowl of oatmeal. They literally made a five second speech and unenthusiastically walked off the stage.

The 43rd Annual Grammys went very smoothly, despite all the "controversy" put on and dramatized by the media. It was a true spectacle of talented artists and a refreshing antidote to the recent AMAs. Unlike that show, the Academy seemed to hold a true knowledge and taste for music as to who should and who shouldn't win.

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**And the Grammy Goes To...**

**Category 1 - Record Of The Year**
- Beautiful Day
  - U2
  - Brian Eno & Daniel Lanois, producers; Steve Lillywhite & Richard Rainey, engineers/mixers
  - Track From: All That You Can't Leave Behind

**Category 2 - Album Of The Year**
- Two Against Nature
  - Steely Dan
  - Walter Becker & Donald Fagen, producers; Phil Burnett, Roger Nichols, Dave Russell & Elliot Scheiner, engineers/mixers

**Category 3 - Song Of The Year**
- Beautiful Day
  - U2, songwriters (U2)
  - Track From: All That You Can't Leave Behind

**Category 4 - Best New Artist**
- Shirley Lynne

**Category 5 - Best Female Pop Vocal Performance**
- I Try
  - Macy Gray
  - Track From: On How Life Is

**Category 6 - Best Male Pop Vocal Performance**
- She Walks This Earth (Sobrenna Rosa)
  - Sting
  - Track From: A Love Affair - The Music Of Ivan Lins (Various Artists)

**Category 7 - Best Pop Performance By A Duo Or Group With Vocal**
- "Get Lucky"
  - Daft Punk
  - Track From: Random Access Memories

**Category 8 - Best Pop Collaboration With Vocals**
- "Is You Is, Or Is You Ain't (My Baby)"
  - B.B. King & Dr. John
  - Track From: Let The Good Times Roll

**Category 9 - Best Pop Instrumental Performance**
- Caravan
  - The Brian Setzer Orchestra
  - Track From: Varvoms

**Category 10 - Best Dance Recording**
- "Who Let The Dogs Out"
  - Baha Men; Steve Greenberg & Michael Mangini, producers/mixers
  - Track From: Who Let The Dogs Out

**Category 11 - Best Pop Instrumental Album**
- Symphony No. 1
  - Joe Jackson

**Category 12 - Best Pop Vocal Album**
- Two Against Nature
  - Steely Dan

**Category 13 - Best Traditional Pop Vocal Album**
- Both Sides Now
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Political Reform

Republican state senator and former candidate for governor John Robert Broos Jr., 57, was charged with obstruction of justice in Barren County, Minn., in December after reporting that he had been mugged in a robbery in the parking lot of the St. Clair Casino in Turtle Lake. Broos appeared to have been beaten up, but he was apparently unaware that a parking-lot surveil­lance camera had recorded the entire "incident." The police had found 12 baby lizards (including two en­dangered monitor lizards) stuffed in his crotch. And three antiques restoration company was killed when he ac­cidentally fell into a vat of paint stripper (Newtown on­ion.

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In life, everybody wants to be somebody. Doctors, lawyers, marketers, actors, publishers and even pimps to name a few. The choices are endless. Now there are those that enjoy what they do and others that do things just because they have to. But for 22 year-old Johnny Millwater, a recent graduate of UCF with a Radio/Television degree, he does things because he loves to.

"What I love the most is being a diversified entertainer," said Millwater. "I want to be known for being able to do a variety of things, and that's how I plan on separating myself from all the other performers out there."

For Johnny, entertainment includes doing magic, stand-up comedy and bizarre stunts. He has been performing professionally since the age of 12 and his ultimate goal is to be in movies. Some of his awards include first place in the Comedy Zone Amateur Comedy Competition and the "Mastercard Acts Talent Competition, both held at UCF. His most recent and notable award was from being a semifinalist in the comedy category of Ed McMahon's Next Big Star.com talent search.

