UCF’s trustees announced

Governor Jeb Bush appoints a diverse group to head up UCF’s first local Board of Trustees

Becki Panoff Staff Writer

As part of a plan designed to bring sweeping changes to Florida’s post-secondary education system, Governor Jeb Bush announced his selections for the new UCF Board of Trustees June 22 in the Cape Florida Hallroom. The governing body consists of twelve members appointed by Bush, and a student representative, UCF student body president Marco Pefia. "This is an auspicious day in the history of the University of Central Florida," UCF President John Hitt said.

Bush made his announcement in a series of stops around Florida introducing local Boards of Trustees for the 10 institutions that comprise the State University System. The move from state Board of Regents to local Board of Trustees comes after the dissolving of the state Board of Regents, which was the result of a constitutional amendment passed in 1998. The amendment gave power to the governor to appoint a new state board of education as well as the new local university Boards of Trustees.

"We’re here to celebrate a new governance structure for education as a lifelong pursuit," Bush said. "It (the local Board of Trustees) is a one of a kind since board..."

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Many trustees have ties to university

Amy Pavuk, Staff Writer

Governor Jeb Bush appointed 13 members to the Board of Trustees, including Marco Pefia, UCF’s student body president. Eleven of the trustees are local professionals, several of whom serve or have served on UCF committees or boards.

Judith Albertson is an art consultant with the Albertson-Peterson Galleries located in Winter Park. She actively supports UCF art and music programs and co-founded the Friends of UCF for the Flying Horse Press. Albertson has also served on the advisory committee for the Judaic Studies program. She was a founder of the Orlando Magic Youth Foundation and continues to serve on its board. Albertson received her bachelor’s degree in 1960 from the University of Oklahoma.

UCF alumna Olga Calvet is a member of the UCF Foundation board.

UCF’s Board of Trustees

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- Harris Rosen
- Conrad Santiago
- Rick Walsh
- Tom Yochum
- Marco Pefia

Build your credit as well as your mind

Jennifer Paterson Staff Writer

Beginning July 1, UCF students will be able to use credit cards to pay tuition.

“We believe this is a valuable service to our students,” said Linda Bonta, university controller, adding "that the university is working to accept payment via the Web during the summer and fall," as well.

Students who wish to use credit cards to pay tuition will be equipped with a $10 convenience fee since UCF is, by law, prohibited from paying credit card-related costs from appropriated funds. UCF also accepts

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Board to include student government president

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ture of governance for education in our country and the University of Central Florida is going to play a key role.

These local boards of Trustees will now take on many of the responsibilities of the old Board of Regents, including the hiring and firing of university presidents, policy and financial decision and strategic planning. They will also work jointly with representatives from community colleges and local school districts to create a closer relationship between each level of public education in Florida.

"It’s time to tear down the barriers that have separated the university system of education," said Bush.

"The way to make that happen is to shift the power back to the institutions and to have a state board of education that will be focused on creating a seamless education system." Deputy Governor Susie Homeyer, the chair of the new UCF Board of Trustees, said.

Judy Albertson, Olga Calvet, Phyllis Klock, Rick Lee, Dick Nunis, Ava Parker, Harris Rosen, Conrad Santiago, Rick Walsh, Tom Yochum and Pea. Trustees are appointed for staggered, four-year terms, and may serve a maximum of eight years. They will not be paid, but may be reimbursed for travel and miscellaneous expenses.

The new UCF Board of Trustees has a number of ties to the school, with three alumni represented among them. Almost every member of the old UCF Board, which was composed of nine members, is a Trustee now. The third state university out of 10 to have its new board announced, is unique among Florida universities in its goal of becoming a premier "Metropolitan Research University," Hilt, who supported Bush’s plan to phase out the Board of Regents, said the newly-appointed local Board of Trustees could help UCF achieve its goals.

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Credit card companies likely to benefit from new policy

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debit cards, cash, checks or money orders as forms of payment.

"That’s (paying by credit card) better than the cash advance fee that I had to pay to my credit card for tuition when I couldn’t pay tuition on time," said Juan Martinez, a 24-year-old UCF graduate who will be beginning his graduate studies in England.

Credit card companies stand to gain a hefty sum of cash from the use of credit cards for tuition by college students. If only one-third of UCF’s student population choose to use the credit card payment option, it would result in over $100,000 dollars in revenue per semester, over $200,000 in an academic year.

Payment by credit card is not a new phenomenon. Many other schools in Florida accept this form of payment including Florida International, Florida State, Florida Atlantic and the University of Florida as well as numerous state community colleges, but in recent years it has sparked much debate over the question of who really benefits from their use.

Many may argue that we live in a society where morals and integrity sometimes take a backseat to fame and success. Recent studies have proven that most Generation Xers will do whatever it takes to achieve their goals—even if that means lying, cheating and stealing. So how does UCF measure up when it comes to honesty? Well that all depends on the question.

Would you lie, for a job, to a future employer?

Of the students polled, 78 percent of guys, while only 30 percent of girls would tell a lie if that guaranteed them a position. What makes guys more likely to lie in this instance? "Past indications," said a UCF senior. "Guys definitely have a more of habit than girls, it’s easier for the girls to get a job based just on looks—we usually have to do a lot of bargaining."

If you missed a test because you slept in, would you lie to your professor in order to make up the test?

Absolutely," maintains a communications major. "I’ve done it several times when my alarm didn’t go off—there was no way my professor would let me retake a midterm because I hit snooze button way too many times!" A majority of students agree when asked 92 percent of girls and 80 percent of guys said they would have no trouble lying to a professor if it helped their individual performance in the class.

Have you ever stolen from your work (supplies, food, products, etc.?)

Who hasn’t? Asked one UCF student, who was notoriously divided over this issue with only 40 percent of girls, and 64 percent of guys admitting to practices of thieving at their place of employment.

