SGA Senate adopts $10.7 million budget for organizations

SAFE RIDE, ‘Who’s Who’ programs continue, but with less money

KATE HOWELL Staff Writer

Funding for the SafeRide program was trimmed and the ‘Who’s Who’ program was left with little debate following months of work by the Activity and Service Fee (ASF) Committee.

The ASF committee’s budget, which is voted on by three representatives from each school, was finalized last Wednesday. The budget is made up of revenues generated from three separate funds: the Student Union facilities fund, Activity and Service Fee (ASF) fund and the Student Travel fund.

“There were no big winners or losers in the $9.03 million 2005-06 budget adopted by the SGA Senate with little debate following months of work by the Activity and Service Fee Committees,” said Ryan, a UCF sophomore who with­ held his last name.

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With the spring semester winding down and final exams beginning this week, the decision to commit academ­ ically dishonesty can be close by.

Students caught cheating may be subject to let it go.

However, she said that most of the time she has decided to keep the discussions between herself and the student. Montgomery added that for a lot of profes­sors, "it's more of a pain to pursue (cheating) than to let it go.

After a professor has filed a report, students caught cheating may be subject to the student conduct review process.

Changes against the students are reviewed, and if deemed serious, the student is given a series of hearings on their case.

In SGA-SOE collaboration with the SGA Student Advocacy Unit, Chad Gottlieb, director of Student Advocacy, helps to guide students through the hearings. He advises them on how to prepare for conduct meetings and prepares them for ques­tions they may face.

At last spring's CHEATERS on A3.
New degrees offered in nursing
School answers increasing demand for positions with two new master’s degrees

The School of Nursing at UCF announced the approval of two new master’s programs. The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) and the Master of Science in Nursing-MSN: Family Health Nurse Practitioner (FNP) will begin in the fall.

"These new programs will increase the number of faculty and students in our program, allowing us to serve more nurses and students," said Jean Leuner, director of the School of Nursing in the College of Health and Public Affairs.

The School of Nursing is able to continue its mission of preparing nurses to work in areas such as quality of life, end-of-life management, clinical trials and other areas within nursing.

"These new programs will help us to meet the needs of the nursing profession," Leuner said. "We are excited to offer these new programs to prepare nurses for the healthcare careers of the future.

The MSN program is designed for nurses who already hold a bachelor's degree in nursing and want to advance their education. The FNP program is designed for nurses who want to become advanced practice nurses and work in a primary care setting.

Contact the School of Nursing at 407-823-2562 or email info@knightswap.com for more information.

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Recent troops rally sees little opposition from others

Cheaters found guilty of misconduct face suspension

The Progressive Council, which oversees chapters across the state — recently requested the UCF chapter with a number of issues. Among these was the chapter's handling of a student who was suspended for four years after he was caught cheating. The student was later reinstated, but the chapter's decision to do so has been criticized by some.

The chapter's actions are not uncommon. In recent years, there has been a growing concern about cheating on campuses across the country. In many cases, students have admitted to cheating, only to be caught and face severe consequences.

However, recent changes in how cheating is handled have led to some controversy. Some argue that the new approaches are too harsh, while others believe they are necessary to prevent cheating from becoming widespread.

The debate over how to handle cheating continues to rage on campuses across the country. As the issue of cheating becomes more prominent, it is likely that we will see even more changes in how these cases are handled in the future.
In the wake of the unprecedented student protest at the University of Colorado System, a broad range of issues has come under close scrutiny. The scholarly and cultural community has been deeply impacted by the 19-day sit-in at the downtown Denver campus on May 20. What's in the news at the University of Colorado this week is the focus of our coverage.

**Week in Health**

**Nausea Sove**

Silicone breast implants make a comeback

In the wake of a 19-year absence, silicone breast implants are making a comeback. A new study published in the *American Journal of Plastic Surgery* shows that these implants offer a long-lasting solution for breast augmentation.

**Weekend Tease**

For food pyramid enthusiasts, the new food pyramid released by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is a welcome change. The pyramid is designed to be more accessible and user-friendly, with six rainbow-colored levels representing the different food groups.

**Weekend Tease**

University is back in session, and with it, the annual tradition of returning to the classroom. The 1984-85 fiscal year marks the beginning of the academic year at the University of Colorado System. Students are excited to return to their studies and continue their academic journeys.