Some of you may have seen him on campus or watched him at the Improv Traffic School across from UCF helping you laugh for four hours while keeping points off of your driver's license. A few of the cities Johnny has performed in are Biloxi, MI; Columbia, SC; even "all the way" in Winter Park, FL (one of his many witty jokes).

On Sat., Feb. 24, Johnny put on a one-man show called the Comedy Show...of Death at the SAK Comedy Lab in downtown Orlando. There were three acts of his that stood out the most. The first was showing a 2-foot balloon down his throat that he referred to as being some Disney employee's personal favorite. Unfortunately for the audience, he'll never reveal how...
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I went to a party last weekend and while I was there I believe someone put something in my drink and raped me. I don't remember much of that night, which was strange to me because I did not have that much to drink. I haven't told anyone about this. What should I do?

- Can't remember, 19

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Also, talk to some friends/ acquaintances that were at the party. Maybe they saw someone or something that can give you a clue to what happened. If you get some information go to the police. The number for them on campus is (407) 823-5555. Do not try to deal with something like this on your own without help. The more support you have the better. Since rape is a crime of power, having support from friends and counselors is one way to get back some of the power that this person has taken away from you in this situation. I hope everything concludes soon in your case. Remember, you don’t have to do this alone, you know the resources are available so use them.

Here is some additional information/statistics that may help anyone who reads this Sexpert Advice to deal with, confront and possibly avoid a date rape situation

-Statistically, every two seconds a woman is raped and 78 percent of the time it is by someone she knows.

-If in a situation where a rape is occurring, confront him and use the word “rape” to describe what he was doing. Sometimes this shocks a potential rapist into realizing what he is doing and stopping it.

-Some danger signs of a man who might attempt a rape are: a man who makes all the decisions in the relationship (where to go, where to eat, what you should wear), a jealous or possessive man, usually they have a temper, a heavy drinker or a man who thinks a woman belongs “in her place.”

-If a rape happens, go to a friend’s house and call the police. DO NOT shower or clean yourself, this will destroy evidence.

-Go to the hospital as soon as possible, not only to collect specimens for evidence, but also to check for STIs, STDs and internal injuries as well.

-It is also advised to seek some counseling in this matter to help deal with the aftermath.

-Anyone with questions about rape or rape situations, call Victim Services at the numbers listed above.

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he does it, and the trick still remains difficult to figure it out. Then he moved on to his fire-eating trick. He tried once without the stick on fire and then once with it. He seemed to get the audiences involvement both times nonetheless. Although he did look exasperated at the end of the stunt, he turned out to be fine after a 70-year-old audience member came out and told him “put some water on it.”

The last trick of the night was his straight jacket escape ... of death. He promised to have it off by the end of a song and that promise was kept. Unfortunately for him, his body was bruised and beaten by the time it came off. It must have been because the audience member he called upon put the jacket on too tight. Johnny did mention to her that the farther you go down, the harder it gets ... to tie up the belt buckle that is.

In between these acts Johnny fit in a lot of stories and jokes that he says he gets from “the stupidity of the world.” He went on to mention his experiences with drunk people and gymnasts that score big even when they fall on their faces. When the show ended, I could definitely tell that everyone had been given a good time and a lot of laughs.

A lot of credit should be given to Johnny Millwater for doing what he does best—entertaining. He finds it "great to have a room full of strangers and be able to make them laugh." With his variety of comedy, magic and crowd interaction, getting people he doesn't know to smile and enjoy themselves isn't a hard thing for him to do.

The next time Johnny will be performing in Florida is on March 10, to a sold out crowd in Titusville where he'll be headlining a charity show. From there, expect him to be doing comedy shows sometime in June. If you haven't heard of him before, you have now and maybe next time you'll be buying a ticket to his show as well.

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Women’s tennis dominates conference rival Stetson

NATASHA BERK
STAFF WRITER

The UCF women’s tennis team continued its TAAC dominance last Saturday, defeating visiting Stetson 6-1.

