Senate approves $10.5 million budget
Changes include less funding for Greeks, raises for maintenance staff

Ben Baird
STAFF WRITER

The Student Government Association Senate approved a budget of nearly $10.5 million, pending the approval of Student Body President Marco Peda, which will allow for the creation of new facilities, organizations and positions at UCF.

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While the budget passed in Senate with very few changes, most of which were to ensure it was being balanced, it still must make its way across the desk of Peda. Peda says that he has seen no problems with the budget as of yet, he will still give it careful review.

I want some students to review it, and yet their budget, and make sure that it’s what students want.

PEOPLE SEE 필요

Despite long lines, turnaround makes Universal event a success
Michael Newman
STAFF WRITER

More than 7,000 students gathered at the gates of Islands of Adventure Thursday night, all hoping to attend the most expensive Student Government Association event of the year.

The first 7,000 walked through the gates free; hundreds more who showed up later paid $19.95 to join the event or walked away disgruntled, refusing to buy tickets for the after-hours event that was funded by their student activity fees.

Ultimately, 2,800 students did choose to fork over the money and by the end of the evening, 7,000 students had piled into the theme park, making "Universal Knights" the largest gathering of students this year, according to Student Body President Marco Peda.

I didn't expect 7,000 people to show up. I thought the line would come, he said.

Despite the large crowds that amassed outside the ticket booths, where lines moved only inches at a time, students remained well-behaved, said Jim McRystal, an Islands of Adventure security official.

"I was actually SURPRISING this [last] with the exception of a few words, it was pretty orderly," he said.

Students grew somewhat more aggressive after an announcement at 9 p.m. that only 500 more students would be admitted into the park.

Many pushed their way toward the booths, eager to snatch one of the few remaining tickets. Gate officials ordered students back. Others began to cut through lines. Those who were caught were sent to the back of the line. By 9:15 p.m., the free tickets had officially run out.

Sophomore Andrea Halpern, 19, was left standing outside. She didn't want to pay to get into the event, for which SGA spent $12,000.

"We got there at 7:30 p.m.," Halpern said. "We were close [to the booth] when we found out the free tickets were sold out. So we left.

PEOPLE SEE Long on 4

Clinton speaks at UF

Former President Bill Clinton addressed an estimated 300 to 400 people in attendance, an estimated 300 to 400 people were turned away.

The stadium buzzed with conversation only slightly softer than the sound of saxophone music as the crowd waited Clinton's appearance.

The UF student government speakers bureau that organized the event, kept the time of the speech secret for security reasons. When Clinton climbed the stairs to the stage at 4:45 p.m., the crowd greeted him with applause.

PEOPLE SEE Audience on 3

Congressman wants bill to cap tuition

Joe Harless
STAFF WRITER

An embattled state across the nation consider tuition hikes for public colleges and universities, a California lawmaker is calling for a law to cap tuition and sanction campuses that raise tuition by more than 5.2 percent a year.

If Republican U.S. Rep. Howard P. "Buck" McKeon's measure to restrain tuition passes, colleges in at least 16 states, including Florida, would be subject to the new law. The measure would allow the U.S. government to cancel federal student aid programs — including loans, grants and work-study — on campuses that raised tuition by more than double the national average, currently 2.6 percent.

State legislators announced earlier this year that Florida would raise tuition rates for its public colleges by 15.3 percent next year.

Greg Schuerman, director of federal relations for UCF, said despite the fact that Florida already has one of the lowest tuition rates in the nation, it would still fall below McKeon's category of schools who are raising tuition rates by too much too fast.

The average cost of attending a Florida public college or university in 2002-2003 was about $8,910, the national average sits around $8,715.

"The bill would inadvertently target Florida, even though the bill has no specific targets other than the schools that have doubled the rate of inflation," Schuerman said.

Schuerman said the university approve.

PEOPLE SEE Law on 6

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uniform reaction

The Reserve Officer Training Corps has become a target at two college campuses as protests of U.S. military action against Iraq increase.

University of New Mexico officials are investigating three separate instances of messages being spray-painted on campus buildings after the war started, including the one that honors the Navy and Air Force ROTC. The messages included "Bush is a terrorist" and "war is murder." No one claimed responsibility for the defacements.

Similar graffiti and vandalism at the University of Iowa prompted officials to try to calm military prejudice on campus by dropping the ROTC," said recreation manager Jack Wallace.

University of New Mexico "We have very little uniformity to class."

Li. Col. Carl S. John, a professor of military science who oversees the University of Iowa's ROTC program, insists that the physical safety of the 150 cadets in the program was not at issue.

Nonetheless, she says, "many cadets walk around campuses and if they can see them, they are a very large profile. There are anti-war protests on campus. These are emotional young people who may not respond appropriately."

Early one morning, campus police officers discovered yellow spray paint on two buildings near the entrance to the ROTC building had been defaced, the words "Freedom dies when bomb drops."

But, she says, some people in the anti-war movement at least support the cadets who are in ROTC, "They are not able to support the ROTC presence on campus. Somebody is crazy about the idea of fellow students being trained to kill people."

Miami U. of Ohio likely to raise tuition

Students may have to tighten their belt if Miami U. of Ohio officials have their way.

This month, the university's Board of Trustees will consider a plan that would charge for resident students all the tuition that out-of-state students now pay. If the plan is approved, which Miami's administrators and trustees expect, the university would become the first public institution in the country to charge one rate, according to many high-education analysts.

This year, Miami's in-state students, who make up 73 percent of the student body, pay $8,900. The university's one-out-of-state tuition is $17,200. If the new policy is adopted, higher rates will be due for Ohio residents enrolling in the university in the fall of 2004, it would not apply to current students.

Under the plan, Ohio residents would still pay less than their peers from other states, however. That's because they would automatically receive a scholarship award equal to at least the amount that state law- makers annually provide the university for each student who graduates and that totals about $4,400 per year.

Some in-state students also would receive additional aid from the new Ohio University Scholarship, which would be awarded to students with financial need or special ability and would be given to all majors, including those in subjects such as engineering, that the university deems key to the state's economic development.

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Acheivement in early transition, though, Clinton made a non-partisan reference to the current conflict in Iraq.

As a man who once sent troops into battle himself, he said, "We ought to want those people, their commanders and President Bush to know that we're pulling for them, and we're praying for them, and we hope it will be as soon as possible."

Though he occasionally stopped to address current events in Iraq, Afghanistan and North Korea, Clinton kept a broader focus for much of his speech.

The world, Clinton said, has converged on his global internationalism.

Societies and cultures, now forced together, have yet to integrate.

This lack of integration, he said, has caused strained relations and, ultimately, terrorism.

"Whether by trade or travel, by immigration or information technology, by shared cultural experiences or shared scientific endeavors, or shared vulnerability to terrorism, we simply cannot escape each other," Clinton said.

"Like it or not, our lives are bound up with one another." The central theme of the speech—increased cooperation— included reference to the United Nations and America's recent tendency for unilateralism. Though he said the United States should never give up its right to act unilaterally, he added, "We ought to bend over backward to build a world where we are sharing responsibility, sharing burdens and sharing values."

He encouraged students to involve themselves in bringing cultures closer together. He said the generation currently in college should lead the world from interdependence and strife to interdependence and integration.

"We all do better when we work together," Clinton said.

Ghandi is the greatest man who died during Clinton's lifetime, he said. He said Ghandi appreciated every culture, every religion. "If the world comes together to understand its neighbors, their cultures and religions, said Clinton, it could end the ignorance that precipitates conflict and, "there will be no more tears, there will be no more tears.

Clinton criticized the Bush administration's decision to fight Iraq without U.N. support, saying it undermines the legitimacy of the administration.

"If you didn't go in on something you got your way 100 percent of the time, you would be no marriage," Clinton said.

Ironically he criticized the way the Bush administration is handling North Korea's nuclear program, which Clinton said is the one current example where the world expects the United States to handle a problem unilaterally and the administration refuses to do so.

Clinton said the United States must convince North Korea to halt its weapons programs and allow inspections again, something done during Clinton's time in office. In exchange, the United States should give North Korea food aid and a non-aggression pact.

Essentially, Clinton said, "we shouldn't pay for the same thing twice."

The Bush administration cut off aid to North Korea when it openly restarted its nuclear programs last year. In what may have referenced the current debate in Congress on weighting national security and freedom, Clinton praised the university.

"Here, ideas matter, and open, honest discussion is encouraged, not attacked," he said.

Clinton's reception reflects the feeling on the student population. He said he never forgot the warm welcome he received in 1992 when he first spoke at the school during his campaign for office.

Eleven years later students were still eager to listen to Clinton. Freshman Matt De Vlager, 19, dropped in with three other members of the UCF Peace Action Committee to hear Clinton speak.

De Vlager said Clinton tried to reach out to everyone, Democrats and Republicans alike, and his speech encapsulated everyone.

"The Bush administration is not front of me. In the blisters. At first, the kid was laughing at everything he said, but by the end, he was embarrassed," De Vlager said. "He had his hands under his chin, and he was just staring, just taking it in."

UF junior Maria Hill, 20, agreed that Clinton's explanation of the world political climate was easy to understand, and she appreciated his non-partisan sentiment.

Most of the speech, she said, was anti-Bush. It was non-partisan, "the way politics should be," Hill said.

Groups hope to promote patriotism with rally

Brandon Hardin

Rebuilding on a Conservative Cornerstone and the UCF College Republicans hosted a "Support Our Troops" rally from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday from the front of the UCF Library.