**Weekend Tease**

The scholarship application process is underway for the upcoming academic year. Students are encouraged to submit their applications early to ensure consideration for available scholarships.

**Weekend Tease**

The week ahead promises a range of exciting events and activities. The annual arts festival is taking place, with performances by local musicians and artists. The university's trimester system continues to attract students from across the country, providing a unique learning environment.

**Weekend Tease**

The university's president, Dr. David Bosworth, has announced a tuition increase for the upcoming academic year. This decision follows a series of tuition hikes over the past decade, reflecting the rising costs of higher education.

**Weekend Tease**

The university is facing criticism regarding its policies on student conduct and safety. Concerns have been raised about the handling of sexual assault cases and the effectiveness of the university's response.

**Weekend Tease**

The university's athletic teams are gearing up for the upcoming season, with many looking forward to a successful year. The university's athletic programs have a long history of success, and fans are eagerly anticipating the upcoming games.

**Weekend Tease**

The university's research efforts continue to expand, with several projects receiving funding from external sources. The university's research mission is integral to its commitment to education and community outreach.

**Weekend Tease**

The university's development office is launching a new campaign to raise funds for scholarships and other academic programs. Donations are welcomed, with a variety of giving options available.

**Weekend Tease**

The university's alumni association is hosting a series of events to celebrate the achievements of its members. These events provide an opportunity for alumni to connect with each other and support the university's mission.

**Weekend Tease**

The university's student life department is working on a new initiative to improve the experience of first-year students. The program will focus on orientation and support services to help new students adjust to university life.

**Weekend Tease**

The university's administrative offices are preparing for the new academic year. Staff members are working to ensure a smooth transition for students and faculty.
Tiger World Premiere
Friday, April 29 at 6 p.m.

Introducing Mac OS X Tiger from Apple, the most advanced Mac OS ever. Stop by the UCF Computer Store in the Student Union and get your copy at the World Premiere Event on:
Friday, April 29 at 6 p.m.

Don’t miss our pre-World Premiere event activities on the UCF Student Union patio, featuring a REAL tiger cub from Thunderhawk, a local big cat rescue group. Donations will be accepted to support their efforts.

Want more? Join us on Tuesday, May 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Communications Bldg. Rm. 101 for a Post-NAB (pro-video applications) update and Tiger Overview with guest speaker, John Allen, Systems Engineer and video production guru from Apple Computer. This event brought to you by AppleCorps@UCF, the Mac User Group at UCF.

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Business students clean up school

Junior Achievers teams up with UCF to give a new look to Lockhart

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Managing Editor

Last week, 40 UCF business students gave something back to the community when they visited Lockhart Middle School to help give it a makeover as part of the Junior Achievement program's service-learning initiative.

With the help of some of the Lockhart students, UCF students helped clean up the grounds with some landscaping and a little elbow grease.

Among the chores carried out by the group were mulching the front entrance to the school and planting new trees, something that was lacking in previous years.

Along with the landscaping, the students also helped rebuild the school's greenhouse, which had previously been rundown and in poor condition and in need of the UCF students' help.

Capping off the day's work was a community yard sale organized by the UCF students in order to give Lockhart Middle School's social studies program a boost.

The UCF business school and the Junior Achievers partnered this year in order to give UCF students a chance to take part in a series of service-learning projects, in which the students would complete projects for school credit while helping out communities around UCF.

The students are also responsible for teaching Junior Achievers curriculum to the kids at the schools they are helping out.

Because more than 1,000 UCF students have and will help out in more of the service-learning initiatives, the University is the largest source of volunteer work for the Junior Achievers in Central Florida this year.
Two food-related amendments that would save, shift allotted funds were voted down

FROM A1
SafeRide, which provides students with a free cab ride home in an effort to cut down on drinking and driving, was cut by $7,500. But Bentley assured the Senate that the program’s services will not suffer. "The program will remain unchanged," he said. SafeRide is not a heavily used program and still has money left from last year’s allocation, he added.

The "Who’s Who at UCF" scholarship program also was trimmed, losing $7,500. "We found the publication wasn’t that beneficial," Bentley said of the booklet that is printed each year with the winner’s profiles. The scholarship would continue, but the publication will be placed online only and winners will be honored at a banquet, which costs less than a publication, he said.

