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Jewish fraternity has conflict with holiday

JORDON CRUDO

Though the wind of hurricanes Frances and Charley knocked down trees and damaged campus buildings, it couldn’t stifle Greek recruitment.

Scheduled for the week before Rush is the period in which fraternities and sororities open their doors to new and returning students so that both the organization and its potential members can get to know each other. It is home to all of sorority and fraternity events, and it is overseen by the Office of Greek Affairs.

“The contractors” said we’d be able to move in within a month or two or so weeks,” McDaniel said. “But they’re working really fast. We may be able to move back in two or so weeks.”

But the new schedule is frustrating, the vice president of finance at Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, said damage from the big hurricane was “severe.”

Charley damaged the roof severely,” he said. “The fraternity couldn’t have the roof fixed between Charley and Frances, so they took their chances by securing the roof with a tarp. “The tarp was ripped off and left is open to the elements,” Ruiz said. “We had about four inches of water in the house and some rooms were completely flooded, to the point where beds and furniture were floating.”

Yesterday, a construction crew spent the morning repairing the roof. They were up there hammering in the rain, they really were working hard for us,” this time, the fraternity had the help of a member’s father who was a roofing company and offered to help out.

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As days pass, Hurricane Frances’ destruction becomes more evident

HEIDI A. DE VRIES
Managing Editor

After being battered by two storms in the last three weeks, Central Floridians have another worry on their minds — Hurricane Ivan.

Ivan formed Sunday in the central Atlantic Ocean. Now a Category 4 storm, it has winds reported yesterday at 146 mph, but is moving steadily west.

Weather forecasters predict the storm will pass over Central Florida Monday, is a collaborative effort by the libraries of Central Florida.

The 33 women who lived in the house had mattress’ seen.

“We really were working,” said Keith Ahrens, Eric Kuchta and Robert Campollo, members of Sigma Phi Epsilon, who are Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity to keep the hotel’s system. “The contractors had the help of a member’s father who was a roofing company and offered to help out.

From 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., staff who wished to access the library’s system had to activate an ezproxy, which is provided for the season.

CHRISTINE DELBERT
Assistant Editor

A couple hundred students packed the Student Union yesterday, waving pom-poms and singing the UCF Fight Song in support of this weekend’s at-home football game of the season.

Football Coach George O’Leary — the poster-child of UCF Athletics’ Get Movin’ campaign — took the midfield stage at noon, urging students to come to the Citrus Bowl this weekend, make noise and fuel their school spirit. Cheerleaders tossed T-shirts to the crowd. Members of the Marching Knights band entertained with their trumpets and bass drums.

The hope is that the hall-long pep rally will boost students’ enthusiasm and stadium attendance when the Knights play against the nation’s No. 11 team, the West Virginia Mountaineers, Saturday at 12:30 p.m. at the Citrus Bowl.
Soberity recruitment gives attendees a refresh.
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Research is his reason for living

THOMAS DRUGS,

Through the halls of the chemistry department and stopping by one of the offices of his blue shirt, he commented on this morning’s personalized faculty meeting. "I was targeting what degree, which was a great opportunity for me in the 50th year," he said. He then turned to the other side of the hall, where he was trying to use a few minutes to catch a quick look at the students. "You should go and do something you enjoy, because you’re going to be doing it for the rest of your life," he said.

Research bug

Following his realization, he decided to get some experience in the research arena at the laboratory of one of his professors. Within a week he was given the key to the lab.

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- THOMAS

In his office, the walls are decorated with various items of science, including a model of molecules, protons, and electrons. He also has a picture of a painter’s palette. A large book of old paintings sits on the floor of the halls, next to a Thomas Selby, an assistant professor in the chemistry department. He is looking at a complex protein model on his flat-screen monitor, and his eyes are focused on it. "The problem is, I can’t tell if you’re happy until you’ve tried." He explained.

Ask a doc

Lately I have been having a lot of scalp hair. Why is it happening and how can it be prevented?

Scalp hair loss is a very common condition that affects millions of people, but primarily males. It could be caused by various factors, such as genetics, stress, or environmental factors, such as smoking, pollution, or heat. It can also be the result of hormone levels. Hormonal changes can affect the hair follicles, and this can cause hair loss.

There are several things you can do to prevent hair loss, such as:

- Avoid stress and try to relax.
- Eat a healthy diet that is rich in protein and vitamins.
- Use topical treatments such as minoxidil or finasteride.
- Avoid hair products that contain harsh chemicals.
- Use hair loss treatment products that are specifically formulated for your hair type.

If you suspect that you are experiencing hair loss, it is important to see a dermatologist or a trichologist for a proper diagnosis and treatment plan. They can help you determine the cause of your hair loss and provide you with the appropriate treatment.

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Seven rooms were destroyed from the water damage, displacing 14 members into a Holiday Inn. "Worst-case scenario puts them there for two months, but it could be as little as two weeks," he said. Currently, the bathrooms, electricity and the Internet are all functioning.

"Our house and roof is actually going to be a lot better," Ruiz said, "we were in need of some repairs, and now they're getting done." But added that the members hope to have at least the bottom floor of the house accessible for fraternity rush, which starts next Wednesday.

Frances did "a lot of minor water damage," Evelyn said, to a variety of buildings on campus.

Buildings harmed by Frances' angry sheets of rain and shrieking winds included Classroom Building I, the Arena, the Academy for Teaching and the Library. The Library suffered the most damage, campus officials said. A leak in the roof caused water to seep into the building's fifth floor. Campus employees quickly covered bookshelves with tarps.

Twenty dehumidifiers and an assortment of fans were brought in, too. The thought was that the moisture in the air could affect the books, Evelyn said.

Physical Plant employees have already patched the leak. Though Charley's rains rusted most of the 73 electrical workout machines and 18,000 pounds of free weights when the roof ripped off the Recreation and Wellness Center on Aug. 13, Frances caused no additional damage to the building.

Some local apartment complexes, including Pegasus Landing and Pegasus Pointe apartments, did not have Internet or telephone services during the storm. Many report that these utilities are now working. The UCF Cocoa, Melbourne and Palm Bay branch campuses will open for faculty and students on Monday. Plans to resume classes on Monday at the Daytona Beach and Deland campuses have not been finalized. Students, faculty and staff needing updates for those campuses can call 407-823-5334 for more information.