The event will feature speakers, a vote registration booth, a Get-Out-the-Vote canvas, a memorial service for those who have died in Iraq, a color guard and a Jordan Linen dunk tank and more.

The event also will raise funds for the American Red Cross, which will benefit from donations given to thank Soldiers from the Front of the Jordan Linen.

"We're not the only ones," Smith said. "Support our troops. Your thoughts and support for our troops."

Kyle Considder, president of the UCF College Republicans, said that his group's efforts to put on an event that would show women what's in the majority of the campus.

"We're putting a face to anti-war and anti-Iraq," Smith said. "This rally is the largest we've had. These are our thoughts and support for our troops."

"We're not the only ones," Smith said. "Anti-war people have done their protesting and have been here. We're pro-Americans and troop messages, but now is the time when the rest of the people should start doing more productive things with our responsibilities, and then supporting our resolve to support Saddam and his oppressive, tyrannical regime."
Long lines spoiled fun for some

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Hundreds of other students felt the same way and went home instead.

"You might as well come when you can have the whole day and pay the full price," sophomore Jennifer Mansfield, 21, said. Feinstein, too, wanted the event to be longer, but budget constraints prevented that from happening.

"The senate was not behind it," Feinstein said. "If they supported it, we could have found more money to pay for it."

Senior Anthony Drum, 21, came to the park prepared for anything. "I came ready to pay $20."

Freshman Billy Wells, 19, didn't mind paying a discounted rate to get into the park. "I'm not too mad about paying the $20. It's better than $50."

Wells, however, complained the event was chaotic and rowdy at times, particularly in front of the gates.

"There was a massive amount of people getting into the park, pushing and shoving and cutting into the line," Wells said. "They should have had more ropes or something better organized.

"Yet students were left with no other choice than to endure the lines if they wanted to enter the park. SGA did not make tickets available to students in advance.

Feinstein said handing out advance tickets last year for a similar night at Wet 'n Wild was ineffective because several students who claimed tickets days before never showed up.

Other students, such as seniors Michael Resta, 22, and Jesse Schrage, 20, felt the same way and went home.

"I only went on three rides, which lasted 10 minutes, but waited in line four hours."

—MICHAEL RESTA

Feinstein said that Universal led him to believe the lines would be shorter as opposed to what students might have experienced during regular park hours.

Many students were disappointed to find that the park's most popular coasters, Dueling Dragons, The Hulk and Dr. Doom, closed at 11 p.m. because of an Orange County noise ordinance.

Feinstein said he had to negotiate with park officials to keep the rides open until 11 p.m. The event lasted until midnight.

"I knew that two or three rides closed at 11 p.m.," he said. "Universal originally wanted to close them at 10 p.m., and I said we wouldn't do it if that happened. So they pushed it back."

Despite some complaints, senior Billy Russell, 22, called the event a good time. "The lines were long, but we got over that."

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Eric Schwab

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Preparing for the worst

Since U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security Tom Ridge warned Americans in February of possible terror attacks on soft targets, including college campuses, the UCP administration has implemented updated policies in order to ensure students' safety in the event of an attack.

According to James Uhl Jr., director of UCF homeland security within the Department of Environmental Health and Safety, one way the campus has prepared for possible terrorist attacks is by adding security to the campus utility infrastructures and key buildings around campus.

Uhl said that he could not release specifics due to security reasons. However, extra measures include additional patrols, fences, locks, motion detectors, card access systems and cameras.

Additionally, UCP Police have tightened up on policy to combat a possible attack. This tightening includes the addition of two canine units to the department. Uhl said UCF Police coordinate with the regional homeland security office on a regular basis.

Regular drills conducted by the fire department on campus also have helped prepare for a terror attack. The response to a recent attack in the Biological Sciences Building demonstrated the department's team work, he said.

"We have the most experience with medical, weather and fire emergencies. However the framework used for those responses helps our campus security effort," said Uhl.

The UCF administration has prepared for situations such as terrorist attacks with "The UCP Emergency Management Plan." The plan advises members of the community of UCP's procedures for dealing with emergencies. Additionally, the Web site for the Department of Environmental Health and Safety offers information for students on the homeland security warning system.

In addition to bolstering security on campus, UCF has prepared to deal with the psychological toll that terrorism and war can take on the UCF community. In the case of an attack, or the threat thereof, the Counseling and Testing Center is prepared to meet with members of the UCF community. When war with Iraq broke, the center offered a reflecting room for mediation, prayer or even just a place to collect thoughts, said Robert Harman, director on campus.

While students took time off from school during Spring Break, counselors attended weekend statewide workshops on crisis intervention. The workshops focused specifically on deaths in residence halls and terrorism. Harman said that attending workshops to update counselors on dealing with issues is a regular part of staff development.

"We can never be fully prepared for an event of this nature," Harman said of a terror attack.

During times of possible attack on campuses, it seems inevitable that parents would worry more about the safety of their college-age children, and would worry about communicating with them.

David Yatzky, father of a UCF sophomore, said he is concerned about the safety of his daughter. Living two hours away, Yatzky relies on UCF administration to implement policies to keep his daughter safe. Yatzky added that he is confident in the means of communication UCF provides through e-mails and phone calls.

Uhl added that students should not only have an emergency plan with family members, but also with co-workers and classmates. This should include where to meet and how to get in touch with each other.

UCF's safety precautions extend to students studying abroad. Lauren Johnson, director of the UCF Study abroad program, said she has added information to student orientations about the importance of communication in case of an emergency. Johnson added that she is advising students to keep a low profile and avoid large gatherings of Americans or Western "hangouts."
Small colleges ditch football programs

The Recording Industry Association of America filed lawsuits on Thursday against four college students who allegedly were offering access to copyrighted music files within their institutions' networks.

Joseph Newell, a student at Michigan Technological University, Daniel Peng, a student at Princeton University, and Aaron Sherman and Jesse Jordan, both students at Bennington Polytechnic Institute, were named in separate suits filed in federal district courts in Michigan, New Jersey, and New York. The institutions were not sued.

According to the complaints, the students have "taken a network created for higher learning and academic pursuits and converted it into an emporium of music piracy." In a news release, the recording industry alleges that the students were engaged in copyright infringement, each offering from 27,000 to more than a million songs to other students. The lawsuits ask for $200,000 for each of the dozen of recordings, listed by title in the complaint that the students allegedly used illegally.

The students could not be reached for comment.

Small college football teams lose more

Michigan Technological University and the University of Massachusetts at Lowell have announced that they will eliminate their football programs to save money.

Both public universities, whose football teams compete in Division II of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, have prominent hockey teams and serious financial difficulties.

Already in the current academic year three other institutions — Canisius College, Fairfield University and St. John's University in New York — have announced plans to discontinue their football teams among other sports programs.

St. John's officials said the decision was made for gender-equality reasons, while cost was cited at the other two institutions. All three compete in Division I of the NCAA.

Lowell's athletics director, Dana K. Shimer, said his department had been told to trim its operating budget for next year by $200,000. The department's total budget is $8 million, he said, and football is the fourth-most-expensive team of the 17 varsity squads at the university fields, after Division I hockey and men's and women's basketball.

Lowell does not offer athletics scholarships in football. The 10 football players will be helped to transfer to other institutions if they wish to continue playing football.

At Michigan Technological University, the football program will be eliminated because of a requirement that all departments across the university trim their budgets by 10 percent next year, said David Plisko, an assistant athletics director.

Further cuts, of 7 and 5 percent, come over the next two years.

The football program has received about one-third of the total athletics budget of $1.9 million, Plisko said.

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48 UCF teams donate evening to overnight walkathon

Brandon Hardin Staff Writer

At the sound of a resounding blast from the ROTC cannon, more than 100 cancer survivors proudly marched onto the track next to the UCF Arena Friday evening. It was the beginning of the Relay for Life, an 18-hour overnight walkathon that is the American Cancer Society's signature fund-raising event. It was the sixth time UCF hosted the fund-raiser that raised more than $250,000 this year, $43,000 short of the $279,000 organizers anticipated. Forty-eight of the 111 teams this year made up UCF students and faculty.

The turnout pleased Jackie Murphy, event co-chairman. "It's a good result considering the economy and world situation," she said.

About 100 booths filled the inside of the track, selling drinks, snacks and raffle tickets for everything from chairs to power tools in hopes of raising money for the American Cancer Society. A large stage occupied the center of the track and featured a countdown, games, skits and performances that kept participants entertained throughout the night and into the morning.

The Luminaria Ceremony created a somber atmosphere in the middle of an otherwise loud and cheerful event. The ceremony drew participants' attentions to the hundreds of colorful bags that lined the sides of the track. Each bag, decorated with crayon images of flowers and rainbows served as a reminder of cancer victims and survivors.

"I'm already in honor of my mother, who had undergone surgery last month after she was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. She is expected to make a full recovery.

"It's good to see support from the community, and it's reassuring to get support from people who are going through the same battles," she said.

Senior Dave Ehrlich, 21, walked a few laps in honor of his aunt, who currently has breast cancer. "She wore a wig," he said. "It's encouraging, "he added.

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Jennifer Peltz

South Florida Sun-Sentinel (Fla.

Fort Lauderdale — Mohammad Hamza, an educational technology researcher, saw his star rise steadily in his first five years at Florida Atlantic University. But his fortunes took a sharp turn last year. After an education-college colleague concluded he wasn't on course for tenure, he was told this would be his last year at FAU, according to Florida College Commission on Human Relations documents.