Have you ever been involved in a hit and run, with a minor injury to yourself?

Nobody who will admit it anyway, since 98 percent of guys and 92 percent of girls said "no way" to speeding away from the scene of an accident. That’s just wrong, people do that obviously have no soul! said a UCF freshman, "and besides that, there are serious penalties if you get caught."

How often do you cheat in school?

Few students admit to cheating often, while 42 percent claim they sometimes copy homework or discuss test answers with other classmates. But most students feel that cheating is wrong, and recent those students who take the easy way out. "It would bother me," said junior Scott Thompson, a computer engineering major, when asked how he would feel if another student were to copy answers from his exam. "I would never blatantly cheat like that."

What constitutes cheating on a significant other?

UCF students conclude that a kiss or beyond definitely means you have gone too far. "A kiss is a kiss," says computer science major Justin Dralin, "if you are dating someone, they should be the only person you show passion for...that is, if it’s serious." While few students considered playful flirting to be harmful, 66 percent of guys and 70 percent of girls felt that kissing another qualifies a person as unfaithful.

How many times have you cheated on your significant other?

Most students remain fairly faithful as 24 percent of guys and 13 percent of girls have cheated 1-2 times in their current relationship—only 5 percent admit to cheating 3 or more times. Even fewer students told their significant other about their "act of indiscretion."

When asked if he would break up with a girlfriend who cheated, junior George Mella kept an open mind. "Depends on the circumstance—the severity of the relationship. I realize we are young and want to see other people, who am I to get in the way of that?" But would he immediately take her back? "Not right away, I would talk to her first, to see what her intentions were."

Final outlook of the honesty quiz?

Cheating is relative say most students, who maintain the individual situation determines whether or not a student is dishonest. "It’s different case if you’re small, while lie," one student said, "if it doesn’t hurt anyone, then what does it matter?" But another incoming freshman doubts that claim, asserting that, "it’s an act of personal integrity—the type of person you are will determine your definition of honesty.”

College students susceptible to credit card fraud

Jennifer Paterson
Staff Writer

In January, Kyle, a 21-year-old UCF student, encountered a problem that has become widespread among college students and consumers as a whole. In addition to the monthly average of $2,578, it is estimated that the American undergraduate student has to balance, now they have to worry about a new problem - credit card fraud.

Unfortunately this crime is much easier to commit than many people may think.

"I went to a (local restaurant) on Aloma and the guy who worked there was hassling me about my credit card numbers," Kyle said. "He was asking, "Um, is this yours?" and I told him that it was mine," said Kyle.

Nevertheless, after a little trouble Kyle was able to order his food and be on his way. Not until a few weeks later did Kyle realize that his identity had been stolen and credit used to make more purchases.

"A week later it was the Superbowl and I called the bank and I was missing $50 so I talked to someone and they told me that another number of purchase charges were coming in regarding (food)," said Kyle. "The guy ended up spending $180 in four hours."

In retrospect, Kyle felt that something was going on that day at the restaurant. "It took him too long, in my estimation, to put the numbers in the machine."

Once the theft was identified, Kyle reported the incident to his bank and only after months of transactions to one’s credit can be harmful, and almost every member of the new UCF Board, which was composed of nine members, is a Trustee now. The third state university out of 10 to have its new board announced, is unique among Florida universities in its goal of becoming a premier "Metropolitan Research University," Hilt, who supported Bush’s plan to phase out the Board of Regents, said the newly-appointed local Board of Trustees could help UCF achieve its goals.

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Thirteenth seat held for student body president

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Board. Calvert volunteers at an Orlando elementary school teach Spanish and computer classes. She actively participates with the CIVitan Club, an organization that fosters leadership training and community involvement. Calvert serves as a senior advisor for middle and high school students involved with the Junior CIVitan Club. She received her bachelor's degree in 1971.

Orlando attorney Pat Christiansen is with Akerman, Senterfitt & Eidson. P.A. Currently, he is a trustee for the UCF Foundation Board and UCF Civic Theater. Christiansen has previously been a guest lecturer and clinical professor at the University of Central Florida.

Santiago is currently the vice-chair of the Board of Directors for SunTrust Bank, Central Florida. He is currently a trustee emeritus for the UCF Foundation. Yochum serves on the Florida Center for the Arts and Education and is chairman of the Valencia Community College Foundation. He has co-chaired a campaign to raise $2 million to build the first president's house at UCF. Yochum graduated from Rollins College in 1974 with his bachelor's degree.

UCF Student body President Marco Pozzi was the 31st member of the Board of Trustees.

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Students can avoid credit fraud with FTC tips

last much longer if not cleaned up.

Sally, a senior at UCF, learned this too easily.

"Just a few weeks ago, I tried to get a Banana Republic card so I could get 10 percent off my purchases and I was denied," Sally said. "I found this very bizarre because I do not have a balance on any cards and have one student loan." Sally took advantage of her consumer right under the Fair Credit Rating Act, which says that any person who is denied credit has the right to order a copy of their credit report from the agency that denied it. Sally called the Experian credit agency and ordered her free report. When she got it, she discovered that an account from a cellular store was in collection.

"Its funny because I have never received any notification of these collections and it bog­gles my mind how someone could have stolen my identity, but really it is pretty scary," Sally said. "I mean college student get a fake driver's license all the time and that is all that is needed to say a page out." In today's world where more and more people have access to credit and proliferation of its use is skyrocketing, and the probabil­ity of someone having their credit tampered with is pretty great. Luckily, law says that a consumer cannot be held liable for more than $50 of fraudulent transactions on her or his account if damage to a credit report must be taken off if it can be definitively proved that the person was not responsible for the fraud.

"For myself, I have to send the collection agency a copy of my driver's license and they said that if the signatures do not match up that they will fix it. We will see," said Sally. "I ordered my other two reports and luckily it only showed up on one so it makes it much easier to fix."