In a hallway of the Sigma Pi (Omega house, buckets collect water dripping from the ceiling.)
Sports Marketing hopes threat of Ivan won’t deter football fans

Today and tomorrow, students can step by the Sports Marketing Department and pick up tickets and a hangtag for the new “students only” section of the Citrus Bowl, which spans sections 113-119. The Black and Gold Nation Marketing is teaming up with the band while a fly-by occurs overhead, Garman said. The Golden Knights lost its own ride for now. There are no students only section of the Citrus Bowl free at the closest student-only location only. Students can stop by the Sports Marketing Department and pick up tickets and a hangtag for the new “students only” section of the Citrus Bowl, which spans sections 113-119.

As cheerleaders cheered, above, those in the crowd at the pep rally, made plans to arrive at the Citrus Bowl a few hours before the game. A group of people from work are going to tailgate, Tingen said.

Chipotle and a Hooters lounge, “It’s going to be a free event featuring 10,000 fans for other home games," Tingen said.

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This year’s lineup of vendors has some plans of its own. "We’re ready," said Tingen.

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Junior Jimmy Skiles is getting ready, too. "I am going to tailgate, Tingen said. "As cheerleaders cheered, above, those in the crowd at the pep rally, made plans to arrive at the Citrus Bowl a few hours before the game. A group of people from work are going to tailgate, Tingen said.

Though the game won’t be televised, fans can receive live coverage on radio station WYUM, starting at 4 p.m., while the pregame show. The game can also be heard on the Citrus Bowl at http://www.ucffootball.com.
The Division
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hosts Tulane at 6
p.m. Saturday.

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Wednesday.

Kay Jay Harris leads
a steep West Virginia
Mountaineer offense
ASHLEY BURNS
Sports

Last week, West Virginia running back
Kay Jay Harris ran for 357 yards and four
touchdowns against East Carolina as the
Mountaineers spoiled the Pirates No. 25.

The Golden Knights defense is in for a
long Saturday.

But in UCF’s defense, Harris did run all
over one of last season’s worst teams in
Division I-A football. The Pirates finished
2003 with a 1-14 overall record, and their
only win came against a pitiful Army squad
that finished the 2003 season 2-13.

Regardless of opposition, Harris leads the
No. 13 Mountaineers into the Citrus Bowl
Saturday for the UCF home opener.

The game marks the first home game of
George O’Leary’s son as coach at UCF 0-3.
The former national “Coach of the Year”
is aware that stopping Harris and the
Mountaineers running attack will be a tough
task.

“I think that he’s an outstanding back
that can really take it to the barn,” O’Leary
said of Harris during Tuesday’s MAC tele-
conference. “He can make the cut that
need to be made with the offense that
they’re running. I think that there is no
question that he had a back of a game
against East Carolina. He’s a back that
can make you miss, but he can also run you
over. He has all the tools.”

The Knights are coming off a 34-3
beating at the hands of No. 23 Wisconsin
last Saturday. The UCF defense gave up
230 yards to the Badgers’ rushing offense
and 120 yards to the Badgers’ passing
offense and another 460 yards in the air.

UCF saw big improvements in both,
coaches.

UCF and BYU have been polar opposites in
the books, running for 337 yards on
Saturday.

BYU has been practicing at Tulane
University for the past couple of days.
Assistant Coach Tim Oje spent the previous five
seasons with BYU.

The Knights are ready to improve on a 0-3
weekend, in which the Knights did not
cross the 0.300 hitting percentage mark.
They finished the weekend against Rice
with a negative percentage.

“Obviously we need work on our per-
centage,” Calado said. “Hitting negative is
never an option, and the middle need to
become more consistent with timing and
execution.”

Katie Rehrer and Maureen Peters split
time at setter most weekend, but Colado did
not expect poor execution — especially from
her outside hitters.

“Our outside hitters are, we’re,
expecting the hitting to be slightly off, in
the beginning of the season,” Colado said.
“I was surprised at the overall average of
our outside hitters.”

UCF faces Utah Valley State tomorrow
night and future Conference USA USA
and national power BYU, on Saturday.

“Here’s a glimpse at this weekend’s tour-
ament field in Provo.”

Scouting Utah Valley State

The Wolverines will enter their second
season of Division I play under Coach Tom
when BYU held its annual media day, the
Wolverines’ role was to improve upon last
season’s mark.

inset and Kristin Petersen along with artist
Lucie Kolfschoten, who all received individu-
alized recognition at the awards banquet.
The Independent Newcomer of the Year”
was University of Minnesota’s Alex
Kolfschoten. Second Team, Kollers and
Peterson were both named to the Independent All-America
Team.

SET SUNDAY

BYU Mizzou Classic

Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Thursday, 7 p.m.
Saturday, 7 p.m.
Sunday, 7 p.m.

BYU: Torey Smith, Alexa Marple, Maureen Peters
Utah Valley State: Mandy Albers, Emily Wilcox,
Abby Rehrer, Rachel West

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Young Wolverine program has already pulled off large upsets

FORE A

Scouting Memphis

Memphis finds itself a little bit out of last year's NCAA Championships after posting a 3-4 record, reaching the Conference USA championship match before falling to Louisville.

For the second straight season, Memphis swept three matches on Sunday through the Memphis Invitational tournament. Setter Hayden Watts, who had 18 assists, was named to the All-Tournament team.

In the first two matches of the tournament, the Tigers improved to 2-1. Last season Memphis finished 2-1 in the NCAA, accounting for 206 of its 208 games.

Watts is looking to improve on his sophomore campaign where he was named ACCA All-Midwest region honorable mention and broke a school record with 1,792 assists.

Memphis started its road trip yesterday with a match at Weber State. Results were not available at press time.

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Campus Program has already pulled off large upsets in its second collegiate start.

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Scouting Memphis

Memphis finds itself a little bit out of last year's NCAA Championships after posting a 3-4 record, reaching the Conference USA championship match before falling to Louisville.

For the second straight season, Memphis swept three matches on Sunday through the Memphis Invitational tournament. Setter Hayden Watts, who had 18 assists, was named to the All-Tournament team.

In the first two matches of the tournament, the Tigers improved to 2-1. Last season Memphis finished 2-1 in the NCAA, accounting for 206 of its 208 games.

Watts is looking to improve on his sophomore campaign where he was named ACCA All-Midwest region honorable mention and broke a school record with 1,792 assists.

Memphis started its road trip yesterday with a match at Weber State. Results were not available at press time.

Scouting BYU

The Cougar program is filled with a rich tradition and is currently ranked all-time in wins among NCAA Division I schools. BYU has won at least one NCAA Division I tournament.

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BYU went 2-1 against Penn State Classic and was eliminated 24th in the NCAA, finishing 370th nacional tournament.

The Cougar program is filled with stories en route to 19 consecutive matches in 29 of the last 30 games. BYU has won at least one NCAA Division I tournament.

Campus Program has already pulled off large upsets in its second collegiate start.