The Golden Knights (6-1), who are currently ranked 53rd in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association poll, swept Stetson (2-2) in singles action despite losing the doubles point to start the match.

In doubles action, the UCF team of junior Marieke Gunawan and senior Sonja Prokopec beat Stetson’s Veronica Lopez-Villegas and Jennifer Pajsons 8-1 at the No. 1 position.

But the Golden Knights dropped doubles matches at the No. 2 and No. 3 positions, giving the doubles point to the Hatters. At the No. 2 position, UCF seniors Ann-Jeanette Svantesson and Daniela Okal lost 8-4 to Stetson’s Analia Longoni and Lindsey Wyeth. The closest doubles match came at the No. 3 position as Golden Knight freshmen Anna Westin and Julie Pecastaing lost a tiebreaker to Stetson’s Svenja Fleischhacker and Claudia Meza, falling 9-8.

The UCF women were able to regroup in singles play. Although demonstrating some frustration throughout the match, No. 1 Svantesson avenged an earlier doubles loss as she defeated Longoni 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

Pecastaing provided another close match, going three sets at the No. 3 position against Stetson’s Lindsey Wyeth. Pecastaing fell behind quickly, losing the first set 6-2. The second and third sets were a different story, however, as Pecastaing fought back and earned a 2-6, 7-5, 6-3 victory.

It was smooth sailing for the rest of the Golden Knights as they were able to defeat Stetson in straight sets at the 2, 4, 5, and 6 positions. At No. 2, Westin defeated Stetson’s Veronica Lopez-Villegas 6-2, 6-1. At No. 4, Prokopec beat Stetson’s Svenja Fleischhacker 6-3, 6-4. UCF’s Okal beat Claudia Meza 6-1, 6-2 in the No. 5 slot, and senior Hadas Ronen, who was first to finish her match, beat Stetson’s Julie Dougherty 6-0, 6-0 at No. 6.

With the win, the Golden Knights improved their record to 6-1, including a 3-0 mark in the Trans America Athletic Conference. Stetson’s record fell to 2-2, 0-1 in the TAAC. UCF returns to action on Mar. 2, hosting No. 62 Old Dominion at 11 a.m. at the UCF Tennis Complex.

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Golden Knights Sweep Alabama

Above: Sophomore relief pitcher Van Stotzcheck pitched the ninth inning to earn a save in the series finale.

Above: UCF fans bring out the brooms for the first game of the series with the Crimson Tide.

Left: Catcher Jeremy Frost discusses strategy with Head Coach Jay Barzitics.

Above: Third baseman Chad Ehrenberger takes a big swing at an Alabama pitch.

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Women’s soccer signs three local players

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Once again, UCF women’s soccer coach Amanda Cromwell has dipped into the local ranks of talent to sign three players for the 2001 season.

Cromwell announced last week that Randi Holcomb (Winter Park/Lake Howell High School), JoAnna Black (Winter Park/Lake Howell High School) and Allison Blagriff (Melbourne/Tart) have signed to join the UCF women’s soccer team.

Randi is another versatile player,” Cromwell said. “She can literally play anywhere on the field. She has played defender for the south regional team and in high school she is a scoring threat up top.”

“Randi has great one-on-one ability as well as great vision. I see her competing for a starting spot in her senior year. She is a great playmaker, her competing for a starting spot in the attacking center midfield position or as a front runner.”

Black is a 5-foot-4 defender who was named Defensive MVP for Lake Howell in both the 1999 and 2000 seasons. During her senior season, Black had three goals and five assists in helping the Silver Hawks to their third consecutive state championship appearance. She earned Defensive MVP honors for the TARGET Tournament.

“JoAnna is a very athletic defender,” Cromwell said. “She has great speed, and in high school, she always marks the most dangerous forwards. I look forward to watching her compete for a starting spot in the back.”