One of the most important types of prevention maintenance one can do with their credit is to order a report from each of the three credit reporting agencies—Equifax, Experian, and Trans Union—every year. The cost is around $8.50 and more information can be found at their respective web sites—www.equifax.com, www.experian.com, and www.transunion.com.

Also, The Federal Trade Commission gives consumers a number of helpful tips to prevent fraud from happening for more preventative steps.

• Before revealing personal information, find out how it will be used and if anyone will share it.

• Pay attention to billing cycles and follow up with creditors when bills do not arrive on time.

• Give out your Social Security number only when necessary. • Minimize the number of cards you have.

• If cards are lost or stolen, notify your creditors immediately and call the credit agencies so they can put a fraud alert on your account.

Keep items with personal information in a safe place; tear them up when you don't need them; keep all receipts, copies of credit applications, insurance forms, bank check and statements, expired charge cards, and credit offers in the get in the mail are disposed of properly.
Discounts for attractions available to students

Darcy Elena Rodriguez
Staff Writer

Summer is here and everyone wants to have some fun. With some time off from classes, many students have the opportunity to visit some of the attractions and shows of the tourist and attraction capital of the world. The pitfall is that the majority of college students don’t have the money to go have that kind of fun. Relax, there are some places that honor the fact that college students are poor and so kind of offer student discounts.

The major attractions such as Disney, Universal, and Sea World no longer offer Florida resident discounts for those students wishing the resident ID. Wet N. Wild, however, does provide Florida resident discounts with which tickets are only $19.99 plus tax. For some of the other attractions, there is a way to get in cheaper.

The Ticket Center at UCF, located in the Student Union, offers discount tickets for the major attractions Universal Studios, Islands of Adventure, Wet-N-Wild, Busch Gardens and Sea World. These tickets are available to students, staff and faculty with valid UCF IDs and cost between $31 and $38.

For those wanting to relax without driving so far or spending that much, there is usually a movie theater within a couple of miles of anybody. The UCF Regal theater on the corner of Alafaya and University is the only theater in the UCF area that offers student discounts. Movies at the UCF cost only $5. If stadium seating is in your heart’s desire, then the Ticket Center also offers some savings ticket昕s for Regal and AMC theaters. Tickets are $5 for Regal theaters and $4-50 for AMC theaters. But before heading to that theater, check with the location to make sure of special engagement movies, where discount tickets are not allowed. The best part is that these tickets are good for about a year.

The only drawback to the Ticket Center is that tickets at the center are limited to a certain number per ID and there are other restrictions.

If live entertainment is what you want, Theater UCF offers student tickets for about $6 and has shows running throughout the summer. So, enjoy the summer and take advantage of living in the attraction capital of the world.

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New system doesn't take the politicians out of education

DAVID MARSTERS
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Those with an interest in Florida's public university system can take a collective deep breath - the system of local Boards of Trustees is officially in place. When Governor Jeb Bush announced his appointments for each of the 10 new respective boards, he ushered in a new era of localized control over post-secondary education, ending the reign of the Florida Board of Regents. Proponents of the system are hailing it as the savior of the state's public education system, while opponents think students and taxpayers alike are getting railroaded. One part of this debate is the assertion by the plans' backers (Bush being the foremost) that the new system will de-politicize education policy in the state of Florida. Transfer power from bureaucrats in Tallahassee to local business people, proponents of the system say, and decisions about Florida public funds will be made without so much influence from politicians. That, however, is hardly the case. In fact, this new system is now even more political. Bush - a Republican, appointed the members of all 10 boards. There are a few democrats on each board, but the majority of appointees think along the same lines as the governor. Trustees serve four-year terms, and have a two-term limit, so chances are someday a Democratic governor will be handling the appointments. Then there won't be many Republicans around. Either way, the process is highly political, and very similar to the appointment of Supreme Court justices by the president. It is only natural to appoint people who think like you do to positions of power in your administration.

Also, these 10 different local Boards of Trustees will now be competing with each other for state funds. The old Board of Regents was in charge of all of the State University System, and had to look out for the best interests of all the public universities. Now, colleges are being pitted against one another for budgetary needs. Now it is up to the trustees to make active, and very controversial, decisions. The Florida government politicians - to decide whose proposals warrant the most funding. To that end, there are probably a whole lot more UF and FSU alumni in Tallahassee than UCF or USF grads. That provides an unfair advantage to the already powerful.

The local Boards of Trustees may work wonders for Florida public universities, or they may be the death of them. The new system probably won't do either, instead finding the middle ground where most policy plans end up. But make no mistake, it doesn't take the politicians out of anything.

Murderous mother not the only crazy person

ANDREA FIA YATES
STAFF WRITER

Andrea Fia Yates, a mother of five children, ranging in age from 14 months to 6 years old. I stress that she 'was mother to five children.' Yates systematically drowned all of her children in a bath-tub recently.

"The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, and that's exactly what he's done," Russel Yates, Andrea Yates husband told the media. "He gave me all these children, and then he took them away."

No Russel, you 're estranged wife took your children from you.

The father of the slain children has stated several times that he still supports and loves his wife. This dumbfounded me.

It shows that Andrea Yates is not the only crazy person in this situation. Her husband Russel seems to have a few screws loose too. I am furiously just thinking about the murder of those children so I do not understand how their father can not be as equally angry at his wife. I find myself being just as upset at the fact that he still loves and supports her as the murderers themselves. Yates blames what his wife has done on her postpartum depression. Depression or not Andrea Yates must pay for her actions.

Usually I would be quite adamant about this woman receiving the death penalty, but in this case, unless she is drowned in the same manner that she killed her children, I think she should sit and rot in a cell wallpapered with pictures of her children.