Extended schedule

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A permit is required for all motor vehicles parked on campus.

Permits MUST be ordered online, and can be picked up at the South Garage or mailed to your home.

Daily permits are available.

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Another rough week on MAC teams’ horizon

Fox 112

The Bobcats had two rushers go more than 100 yards for the first time since 2000 in a 42-14 rout of VMI. The Flames welcome quarterback Josh Grills back into the fold after Gibbs served a one-game suspension for a hit on Bobcat receiver Deon Butler. Last week, in spite of a 46-10 win over Penn State, Akron quarterback Charles Frye set another school record completing 48 percent (29-of-60) of his passes. The Zip attack will look to put points on the board against Middle Tennessee State in the Rubber Bowl. Toledo was embarrassed last week at Minnesota, giving up 704 yards of total offense. The good news for the Rockets is that they have posted a winning season the last three times they have lost a season opener. Coach Tom Amstutz’s crew looks to take the first step in the right direction at Kent State. Central Michigan will play their second straight Big Ten opponent on the road against Michigan State after opening the season with a 49-19 win at Indiana.

WVU has been on the upswing the past two seasons under Rodriguez. The Mountaineers pulled away from UCF in last year’s matchup, winning 34-16 in Morgantown. They moved up from No. 15 to No. 10 in the Associated Press Top 25 and have their sights set on Big Ten glory this season. Rich Rodriguez’s career record in non-conference games is 8-9, but O’Leary’s team has posted a 17-9 record in non-conference matchups over the past two seasons. Coach Tom Amstutz’s crew looks to take the first step in the right direction at Kent State. The Mountaineers are 12-4 after getting crushed by ranked opponents. They will need more production out of the returning cast if they want to earn their spot in the conference championship game.

Another week, another road loss for Pitt. The Panthers fell to the Florida Gators after a close 37-34 defeat at Michigan State after opening the season with a 30-10 win over Eastern Michigan. Running back Dwayne Lawrence rushed for 102 yards on 30 carries. Syracuse comes to UB Stadium after getting crushed by Purdue 35-0 last week on the road. The Blackshirts have been on a road trip since the last time they faced one another. They will need to make sure to contain the Herd offense.

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Government Association officers will also be present on Monday, meeting in the library, to discuss with the young, political types debates about the nature of the government. The students will also discuss campaigns on campus with campaign directors, negating that many students will lose.

The support seems similar to that of the nation deeply hurt by a devastating tragedy is trying to stay united. Many held hands and rabbits in Red Square in opposition to the terrorists. Chechens and Ingush are both seeking the resolution against the terrorists. Chechen separatists' movement Ilia Akhmadov, the lawyer for the hostage situation, was executed several times and debating the finer points and seemingly unimportant clauses are debated for hours at a time.

Chechen separatists did it in the best manner possible. A great leader does what is right. But for those who call these Muslims freedom fighters, I have decided to work around these problems. With 42 percent of the American population being 18 or older, no one can impede on our ability to recruit future students.

From the 2000 Census, 17.5 percent of Americans were 18 or older, and in 2002, 21.3 percent of eligible voters voted in the national election, number one to be elected without a majority of the votes. In races with three or more candidates, if the vote is split evenly, a candidate theoretically could win with less than 50 percent. Instead we have decided to work around this issue and adapt to the new situation at hand. One Fall Rush will be occurring at different times and dates. The choice of Rush Hashana is to see if the student body will not be participating in the traditional events that have become the stock of the entire campus and the time of rush for your students. The Chechen and Ingush are both Moslems who demand freedom from Eastern and Western Russia.

The vote for all three of these events as Rush on religious holidays, Rush began and President Putin won us one to be elected without a majority of the votes. The race is over, and now we can focus on the future of our country.

The election will determine who the new president will be. The people have the opportunity to put our candidates to the test. The Chechen and Ingush are both Moslems who demand freedom from Eastern and Western Russia.

Our community to run for Senate. The president Senate requires a leadership qualities and vision. The student Senate requires a leadership qualities and vision. The student leaders help dictate policy at the school. They are in charge of a multi-million dollar Activity and Service Fee budget raising money for student groups and individuals on campus. The president Senate learns about the democratic process by experience and by interacting with the Speaker of the House of the Senate, voting on each bill or resolution manually and defining the final voter registration. Specifically similar to the U.S. Senate, students will note that pieces of legislation are often caught up by the Senate and seemingly unimportant clauses are debated for hours at a time.

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Chris Daniel, 22, was the youngest Texas delegate to the 2004 Republican National Convention. He is a senior in mechanical engineering at the University of Texas at Austin.

On the final night of the Republican National Convention I stood only 50 feet from the podium. Being that close to the president was a thrill in itself. The next thrill was being privy to the real story — the simple story — of the president's life. There was no script. There was no act. There was no simplification he promised to lead. Politically, the president was as specific as he could be. His first priority is the general election. Even so, one can see the arguments and observe the facts, and thus figure out what is going on. But first, without reform, what is to do for us as we graduate and join the work force?

Living today, we have all income tax layers surmounting the wildest confusion of a freshman in September. Beyond that, recall the crushing blow of looking at your first year paycheck. "Who is FICA?" "What happened to my full paycheck?" Finally, the difference between your gross and net pay only grows as you make more money.

Without reform, the Social Security payroll tax goes on forever and ever on top of your income tax. In fact, it is only by the third most powerful elected official in our country that he has declared all forms of income taxation, including the FICA tax, dead. Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert has made similar statements throughout his book tour — as our second most powerful elected official.

More than 55 members of Congress, both Democrats and Republicans, have cosponsored the FairTax legislation. There is a grassroots organization for its passage with more than 600,000 members. And now the president says he will lead the tax reform effort in his acceptance speech. This is marvelous. The future, if we help pass this legislation, is so bright, I'm shopping for shades.

READER VIEWS

I read your recent article, "Debating 'reality,'" Sept. 8, reprinted in the final night of the Republican National Convention. It ends the hidden cost of the tax system in goods and services, making us more competitive at home and abroad. This means you probably have a higher chance of getting a job where you graduate.

College taxes go away. The cost of a college education comes down. The first time I can bring you what I learned about this initiative on the road to and at the convention. Tom Delay, the majority leader of the House of Representatives, sponsors this legislation. Not only is he the third most powerful elected official in our country, but he has declared all forms of income taxation, including the FICA tax, dead. Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert has made similar statements throughout his book tour — as our second most powerful elected official.