Hamza, an advocate for Muslims on campus and in the community, thanks he's a victim of anti-Arab and anti-Muslim bias. So does the human relations commission's executive director, who issued a finding last month supporting Hamza's allegations of employment discrimination.

"There is an abundance of evidence that Dr. Hamza's national origin and religion played a major role in the decisions that the university made," commission chair Derick Daniel wrote.

But, however, says its reasons for not renewing Hamza's contract are purely academic. University officials would give few details, pointing to state laws protecting professors' academic evaluations. That FAU maintains Hamza had a history of misstatements in his resume and unprofessional conduct in the classroom, according to the human relations commission's report and portions of a university response.

Hamza says the supposed misstatements were typographical errors, and the classroom complaints just retaliation toward a tough teacher.

Wadeidt lopped off 12 inches of her hair and donated all of her locks to make wigs for cancer patients who have lost their hair.

Hamza remembers seeing him in a cancer survivor, lose her hair after cancer treatments.

"She had to wear a wig," she said. "All you could see was fuzz on her head when she was growing it back."

I'm still hoping that with the new administration of [FAU President Frank] Brogan, that the hardships will come to an end.

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FAU educational technology researcher

Teacher says he's victim of anti-Arab bias at FAU

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American freedom of speech," said Hamza, a naturalized American citizen who was born in Kuwait and raised in Kuwait. He has lived in the United States for more than 20 years.

An adviser to the FAU Muslim Student Organization and the Islamic Center of Boca Raton, Hamza also has written about anti-Arab and anti-Muslim bias and Israeli-Palestinian conflict in the South Florida Sun-Sentinel.

Still, according to the commission's findings, Hamza had five years of superb evaluations, enjoy­ ing an "excellent" rating in every category each year as he approached the tenure process last year.

The College of Education had recognized his research on educational technology, and students had nominated him for a teaching honor. With a computer-science colleague, he had applied for a patent for designing a system for conducting laboratory experiments online. In 2002, he had published with the university-wide President's Leadership Award.

June, a committee of his fellow education-technology faculty members narrowly agreed Hamza was on track to apply for tenure last fall, according to the commission findings. "Two months later the education faculty's tenure committee concluded he was not," he said. "I was told soon after that his contract would not be renewed, the commission found.

Meanwhile, four white male faculty members were recommended for tenure with far less scrutiny, according to the commission report.

But the university says it developed qual­ ity standards and, after reviewing the findings, expertly evaluated Hamza's claims, which are not merit­ worthy. Hamza has filed a federal lawsuit and his complaints have been dismissed by a judge.
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want to see happening,” Petta said. “From the few comments I’ve heard so far most people are happy with it and overall I don’t see any major problems.”

In the most noticeable change to the budget from last year, the senate significantly cut funding to the UCF Greek Council. The umbrella organization of about 3,000 students received $22,285, in the current budget, but that allocation has been slashed to $15,300 for next year. The Greek Council requested more than $80,000.

“It’s going to hinder us a bit. It’s going to make our exec-utive boards have to work a little harder,” said Interfraternity Council President Ryan O’Rourke. “The individual chapters can individually ask for money and that can be taken from them.”

The budget committee recommended that the Greek Council could be better served by SGA. If it went to seek “agency” status. With an agency status, the Greek Council would become a part of student govern-ment. As an SGA agency, the Greek Council would seek funding from a different pot of money. Gould said. Last year the school received $10,000 from SGA.

Fees have been allocated for the maintenance staff of SGA facilities. The raises will affect only those staff members who are, full-time employees and work in activity and service fee-funded facilities such as the Student Union, the Recreation and Wellness Center, and the Student Resource Center. The raises will pay these employees about $10 more per hour, or $50 each week.

Next year’s budget includes another large allocation for the completion of the UCF Wireless Project. The sen­ate allocated $150,000 to the project, which will extend wireless services on campus to facilities including Greek Park. Making UCF’s completely wireless campus. Both SGA and UCF will fund the project. Gould said the project should be com­pleted before the fall semester begins.

Pending the availability of land on campus, SGA has allo­cated $150,000 for a HOPE Project, which would be a lead­ership team-building course on campus for groups ranging from clubs and organizations to other schools. The cost of the facility is being partially funded by SGA and partially by the university.

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Monday April 7, 2003

OUR STANCE:
SGA funding fair, equitable

With nearly $10.5 million at their discretion, Student Government leaders have made responsible allocations in the budget for next school year. The SGA senate could have spent more time deliberating the budget, but the preliminary decisions show improvements over previous SGA spending decisions.

By giving less funding to the Greek Council, student government leaders demonstrated that they finally are starting to listen to the student body. The overwhelming majority of students, who do not belong to Greek organizations, want their activity and service fees to go to inclusive groups rather than those such as fraternities and sororities that exclude some students.

Individual Greek organizations can still request funding for particular projects. When Greek organizations host charitable events, they can and should receive funding from SGA.

Additionally, all active organizations on campus were recommended to receive funding next year. That’s a change from last year, when many groups received nothing while others seemed to receive too much. While some organizations received far less than they requested this time, every organization received at least some money.

The $800,000 proposed for a new Homecoming Committee seems like an awful lot for a week of often poorly attended events. Last year, the budget allocated nearly $160,000 to the Office of Student Activities for Homecoming events. With more than three times that amount, the Homecoming Committee should have no excuse for another lackluster Homecoming Week.

That new committee, which will include members from a number of different campus organizations, should work hard to find out which performances students want to see and then book those performers: As one of the largest universities in the state, UCF deserves a top-notch Homecoming Week that caters to students’ interests.

Student government deserves credit for taking steps to help the janitorial staff of the university, something the administration has hesitated to do. The SGA budget includes raises of 81 cents per hour for janitors who work in UCF-run buildings, a noble step that recognizes the hard work these employees perform to keep the campus clean and beautiful.

Thank you, SGA, for looking out for the most under-appreciated members of the UCF community. Thank you, also, for funding campus organizations in a more responsible and equitable manner.

Letters to the Editor

Where are all the yellow ribbons?

I am walking back from sneak in while I saw one of my friends putting yellow ribbons on the trees of the Avalon Village courtyard. I asked them why they were doing that, and eventually they explained they were aware.

Where are we left out of some sort of events? Support your troops. These are not been been out of some machine. Are they who paid the armed services for Montgomery to talk for our nation. Everyone who played and paid with as kids.

Islands of Adventure event chaos from start to finish

The park had to wait down to 2 hours for a minute to get in free... We had to wait hours to get in... People were doing to wait an hour to get in and be home... Charging $40 for the remaining time was a waste of money. I know that a lot of the order, but money they would have organized for something less.

People under the park had to wait down to 2 hours to get in and be home... Many people left to the doors and unorganized environment. I spent time that was expected to be at large a popular theme.
Simple ways to unite the community

MENTAL Doodles

CHRISTOPHER ARNOLD
STAFF WRITER

With all that is happening in the news right now, it is too easy to see all that is bad in the world. But then along comes an event that helps us to remember the good.

Thank goodness for the American Cancer Society and its Relay for Life. Held on the grounds of the UCF Varsity Track and Field, this annual event is meant to raise much-needed money to help examine and advance the fight against cancer — a disease that, as we noted during the opening ceremonies, affects virtually everyone, either directly or indirectly.

As a newcomer to this event, I was little aware of what it would entail. I knew at the outset that I had volunteered to work a shift at our tent, which was lined around the track and then be off. Once I arrived, however, I found it difficult to leave.

Participants' booths reflected a carnival-esque atmosphere. A dunk booth, a miniature baseball field, a make-shift jail in which you could imprison anyone of your choosing. There was even a tent where Karaoke was held — if you cared. Of course there was food.

From dirt cups to vegetable soup, your taste buds were sure to be appeased. Music and entertainment kept the crowds in festive spirits.

And the funds all go to a good cause.

This was by no means an all-night party; however, there was greater purpose here. At its core, the event brought together a community of people with similar ideas and experiences. It celebrated not just the lives of survivors, but the memory of those who have lost.

There were moments of great introspection and reflection throughout the evening: highlighted by the Luminaria Ceremony. Individuals who wished to honor loved ones could place candles along the track, which were lit during this ceremony and burned throughout the night.

The beauty of the festival might have been lost on me a year ago. My grandmother passed away suddenly in early December due to colon cancer, which had been discovered only about a month earlier. Before that, I had no direct experience with this disease. The subsequent barrage of emotions, even though shared within my immediate family, nevertheless left me feeling suddenly isolated and alone.

But having attended the Relay for Life this past weekend, hearing others share their stories and personal experiences with cancer, I feel as though my heart has finally accepted what my brain has been trying to tell it: I am not alone.

Please see Joy on 14.

Letters to the Editor

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SGC funding fair and justified

The letter is a response to Florida's student editorials, "SGC Senate party meeting 2000/2001" published Thursday, April 4. Two paper authors addressed me by my school, as well as to fair and professional reporting goes, you don't own one clue.

The resolution the article makes that the money spent in the event was wasted because other clubs and organizations did not receive funds is completely unfounded. As a journalism major, I am sick of the bias in reporting the facts.

The idea of separation of church and state is just not the reason we are in Iraq. My grandfather passed away December due to colon cancer, which had been discovered only about a month earlier. Before that, I had no direct experience with this disease. The subsequent barrage of emotions, even though shared within my immediate family, nevertheless left me feeling suddenly isolated and alone.