I would like to see her put to death, but since that is what she has shown us she wants by attempting suicide, I say she should grow old suffering in her own guilt.

Unfortunately nothing can be done to bring these children back to life. To top it all off it is rumored that Yates is pregnant. As Alanis Morissette would say: "Isn't it ironic?"

GRAY MATTERS

The Charlie Coddingtons of the world; to pity or punch

CHRIS ZAPATIER
STAFF WRITER

I was sitting in an anonymous Boston Market booth when the name Charlie Coddington popped into my head. I had heard it named in a month I hoped to neve hear again. I met Charlie during my brief employment as a valet parking attendant. Although we only worked together a handful of times, those few times were enough for me to develop contempt for him usually reserved for pedophiles.

Having some seniority, Charlie would keep me around only as long as the volume of customers made it impossible to send me to the back. Each evening rush lashed Charlie would send me home so he could monopolize the profits for the rest of the evening. One of the customs of the profession is that valets working together split their earnings evenly, whether or not both parties agree to keep what they made. Yet day after day, Charlie would back peddle and beat around the bush when I asked him if we were going to split or keep. Eventually my temper got the best of me and I told him that I was not going to wait for him to find out that he had made more money than me to decide to keep that money. I was not going to wait for him to learn that I had made more money than me to decide that we were splitting. Things really got heated one night when Charlie sent me on a Snipe hunt looking for a car that did not the world, devoid of conscience, rot in a cell wallpapered with pictures of her children.

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Opinion

Attention shoppers

CASEY McCORRLE
STAFF WRITER

I would like to suggest that there are two types of people in this world: those who avidly shop at Target and those who avidly shop at Wal-Mart.

You may be thinking, "How ridiculous is this girl that she has time to theorize about something so mindless as where people shop for their bathtub skirts," but what I have concluded will most likely seriously roosteer you to the point of pure astonishment.

I will not take credit initially for this hypothesis, although it is something I have spent many minutes mulling over while waiting in line at either of these establishments. My friend brought this idea to my attention recently, and I, being so worldly and all knowing, jumped at the chance to perhaps shed some light on this so-called theory. And pay attention—there will be brief scenario questions testing your individual store familiarity along the way.

Scenario 1: You're wandering the store, desperately in search of the cheapest laundry detergent when suddenly a distinctive odor pervades through the cleaning supplies section. To your horror, over your shoulder, you see a mom carrying her child right in the middle of the aisle! Where would you be more likely to see this?

Answer: Wal-Mart. Explanation: Let's acknowledge the factor of "parent-child ratios." No matter where the Wal-Mart, whether it be in Harlem or downtown Winter Park, the ratio of child to parent will at Wal-Mart be inevitably and inherently five times higher than at a neighboring Target. For every mom there will be five screaming kids, half naked and running up and down the aisle of Wal-Mart, while most Moms at Target can be seen with a single sleeping child.

Scenario 2: You are taking a class for your foreign language requirement and your professor might as well stay at home for all the information you know. You need to gain quick and reliable understanding of a foreign language, where do you go?

Answer: Wal-Mart. Explanation: While they don't specialize in foreign language learning books, on any given day you can find many Wal-Mart employees proficient in any language, other than English of course. They will be more than happy to misdirect you at any given time and slow down the already painstaking tedious checkout processes.

Scenario 3: It's 3 a.m., hunting season, and you're set to go on your yearly family retreat to Ocala to hunt possum and antardillo. But sadly, before dinner, you've misplaced the favorite family hunting rifle. What do you do?

Answer: Go to your nearest Super Wal-Mart. Explanation: Wal-Marts are open 24-hours for your shopping convenience, and lucky for you they also sell a variety of firearms and hunting accessories. God Bless America.

Scenario 4: You just heard a ghetto fabulous single on the radio. Much of the lyrics are explicit, but you rock on with it just the same. Where can you find the C.D. at the lowest possible price?

Answer: Target. Explanation: Hal! Tricked you this time, didn't I? Well Wal-Mart, while they offer the chance at foreign language proficiency and screaming naked babies, they do not allow explicit music materials to hit the shelves. So while you can find a wide range of firearms, if it's a Two-Live Crew you'll offer, better off skipping your local Wal-Mart.

Scenario 5: Cleaning your goldfish out place him in a plastic bag so you can properly drain the gravel. Unbeknownst to you, the bag has a tiny hole in the bottom and unfortunately Astro met with the disposal. The nearest Petsmart is closed, how will you ever replace Astro before Timmy gets up for school in the morning?

Answer: Wal-Mart. Explanation: All the cheap fish you need, some Wal-Marts have all the supplies for those unfortunate pet disasters. Look no further for furry hamsters and hermit crabs, fish bowls, even betta cages. Wal-Mart's got it all! And don't forget to purchase your fishing license...you won't find that at Target.

Less formal education, limited language proficiency, higher percentages of unwed mothers and happy hunters. So basically the scenarios illustrate class distinctions, observably with the upper-middle class shopping at Target, and lower-middle class shopping at Wal-Mart. And maybe this impact can be attributed to product availability, while Wal-Mart offers a fine arts & crafts department, most well to do suburban housewives have maids to do the household sewing chores. Their typical teen daughters won't dare set foot on the beach without a name brand swimsuit and would you believe Target just recently teamed up with Mossimo to give us all great swimwear only a few seasons behind. Target has a pharmacy, but I'm sure they'll provide a few drugs. Both have photo labs, with unskilled technicians who can give you four hour development in as little as 75 minutes. Gourmet food selections such as steak pretzels with processed cheddar cheese and soft drinks can be found at each store, as well as gallons of milk in case of emergencies.