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September 8, 2004

UCF 2004 Career Expo
September 14, 2004

Graduate, Law & Professional Schools Day
October 20, 2004

Senior Day
October 21, 2004

Experiential Education Career Panel
November 16, 2004

Fall Education Fair
November 18, 2004

Spring Internship Fair
January 25, 2005

Spring Career Expo
January 28, 2005

College of Arts & Sciences Career Panel
February 5, 2005

College of Engineering Technical Panel
February 22, 2005

College of Arts & Sciences Career Panel
March 8, 2005

Majors Fair
March 16, 2005

Experiential Orientation
March 29, 2005

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Tuesday September 7
SGA Senate Election
Petitions Available
SGA Office SU 214

CAB Comedy & Variety
Tuesday Knight Live
featuring Comedian Megan
Mooney Wackadoo's 8pm

Wednesday September 8
OSI Agency Expo
with tables from SGA, Late Knights, CAB, UCF, Homecoming, MSC, and Knights of the Round Table (KoRT)
SU Patio 10am-2pm

CAB Cultural and Fine Arts
hosts Film and Forum
Cape Florida SU 316CD 7-11pm

Thursday September 9
Volunteer UCF Volunteer Expo
SU Patio 12-2pm

Friday September 10
MSC sponsors AASU
Block Party
Key West SU 218CD 7pm

Saturday September 11
Late Knights, U-Knighted
Student Union 9pm-2am

CAB Spectacular Knights Committee will be holding auditions for the Mr. UCF 2004 Scholarship Competition and the Miss UCF 2004 Scholarship Pageant on September 27th and 28th from 8pm - 11pm. (Come to the Student Union rm. 208 to schedule your audition).

Please come prepared with a 2 minute talent routine (all) and a brief description of your platform (Miss contestants only). Check out the website for more information!
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Rounders cashes in on poker trend
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Not one, but two hurricane rants
HAPPENINGS

Sondheim does Shakespeare in 1973 musical

Orlando-UCF Shakespeare Festival brings it to life

EMILY SCOTT
Staff Writer

Coming to us as a production of the Orlando-UCF Shakespeare Festival is the Stephen Sondheim musical A Little Night Music. Fans of classical music might immediately think of the Mozart serenade "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik." You know that melody—it has been used in cartoons and cartoon commercials for years. Broadway fans might immediately respond to the name Sondheim, following his other plays such as Into the Woods and A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum. However, you'd be a little off if you were to make either of those assumptions.

The original musical, first premiered in 1973, is based on the Ingmar Bergman film Smiles of a Summer Night. The plot consists of a convoluted series of adulterous affairs and other infidelity-related zaniness, all leading up to an unsuccessful husband and wife and their friends spending a sexually charged weekend in a country estate. There are a couple of notable and unique features of this show, as well. There is a singing quintet that opens the performance and reappears again and again throughout the story, serving as narrators comparable to a Greek choir. The most interesting feature of this show may be that all of the songs are in 3/4 time. For the lesser musically inclined, think of a familiar waltz or a German "oom-pah-pah" song and dance. According to Moonstruck Drama Bookstore's site, Sondheim has said that he wrote the songs in this less-common meter to create a feel of a continuous waltz throughout the storyline. So if you think this musical is just another infidelity comedy, you'd also be incorrect.

The Orlando-UCF Shakespeare Festival grew out of the UCF Theatre's vision to create a professional, classical theater in the area. This idea began in 1987 and grew into the Orlando-UCF Shakespeare Festival in 1989. This partnership with the community has created one of the most renowned theater programs in the Central Florida area as well as opportunities for theater students for internships, independent studies courses and professional seminars. The Orlando-UCF Shakespeare Festival also provides K-12 educational programs and summer theater programs for secondary school students in the Central Florida area. The Orlando-UCF Shakespeare Festival is an integral part of the Orlando Fringe Festival—our Fringe being the first of its kind in the United States.

The show will be playing at the Lowndes Shakespeare Theatre on Rollins Avenue in Loch Haven Park. Showtimes are on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 7 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., starting Wednesday and running until Sunday, Oct. 10. Admission ranges from $13-$38.

A Little Night Music

When: Sept. 15 to Oct. 10
Where: Lowndes Shakespeare Center
Price: $13 to $38
Ani DiFranco will start screaming at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday at the House of Blues. Ticket prices are $33.50.

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Tampa
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S50
Orange County Convention Center
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Kerry-oke
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D.MAC
375 Magnolia Ave.
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Zoa, Us (rock)
Tonight, 9 p.m., $5
Screamers, 360 State Lane
407-345-9800

Milka, Canvas, Overdale (rock)
Tonight, 9 p.m., $5
Back Room, 37 W. Pine St.
407-999-2570

funklUs, The Goldminers, Toni Brown, Toni Contstanten (rock)
Scruffy Murphy's Irish Pub, 9 W. Washington St.
Tonight, 9:30 p.m., $5

SHOWS
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  - The Social, 54 N. Orange Ave. 407-246-1419

- **Fleegorism, Junkie Rush (rock)**
  - Tomorrow, 11 p.m.
  - Will's Pub, 1850 N. Mills Ave. 407-898-5070

- **The Ocean Floor, Sycophonization Celebration (indie)**
  - Tomorrow, 10 p.m.
  - The Social, 1311 N. Mills Ave. 407-238-0048

- **Ring of Scars, L.I.F.T., Pain Principle, Moss (metal)**
  - Tomorrow, 9 p.m.
  - The Social, 1311 N. Mills Ave. 407-238-0048

- **Megaphone, Less Fortunate, Isent Ninjas (rock)**
  - Tomorrow, 9 p.m.
  - Back Booth, 37 W. Pine St. 407-999-2570

- **Reverend Horton Heat, Dead Bombs, Rocket 88 (rock)**
  - Saturday, 9 p.m.
  - The Social, 1311 N. Mills Ave. 407-246-1419

- **John Frank (rock)**
  - Saturday, 9 p.m.
  - The Social, 1311 N. Mills Ave. 407-246-1419

- **Suder Panth, Insufficient Numbers, Fortitude, Ten New Toes, Playground Heroes (punk)**
  - Saturday, 9 p.m.
  - Will's Pub, 1850 N. Mills Ave. 407-898-5070

- **KNUP, Supernovas, Seif Dank, Theresaone (various)**
  - Saturday, 10 p.m.
  - Will's Pub, 1850 N. Mills Ave. 407-898-5070

**Loverboy (rock)**
- Saturday, 5 p.m., free
- 55 West, 55 N. Church St. 407-541-6400

**Sugar Oaks (indie)**
- Saturday, 10 p.m.
- The Social, 1311 N. Mills Ave. 407-238-0048

**Ringo, To Esrne, Monday's Hero, Kristina Wagner (rock)**
- Saturday, 9 p.m.
- Back Booth, 37 W. Pine St. 407-999-2570

**The Morning After, Greater Grey, Chase Theory, Distance (rock)**
- Saturday, 7 p.m., free
- Hard Rock Live: CityWalk at Universal Orlando 407-391-5831