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Anti-war side needs better marketing

JANE ESNER
KNIGHT RIDER

Say what you will about the war in Iraq, let us hear, probably for some time. All the demonstrations, candlelight vigils, anduiest war protests seemed to make no difference to the leaders deciding the course of events, or to the American public that still backs them. So pacifists are left shaking their heads, wondering how to get their message across and counteract the mounting images of burning and blood growing the national screen.

I have a suggestion for this struggling community. Let's borrow some ideas from the corporate sector.

Consumer products are the lingua franca of our realm. The antitrust statutes can't touch all they want about diplomacy and the horrors of battle and the need for international alliances, but talk cannot compete with the ever-popular G.I. Joe. (Never mind his ercol deep and stride vehicles.)

Teens can't possibly be as sexy as wrapping one's breasts in camouflage with the new military fatigue bra, available at many Marshall's department stores for only $14.99.

And, evidently, buying a fuel-efficient, nifty-looking automobile is not considered as stylish as driving a Hummer; even though it looks like a spoiled house and costs about as much.

You're nothing in America without a brand, an image, and I aim the peace movement does not always appear very, um, attractive.

Here's how the Philadelphia Inquirer described the protestors who demonstrated on the first day of the war. "Some were scarcely adult, braided buns, baggy clothes, an assortment of body piercing. Others were veterans of the peace movement since Vietnam: gray-haired and balding, faces worn, pumoches sometimes straining their jeans."

Can this hope to compete with a Christian Dior collection of camouflage underwear and evening gowns? I think not.

So military has gone mainstream, embedding itself, the scenes, to market that "action figure" that uses words rather than quick-loading assault weapons.

War will never be driven to the sidelines unless peace becomes sexy and desirable.

Joy comes with offering a helping hand

From PAGE 15

For me, the football—with its varying degrees of joy and emotion—seemed to reflect, and perhaps even complete, a personal catharsis.

Furthermore, the celebratory mood of this group was truly refreshing. Everyone in attendance, everyone who worked behind the scenes, everyone who helped make the event a success, contributed something to the cause of combating cancer. It was inspiring to see so many people so willing to help.

But the weekend's events also revealed the value of community on a global scale. Borders may seem to dissolve as nations become more readily accessible to each other. Communities, however, will remain the foundation upon which all else is built.

We must learn to interact within them, every day, as was seen during the relay—with humility and benevolence, and the belief that we all share a common goal that is greater than ourselves. We must motivate ourselves with material gains and focus on the intrinsic joy that accompanies helping others.

And what better place to start than with our generation? Opportunities are all around us. It could be as simple as practicing random acts of kindness, it could mean volunteering at a homeless shelter or participating in a park cleanup. It could mean teaching a child to read. Whatever the course we take, we all could have a positive impact.

The world is our collective inheritance, after all. Shouldn't we try not to make it better, in whatever way we can?

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Cups throws first no-hitter, UCF sweeps Belmont

Matt Bethon
STAFF WRITER

Dottie Cupp pitched a no-hitter as the Knights softball team took three of four games last weekend from Belmont University and Lipscomb. On Saturday UCF won its first game over Belmont 7-2 and run-ruled the Bruins in the second game to the tune of an 11-0 victory. UCF improved to 29-11 on the season and 7-3 in the Atlantic Sun Conference after the Belmont sweep.

In the first game UCF scored two runs in the first inning before Belmont responded with two of its own in the bottom half of the inning. The Knights tucked on another run in the third and maintained a one-run lead into the seventh inning, when Andy Oakey doubled off the left field wall, scoring two. Starting pitcher Pysia Simmons got the first out of the seventh inning before Dottie Cupp came in and retired the final two batters, earning her first save of the season.

Simmons picked up her third win of the season, pitching 6.10 innings and allowing only two unearned runs.

In the second game UCF jumped all over Belmont starter Tara Allen, tagging her for 11 earned runs and inning Allen her 1-0 loss of the season. Cupp started the scoring in the first inning for the Knights with a solo home run. UCF added four runs in the fourth inning and added six in the fifth, three off a home run by Stephanie Best.

Five runs in the bottom of the fifth inning and five more in the sixth inning and five more in the seventh inning before Dottie Butera.

"Assistant head coach Greg Frady told me you're probably going to see a first pitch fastball," Butera said. "I saw it, swung it, got a lucky break. Sometimes it happens."

"It was a team game tonight. We came through, pulled together and we won it together."

Five runs in the bottom of the ninth. And finally a game-winning base hit in the bottom of the 12th inning off the bat of freshman Drew Butera.

"It was an eye-opener for us," said Fernando Martinez, assistant coach and former UCF tennis player. "We were so confident coming in because we have such a great team."

Since then the Knights have been on a 17-match winning streak and have won each of their last four.

Winning streak continues to Saturday's final match.

Sadie Sham
STAFF WRITER

Streakin' Men's tennis team rides 17-match winning streak into Saturday's final match

Jan. 25, 2000

That was the last time the UCF men's tennis team fell the purhills of defeat. It was the Knights' second consecutive loss of the season after falling 7-0 to the No. 6 Florida Gators and dropping the No. 3 match of the year...preserving UCF's 1-0 lead. The Knights won game one of the double header 6-0, but dropped the second game 5-4.

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Michael leads Knights to series win

FROM PAGE 16

The unhittable rolly polo essayed a three-hitter outing by Cobb, who entered the game with a staff leading 1.64 ERA. He allowed seven earned runs in 2.1 innings. And it also made a footnote of David Mann's adventurous day In left field. His misstep of an 80-foot drive was in the third of the top allowed the Knights to break the game open. He did, however, get all three of them in the ninth inning before recording an out.

Tom Rispoli took the loss, his first since the season of the season. Kyle Bono pitched a scoreless 2 2/3 in the extra frames to get the win, improving to 3-2.

"I told players in every season there's always a definite moment from the first day and in the right direction," Bergman said. "That's (Friday night game) probably the closest we've gotten to this season to that happening. It was really pleased. It was a good win for us.

Mark Michael made sure that the good feeling carried over, at least for a game. Starting the first game of a doubleheader, with both games being seven-inning contests, he pitched his first shutout of the year and his team-high sixth win as the Knights trimmed the Camels, 8-0.

"It was a must-win. We needed to get things rolling," Michael said. "We had a lot of momentum from the night before. For me to come out and hold them early was huge to try to take their confidence away from them.

UCF got on the board quickly when Dee Brown knocked in Nathan Kragt with a single in the bottom of the first inning. That lead held as Michael cruised, but the Knights couldn't add to the advantage until the fifth inning when Sierra Ramos and Brown scored on a two-RBI double in the top of the third inning.

Again, they beat up on Campbell's bullpen, getting four of their runs of a wild Brandon Yates. After allowing two runs to score in the fifth, he loaded the bases in the bottom of the sixth by hitting three batters, then walked Mann to allow a run to score. UCF got two more runs on a single by Kyle Timpone and a sac fly by Timpone.

Meanwhile, Michael continued to pitch superbly, notching his third straight complete game, though all came in seven-inning games. Still, he allowed just four hits and one walk, striking out six and improving to 6-0.

"I've just been working around hitting two strikes and good things happen when you do that," Michael said.

Starting pitcher Sierra Green (2-4) got tagged with the loss for Campbell. It marked the third straight complete game for the Camels, finishing off the total game and the final game of the doubleheader and series 2-5.

The Knights again tried to mount a rally late, but this time couldn't get to the Knights' weak relief corp. Jeff Brown (1-1) pitched seven innings for Campbell, surviving another late comeback attempt by UCF. He allowed eight hits and five runs, one earned. He went 6-5 on the year.

For Knights (4-5), his seventh straight series. He allowed seven hits and six runs in 4 2/3, though just three runs were earned. Still, he has 24 K's over his past three starts and hasn't gotten out of the fifth inning. It could have been his year for the weekend as UCF attempts to improve upon a 2-4 record in the final game of three-game series.

"We got a lot of considerations now," Bergman said. "We've got to figure some way to win the third game, that's for sure. Reaching Knights from the rotation is something we'll have to think about.

"But, the hero of the first game, leaped upon a recent hot streak in going 4-for-10 with two RBIs and three runs scored in the series. Mann (4-for-6, six hits, two RBIs) Kragt (5-for-11, four runs scored, two RBIs) Sara (four RBIs, two RBIs) and Brown (4-for-11, four runs scored) all also had a strong series.

"Though the team didn't fully capitalize on the momentum of Friday night, they played another game of a Saturday double-header, shutting out the year and got improving to 4-1. Bono pitched a scoreless 2 innings to get the win.

"UCF is now 22-12, 7-5 in the A-Sun. Once again the Knights travel to Tampa for a weekend against South Florida, then have a weekend series at Belmont. It was great to win the series.

"We had to win the series," Michael said. "Hopefully we keep things rolling, come out and win on Tuesday.

FROM THE SPORTS DESK

UCF rowers defend A-Sun championship

The UCF women's rowing team earned five first-place finishes as the Knights earned their seventh straight victory in the Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championship at Tampa Bay Passas Canal on Saturday.

The UCF Varsity 8, which featured Kristen Larson, Anne Cooper, Amy Price, Crystal Weiss, Tanaya Kleisler, Maya Fluharty, Natalie Blades, Robyn Larsen, Anne Weiss, and Jenna Wansa and Nikki Green each added two RBIs apiece. UCF pitched the complete game, striking out five and allowing only two RBIs. The team also went 2-4 from the plate.