Between both stores you can find whatever it is you may be looking for. Please understand, while I may point out certain class distinctions between Target and Wal-Mart shoppers I do understand that they each serve individual purposes. What boring existences we would lead if the world subsisted solely of Target going, sport utility driving moms, with best friends proficient in any language, where do you go? Where can you find the C.D. at the lowest possible price? Answer: Target. Explanation: Hal! Tricked you this time, didn't I? Well Wal-Mart, while they offer the chance at foreign language proficiency and screaming naked babies, they do not allow explicit music materials to hit the shelves. So while you can find a wide range of firearms, if it's a Two-Live Crew you'll offer, better off skipping your local Wal-Mart.

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My God, if this didn’t sound like the greatest thing since air. On paper, A.I.: Artificial Intelligence sought to have the recipe for the making of the grandest of all illusions. By combining the complexities of Stanley Kubrick with the sensibilities of Steven Spielberg, we have been waiting to witness a landmark of a motion picture. A film that, in short consideration, could have been easily placed alongside the other great works that were made separately by both men in the past (2001, E.T., A Clockwork Orange, Close Encounters of the Third Kind). If it were possible, A.I. would have been that bridge of a film; that truly unique amalgamation of stylized genius that reiterates who the two greatest storytellers are in the world, even if one is post-mortem.

Or was that just wishful thinking? No matter how many times we saw that cryptic trailer or how hard it was not to get our hopes up, we surely weren’t expecting anything like this. “Pinocchio in the future” is a pretty weak plot description, but that doesn’t even begin to cover the first act, let alone an entire film that is arguably one of Spielberg’s most provocative. And by that the film in no way disappoints either. It will be something to cloud your mind, to take over your thoughts, incite debate and provoke a conundrum of unanswered questions. Those are not faults, but simply Kubrickian mind games; only thing is we’re not used to seeing those in a Spielberg piece, and if you ask me I think it’s about time we did. The problem lies in the fact that Kubrick had a far less optimistic view of tomorrow than his heir apparent. We have seen in his films that take place in the future: the idea that man must retain his humanity if he is to live in a dehumanized world. For Kubrick in 2001, the conflict arose that the machines were to become as capable as man; in Clockwork, just the opposite occurs. In A.I. we come to witness a little bit of both with going a step further as man takes on the role of God.

Set far down the timeline when the polar icecaps have already melted and robots are a way of life, Professor Hobby (played by William Hurt) of the Cybertronics corporation announces that it is time to create a “mecha” (or cyborganic being) child with the ability to feel and reciprocate the act of love. A technician from that company, Henry (Sam Robards) is selected along with his wife Monica (Frances O’Connor) to be the boy’s “orga” (human) adoptive parents. Unsure whether their own biological son will survive a comatose-like state, Henry takes the boy, named David (Haley Joel Osment, who is mesmerizing), home to comfort Monica. Reluctant would be the nicest way to categorize Monica’s initial feelings for the star child (freaked out is more like it). But after a short while she grows so attached to the, uh...well, “thing” that she programs in the love mode.

It is within these first twenty minutes of the film that one may find parallels with E.T. David is now her son and goes about doing what most little boys do, which is having a beautiful sense of apathy towards everything except adoring their mothers.

It is only until their real son, Martin (Jake Thomas) comes home that problems arise with the new mechanical family member. After a series of accidents occur, David is abandoned in a forest due to Monica’s reluctance to have him destroyed. Aimlessly, David is forgotten about, left alone to survive in a place were abandoned mechas are hunted down in order to be placed in Flesh Pairs (arena sideshow versions of Thunderdome). This is where he meets his Jimmy Cricket, Gigolo Joe (Jude Law). Joe is walking, talking sexual novelty toy programmed with an orgasm protocol for lonely human females. After escaping and recounting the Pinocchio story that was read to him, David asks Joe if he will help him search for the Blue Fairy so that she can turn him into a real boy. Basically David just wants his mommy back.

From the 1969 short story “Super Toys Last All Summer Long” by Brian Aldiss, A.I. is a one-of-a-kind conjunction of fantastical ideas, theories and spiritual beliefs. It is a study of eugenics. It is the proportionate amount of astonishing creativity and typical contrivance we are used to seeing in a Spielberg picture. But this isn’t just Spielberg film, it is an interpretation of a Kubrick film seen through another filmmaker’s eyes. From the various elements supplied by both directors, it will distance the passive viewer. And although a fairy tale, it is not a fairy tale for small children. The “more-human-than-human” aspect (à la Stanley) is present while the theme of having a nuclear family fully remains. In fact, Spielberg has never had a film that is seen initially as perhaps this different. With the warmth coming at the end of the story, we know who was in charge of the production, but while watching, we also knew who was guiding the way.
Local rockers speak out

Jackie Myers
Contributing Writer

“We rock! There are too many people out there who don’t rock. We rock hard. And we rock really good, all night long,” Chris Gotti, the lead singer of Gotti 13 said. That’s the way it was going to be. It was right,” Chris said. Bill and Mike only had a short period of time to learn the material before their June 16 debut at House of Blues, which was filmed for Dateline NBC. However, the time crunch was not a difficulty for the talented guitarist, as they displayed during the group’s six-song set.

“I found it pretty easy because Chris and Tommy were really good about showing me the material,” Bill said. “That’s the only problem. So we have to take two vehicles don’t rock. We rock hard. And we rock really good, all night long,” Chris Gotti, the lead singer of Gotti 13 said. the material before their June 16 debut at House of Blues, The Gotti guys check out their competition to make sure they’re on top of the game. “We go to a lot of shows, when he was younger couldn’t keep Chris, 21 from rock-crunch was not a difficulty for the talented guitarists, as and we see what people aren’t doing,” Henry said. “Sometimes they just get up there and stand on little oriental rugs and don’t even move. But we get out there and we’re running off of ramps. We put on a show. We try to set ourselves apart from other groups,” Henry said.