Blagriff is a 5-foot-5 midfielder who can play all field positions. After scoring 54 goals and totaling 16 assists in her senior season at Eau Gallie, more than 25 schools recruited Blagriff, including national powerhouses Clemson, Florida State and Pennsylvania State.

“JoAnna is another versatile player,” Cromwell said. “She plays defender for the Florida ODP state team and center midfield with her high school team. She is a great playmaker with good vision of the field and has the ability to play the ball on a dime. I will be looking for her to compete for a starting spot in center midfield.”

The Golden Knights are looking to return the NCAA Tournament this year after being upset in the TAAC Championships to end the 2000 season.

The team that ends up with victory in the conference tournament will play the No. 3 team on Apr. 8, which is the second day of the conference tournament. The No. 7 and No. 8 teams will play on Mar. 7, the first day of competition, playing for the first time between these two teams on Nov. 30, 66-51.

On Mar. 5, the Golden Knights will compete for their regular season by hosting Jacksonville State at the UCF Arena at 3 p.m. The Gamecocks beat Samford 62-60 last Saturday. JSU is currently sixth in the TAAC in scoring offense, averaging 60.7 points per game, and ninth in field goal percentage, shooting 37.2 percent from the floor. The Golden Knights won the first game of this two-game series as well, beating the Gamecocks 64-54 on Dec. 12.

UCF is currently seventh in the conference in scoring, averaging 59.8 points a game. The Golden Knights shoot 40.2 percent from the field, which puts them sixth in the TAAC. All three teams have struggled of late. UCF has lost nine of its last 11 games. Samford has lost eight of its last 11 and Jacksonville State has lost seven of its last 11 games.

The team that ends up with sixth place in the TAAC will play the No. 3 team on Mar. 8, which is the second day of the conference tournament. The No. 7 and No. 8 teams will play on Mar. 7, the first day of competition, playing for the No. 10 team and No. 9 team respectively.
Knights sweep Alabama, impress scouts

It was too late as McClanahan beat the throw.

UCF answered with three runs in the bottom of the fifth inning. Senior Mike Fox hit a sacrifice fly that brought home Greg Good, and then Mike Myers and Jeremy Kurella each had RBI singles for the Golden Knights. UCF added a run in the seventh inning on Wayne Summers’ RBI double, and another in the eighth when Kurella scored on a Grant Redding fielding error.

"That’s just good baseball," UCF Head Coach Jay Bergman said. "We kind of challenged the players to raise their bar of performance and when that happens, your pitcher has to step up and he certainly did. But we got a lot of key hits with two outs and I think that’s good for the hitters, too. We played good defense. A pretty nice night."

On Saturday, UCF senior starting pitcher Jason Arnold, who entered the game not having given up an earned run in 18.2 innings this season, but UCF broke that streak. Frost singled home Matt Meath in the second inning, and then outfielder Jason Graham scored from third on a wild pitch to give the Golden Knights a 2-0 lead.

Alabama pulled to within a run in the fifth inning when shortstop Cseye Lambert drove in Redding with a single through the left side of the infield, but UCF added two insurance runs in the bottom of the sixth. Each team scored a run in the eighth inning.

UCF freshman Paul Labrano relieved Arnold in the eighth inning and got the final five outs for his first collegiate save, which was also the first save for a Golden Knight player this season. On Sunday, UCF had to sweat out a ninth inning play at the plate, but held on for a 4-3 victory and a series sweep.

Following the example of Pope and Arnold, UCF starter Brad Busbin allowed only three runs and five hits in eight innings of work, striking out nine Alabama hitters. But despite Busbin’s efforts, the Golden Knights trailed 3-1 in the fifth inning.

That is, until senior second baseman Mike Fox came to bat. After struggling to score runs early in the game, Graham singled to start the bottom of the fifth. After an out by Frost, Fox hit a two-run home run to left-center field, tying the game at 3.