UCF was unable to take its momentum over to the next game, however, dropping the doubleplay 8-5.

The Knights' bats came alive on the weekend, pounding out 34 runs and 46 home runs.

Softball's bats finally come alive

FROM PAGE 16

Cupp pitched the complete game and threw her first career no-hitter, striking out seven, including only two. She became the third member of the quartet to throw a no-hitter this year. Today Savoyer and Simmons both accomplished the feat in this season.

On Friday the Knights split a double-header with Lipscomb. In the first game, Jennifer Whitley hit two home runs and had three RBIs, leading UCF to a 13-2 victory. UCF pounded out 15 hits in the game and totaled 10 RBIs as a team. Whitley finished the game 5-for-4 with a double and two home runs.

On Saturday the Knights were held to two RBIs and two hits, 10-2. Tanya Kleisler, Maya Fluharty, Natalie Blades, and Jenna Wansa and Nikki Green each added two RBIs apiece. Cupp pitched the complete game, striking out five and allowing only two RBIs. She also went 2-4 from the plate.

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Men's golf finishes in sixth

Jon Kutilek Sports Writer

The UCF men's golf team entered the Amoco Ultimate Young Oil Intercollegiate at the Silver Lakes Country Club on Tuesday in Jacksonville, Ala.

Coach Nick Climent was disappointed with his team's finish in the 18-team field.

"We didn't do anything right," Climent said. "It was a disappointment, wouldn't you think," he said.

Climent said another reason for his team's disappointing performance was poor field conditions. Play had to be halted after only one day due to darkness. The final three holes were finished before the final round on Tuesday.

Overall, the Knights finished with a score of 911, finishing just behind Austin Peay (867), Armstrong Atlantic (885), South Alabama (904), Columbus State (910) and the winning host team, Jacksonville State (980).

Andrew Hoegberg led the Knights in scoring, shooting a 225 over the three-day event. His 225 was good enough to be for 10th overall. Barry Reed finished just behind Hoegberg with a total of 227, tying for 21st overall. Rounding out the scores for the Knights were Matt LaConche and Sam Linkmann, both with a 231 (tied for 37th overall), and Stefan Wistort with a 233 and tied 40th overall.

The men's golf team is currently ranked No. 59 in the nation. And Climent thinks his team is better than its ranking shows.

"We expect to win every time we tee it up," he said. "We're better than we played this week."

The team did allow improvements during the tournament. The Knights improved their scores after the first round, in which they finished in 10th place, to move up into sixth by tournament's end.

But Climent is optimistic about his team's future.

"We aren't going to let our performance this week get us down, we will move on to do better next week," he said.

The Knights return to the course Friday as they travel to Spartaunburg, S.C., to play in the Wolford Invitational.

Women's soccer signs local standout, volleyball announces 2003 schedule

FROM PAGE 19

Next up for UCF is the Kacesi Cup in Cherry Hill, N.J. Saturday and Sunday.

Larsen leads UCF track and field in final day of USF Invite

Sophomore Ann Larsen bettered her NCAA Regional qualifying mark in the 5,000-meter run with a season-best of 16:05:06, breaking the school record in the high jump as the UCF women's track and field team opened its competition at the USF Invitational on Saturday.

Larsen shattered her previous record with a mark of 5:45.25 to win the high jump. She originally qualified for the NCAA Regionals with a record-setting jump of 5.7 on March 8 that still stands as a UCF stadium record.

Senior Kelly Bolek also qualified for the NCAA in the event during a previous meet, with a jump of 5.57.

On the track, senior Erica Guerra paced the Knights with a second-place finish in the 100-meter hurdles in 14.43 to break her season-best of 14.52. She also took third in the 200-meter dash at 24.78.

Junior Rachel Stahl clocked a season-best in the 800-meter dash, freshman Astrid Casselius was fourth in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 14.66, while sophomore Kim Wahpp took fifth in the 100-meter hurdles at 14.2.

Senior Dasheria Ruffin placed eighth in the 400-meter event at 56.54 and junior Emily Pugh placed ninth in the 400-meter hurdles at 1:56.16.

Elsewhere, freshman Michelle Olandise highlighted the meet by placing first in the 800-meter relay with an eighth-place finish in the discus with a season-best mark of 126.87.

Distance runners highlighted the list of UCF performers on the first day of competition at the USF Invitational on Friday.

Senior Sonja Shedden ran a season-best 11:12.07 to take third in the 5,000-meter run, while freshman Megan Crum shattered her season-best by more than 30 seconds with a time of 16:03.63 to finish seventh.

In the same event, sopho­more Jackie Magie and Jaylyn Bacon placed 12th and 13th, and Ashley Green was 18th, while also on the track, senior Erica Guerra ran a 12.12 to qualify for the 100-meter dash finals, and freshman Kim Wahpp advanced to the 100-meter hurdles with a season-best time of 14.80.

The hammer throw and javelin were also contested on Friday. Senior Elena Wilson was eighth in the hammer with a throw of 54.00. Freshman Thomas finished 10th with a mark of 147.40, and sophomore Liz Jovanovski finished 19th-90.

In the javelin, freshman Michelle Olandise ranked ninth with a throw of 96-11, while sophomore Susan Shearer was 14th with a mark of 86-10.

UCF returns to action when it hosts the 2003 Atlantic Sun Track and Field Championships at the UCF Track and Field Complex April 17-18.

Women's soccer signs Monique Ariels

UCF women's soccer coach Amanda Cronwall announced Thursday the signing of Monique Ariels to a national letter-of-intent to play for the Knights. Ariels, a local standout from Gateway High School in Kissimmee, finished the prep ranks as one of the top all-state sources in the nation.

Ariels set a Florida state record with 274 career goals, falling just 12 short of the national high school career mark of 286 goals.

Ariels was named by the Orlando Sentinel as the Orange County Player of the Year four times over her career. As a senior, Ariels collected career goals while also dishing out 14 assists.

Volleyball announces 2003 schedule

UCF head volleyball coach Mog Cordova announced Thursday the Knights' 2003 volleyball schedule.

The slate features matches versus four teams that participated in the 2002 NCAA Championships and the Atlantic Sun Championships return to the UCF Arena for the second consecutive season.

The Knights open the season Sept. 5-6 at the University of Delaware. UCF will play four games in two days in the tourna­ment.
End of an Era wins first annual IM Sports Day championship

Sigma and Sigma Chi both won the floor hockey event.

Teams were then seeded for the final event of the day, an outdoor soccer, single-elimination tournament. In the first game Braveheart beat Ciggaweed and advanced to play End of an Era. Sigma Chi beat Futballin to take on End of an Era in the championship game.

Always Winning won bowling

Always Winning moved up to their name in the Intramural Bowling tournament. They scored a combined 2,005 points with their four bowlers in three games. Coming in a close second was #1 Eight Dogs, only 13 points behind. Always Winning's Eric Good of #1 Eight Dogs blew the competition out of the water with his high game score of 263.

Rachel Bono of FCA was the top MASA women’s bowler with 156. She had to be tracked down on the outdoor soccer fields and was shocked to hear she had won.

The first annual International Sports Day was a success. Nine teams competed in seven sports events on March 29. Each team competed in free-on-free basketball, outdoor soccer, indoor soccer, volleyball, badminton, table tennis and floor hockey. Free-on-free basketball winners were Old School, End of an Era and Kappas Sigma. In outdoor soccer, End of an Era got warmed up for the championship round by defeating Braveheart. Futballin and MASA were also outdoor soccer winners.

Taking soccer indoors for the first time in Intramural Sports history, Ciggaweed, Sigma Chi and Braveheart all won their pools. The winners of volleyball were End of an Era, Sigma Chi and Futballin. Ciggaweed and Sigma Chi also took first place points in the badminton event.

In table tennis Futballin had two victories, the first against Ciggaweed and the second against CMMS. Kappa

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Underage drinking starts early, and ban encourages it

Kristin Davis
Staff Writer

It's early Friday evening and Gray Rohrer has a long night ahead of him. He plans on party hopping from one friend's home to the next with one ultimate goal: getting drunk.

"Drinking is a social thing for me," the freshman said. "Sometimes my friends and I will encourage each other to drink. If your friends are getting drunk, you want to be on the same level."

While binge drinking is a major problem on college campuses, bad drinking habits typically develop in the everyday lives of students much younger than 21.

A recent study by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University found that 36 percent of high school graduates began using alcohol in eighth grade or earlier. The study also reported that underage drinkers consumed $27 billion worth of alcohol in 1998—not one-fourth of all alcohol sold in the United States that year.

It doesn't seem to be in the best interest of alcohol companies to stop underage people from drinking," junior Adam Drugy, 22, said. "Maybe it's because I'm here [at a college campus], but there seems to be a lot of underage drinking and not a whole lot of objection."

Ironically, while most undergrads are underage during the majority of their years at UCF, the alcohol industry's advertisements target the college crowd. Clubs and bars constantly post flyers around campus and even cars promoting dollar-drink specials.

Don't be caught unaware

Most students don't know how to deal with the law

Kristin Davis
Staff Writer

Pulled over in traffic by a police officer? Suspected of underage drinking? What now?

According to attorney Mike Murphy, students need to become more informed about their rights in order to avoid getting themselves into trouble with the law.