“Me and Mike went to high school together (in Boston),” Henry said. “We played in some bands together. So I knew what his capabilities were, but we gave him a fair shot like everyone else. We had actual auditions, and he was one of them. By coincidence it was narrowed down to him and Bill. Bill was incredible as well. We couldn’t decide,” Henry explained.

“They were both coming (to the final audition) the same night, and I said ‘Why don’t we try everyone at once to see how it goes?’” Chris said. “As soon as we struck the first chord it was just like this presence in this room. We played the first song, and we knew that this was the way it was going to be. It was right,” Chris said. “The group recently underwent some changes when guitarist Mike Reymont left the group. In need of a new member, Chris, Tommy and Henry found not one, but two musicians with the abilities and charisma they were looking for: Bill, a guitar virtuoso and world-traveling male model and Mike, a diverse musician whose taste range from classical to jazz to rock.

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In the beginning there was beer. Then came music, and then the people would arrive. That was the case on Sat., June 23 at the Kit Kat Club. The musical act for that evening was an odd duo of sounds, that of introspective chick rock and funk/soul. At first, the crowd was sparse but the beer was plentiful, and it would eventually be the nectar that attracted the bees.

The night’s entertainment would come in the form of the funk/soul combination The Joint Chiefs with the opening act Sunny starting the night off with a kick-ass performance. Although the show started almost two hours late, it was actually worth the wait when Sunny came to play. Sunny is fronted by night-club sirens Sunny Raskin who has not only a rich voice and a gorgeous visage. She also possesses a tremendously powerful stage presence (going so far as to have one fan actually kissing her toes as she sang). The rest of the band, while obviously talented, is unfortunately transformed into stage props as all attention goes to the front of the crowd.

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If you like Rancid or old school punk at all this CD is a must. For everybody else out there, definitely give the album a chance. It might just surprise you. So, run to your local music store and pick up a punk CD that actually lives up to the genre name.
This week we have a public safety announcement that Steve McCain was forced to create a few years ago due to a run-in with the law. It involves Felix and the anti-smoking, teen-oriented "TROOF" campaign. For some reason, it was never printed...

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Crossword

**ACROSS**

1. Fred~ first dance partner
6. Calcium oxide
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15. Norway's patron saint
16. Pyramid, e.g.
17. Gives off
18. Actress Moreno
19. July birthstone
20. Woo with a song
22. Turning points
24. College cheers
25. Starlike objects
26. Fleeces
29. Charlatan
30. Rich dessert
31. Connecting rooms
32. Use a microwave?
35. Beheaded Boleyn
36. Pungent product
37. Coke or Pepsi
38. Turn right!
39. Move furtively
40. Common shower gift
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42. Superlatively, superior
43. Kind of triangle
46. Household press
47. Issued forth
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43. Permanent
44. One of Harpo’s brothers
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46. Islamic prayer leader
47. "Italian monk"
48. "Defiant woman"
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50. "Zero of"
51. "Excalibur"
52. "Brook of baseball"

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golden position. He has an excellent football pedigree, as he is the younger brother of the late NFL star Derrick Thomas.

"Johovan Morgan is a tremendous athlete," McFarland said. "He left Alabama and went to Jackson State, and maybe that is the impul­

sion to offensive line. He's a little on the light side right now, and strength-wise isn't quite there, if we can get him into the weight room, that's going to be tremendous plus for us." Golden Knights also signed two high school offensive linemen as part of their 2001 recruiting class, offensive tackle Jeff Harper (6-foot-8, 305 pounds) and center Andrew Buchter (6-foot-5, 305 pounds).

Butcher, the brother of former UCF punter Marek Butcher, was offensive line MVP at the Pinellas County All-Star game and chose UCF over Clemson. He attended Admiral Farragut Academy in St. Petersburg, and impressed coaches at the UCF football camp.

"(Butcher) is the most athletic lineman I've ever coached," said Admiral Farragut head coach Mike Jolazo.

Butcher is also being com­

pared by the Golden Knight coaching staff to Lorenti, who started four years at center for UCF and signed a free-agent contract with the NFL's Tennessee Titans.

"He's a guy that we feel has unlimited upside," McFarland said. "We're going to try to redshirt him if we can, but I see Adam being the center of the future. He could be the next Lorenti here for us because he has that kind of athletic ability. He could potentially be a stronger player (than Lorenti). Those are high expecta­

tions, but we really see that in him."

Harper is one of the biggest

players ever to become a Golden Knight, and will likely redshirt in 2001 to get stronger and learn the offense. He was All-District, All-Space Coast and All-Florida sectional as a senior at Palm Bay High School, who won the Class 6A State Championship.

"Harper has been improving at an enormous rate and many schools began noticing him this spring," McFarland said. "Projected as an OT on the college level, he is being recruited for his pass protection ability." Harper chose UCF over

Cincinnati, committing very early in the signing period.

"We just saw a guy that was 6­foot-8-plus, 305 pounds and worked, and really just had a focus on what to do," McFarland said. "A tremendous student as well, some­

one we know will be here for five years. He's a guy that you're going to redshirt coming in, to give him that year to get stronger and make that transition, which most linemen need coming into the college ranks. We really see Jeff as being a bright star for us in the future."

Other returning players include strong tackles Steve Edwards (6-foot-5, 345 pounds) and John Wimberly (6-foot-6, 300 pounds), strong guards Willie Conferred (6-foot-4, 330 pounds) and Garrett McCray (6-foot-4, 300 pounds), and quick-side lineman Roberton (6-foot-5, 280 pounds) and Huff. With the exception of Wimberly, all of those players started games for UCF last year, and seniors Edwards and Conferred have a chance to form one of the best offensive-line sides in Golden Knight history. Gray will back up Conferred, and Wimberly will back up Edwards. Robertson is penciled in to start at quick guard and Huff at quick back. McFarland said the competition created by returning players and new recruits will be good for the offensive line and UCF running game.