Elsewhere, the SGA fund that subsidizes student printing and copying costs suffered the most drastic cut, losing all $30,000 budgeted for the service last year. "This was part of the general budget-cutting process," Bryan Council, chairman of the Activity and Service Fee Committee, said. All the money was not used this year, he added.

"Even if the money had been approved for next year, it was not going to be free copies, just discounted ones," Senate Pro Tempore Mark White said. "If a student was going to pay 7 cents a copy and we cut it down to 5 cents, I don’t think the students were going to say, ‘Thank you SGA, you saved us 2 cents!’" Senate Pro Tempore Mark White said.

In one of many failed amendments during the budget debate, the Senate revived an argument over buying food for campus organizations. Sen. Joshua Edmundson proposed an amendment to take $1,750 from Greek Council funding and shift it to the Environmental Society and $500 to Campus Peace Action, two organizations that had their funding reduced. He conceded the amendment would be "unpopular" at the very least.

The problem is funding of food, Edmundson explained. "I realized we were funding line items that paid for food [for Greek Council]," Edmundson said. "That is against what we usually do. We’ve set a precedent of not funding food, but there are exceptions," Council said. In fact, the Muslim Student Association, the Vietnamese Asian Student Association and the John T. Washington Center Honor Society all received funding for food. Edmundson’s amendment was voted down.

Sen. Kelly Travis also attempted a food-related amendment. She proposed cutting $4,000 from the $8,000 budgeted for the Brevard Campus’s Coffee Service, a yearly social event that the Brevard campus holds in order to socialize with students. "If you want coffee that badly, go to Starbucks," Travis said. Council defended the allocation. "This is an event that has been going on for years," he said. "They always use all $8,000." Travis’ amendment also was voted down.
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NFL DRAFT COVERAGE

For the last 30 years of the NFL Draft there has been a nickname given to the final player picked; "Mr. Irrelevant." So what is a player called when he doesn't get picked at all? That is the question that four former UCF football players face today, as all 255 picks and seven rounds of the NFL Draft came to an end yesterday with none of them being selected. Running back Alex Haynes, safety Atiri Bigby, wide receiver Luther Huggins and safety Peter Sands, all seniors, were all passed up by every team in the NFL and now face an uncertain future. Now all four will have to be picked up by teams looking to fill gaps in free agency, or teams looking to fill spots in practice squads. See Page A1 for more local and national coverage of the NFL draft. —Andy Vasquez

Draft day denial: Knights get snubbed

FROM THE SPORTS DESK

Weber State athletic director fills deputy director position

Last Wednesday USD hosted the hiring of William Weidner, former athletic director for the Weber State. In his role as the newly-crowned deputy director of athletics position, Weber, who has more than 20 years of experience in the business of collegiate athletics, will be responsible for dealing with the operational details of the department, giving Athletic Director Steve Corstreas more time to focus on fundraising and developing athletic facilities. For 12 years, Weidner was the athletic director at Weber State, and before that, athletic director at Truman-Penn American and Ashland.

Weidner also has experience in some of the best programs in the country. From 1980 to 1983 he served on the football staff at Ohio State, and from 1983 to 1990 he was a member of the football staff at Stanford. He earned his bachelor's degree in physical education from Springfield College in 1979 and earned a master's in education from Stanford in 1984.

"William has a tremendous amount of experience in college athletics," Omsi said. "His expertise in the area of administration and operational details of the department will be an asset to bringing Weber State into the national spotlight." The University of South Dakota also announced the creation of another new top position; senior associate athletic director. Karl Orsoni said his leadership and operational details of the department with his leadership." Weidner is expected to be in the best shape of his career, as he has gained about 30 pounds in preparation for the upcoming season.

"We've been working with him for a long time," Orsini said. "I feel these two personnel moves will continue or advancement of those goals." One of the top goals for the new Weber State athletic director is to continue the enhancement of our facilities, and to create a new atmosphere for the fan base.

Some people just have all the luck

I was told this last week by someone in my Sports History class, and it's something that has stayed with me as my graduation date draws in.