He said that people often make a situation worse by providing unnecessary information when being questioned by the police.

While students should not demand their Miranda rights in front of a police officer, it's always good to know the restrictions placed upon law enforcement under the Fourth and Fifth Amendments of the U.S. Constitution when dealing with suspected criminal behavior.

"If the police are asking you to do something, then it means they probably can't do it without your permission," Murphy said. "Most students assume they will get into trouble if they tell the police 'no,' but that is not always the case."

Often students do not even know when their rights are being violated, particularly in the case of illegal searches and seizures. Few people are aware that police cannot enter a home or living quarters without a warrant, unless invited to do so.

However, there are exceptions. If the property owner has signed an agreement waiving the right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures, police may enter whenever they wish without asking for permission.

UCF Police may not search on-campus dorms and apartments without student consent unless they have reason to believe that a student is harboring drugs or participating in other illegal behavior.

Police also may enter a living quarters without permission to assist someone who is injured or hurt.

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My girlfriend has decided to stop using the "pill." At this time, she does not want to use any other contraceptive method. We have decided to use the "male" condom. I have used it in the past, but it broke. This would be a bad time for an unplanned pregnancy since we are both in graduate school. Do you have any advice?

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I mentioned that the condom broke when you last used it. Here are some suggestions.

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Alcohol Web sites skirt drinking law

CHRISTINE DELLERT
STAFF WRITER

Freshman Lorena Gay knows the crazy stunts students pull to get alcohol underage. After translating Spanish for two friends trying to buy malt liquor over the phone from a Mexican liquor store in Hilton Head, S.C., the 17-year-old has seen the desperation of the underage crowd.

For those who wish to forget the felony of using a fake ID or are tired of coaxing older friends to drive to the neighborhood convenience store to buy booze for them, the computer-literate generation of underage college students has turned to the Internet to solve its drinking dilemma.

With the exception of elegantly worded ads that promise fast delivery and ship alcohol over the Internet to online buyers, requiring only a credit card number and an address, on the information superhighway it is impossible to discern the true age of the buyer, who simply clicks: "I am old enough to legally purchase alcohol."

Sophomore Ethling Hernandez, 20, has seen advertisements for these sites while surfing the net. "I wanted to buy these Kahula-filled chocolates," she said. "All you had to do was click to say you were at least 21 to order them."

To some students, it's no surprise that the latest illegal ventures take place online.

"College kids know how to find things on the Internet more than anyone else," freshman Rory Curtis, 19, said. "We are the first generation of people who have become totally dependent on the Internet." Regardless of increased computer knowledge in the past decade, selling alcohol to 18-year-olds remains illegal.

Sophomore Dave Miller, 19, views the government's consent of these sites as a contradiction.

"If they are going to have a law to prevent people from drinking underage, I don't understand why they don't do anything about it," he said.

While some federal and state restrictions are placed on the sale of alcohol across state lines, liquor retailers fight to keep their products on the Internet to earn higher profits. By shipping their wine, beer or liquor directly to consumers, manufacturers do not have to pay state taxes on the products they sell.

Organizations such as Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the Liquor Control Commission are making efforts to ban the sale of alcohol over the Internet to minors. In 2000, five online alcohol retailers were charged with selling wine and liquor to underage buyers in the state of Michigan, where these charges carry a $1,000 fine and up to 60 days in jail.

The challenge of keeping underage drinkers away from Internet alcohol sales is a continuing national concern.

"The Internet is such a powerful tool today, and with great power comes great responsibility," Curtis said. "But I don't see how they will stop the sale of alcohol to kids without banning Internet alcohol sales altogether."

Resident assistant Angela Ethling, 22, has heard of any alcohol shipments to underage drinkers on campus. If underage students are caught drinking alcohol they bought online, it would be the same punishment as if they were drinking alcohol bought illegally in a store, the senior said.

"To freshmen Josslyn Stiner, 18, buying alcohol over the Internet is a ridiculous way around the law," Ethling said. "While it is wrong that state governments are allowing minors to get alcohol, she said, it's just as wrong for kids to take the time to find Web sites that will let them order it."

Stiner said: "Do underage people really need another way to get alcohol?"
Illegality adds appeal to drinking

"It’s not that I always plan to drink. Alcohol just usually seems to find me," Rohrer said. Underage students agree that drinking alcohol would not be an enticing if the law did not prohibit it.

"Some younger students drink just because it’s illegal," Rohrer said. "I think once many students turn 21, they won’t care about drinking as much as they used to.

Brooks Williams, coordinator of Responsible Education and Action for Campus Health, or REACH, disagrees. "Some students become addicted to drugs and alcohol in college," she said. "They say that they will end it after college and when they get a job, that they will get caught up in the lifestyle.

It’s difficult to find effective ways of communicating the dangers of binge drinking to college students, she said. The "just say no" tactic might be effective for younger children, but it just doesn’t seem to be working for high school and college students.

"We give students both sides of an argument," she said. "We're kind of saying just telling them to stay away from drugs," Williams said. "We let them make a responsible decision after they have all the facts.

Williams has observed that freshman and sophomores get into trouble with alcohol more often than upperclassmen. She says this is due to the fact that juniors and seniors have more academic and work responsibilities.

Senior Ferialina Casados, 22, is among those who began drinking more after she turned 21.

"I drink more now than I did when I was under 21," she said. "Generally, most people get into trouble with alcohol after they entered college. We’re subject to it legally for them to do so.

Williams said one thing that increases the underage drinking problem is the lack of alternative social activities for college students on the weekends.

She cited "Late Knights," the on-campus series of free events with food, music and entertainment as "one of the first big local programs that has given students a chance to have fun without having to drink," she said. "Most of the other places don’t have a place that go that don’t serve alcohol on the weekend are further away."

"If you go out and necessarily believe that clubs or bars promote drinking under age, she says that they often turn their heads rather than enter the local drinking age.

"Getting drinks for free is especially easy for girls," Casados said.

"Many clubs have ‘Ladies Nights,’ where girls not only get in free, but can drink without having to pay, either," she said. "This not only gets girls to come and drink at clubs, if makes guys more likely to go to the clubs to meet girls and to drink as well.

Rohrer said that most clubs and bars promote drinking just to make more money for their businesses — although he doesn’t fault them for the negative consequences that drinking may bring for underage students.

"You can’t just blame bad things that happen on the businesses that sell the alcohol," Rohrer said.

"Late Knights," which offers free food and music at the Student Union, has given students a chance to have fun without alcohol.

WHAT KNIGHT IS YOUR TREASURE?

- Senior
- Junior
- Sophomore
- Freshman

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Misbehavior always subject to Golden Rule

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ing numerous underage drinkers.

"If an officer can ask the owner or person in charge to shut down the party," Zelazno said. "If neither, the person in charge, if of age, can be arrested.

The university requires that on-campus house parties be registered through GAMMA (Graduate Advancing Maturest Management of Alcohol) and the UCF Police. Those not registered are considered illegal and subject to sanctions.

Patricia MacKown, director of the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities, said that student misbehavior is subject to the university’s Golden Rule regardless of where they live.

Any interaction with police officers, however, can be stressful for students.

"One should use caution when dealing with the police," Murphy said. "On the street, police may be able to do whatever they want. They might arrest you without any lawful reason. The question I deal with is whether or not the accusations will stick in court.

Murphy says that a police officer’s impression of a certain situation may deviate from what had actually occurred.

Some police officers will always try to ‘lay a legal situation somehow,’ he said. ‘There have been a number of situations on campus discussed where I have found police officers acting unethically.

Students have the right to resist unlawful arrests as long as they do it without resorting to violence."

If an officer stops a student while walking and begins to harass him, Murphy says the student has the right to ask if they are the subject of a criminal investigation; if not, they may politely walk away from the situation.

Some officers do use empty threats against students, but it is stressed through yearly update training on constitutional law that this type of behavior is not allowed, Murphy said. MacKown has heard allegations that officers feel they had been harassed or threatened by police. However, she cannot confirm whether these allegations were factual. If a student is mistreated by a police officer, MacKown recommends that students fill out an online complaint form to the police or seek legal advice.

"If a student has been harassed or unlawfully punished by a cop, they need to talk with the officer’s supervisor. If they still feel nothing has been done, then they need to fill out a complaint with the chief of police."

"Alcohol is still accessible to people under 21, especially at parties, but it’s a nice idea in theory, but it’s not very practical," she said. "Alcohol is still accessible to people under 21, especially at parties.

"If the law was set up to keep everyone who is under 21 from drinking alcohol, it’s obviously not working," Rohrer said.

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Real war inspires video-game war

MIKE ANTONUCCI
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Real war is inspiring video-game war.

That's what is happening among fans of the new "Command & Conquer Generals" military-strategy computer game, its publisher, Electronic Arts of Redwood City, Calif., has found that players around the world have rushed to modify the game to include a simulated U.S. campaign in Iraq.

The game, which already featured a confrontation between American forces and terrorists occupying Baghdad, includes programming tools that allow players to create additional graphics and missions and share them through the Internet.

Electronic Arts estimates that about 1,200 maps have been created in six weeks, as well as about 10 "mods" — game modifications such as more military missions. It took about six months for the previous game in the "Command & Conquer" series to generate that much map activity.

The ones that seem to be getting the most interest are based on the topography of Iraq and Baghdad," said Jeff Brown, the company spokesman. "Keep in mind, we don't have any more control over the content they create than the makers of crayons and paintbrushes have over the people who use them."