"I think going into this season, with those eight top players right there competing, and you've still got a Travis Muse and Norman Lewis redshirted and don't want to play on those scout teams again, they're going to go out there and fight for positions," he said. "I'm really excited about those guys we've got coming in, and I think we're definitely the size and talent on the offensive line."

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Clemmons, Sands and Waters become Golden Knights together

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The Golden Knights also signed three Ju-Co linemen as part of their 2001 signing class. They may have

provided some much-needed help to the offensive line.

"We're playing with the best schedule," Sands said. "I think we can compete with any­

body."

Butcher is the other big-­

man signee from Astronaut.

"I'm very close to making this by averaging 21 points and 15 rebounds for the school's basketball team. His list of football honors is long: No. 52 on Max Emfinger's Florida Hot 100, No. 21 on the Orlando Sentinel's Preseason Top 100, Bill Boudreau's Daily Dozen, second-team All-State, All­Space Coast, All-Florida, All-Cape Coast, All-District, All-Region, and miesz the 24th tight end in the nation by Rivals.com.

"Marcus is our iron man," said Waters. "He's been going both ways since his sophomore year. Defensive end, tight end - tight end - always making the pass receptions" when we need them for first-down situations, and making the big hit whenever we need a stop."

UCF coaches hope that Clemmons, who chose the Golden Knights over Georgia Tech, Florida, Arkansas and Clemson, can add some more weight and become a dominant offensive line­

man, but he expressed no interest in playing defensive end on the side of the ball.

"Our best offensive lineman can't get lost," said Sands. "Some of the best offensive line­

men in the state can't even block him. He's a size killer."

Sands, who picked UCF over Clemson, South Carolina, Marshall State and

Miami, is a hard-hitting safety who also gained 175 pounds and improved his numbers earned in his senior year. Those numbers earned him All-Region, All-State, All-Space Coast and All-­Florida honors.

"If I'm playing tight end and he's playing safety, Peter's one person I wouldn't want to go across the middle with, knock your head off," said Clemmons.

Athletic head coach Randy Hallock said Sands, who also played wide receiver and was a member of the basketball and track and field teams in high school, is the best of the three.

"Peter's our best athlete," he said. "Peter can do anything. You could line him up at center and he could play quarterback for you. I mean, he's just that skilled of an athlete. He played everywhere for us. To be honest with you, I think he's the best for both football, and basketball coming out of here this year. He's a steal. He could play for anybody." Of the three, Sands may have the best chance of playing as a freshman, because the Golden Knights are thin at safety because of the graduation of starters Damian Demps and Tommy Slavens.

Waters is the slicer of the group, who needs to gain weight and strength to play defensive end in college. During his senior sea­

sion at Astronaut, Waters had 106 tackles, 17 tackles for loss from the defensive end position and six touchdowns, and also had 10 catches for 141 yards as a receiver. He was honorable mention All-District and All-State over Clemmons and Marshall, and teammates say he is the emotional leader of the team.

"We're going to take the hit before them. It's not like I'm going to get hurt. I'm going to compete against the opposing play­
er, I'm competing with my boys so I get the hit before they get the hit," said Waters.

"If you go here, I'll go here," Clemmons said. "It's this is best for Peter Sands, this is the best for Marcus Clemons, this is the best for Craig Waters. We had offers from bigger schools, but we all decided that UCF is a better place for us."

"I saw it as a growing football team," said Waters. "All the other football team's in major confer­

ces, they're already there. We just want to make that impact for UCF."

"They're playing good schools, you can see by their schedule," Sands said. "And by playing good schools, that gives us the opportunity to show our talent. We're playing with the best schools, so if we can compete with them, we can compete with any­

body."

Clemmons, who is very close to his own family (teammates and coaches said he still occasionally will call his mom and dad) said he liked the close-knit atmosphere at UCF.

"They get along well, and it's like they're playing high school at that. They know what you need, because you live together, you play together, and you spend much of your life together - five years. We love Orlando, that town is great."

And though the three are good friends, they say that once they step onto the football field, it's all about competition.

"We're so competitive," said Clemmons. "I know that of one of them

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UCF baseball signs four

Assistant coach and recruiting coordinator Greg Frady announced four spring signees for the 2002 UCF Baseball program. Headlining the list is Clay Timpner, a left-handed pitcher/outfielder from LaBelle High School who was drafted in the 41st round by the Texas Rangers during the Major League Baseball first-year player draft. Timpner is joined by David Mann, Ryan Bear and Nathan Kragt. Mann, Bear and Kragt are all highly touted community college transfers looking to give the Golden Knights experience in the field.

Clay Timpner, LHP/OF, LaBelle, Fla. (LaBelle HS)
Timpner was a second team FHSAA all-state selection in the 3A division. The left-handed pitcher was the offensive and pitching most valuable player at LaBelle High School. Recognized by the Fort Myers News Record as a three-year All-Area honoree, Timpner left LaBelle High School with a career batting average of .448, ERA of 2.39 and 75 stolen bases in three seasons. Baseball America recognized Timpner as honorable mention Defensive Player-of-the-Year in 2000. David Mann, INF/OF, Columbus, Ga. (Lake City CC/Columbus HS) Mann was a first-team all-state selection in Georgia and broke many of the school records there, which was also the same high school that produced Chicago White Sox and Auburn University all-star Frank Thomas. At LCCC, Mann hit .383 with one home run, 35 RBI, 26 stolen bases and 11 doubles. His 26 stolen bases ranked ninth in the state and batting average was 14th. Ryan Bear, OF, Panama City, Fla. (Gulf Coast CC/Mosely HS) Bear is a solid outfielder with good offensive numbers. He hit .402 with seven home runs, 40 RBI and 49 runs scored. He also hit 13 doubles and three triples, which ranked tied for second in the state. Nathan Kragt, 3B, Bradenton, Fla. (Manatee CC) Kragt is an outstanding defensive player with good speed on the bases. He led the state with four triples and hit .310.