**Pretty Ugly (rock)**
- Saturday, 10 p.m., free
- Stardust Video and Coffee, 1642 E. Winter Park Blvd 407-633-3393

**Presley the Bear, Paris TX, Statistics (indie)**
- Sunday, 8 p.m.
- The Social, 1311 N. Mills Ave. 407-246-1419

**Amy Steinberg, Justin Bedder (pop)**
- Sunday, 9 p.m.
- EMAK, 37 S. Magnolia Ave. 407-992-1200

**Phrases and Ups, Humrah, Skygraff (indie)**
- Sept. 13, 9 p.m.
- The Social, 54 N. Orange Ave. 407-246-1419

**Tesla, Bastard Pie (rock)**
- Sept. 14, 7 p.m., $25-$35
- House of Blues, Downtown Disney West Side 407-934-2583

**There for Tomorrow, Forever Changed (punk)**
- Sept. 14, 6 p.m., $5
- Back Booth, 37 W. Pine St. 407-999-2570

**HIGHLIGHTS**

**The Grateful Dead: 30 Years of Art, Imagery and Art**
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**Van Halen**
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- There are sure to be beautiful girls (or at least, they were beautiful when they started listening to David Lee Roth in 1978). Who knows, maybe that teacher you were hot for in grade school will be there.
- For those curious about the current lead singer, right now it's Sammy Hagar, but who knows how long until the band gives him the runaround again.

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Rounters is a film released six years too soon. Poker is the hot alternative "sport" at the moment, and all well-behaved capitalists are trying to get a piece of the pot. There are innumerable books on how to master the game by pros (and those claiming to be pros), and several cable programs showcasing tournaments, the most famous being The World Series of Poker on ESPN. In 2003 the number of entrants in the WSOP was 892. In 2004 it was 2,575.

Yes, Rounters was released much too early. Or perhaps it was released at just the right time. Had it been released today it would be little more than a cash-in product (like the new special edition DVD). But as it stands now, Rounters is a hot-rod of a movie - a sleek, cool ride without sputters or stalls.

Mike McDermott (Matt Damon) is a law student - no scratch that. He's a poker player, and a damn good one at that. The law student gig is an attempt to go straight after losing $30,000 in one hand to "pocket rockets" - a pocket pair of Aces. Things are going well until Mike's swindler of a friend "Worm" (Edward Norton) is released from prison and proceeds to involve Mike in his sizeable debt to Russian Mafioso Teddy "KB" (John Malkovich, wearing a Boris Badenov accent).

It would be easy to lump Rounters in with second-rate crime films, but the film is much more than just trying to repay some goons. At its core it's a film about living life to the fullest; and doing what you love to do. When Mike starts playing poker again, his girlfriend promptly leaves him. But instead of trying to win her back, he and Worm head down to Atlantic City and hit the tables. All through the film, obstacles (his girlfriend, mob goons and Worm's recklessness) confront Mike, and he faces down each one to achieve his goal - to play poker. As Martin Landau tells Mike in the film, "We can't run from ourselves, our destiny chooses us."

This fascination with "risky" behavior and pushing the odds also makes Rounters a quintessential "Guy's Movie." In the same league as Fight Club or Goodfellas. The performances are superb. Norton's smart-ass Worm dominates much of the track and comes across much more likeable than the arrogant side he showed at the WSOP table. Though non-poker fans may not see much value in this track, it makes the disc worth the price of purchase for WSOP junkies.

The other extras on the disc (which include two woefully short documentaries and a boring "Play the Pros" video game) are mostly filler, but the commentaries help to offset the balance and keep the disc from feeling like a rip-off. If you already own the previous release of Rounters and are a fan of the film, replace it. The commentaries make this a double-dip worth going in for.

Minnaxx has re-released the film with some special features, making up for the last bare-bones version. The best new features are two full-length audio commentaries. The first features the writers, the director, and Edward Norton (but sadly no Matt Damon). It's a fun and informative track, and really showcases just how much love these men have for this movie.

The second commentary is the gem of the disc. It features professional poker players Johnny Chan, Chris Moneymaker, Phil Hellmuth and Chris "Jesus" Ferguson. More important than their own particular insights on the film and its accuracy is the insight on the pros themselves and the camaraderie the four seem to share. The verbose Hellmuth dominates much of the track and comes across much more likeable than the arrogant side he shows at the WSOP table. Though non-poker fans may not see much value in this track, it makes the disc worth the price of purchase for WSOP junkies.

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JOHN THOMASON

**DVD REVIEW**

**Millenium Mambo** an unusual dance

Taiwanese film a total escape from Hollywood

JOHN THOMASON

It’s no surprise that major Hollywood movies tend to conceal the formal qualities of film as much as possible. Even in the most daring mainstream movies, the story is usually the highest priority, with the form merely serving the content. The films of Taiwanese director Hou Hsiao-hsien are the exact opposite. Even the most common of film attributes — the breaking up of a scene into individual shots — are abandoned almost completely.

**Millenium Mambo** (released on DVD in America in August) is an excellent starting point to dive into Hou's idiosyncratic films. While not as visually ravishing as his flawless 18th-century-set *Flowers of Shanghai* (1998), **Millenium Mambo** is the perfect example of a deliberately simple story used as a backdrop to showcase form.

Shu Qi plays enigmatic heroine Vicky. Vicky is stuck in a lifeless, stifling and abusive relationship with her live-in boyfriend Hao Hao, an unemployed DJ who spends his days playing video games, smoking speed and harassing Vicky about her fidelity. Sex is methodical and unloving between the two, as flat and unemotional as the film’s techno score. The film’s one sex scene is interrupted visually by a pulsating light, as if plucked from an earlier club scene, but, symbolically, without a beat to throbb to.

It’s a visually driven picture, with long stretches of silence saying much more than the sparse dialogue, which often comes off as improvised. Every frame is drenched in a luminescent atmosphere, with Hou finding a meticulous balance between artificial light and the light created by set lamps and especially candles (taking a cue from Barry Lyndon). The long takes stretch on for minutes without a cut, requiring patience from the viewer.

And yet, what could easily become boring is rendered captivating. Because the scenes aren’t cropped down as we’d expect them to be, Hou’s camera delivers an unflinching look at Vicky’s pathetic relationship with Hou Hou, never providing us with the comfort zone of shot/reverse shot familiarity. Instead, we get doors, blinds and shades blocking our view, never knowing when Hou Hou’s next outburst will occur, watching at Vicky’s pace the deconstruction of a relationship.