EA said sales data from the NPD research firm showed "Command & Conquer Generals" was the top-selling PC game of February and was continuing in first place during March. The game also has provoked controversy in China and Germany.

In China, the government reportedly banned the game — which was only available in pirated versions — because of resentment over a scene that showed the destruction of a location similar to Tiananmen Square.

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Avoiding roommate woes

DIANE LAZIC
STAFF WRITER

Sophomore Jessica Gurney has lived with roommates since her first semester at UCF last summer. Last year she lived on-campus and was paired with a roommate she got along with.

“This year it’s not working out as well,” Gurney said. She has agreed to let Housing and Residence Life match her with roommates for next year.

“They usually do a good job,” she said.

Many students, however, wish to choose their own roommates — either friends or strangers — because they do not trust random matching.

Advertising for a roommate

If you can’t find a friend and don’t want an assigned roommate by filling out a form, you can opt for the pre-technological route of putting up fliers around campus. Bulletin boards in the Student Union and the Communications Building are set aside for student advertisements.

The best lease for you

ALEX BARCOCK
STAFF WRITER

Picking out an apartment begins before you buy a newspaper or get on the Internet.

It starts with your friends. If you have enough friends, or enough prospective roommates, you can make a deal for yourself and everyone else by renting in bulk.

Apartments generally increase in value as the number of bedrooms increases. However, a four-bedroom apartment will cost less per person than financing your own two-bedroom apartment solo.

Make sure you will get along with your roommates because kicking someone out after you’ve signed a lease could be costly, as much as several hundred dollars.

If you think you might want to have a boyfriend or girlfriend live with you eventually,
Brandon Hardin
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

You’re prepared to sign a lease for a new apartment. You sit down at the table, put pen to paper, and then you realize — what about Cuddles, your adorable pet Rotweiler?

There are many factors to consider when leasing an apartment, such as furnishings, utilities and cost. However, if you want to keep a pet in your apartment, check out the lease agreement to see if animals are permitted in the complex.

And if you are allowed a pet, find out if the apartment complex requires any deposits and fees for housing your furry (or scaly, as the case may be) friend.

Also, be sure to check if the complex will allow your specific type of pet. Some apartments do not permit exotic pets, such as snakes, or more aggressive breeds of dog, like Doberman Pinschers or Rottweilers.

No pets allowed

Here is a brief list of some local complexes that DO NOT allow any animals besides fish: Boardwalk Apartments, College Station Apartments, Collegiate Village Inn, The Gatherings, Jefferson Commons, Jefferson Lofts, Northgate Lakes Apartments, Pegasus Pointe, Pegasus Landing, Riverwind Apartments, University House on Alafaya, Village of Alafaya Club and Village at Science Drive.

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- University Villas — Require pets to be 40 pounds or less, and a $100 deposit and a $200 pet fee.

If you plan to keep a pet regardless of your lease agreement, remember that complexes that do not permit animals generally have a system of punishment for those breaking the lease. Penalties range from a warning or fine to eviction.

Tivoli Apartments Manager Cindy Wills said pets that are not supposed to be in apartments are typically found through reports from other residents or spotted by maintenance employees.

“We deal with [pet problems] on an individual basis,” she said.

Sophomore Emily Mink, 19, knows that these are not merely idle threats. She was involved in a large ordeal with the maintenance department at Pegasus Landing after accidentally being fined over $100 for her neighbor’s dog.
Complexes perform a credit check on your finances

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ask the complex if they allow this. Those that do may charge you extra per month, and often require a sub-lease or co-habitation form.

Once you’ve decided upon your roommates, or placed your fate in the hands of a matching service, you need to pick your complex.

Features in individual apartment complexes vary. Most have recreation facilities with exercise rooms and a pool, which allow students to save themselves from a gym membership. Complexes such as Tivoli, on the north side of campus, even offer a clubhouse with a pool table and ping-pong table.

Apartments come with a breadth of features, depending upon the complex. Some are already furnished, or may have a dishwasher, laundry machine and microwave. Some have security alarms, whereas others rely on complex police patrols. The apartment can offer private bathrooms for all rooms or a communal facility.

Finding a lease can mean a monthly rent, which most apartments offer a “payment schedule”, used by Pegus Landing. The payment schedule basically fragments a lease with a couple hundred dollars — as insurance against any damage you may cause or any failure of yours to pay rent. Some apartments give this money back at the end of the lease and some don’t.

If your deposit is not refundable, this means it’s really a hidden cost in your lease. Divide the cost of this deposit over the price of the lease to get the real cost of your lease.

Some apartments charge for parking or services like expanded cable or long-distance telephone access. Make sure you understand these charges. A premium may also be charged for a top-floor apartment. Complexes, considered to be less noisier than lower floor rooms.

Also double-check the length of your lease. Some apartment complexes allow only yearly leases, whereas others may allow semester-long or even monthly agreements.

Pegus Landing, a UCF-affiliated complex, only signs leases from the start of a semester.

Once you’ve gotten your lease signed, check out the apartment before you move anything in. Be sure you make a list of any damage, excessive wear or problems you find in the apartment.

Some complexes require you to do this, but it’s always a good idea. Let the complex know what you find so you won’t be charged for it later.

Any damage you cause will come out of your deposit and may require additional charges. Know that some complexes expect you to patch even the pinholes before you move out.

Ask around. If you really want to know what life is in a complex will be like, the people living there already are your best source. Once you have the information and know your own needs, finding the right apartment should be much easier.

Comfort and peace of mind as rewards for your efforts.

Get it in writing

Situations work out best when both roommates feel they are guiding from the arrangement and both understand the ground rules for making it work, “getting ground rules and being honest are key to the successful roommate relationship,” junior Beth Wannholm, 22, said.

She attributes her successful roommate relationships to knowing exactly what she seeks in a roommate and then conveying those needs explicitly to prospective candidates.

“Laying down specific rules before a roommate moves in is a way to avoid future conflicts,” she said. For example, Wannholm does not mind if a roommate borrows her food, but the agreement is that it should be replaced by the next day.

“It’s important that the rules be the same for both of us and we both agree that they are fair.”

Owner of Illinois-based Reliable Roommates, Bill Alberts, says that a written roommate agreement is as crucial as an apartment lease.

He advises that all roommates write down their ground rules prior to moving in and sign the agreement as if it were a binding contract.
Getting a stylish décor for your dollar

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While cardboard-and-crate coffee tables define starting college-student-style, not everyone wants to decorate from a Dumpster.

With a little help from flea markets, thrift stores and roommates, you can easily furnish your new home on a budget.

The essentials

Unless you are moving into a house or condo, many college-affiliated apartment complexes come with basic furnishings.

Northgate Lakes Apartments in Oviedo provides residents full-size beds, dressers and desks in each bedroom, while the kitchen is equipped with a microwave, refrigerator, dishwasher and garbage disposal. The living area has a four-piece dining set, coffee table, table lamps and a loveseat.

On-campus housing also supplies students with beds, dressers and desks. Apartment-style residences have refrigerators and stove tops with ovens.

To cut down on the costs of other kitchen appliances and additional furniture for the living room, communicate with roommates before moving in. Have each person bring or purchase other necessary items, and compromise on a price limit for their expense.

If you need to buy your own kitchenware and bedding, check out local thrift stores such as Goodwill and the Salvation Army. The Community Thrift Store in Edgewood carriers couches, coffee tables and recliners for reasonable prices. Many items are older and cleaning or minor refinishing may be in order.

Garage sales are another good place to find used furniture, toasters and blenders at low prices. While the quality of items ranges in extremes, you usually can’t find a better bargain.

Check classified listings with the Orlando Sentinel for estate, garage and rummage sales, most of which run on the weekends as early as 7 a.m. Mornings are the best time to find the highest quality merchandise.

And don’t forget that no money in the world can replace mom and dad’s 1970s textured loveseat or vintage toaster oven. Many students opt to furnish the essential items of their new home with family hand-me-downs. You can’t beat free.

The fun stuff

Now that you’ve got all the necessities out of the way, let your imagination run wild. Since most students only lease apartments or live on-campus for short periods of time, serious remodeling is not an option. A new coat of paint, some posters and a few funky lamps, however, can transform any drab room into a home.

Jefferson Commons allows students to paint the walls, provided that they are repainted the original color when the lease runs up. UCF-affiliated apartment complexes Pegasus Pointe and Pegasus Landing, along with on-campus facilities, do not permit the color of the walls to be changed.

You can purchase new furniture for a good cause at the House of Hope Thrift Store on Orange Avenue, as all proceeds go to benefit the Orlando House of Hope, helping troubled young women.

A large selection of dishware and paintings can be found at Cheaps Charlie’s, downtown on East Colonial Drive, which carries many vintage and antique decorations.

One of Florida’s largest flea markets is located in Sanford, off Highway 17-92. Flea World’s vendors sell everything from ceramics to carpets. You could easily spend a whole day traipsing through the heart of Central Florida’s bargain hunters.

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If you want to invest in more expensive furnishings, visit the local furniture outlet stores. Often these stores contain last season’s models or slightly damaged pieces for a fair price.

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Breaking down the costs of living
A look at the monthly payment options for a house, apartment or dorm

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Between weighing the pros and cons of living in an apartment or dorm, the costs of living can often seem overwhelming to students. Some may even consider the option of enjoying the luxury of living in a house, without the downside of still residing with parents.