"I think it helped us a lot," Fox said of his home run. "It kind of woke us up a little bit.

UCF broke the tie in the seventh inning when designated hitter Andy Johnson drove in Frost from second base with a single down the left field line. In the ninth inning, with Busbin out and sophomore Ken Stertzbach in to pitch for the Golden Knights, Alabama put runners on first and second base with only one out. Chad White singled through the left side of the infield for the Crimson Tide, and pinch runner Beau Heard rounded third base for home plate. But Graham picked up the ball in left field and threw to Frost at home, who tagged Heard just before he reached the plate.

A record crowd of 5,133 turned out to watch the weekend series, which was the first time UCF has ever swept a nationally ranked opponent in baseball. It was also the first time Alabama has been swept by a non-conference opponent since 1988.

UCF returns to action this weekend, taking on St. Joseph’s at home in a three-game series at Jay Bergman Field. The two teams will play a doubleheader on Mar. 3 and finish with a single game on Mar. 4.
Golden Knights end regular season on sour note

A 10-game losing streak was not how the UCF men's basketball team had envisioned its regular season ending. A regular season that began with such high expectations came to a crashing conclusion Saturday when the Golden Knights lost to Campbell at home.

Prior to the season, UCF was picked by Trans America Athletic Conference coaches to finish second in the conference. The media picked the Golden Knights to finish third. These high standards were not met, however, as UCF finished dead last in the TAAC.

Saturday's game was a chance for the Golden Knights to avoid ending the season in the conference cellar. UCF came into the game with a 3-14 record in the TAAC and a 7-21 record overall. Campbell was only slightly better with a 4-13 conference record and a 6-20 overall record. The winner would finish just out of last place, while the loser would fall to the bottom.

Both teams began the game looking sluggish. Neither team scored a field goal for the first two minutes. UCF took a 40-34 lead into the locker room after a Josh Broadway jumper beat the buzzer. The Golden Knights came out in the second half and let the Camels back into it. Josh Broadway and Marquis Boyd made a layup that tied the score at 65. Both teams then went scoreless for two minutes until, with 1:32 left, a jumper shot by the Camels' Emory Walton put the Campbell up for good. UCF lost 72-69.

UCF Head Coach Kirk Speraw blamed his team's lack of energy for the loss. "Another ball game here where we've got right there at the end and can't make plays to get over the hump," said Speraw. "We just didn't come out of the locker room at halftime with the life that we needed to have and they got right back into it and really dictated things a shot over a shot over Campbell's Zydrunas Stankus (left).

GSU tied it at 15 with 14.23 left in the half. The Panthers took a 22-19 lead with 9.55 left in the first period and maintained the lead for the rest of the game. GSU led at halftime 51-39.

In the second half, the Golden Knights shot a season-high 62.1 percent from the floor and outscored the Panthers 46-39, but the hole dug in the first half was too deep to climb out of.

Reed had 21 points in the game and barely missed recording his seventh double-double on the season with nine rebounds. Freshman Kevin Lee had 16 points and sophomore point guard Al Miller added 13 points and seven assists.

Despite the loss, Speraw was pleased with the effort given by his team, something he says has not always been seen this year. "I'm proud of our kids," said Speraw. "The struggles we've had all year and we're down against the league champions and we battle back. I don't know too many that go through what we've been through this year and get down like that and don't just cash it in. We battled all the way back to almost even so I give our guys a lot of credit.

Speraw said his memories of the seniors are related more to their personal achievements.

"I'm proud of them that they've gotten their degrees," said Speraw. "They've really come through in a lot of their personal lives to be successful as student-athletes. I'm the most proud of that.

"Certainly this year is not the senior year that you want to have, I know that's been very disappointing. I'm very proud of them on a personal level. The growth and maturity that they've had in individual cases, I've been very pleased with.

Around the TAAC

Saturday was the last day of regular season play for TAAC teams. The TAAC Tournament will be held in Atlanta from Mar. 1-3.