The film is also incredibly moving thanks to the sporadic voice-over moments from an unseen, omniscient narrator, who tells Vicky’s backstory from 10 years into the future. It adds new depth to the voice-over formula, especially when romantic stories of Vicky’s past are juxtaposed with the present-day images of her downtrodden life.

Because of its focus on contemporary club life, the film isn’t as exotic or unusual as, say, *Flowers of Shanghai*, but it’s more universal. Many can relate to a heroine like Vicky, no matter what the culture of language. But rarely has a filmmaker captured her with such a fresh eye.
Wicker Park, straw plot, cardboard acting

CHRISTY LEMIRE
Associated Press

Wi ller Park is one of those maddening movies in which the characters do incredibly stupid things simply for the sake of plot contrivance, and everyone’s problems would be solved if they simply picked up their cell phones. And they do have cell phones. They just choose not to. Instead, they say things like, “Meet me in the park at 3.” Then one person doesn’t show up for some reason, and leaves a note for the other explaining why—which, naturally, isn’t delivered in time, if at all.

This all may have seemed quaint or even romantic if it had taken place, say, 200 years ago in London. But the setting is now, in the Wicker Park neighborhood of Chicago, in a film that tries desperately hard to be slick and modern.

Director Paul McGuigan relies heavily on split screens, mirror reflections and screechy sound effects—visual tricks ostensibly intended to give the film tension, but instead seem like transparent, pretentious gimmicks.

Josh Hartnett and Diane Kruger play Matt and Lisa, a young couple who are madly in love, or so we’re told. They’re individually fabulous looking, but she and Hartnett, who’s even more low-key than usual, have zero chemistry.

We learn in flashbacks that Lisa, a dancer, disappeared two years ago after Matt told her he had a big, new advertising gig in New York and asked her to come with him.

Now, in the present, Matt has moved back to Chicago with his soon-to-be fiancee (Jessica Pare), whose brother is his boss. One night during dinner before a business trip to China, Matt thinks he sees Lisa at the restaurant, and promptly cancels his flight in order to obsessively look for her.

He tells his best friend Luke (Matthew Lillard, who gets the few funny lines in Brandon Boyce’s script) about the clues he’s found: a plastic hotel room key, a silver compact, a torn-up newspaper obituary. He could have just done an Internet search for Lisa’s phone number, but that would have been too easy.

Instead, he sneaks into what he thinks is her apartment and finds another woman who says her name is Lisa.

Turns out Lisa No. 2 is a clingy, seemingly bipolar woman named Alex, an actress that Matt’s buddy Luke recently started dating. The ensuing series of near misses and mistaken identities seems to aim for Shakespearean proportions (and Alex is performing in a community theater production of Twelfth Night).

Unfortunately, all the confusion is much ado about nothing.
MUSIC

TOP 25
Park Ave CDs: Top 25 for the week of Aug. 22-28
(Due to Hurricane Frances, no newer list was provided)

1. SOUNDTRACK — Garden State
2. RILO KILEY — More Adventurous
3. KATIE BALL — Any Cool Music?
4. DRIVE-BY TRUCKERS — Dirty South
5. GUIDED BY VOICES — Half Smiles of the Decomposed
6. FURTHER SEEMS FOREVER — Hide Nothing
7. 7. SAVES THE DAY — Ups and Downs: Early Recordings and B-sides
8. KITTERS — Hot Fuss
9. HOT ROD CIRCUIT — Reality's Coming Through
10. G. LOVE — Hustle
11. 11. VARIOUS ARTISTS — Future Soundtrack for America
12. THE GOOD LIFE — Album of the Year
13. VARIOUS ARTISTS — This is Americana
14. CLINIC — Win&Cooper Cathedral
15. JOAN OF ARC — Joan of Arc Dick Cheney Mark Twain
16. ENGINE DOWN — Engine Down
17. TWILIGHT SINGERS — She Loves You
18. F**KING AM — Gold
19. VARIOUS ARTISTS — Rock Against Bush 2
20. SCISSOR SISTERS — Scissors Sisters
21. SONIC YOUTH — Sonic Nurse
22. POLYPHONIC SPREE — Together We're Heavy
23. HIVES — Tyrannosaurus Hives
24. VARIOUS ARTISTS — Por Vida: A Tribute to the Songs of Alejandro Escovedo
25. KITTEE — Until the End

SCENE REPORT

Make a scene
How to be, and why not to be, a scene kid
RICKY SURILLO
Staff Writer

A lot has been said about the indie scene. Fashion, slang, and spies are all part of an endless topic. But while delving into the different things that go on in the music scene, there may be some questions as to what it is exactly.

A music scene can be divided into its own genres: country, hip-hop, etc. Each has its own styles, trends, and slang. What makes the indie scene (which consists of punk, hardcore, emo, and indie rock) stand out from the rest is that it has the most ridiculous and immature things surrounding it.

Obviously, for a scene to exist, there has to be people in it. Only in the indie scene, however, are there kids called "scene kids". Scene kids typically go to lots of shows, usually for free because they are on the guest list. The scenester makes friends with band members, dresses in the "scene uniform" and, of course, talks in the über-popular scene slang.

As My Chemical Romance singer Gerard Way said in the August issue of Alternative Press in reference to the scene, "It's extremely homoerotic, especially the whole emo-sensitive thing. Everyone's wearing women's pants; everyone's got women's haircuts; everyone's wearing youth-medium shirts. I don't have to come out and say it. It's blatantly obvious."

The indie scene is a scene where a haircut is more important than music. It's almost like there is a certain uniform that comes along with whatever musical style one is into. There are even some sites showcasing the hilarity that comes along with such dress styles. http://www.dobi.m/emo shows the basic things you need to "dress emo". It shows everything from what shoes to wear to typical bands to AIM screen names. It's ironic, however, that the creator of the site designs t-shirts for some bands that can be considered emo.

http://www.maniclab.com has a flash cartoon that shows not only emo kids, but punks, hardcore rockers and even vegans. There is also a band name generator that continues to make fun of the scene.

Hopefully now, all those questions the indie never received about the scene are now answered.

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

Gina: A performer unintended
The health nut and science geek plays to her own piano
EMILY JANE SCOTT
Staff Writer

To her friends, she's an inspiration. To a large crowd of people, mostly strangers, whom she played in front at Natural Curves a couple weeks ago, she was most certainly something to talk about. Who was the skinny, brown-haired, bespeckled girl alone at the piano? Why can't we tear ourselves away from her sweet but raw voice? Why can't we take our eyes off of her amazing presence that she maintains through her obvious nerves?