For the last two seasons, I have had the honor of being a beat writer for softball, volleyball and men's basketball. As迟迟, that will never forget — filled with emotion that will last a lifetime.

It has been a blessing to cover these sports while getting to know Renee Lakes-Gillippe, Miki Koga, and Gail Brigette — three of the best catchers on this campus.

Each of these sports has touched my heart, and for that I am truly grateful.

Sustainability was not another example of this luck I have.

I was there as seven Saturdays to remember.
Men's golf disappointed, but looking ahead.

Track and field prepares to host meet this weekend.
More than happy memories come to mind against the Dolphins giving up only two runs on a hit, but it wasn't enough as the Knights were unable to score, falling 2-0.

Much like the Knights did in the first game, Jacksonville jumped out to an early lead, scoring one run in the top of the first. The Dolphins took another on run in the fourth when Tiffany Filiang Marante doubled to left center field, scoring one run and first and giving JU a two-run advantage.

The Knights had a chance to score in the bottom of the sixth when Lindheim was walked, but they couldn't cash in. Nicole Raleigh was promptly caught in a double play, ending the threat to get to the next at bat, but the Knights remained on her base.

The Dolphins held on for the 2-0 victory, despite another solid performance by Enders, who collected two of his Knights' five hits in the game. Baker was hit with the last out after pitching two innings and giving up a run on two hits. Her record fell to 0-2.

Results from Sunday's doubleheader between the Knights and Troy were not available at press time.

UCF's next game doesn't come for a week and a half, but they won't play again until May 5, when they take on Siena in Delaware.

Happy birthday, Dad. Some people just have all the luck.

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**Club Sports Corner**

The Varsity Four (Chris Jack, John Shea, Matt Vargas, Mike Rodriguez and coxswain Women's rugby team on their trip to Fort Collins, Colo. Congratulations to the Knights on their Elite Eight run, but I had to start somewhere and it took determination, effort, and discipline.

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Older students need love, too

Take a look around in almost any classroom and you’ll find most likely three types of students:

Older students are everywhere. (Of course, in a two-term, through-the-years people may have a different definition of the word. A student could be considered older if he was more than age 30.) If he were taking a decade to get a single degree in liberal studies, either way, the chances are high that he or she is spending the better part of a decade in school. There’s probably a good reason for it.

However, it’s not only older students in the form of part-time students who may have a reason to be in college for many years, a bad reputation with employers, and an inability to pay for college.

They’re looking up as class leaders and older students and black robin towers, the older students on these people with encouraging circumstances to receive a proper education.

It’s almost like the older students of UCF and their days are over when they reach a certain age, and if they’ve been in college for 15 years, they’re done. Is it possible for them to continue their education?

For some students, the idea of majoring in education is hard to swallow, especially if they are old students. It’s like being 80 and writing a thesis in college.

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They tell you that fact at orientation but it sounds fake. After making bundled products look more expensive (Algebra Review), the net price is also $72. What sometimes makes bundled products look more expensive is that they bundle what you need with what you want but it would save a lot too. By making freshmen drop out, it kind of scares a few people you know when you actually sit down to count how many people you know who have dropped out, it kind of scares a few others.

Two years down and two to go. Well, maybe three. I've outlasted about one-third of the students who attended orientation. Most of which the Orientation focuses on. They give you lectures on how to manage your finances and keep organized to stay on top of your academics. There isn't much else the school can do to prevent these dropouts. But there is that small minority of kids who leave because of social difficulties.

During orientation they say get involved and make friends. But it is much harder than that. UCF is primarily a commuter school with only about half of the students living within a five mile radius of campus. UCF is building more dorms on campus to accommodate incoming freshmen but the majority live off campus, isolated from integrating with other students. I did not live in a dorm my freshman year and I can say I regret it. Living off campus had benefits, but the first year should be one that is different from the rest. My solution would be to create mandatory freshman housing. Sure it would cost a lot of money to build so much but it would save a lot too. By making freshmen drop out, you could restrict freshmen parking to create more free spaces for commuters. The solution for freshmen tuition would be to up the number of shuttle stops during and after school hours. A more extensive bus system provided by UCF that runs from campus and apartment complexes to restaurants, malls and bars like the Later Gator at UCF would benefit everyone, including freshmen.

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