To make the process a little easier, here is a look at the estimated monthly living costs for a house, apartment or campus dorm.

Campus dorms for the Fall 2003 and Spring 2004 semester are currently running around $2,000 per semester. A double room in the Apollo community, dorms located in the Lake, Ocoee, Folk and Volusia Halls, are $1,850, which averages out to about $600 a month. Libra Community double rooms, those located in Citrus, Flagler, Sumter Halls, cost $2,100 for a semester or about $600 a month.

It is important to remember that these flat housing rates include all utilities: water, electricity, cable, phone lines and Internet. Dorm rooms are also fully furnished and are cleaned once a week by UCF’s custodial staff.

The freedom found in an apartment soon may not be its only alluring factor. With the costs of on-campus housing on the rise, apartments in close proximity to UCF are targeted towards college students and have proved to be nearly equally priced.

Student apartments, depending on the number of bedrooms, can range anywhere from as low as $350, found at The Gatherings, to $700 a month. Many apartments close to UCF, including Boardwalk Apartments, Jefferson Commons and Pegasus Landing, all have starting rates at about $400 per month.

Complexes such as Boardwalk Apartments, Jefferson Commons and The Gatherings include all utilities except phone in their monthly rent fees. Pegasus Landing Northgate Lakes Apartments and the Village of Alauda Club include phone with the other utilities and services in their monthly fees.

Luxury apartments, such as Britannia at Waterford Lakes and The Fountains at Waterford Lakes, begin around $600 a month for a one-bedroom to a little over $1,000 a month for a three-bedroom apartment. Most include washer, dryer, pest control and garbage pickup, but no utilities.

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Students often buy a futon, as their first bed, instead of paying for a pricey mattress and frame. Futon Etc. Factory Outlet has two locations in close proximity to UCF, located in the Waterford Lakes Shopping Area and on East Colonial Drive.

Beware of rent-to-own furniture stores that boast delayed payments until next year. These companies typically charge high-interest in the months before payments, and furniture bought this way often ends up costing two to three times more than the original price.

Factory outlets offer an inexpensive alternative to big furniture spending.

Most luxury apartments do not include utilities in rent.

Most luxury apartments do not include utilities in rent. Waterford East Apartments have one-bedroom apartments for $554 a month and three-bedroom apartments at $757 a month, without utilities.

If students decide to forgo the dorm and apartment, there is the option of living in a house.

The mortgage for a home, which generally includes the principal, interest, property taxes and home owner’s insurance, can cost anywhere from $1000 to $1600, depending upon the size and location of the home.

Utilities for a four-bedroom house cost around $50 to $80 a month for electricity, $20 to $80 a month for water, $30 to $50 for phone and possibly $40 a month for gas. Depending upon the number of people living in the house, rent and utilities payments can be split to lower the costs.

Examining the various monthly costs of living demonstrates that the best price may not be the cheapest price but the one that allows you to live most comfortably.

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Food for thought
Where you live will affect how you eat

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STAFF WRITER

During Sonide Simon’s first year at UCF she frequented the Marketplace in the Student Resource Center at least three times a week. She opted to forgo buying the meal plan because she wanted the freedom to learn how to cook without feeling guilty about not using pre-paid meals everyday. In her second semester Simon, 19, says she has learned, more or less, to cook—with the help and combined effort of her roommates.

“One time we made a big taco dinner with rice and everything,” the freshman said. When deciding where to live, students need to take into consideration their access to a kitchen. While dorm residents must use the campus-provided meal plan, those living in off-campus apartments and off-campus student living complexes have the option of learning how to cook.

With a semester of learning experience, Simon only goes to the Marketplace a couple times a month. In the meantime, she prepares everything from chicken and spaghetti to baked microwave pizza and macaroni and cheese. Living with three other students, Simon has learned to try new foods unique to each person’s upbringing.

She recommends that incoming freshmen with little cooking experience choose a meal plan system.

“The food is really good,” she said. “And if you don’t go shopping it’s a good deal.”

For those with little culinary expertise besides scrambling eggs and preparing high-rise subs, UCF offers an excellent alternative.

At the Marketplace in the Student Resource Center, meals are served buffet-style, which means all-you-can-eat! The standard fare includes hamburgers, French fries and pizza, but also caters to students looking to add spice to their plate. From steak and shrimp for the carnivores to pasta and vegetable soup for the vegetarians, the Marketplace stays open all day for students jetting from one class to another.

Students with no transportation make great candidates for on-campus meal plans especially if you are one for 10-20 bags per person, the meal plans offer a large variety to choose from.

Compared to grocery buying, fast-food eating and restaurant frequenting, the prices of on-campus meal plans beat all of the above. UCF dining services offers a plan with 23 meals per week for about $1,300 per semester. This means three meals a day: breakfast, lunch and dinner, guaranteed.

However, if you are a light eater like Eunice Lightburn, the meal plan may not be your best option. She used the meal plan her freshman year at UCF and discovered that she preferred to cook her own food.

“It’s a lot cheaper to buy your own food, I didn’t use all the meals on the school meal plan I paid for and they won’t roll over, so whatever I didn’t eat, I lost.”

Lightburn admits that food in the Marketplace was enjoyable and often offered dishes from an international flair.

When cooking for herself, she likes to prepare typical Hispanic meals with beans and rice.

“I cook stuff that I would usually eat at home,” she said. Lightburn recommends that those who are just leaving the comforts of home should opt for the university’s meal plan.

“It’s easier at first when you’re getting accustomed to everything,” she said.

Lynn Knights works at the new Neighborhood Market Wal-Mart on Alafaya Trail and notices that college students typically buy food that can be prepared in less than 10 minutes.

“We always run out of frozen foods,” Knights said. She adds that, surprisingly, students tend to buy a lot of health food.

“Fruits and vegetables go pretty quick,” she said.

The most infamous choice for filling the belly but not draining the wallet remains Ramen noodles.

“We sell anywhere between 10-20 bags per person,” Knights said. “And this is generally every third person [will check out].”

She adds that college students buy few uncooked chicken, but the store cannot keep enough cooked rotisserie chicken on the shelves.

Once students leave their parents’ house, there are a number of choices for eating. Whether it’s the on-campus meal plan, the closest Darden restaurant or the local grocery, it is evident that students won’t go hungry.

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Where's the best place to party or study?

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There are many issues for college students to consider when deciding which apartment complex to live in. Obviously, location, size and price all come to mind, but students also must consider an apartment complex's social reputation.

Complexes around UCF have differing restrictions on partying and late night socializing. Most have become lenient because of the college atmosphere, but they still have nighttime security enforced in case of any major problems.

Student-style apartments around UCF are more likely to be lax in their party policies while apartment complexes not geared toward students often have much stricter guidelines, expectations and rules enforced.

"It's a happy medium," freshman Amy Makia, 18, said of UCF-affiliated Pegasus Point. "There are times when there's loud music, but it's not a big deal. If you want a party you can always find it."

Sophomore Tiffany Donnart, 19, has lived in UCF-affiliated Pegasus Landing for two years. "This apartment complex is not too party-oriented in most sections because there are so many police patrolling the areas," she said. "We also have resident assistants who check on us and reduce the problem of noise."

Senior Kyle Jacobs has lived at the Village at Science Drive for three years. "There are parties, but most of the time the other residents are considerate of your neighbors,'" Jacobs, 22, added that residents will usually check with other tenants in the building before throwing loud gatherings. Some complexes have become known for their party atmosphere.

Senior Annette Warnke, 21, said the Village of Aliyana Club is always active. "There is always a party and the weekends are like block parties," she said.

Junior Jason Valentine said that living in Jefferson Commons was not quite what he expected. "Almost every night of the week there is a party."

There are also several luxury-style apartment complexes that surround UCF. While these are not aimed at college students, many still choose to live in them. These apartments often come unfurnished, higher-priced and are a bit more upscale than traditional student living.

Luxury-style apartment complexes are not exempt from their share of problems, but differ from those of student-style apartments.

Junior Susana Montenegro, 20, lived in Chatham Landings for a year. "It was completely boring," she said. "Too many families and old people live there. They would even complain about our dog in the middle of the afternoon."

Junior James Nunez lives in Elmhurst Village Luxury Apartments. Nunez, 20, said that his apartment is a pretty mild, easygoing living facility aside from the old people that fail to clean up and attend to their dogs.

"Instead of wild parties keeping me up all night it is my upstairs neighbor's dog running around the house like a grayhound," he said. "My roommates and I actually place bets on him."

While luxury-style apartments are typically more expensive, students can often find a peaceful environment to come home to.

Montenegro now lives in Arden Villas. "It's quiet enough to study when you want in," she said, "but you can also have parties with no worries about complaints. It's a good balance."

Junior Jamie Phipps has lived in Brittany at Waterford Lakes for a year. Phipps, 20, described the complex as quiet, family-oriented with nice-sized rooms, walk-in closets and beautiful kitchens. "Better than any college apartment complex," she said.

On-campus apartment living is also another option that students may consider.

Sophomore Alexis Graham, 20, will be renewing her lease for UCF's Academic Village next year. Graham says that she enjoys the quietness that Academic Village provides. "I'm not really into the party scene," she said.

"Also, there is always someone to call when there is a problem," Graham said. "When there was a problem with loud music it was resolved quickly which made it not happen at an off-campus apartment," she said.

Graham also likes not having to worry about traffic or a lack of parking on campus.
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