She was and is Gina Riggs, a 23-year-old Penn State student who used to attend UCF. She is a nutrition major with a penchant for organic chemistry and does a lot of work in alternative health. Her sound is comparable to that of a musical lovechild of Tori Amos and Ben Folds, but with her own undeniable sense of humor. Originally from Boca Raton, she began her music minor at UCF and also began her performing career at the old Stone Soup Collective while living in Orlando. There she made friends who she continues to collaborate with today — friends who helped her to book her gig last Friday while she was visiting down here. She spoke to the indie about who she is and, in the meantime, gave us many reasons to continue to listen to what she has to say.

the indie: Your sound seems like it could be classified as "geek pop." How would you describe your genre?

GR: My friend says I'm punk. He's actually convinced that I'm the first punk pianist. I think it's because of my lyrics. I rant a lot. It's like, what would I say to your face that you wouldn't want to hear unless it was in a song?

the indie: You left UCF to major in nutrition at Penn State. How does your field and the fact that you're a science nerd affect your songwriting?

GR: I wrote a song about chemistry once but I never recorded it. I used to write lyrics in my calculus notebook — there are pages of derivatives and then lyrics. When I recorded my album, the guys who helped me ordered pizza and I was sitting there with my acorn squash. They were like, wow, you eat healthy. With food, people call me a health nut — what is that? I say if you're not nuts, then you're not paying enough attention. Why...
THE FAINT
Wet From Birth
Genre: indie rock
Label: Saddle Creek
Release date: Sept. 14

What American city is home to a completely new sound combining danceable new-wave electronics with indie rock? If you answered, "Omaha, Nebraska," you may already be a fan of The Faint. Everyone else is probably a little surprised.

Beginning as a quirky lo-fi punk outfit with startling, nearly-emo lyrics, The Faint mutated into a third band in a rented warehouse of every state. They've evolved into a danceable indie rock band with a sound that's not distinctly of any genre. Over the past few years, The Faint have produced a string of albums that challenge genre boundaries and push the limits of what music can be.

In this album, "Wet From Birth," The Faint continue to evolve. The opening track, "Symptom Finger," sets the tone for the rest of the album with its intense, tightly-woven sound. The lyrics are as captivating as the music, with each track offering something new.

The album's sound is unlike anything you've heard before. The Faint have managed to blend elements of emo, punk, and dance music into something entirely new. This is an album that will challenge your preconceptions of what music can be.

In conclusion, "Wet From Birth" is a must-listen for anyone interested in music that defies genre boundaries. The Faint have once again proven themselves to be masters of musical innovation.
RAMBLINGS

THE GEEK LIFE

We should take shelter, but it's so cute!

ELIZABETH FERNANDEZ
Staff Writer

Life after the hurricane apocalypse

Well, it would seem the weather has turned against us yet again. Could it be that Orlando, in its plastic fantastic universe of make believe, has committed some grave crime against the gods in heaven? I can think of few other explanations for this dreadful repeat of misfortune.

Perhaps Mickey Mouse has been conducting some crimes against nature in his secret castle, or maybe there has been some sort of unnatural lust between Pluto and Minnie that has brought this wrath upon us? Just kidding, Disney. Please don't rain upon us with your furious might and marauding hordes of lawyers. We quake in unnatural fear and trepidation.

I sit in my darkened house imagining the terrible tortures those Disney bureaucrats could easily have in store for me. It makes my blood run cold.

Actually, the people I really feel sorry for are the tourists. They come here from countless miles to hang out with the likes of Spider-man and Donald Duck, only to be battered with hurricane after hurricane. What I am actually hoping for is a Max Max-style apocalypse. How many hurricanes do you think it would take before the thin veneer of humanity slips away and we all become savages la Lord of the Flies? If I remember correctly, humans would form packs for safety and comfort, slowly picking off any outsiders in the name of survival.

I'd like to think that I would survive thanks to my superior intellect, but I fear may be in for a shock. My extreme myopia will probably doom me to an early death by sharks or murder. Of course, no apocalypse is complete without the mutants.

I would imagine that the local nuclear power plant would explode if we get hit by enough hurricanes. Let's say we get hit by 16 in a row. The state of Florida would separate from the mainland, the national guard would give up and leave us all for dead, and even Gov. Bush would have had enough and run home to his brother.

So then we are stuck fending for ourselves. I am sad to say that even with all my knowledge of future apocalypses, most gained from watching mediocre science fiction movies and my repeated viewings of Battle Royale, in which a group of high school students are sent to an island and ordered to kill one another, I doubt I could survive. Without my video games, electronics, and of course my trusty iBook, I would soon be reduced to a babbling madwoman.

But maybe I would rise to the task and form an army of techies. Together we would build some sort of matter transporter and escape from the wretched mess. Or, failing that, we'd build some sort of crazy hover ship that runs on coconuts. You never know. It could be possible.

Ok, let's go even further. Let's say that some giant asteroid hits the Earth and there is no more technology, no more anime, no more Final Fantasy XI for anyone. After I finished crying for my lost technology and fantasizing about Quantum Leap ever being picked up for another season, I suppose I would have to deal with the fact that technology is now gone forever.

As long as some of us are alive, I would avoid the mutants and cyborg freaks to search out for other geeks like me. Our task would be to jump start society. Together we would start a new country, a new world order. Drugs would be legal, Shigeru Miyamoto would be a prophet and rational science would marry Buddhism to create an incredible new religion. We would live in a dome city and worship science and the memories of video games long past.

Won't you join my secret society? I swear it will be fun.

CRAZED INDIE ROBOT

Hurricane party!

Tips to have fun through Ivan
DIANNA ZISMAN
Staff Writer

Charley and Frances have come and gone, but in their wake they have left Central Florida with important hurricane party experience. With another hurricane making its way toward the state (let's all put our heads together and turn that S.O.B away from our corner of the globe, shall we?), I thought I'd put together the premiere hurricane party guide.

The most important thing is to be prepared. Charley made a surprise stop through Central Florida, so the only thing we had was one candle, a few candy bars and a gallon of water. This meant that our hurricane party (and the days after it without power) was duller than a game of Parcheesi. To keep this from happening to you, make sure to buy everything you need WELL in advance of the storm.

What should you buy? I'd like to suggest beer. Risk (the game for world domination. Fun for everyone!), extra batteries, gin, beef jerky, tequila, crackers, margarita mix, water, vodka, candles, marshmallows and more beer. Remember, half of the things on this list should only be purchased if you're 21 and up. Nobody needs you youngins out there lighting candles without supervision. It's just not safe.

Once you've bought everything and have boarded yourself in for the day (or three in the case of Frances), you'll find that one of the underrated...
RAMBLINGS
WEB LESS TRAVELED

How to be a voyeur from your home

Web sites where personal, private lives become public domain...thanks, Internet!