Georgia State defeated Florida Atlantic 88-79. GSU finished the season in first place in the TAAC. The loss dropped FAU to No. 12.

Troy State beat Jacksonville State 77-63, giving the PSU the No. 2 spot in the standings. JSU finished No. 7.

Stetson lost to Jacksonville University 82-64, dropping the Hatters to No. 3, while Stetson finished No. 4.

Mercer defeated Sanford 72-60. Despite the loss Sanford finished No. 5, one above Mercer at No. 6.

Campbell beat UCF 72-69 in a battle with both teams trying to avoid last place. The Camels finished No. 8 and UCF took last place at No. 10.

Men's Basketball Notebook

Jay Bergman Field already a hit

that goes," Bergman said. "I think the (stadium) honeymoon's over because I think the reality is we're playing good baseball and pitching well."

Playing well might be an understatement. With the sweep of 11th-ranked Alabama, the Golden Knights will likely crack the Top 15 in this week's college baseball polls. Thanks to some great hitting, pitching, fielding and catching, UCF is now 8-1 at Jay Bergman Field.

The voice in "Field of Dreams" was right. If you build it, they will come. And now, UCF has a chance to build something great if the fans keep showing up to Jay Bergman Field.

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Georgia State a heavy favorite to win conference tournament

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at Maryland, where he was no stranger to big games. Behind Driessle's coaching and superior talent on the floor, Georgia Southern narrowly won the TAAC Championship after losing close semifinal games in each of the past two seasons. This is a team that has reached the "Also Receiving Votes" category of the Top 25 polls and has the potential of making a Cinderella run in the NCAA Tournament.

2. Troy State (17-11, 12-6 TAAC)

Strengths: The Trojans are not nearly the one-man show they were last year when they held the top seed but were upset by Mercer in the second round. Detric Golden did it all for Troy State last year, but that wasn't enough to beat any solid team effort in the TAAC Tournament. Now Golden is gone, and the Trojans have hit the jackpot with the three-deep team, with three starters averaging 14 points per game and one of them averaging just over 10. Troy State is the top free throw shooting team in the TAAC and ranks second in three-pointers made. Head Coach Don Maestri has done a good job over the past two seasons of getting more from his players than is expected of them. The Trojans enter the tournament on a roll, having won their last game.

Weaknesses: Troy State is the worst rebounding team in the conference, allowing opponents to get 4.4 more rebounds per game. After the starters, no bench player averages more than four points per game, so depth could be a problem. An embarrassing 94-47 loss at Samford earlier in the season exposed some serious weaknesses in the Trojans' armor.

Outlook: Troy State is a team that compiled a solid regular season conference record with the potential to be spectacular as much of anything. They don't rank in the top three of many offensive or defensive categories, including rebounds, but are combining shooting struggles, combined with the lack of a bona fide star that can take over a game offensively when the team needs a lift, with another early exit for the Trojans.

3. Stetson (16-11, 11-7 TAAC)

Strengths: The Hatters have one of the best players in the TAAC in senior forward Sebastien Singletary. Singletary averages 14.6 points and a conference-leading 9.4 rebounds per game. In addition to him, each of the other four Stetson starters average double figures in scoring. Point guard Ravi Givens leads the conference with 6.04 assists per game. The Hatters are the top rebounding team in the TAAC, getting 7.4 more rebounds than their opponents. They also are the second highest scoring team in the conference, averaging 75.5 points per game. Stetson beat eight of its nine TAAC opponents at least once this season.

Weaknesses: Stetson is the second worst free throw shooting team in the conference, defense, allowing only 64.4 percent. They have a strong finish in field goal percentage defense, three-point percentage and blocked shots, and second in conference defensive rebounding percentage. They finished their regular season with an 82-64 win over Stetson.