Pope, Arnold and Kurella

Pope, Arnold and Kurella named All-American

Justin Pope and Jason Arnold were both named to Baseball America's All-America teams. Pope was voted to the first team, while Arnold made the second team.

Collegiate Baseball released their All-America teams on May 25 and Pope (15-1, 1.68 ERA, 138 K's) was a first-team recipient, while Arnold (14-3, 1.97, 150) made the third team with shortstop Jeremy Kurella.

UCF was the only school to have two pitchers represented on the first and second teams in Baseball America. Southern California had pitchers on the first and third team.

Both Pope and Arnold have signed professional baseball contracts. Pope is pitching for the New Jersey Cardinals, while Arnold is with the Staten Island Yankees.

Pope having success in minor leagues

As a result of his performance during his first two minor league seasons, Howe Sportsdata has named New Jersey Cardinals' pitcher Justin Pope the New York-Penn League Pitcher of the Week (6/18-6/24).

Pope started two games, firing 10 innings, allowing only 3 hits and did not allow an earned run. Pope struck out 13 batters (best in the league), while surrendering only one walk. The opposition is batting .088 against the right-hander.

Pope was the St. Louis Cardinals first-round pick in the 2001 first-year player draft.

TAAC becomes Atlantic Sun Conference

MACON, Ga. - The Atlantic Sun Conference rises in place of the former Trans America Athletic Conference. The change in name and logo, approved by the Conference Presidents Council on June 14, represents the focal point of an overall branding and identity program for the Atlantic Sun.

"Our conference has evolved dramatically over the past ten years and we felt the timing was appropriate for this change," said Commissioner Bill Bibb. "The logo is bright and exciting and I think that reflects the overall message we intend to spread about the schools and student-athletes in the Atlantic Sun."

The identity program's main goal is to make a lasting connection between the visual image and the accomplishments of the member schools and their student-athletes. The Atlantic Sun stands alone as far as athletic achievement in NCAA Championship competition as it is the only IA/AAA conference in the country to have postseason wins in men's basketball, women's basketball, baseball, softball, men's soccer, women's soccer, and volleyball over the past four seasons. During that period the A-Sun has also put competitors into the National Championship round in men's golf, women's golf, men's cross country, women's cross country and women's track & field. Academically, the Atlantic Sun shines exceedingly bright with a remarkable 45% of all student-athletes earning All-Academic Honors (3.0 or better) in the past four years. The Conference boasts some of the finest institutions in the southeast, including prestigious pri-
Titusville trio hopes to make impact at UCF

DAVID MARSTERS

Together.

That's how Titusville Astronaut football stars Marcus Clemons, Peter Sands and Craig Waters, who have known each other since elementary school, wanted to continue their football careers, and that's how they will get to do so.

The three friends and high school teammates all chose to sign with UCF over more established and nationally visible football programs, and plan to make big names for themselves while helping to establish the Golden Knights as a national power.

And that shouldn't be very hard, because they are all, well, big.

Clemons, one of the highest rated prospects in the 2001 UCF recruiting class, is a 6-foot-7, 270-pound mass of humanity that plays tight end, defensive end and perhaps even offensive line. Waters is a 6-foot-5, 210-pound defensive end who looks more like a wide receiver, and whom Sands calls "the quickest player I've ever been up against," Sands, perhaps the best of the three, is a 6-foot-4, 200 pound safety whose nicknames include "Hit Man" and "Psycho."

And while many recruits are satisfied with redshirting during their first year, these three want to play.

"I'm working my hardest to try to play, but if they redshirt me, then that's just for the better," Waters said.

"I want to come in and make an impact," Sands said. "I feel I can, but if I feel redshirting is the best way to go, I'll probably redshirt. If I feel I can help the team, then I'm going to play."

"Hopefully I can get on the field pretty quickly," said Clemons. "I have the size and I have the ability, I just have to channel it into one direction and go out there and play hard and just come..."

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UCF hopes to bolster running game with offensive line recruits

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UCF football coach Mike Kruczek entered the 2000 season with the specific goal of improving the Golden Knight running game. But the team did not accomplish this goal, averaging only 78.73 rushing yards per game-107th in the country. This year, the objective is still the same, and to run the ball more effectively, UCF will need better play from its offensive line. The losses of four-year starting center Chris Lorenti and fellow senior Kurt Baumann will hurt, but the addition of three junior college transfers should help a talented trio of running backs (Terrance Williams, Alex Haynes and Corey Baker) get plenty of yards in 2001.

Kruczek and offensive line coach Robert McFarland went the junior college route during recruiting season to fill the immediate needs created by the graduation of Lorenti and Baumann. The Golden Knights signed Mike Mabry, a 6-foot-4, 305-pound offensive tackle from Southwest Mississippi Community College, Alex Mendez, a 6-foot-6, 305-pound offensive tackle from Reddey (Calif.) Community College, and Johnovan Morgan, a 6-foot-4, 272-pound offensive guard from Jones (Miss.) Community College. Kruczek expects the three transfers to play next season, especially Mabry.

"Mabry should be an immediate help in a position that's such a critical intensity. We really expect the three to come in and help," said McFarland. "Anytime you go to junior college for offensive lineman, you look for guys to step in immediately," he said. "The guy that's going to be the most important is going to be Mike Mabry, the center. That's such a critical position. He's probably going to come here penciled in as a starter." Mendez will compete for that role in the starting line up.

Mike Kruczek, Head football coach

UCC will need better play from the offensive and defensive lines in order to beat Virginia Tech on Sept. 29 this year. The Hokies dominated the line of scrimmage in last year's 44-21 victory over the Golden Knights.

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