CHRISTOPHER SCHWARZ
Staff Writer

Computers have an amazing tendency to amass information, whether desired or not. Despite all the talk of anonymity online, everything you search for and everywhere you visit shows up in a log somewhere.

Sites generally have a little disclaimer about how they value your privacy and won't do anything naughty, but there's no harm in having a little fun with amassed, anonymous statistics. Whenever there's nothing else to do, rely on these sites to deliver you a constant stream of content every time you reload. Of course, seeing live streams of Internet requires a strong stomach and desensitization that could only come from being a veteran. Newbies beware!

50 Latest Livejournal Pictures
http://ga2so.com/lj.php

Love it or hate it, Livejournal is single-handedly the greatest single repository of emo on the planet. One fateful day, some of their programmers were feeling feisty and set up a system to see the address of the latest image posted in a journal. Other sites found a way to catalog them and serve the result for your viewing pleasure. Every reload shows fifty more horrors representing the current trends in netchulture. The image that emerges from the tae, "song lyrics typed over a grayscale photo of someone looking sad" to the "look at my boobs" masked as showing off a new tattoo or piercing. There's also more "friends only," "survey," and "cutesy animated-gif adoption" images than you can shake a camwhore at.

Loading the page once to write this brought forth some Dana Scully wallpaper and a drawing of Bugs Bunny having sex with Elmer Fudd. The sum of everything here should serve as a constant reminder for why you should never date people you meet on Livejournal.

Distrubing Auctions
http://disturbingauctions.com/daily/

Ever looked around eBay to see all the horrible crap people are selling? There's no time like the present to begin the habit. Luckily, others already do the legwork and troll the place daily just to submit links to the most amusing ones for your perusal. People offering their virginity is only the beginning. In fact, that was last month's news. This month, the new rage is subtlety as sellers covertly include their privates in the reflections of any metallic objects for sale. Who isn't more likely to buy a silver teakettle if its photo includes a stealthy woman in the reflection? At press time, you could buy a life-sized cardboard cutout of George Jetson for only $20. Gentlemen, start your bidding!

Random Personal Picture Finder
http://www.diddly.com/random/

If you didn't already know, Google has an image search at images.google.com. Much fun can be had just by typing in random words and viewing the results. Here, someone found a way to automate the process by searching for common filenames used by digital cameras. It works because people don't bother to rename their image files before putting them online for their friends, and thus everyone else, to enjoy.

They came from cameras, most pictures found here are a bit tame: random friends, parties, vacation spots, kids, etc. It's perfect for voyeur-style people watching, but don't be surprised if the inevitable scat porn creeps in when you least expect it.

Marshmallows, poker games highlight 'cane fun

From 110

pleasures of a hurricane party is a game of No-Limit Texas Hold 'Em. Watch the game on ESPN and hone your skills so when the time comes, you can take your friends for all they're worth. Once again, preparation is key. Otherwise, you might find yourself tearing your room apart looking for something to double as a stack of poker chips. 'Cause pocket change just doesn't cut it.

Some people might have raised an eyebrow at the inclusion of "marshmallows" on the list of essentials, but I ask you: What's better than roasting marshmallows over an open candle flame when your electricity goes out? Not a damn thing. I have to admit that, in this regard, I was woefully unprepared when it came to Frances. We bought no marshmallows and actually went so far as to call Albertsons on Saturday morning to see if they still had the air tight. No one picked up the phone, of course, but I would have loved to hear their reaction to a marshmallow inquiry. Alas, the marshmallows went unroasted that day. I consider it a lost opportunity.

In the unlikely event that a Category 4 hurricane stalls on the coast and spends two days moving at 1 millimeter an hour, make sure that you have plenty of movies to watch to pass the time. I saw cabin fever claim more than its share of victims this weekend, a cruel reminder of how unfair this world can be. Knocking down our trees and power lines is bad enough, but how are we to hang out at Walmart at 3 a.m. if it's boarded up? Depriving us of our 12-cent black-and-white DVDs? Well, that's just mean.

Do not watch the news for more than 15 minutes at a time without taking a break. The local stations, of course, went 24-hour coverage to bring us news of the storm. The problem is, with Frances stalling in the Atlantic for a day, newscasters, try as they might, had nothing to report. For anyone who escaped and missed it, here's a recap of Saturday's news: "So, tell us, Tom...what's the latest with Hurricane Frances?" "She's standing still, Bob. Back to you." Not the newscaster's fault, but there's little you can do to make news of a stationary hurricane compelling for 24 hours. Showing the same poor schlab getting pelted by rainwater ceases to be entertaining after the first 12 hours, after all. The thing to do, then, is tune in for 15 minutes, learn what you can, and quickly switch to an X-Files rerun.

With luck, we won't be forced to put our hurricane party skills to use anytime soon, but if we do, it's important to remember these tips. Stay inside, stay off the roads, keep safe, and while you're at it, make the best of a bad situation by keeping your spirits high. In the meantime, let's hope that Ivan steers clear of the Sunshine State. If he doesn't, well, pass me the marshmallows.

Are music videos a lost art?

From 110

unless Michael Ian Black and Hal Sparks are commenting on them. They've become nothing more than a glorified rip-off of El. Whatever mindless fluff El doesn't focus on, VH1 probably will. There are smidgen of shows, such as Bands Reunited and In Search of the Partridge Family, that could constitute as musical programming, but other than that it's nothing but unspectacular specials. Hell, VH1 even had a show about women's tennis and another about NASCAR. NASCAR!! Arghhh!

And yet I still click over to the channel to see what's on it at least three times a day. Am I just a TV junkie? There is absolutely no redeemable value to the majority of the programming. Who's responsible here, the dealer or the user?

Now when I watch VH1, I don't feel the bit of escapism I sought before. It just makes me realize how desperate and sad of a person I really am. I mean, I watched VH1 originally because MTV stopped focusing on music. MTV2's not much better, since they can't show videos unless it's in some format, and even then there aren't too many of those because of all the...specials it shows. VH1 Classic and Fuse do it too. All these different formats, where the same thousand or so videos are put into different categories so that people can watch exactly what they want without exposing themselves to a new genre of music.

All I want is a channel that shows nothing but videos all day. Take every single video that has ever been made (international ones too, since they're really fun) and randomly air them one after another. Is that too much to ask? The list shows and exposes were fun at first, but there are only so many ways to glorify the Beatles and laments Vanilla Ice. I don't want them on my video channel. It would start with one and never end. And besides, Hell will freeze over before I owe Donal Lounge a paycheck.
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