Outlook: Though they play ten players consistently, only Williams, Platt and Hunter average double figures in scoring. Stetson guard Kevin Sheppard averages 9.3 points, but no other player averages more than four. If any of those players get into foul trouble, the Dolphins will have a tough time scoring. Jacksonville averages the second-lowest amount of assists in the conference, but other than that, has few weaknesses on paper.

Outlook: The Dolphins defeated Samford, their first round opponent, 74-51 on Feb. 8, and hope to beat the Bulldogs one more time in the semifinals of the TAAC Tournament. But Samford coach Ron Day is very good at making adjustments and will have his team ready to play. Jacksonville will have a tough time getting by the defending TAAC champions, and even if they do, will have to play Georgia State in the semifinals. This is by far the toughest fate of any team in the tournament.

5. Samford (14-13, 11-7 TAAC)

Strengths: The Bulldogs are very well coached, as Jimmy Tillette has installed a Princeton-like system of passing and backdoor cuts that always seems to get an open shot. Samford leads the conference in scoring defense, field goal percentage, assists and three-pointers made. Senior forward Marc Salyers was voted preseason TAAC Player of the Year and has not disappointed, leading the Bulldogs with 17.4 points and 6.2 rebounds per game. Senior guard Dax Jones, transfer from Mississippi State, contributes 14.2 points per game and ranks second in the TAAC in three-pointers made.

Weaknesses: The Bulldogs finished the regular season by losing four of their final six conference games, including a 23-point loss to Jacksonville, their first round opponent.

Outlook: Samford has come up to its recent standards this year after losing star players Reed Rawlings, Mario Lopez and Will Reed and graduated after last season. The Bulldogs are not nearly as deep as a team as they have been the last few years. Tillette's system works, but needs players who can make the open shots. Samford does not have as many of those players this time around.

Outlook: Samford is the two-time defending TAAC Champion, and cannot be ignored despite not being dominant in the regular season. Salyers was MVP honors is each of those tournament victories, and will want to play well in his final chance to shine as a college player. If the Bulldogs start strong against three-pointers, they will be tough to beat. But Samford has a potential semifinal matchup with Georgia State, and likely won't have the firepower to pull the upset.

10. UCF (7-22, 3-15 TAAC)

Strengths: The Golden Knights, despite their horrible record, have a talented team. If freshmen Kevin Lee and Joey Graham shoot the ball well and UCF gets solid play from point guard Al Miller and forwards Paul Reed and Mario Lover, the Golden Knights can put up a lot of points. Also, Head Coach Kirk Spaw has coached a number of good tournament teams. In 1994, his first season as UCF's coach, Spaw led the Golden Knights to a TAAC Tournament victory. Then in 1996, despite being the #6 seed, UCF upset its way to a TAAC Championship and an NCAA Tournament berth. The Golden Knights have gone to the finals of the tournament in each of the past two seasons, making it last year with only seven healthy players.

Weaknesses: The large amount of young talent on this team has been prone to severe inconsistency. The Golden Knights have been unable to play well for an entire game all season, losing a number of games after holding a halftime lead. Spaw has been unable to find a lineup that plays well together consistently, rotating players in and out each game until he finds the right group. UCF has had trouble scoring against zone defenses this season due to poor outside shooting. The Golden Knights are hitting only 29 percent of their three-point attempts.

Outlook: Losing to Campbell to end the regular season was a blessing in disguise for the Golden Knights, as it gave them an easier draw in the TAAC Tournament. By falling to the 10th and final spot, UCF avoided a potential second round matchup with tournament favorite Georgia State. The Golden Knights open play against Jacksonville State at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, a team they beat at home earlier this year. If UCF gets by JSU, they will play Troy State in the second round. Troy State has been prone to upset bug, losing to Mercer in the second round of last year's tournament despite holding the top seed. Still, the Golden Knights have not been able to put together a string of good games all season, and doing so now will be a tough task.

UCF leading scorer and rebounder Paul Reed (right) fights for a rebound with Campbell's Damien Holmes (left).
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