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Around Campus

News and notices for the UCF community

International Connection

OPAL, a Bilingual Multicultural Studies will hold a virtual event for international students. UCF leaders will discuss their experiences from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. today and will take questions from students. The event is free and open to all international students. To register, please contact the International Student Resource Center.

Read the full article here.

Reading out

The Counseling Center is sponsoring a reading event that will feature a variety of廉政 books. The event will be held in the Student Resource Center Room 185 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Students can read from the books and discuss their experiences and gain support from each other.

For more information, contact Dr. Sareet Taylor in the Counseling Center at 407-823-4556.

Winning a winning resume

Students can write a winning resume by attending a resume writing workshop on Thursday at 9 a.m. in Student Resource Center Room 186. The workshop will cover how to create a resume that will impress employers and help students find jobs.

For more information, call Sareet Taylor at 407-823-4556.

Inside the interviews

A one-hour interview lab designed to help students prepare for interviews and their respective questions will be held on Thursday at 3 p.m. in Student Resource Center Room 186. The lab will show students how to prepare for interviews and give them the skills, strategies, and information they need to succeed.

For more information, call Sareet Taylor at 407-823-4556.

Book Arts Exhibit reception

The Book Arts Collection Department will be hosting an exhibit for Book Arts Exhibit from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursday in Room 186 of the Student Union. The exhibit curator will lead tours of the exhibit, and the book arts exhibitors will be on hand to discuss their work.

Call the Special Collections Department at 407-823-2206 or email bookspec@ucf.edu for more information or to RSVP. The event is free.

Tuesdays in the Student Union

Students, faculty, staff and visitors are invited to Thursdays in the Student Union, which will feature food trucks, live music and other events. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, call Ashley Chapman at 407-823-2882 or email Ashley.Chapman@ucf.edu.

Around Campus

Local band brings in the noise

Mobbola mixes the sounds of R&B, rock and soul for a beautiful tune

Local band Mobbola performed at 6:30 p.m. at Student Union Rooms in Saturday. The band, which was formed in February, is comprised of members from UCF.

Mobbola consists of five members: including lead singer and guitar player Benito Mekonnen, lead singer and bass player Emanuel Tafesse, lead singer and drummer Christopher Gambrell, lead singer and keyboard player Shanda Watson, and lead singer and sax player Siddique Watson.

Mobbola's music is a fusion of R&B, rock, and soul, with a focus on producing unique and catchy beats.

Mobbola's most recent release is their album, "Dancing with the Devil," which was released in March. The album features a mix of upbeat and emotional tracks that showcase the band's range and versatility.

Mobbola's music is gaining popularity and they have been invited to perform at several events throughout the United States.

Mobbola is currently touring and performing at various venues and festivals. They plan to release their next album in the fall of 2023.

Mobbola's goal is to continue to create music that resonates with their fans and to inspire others to follow their dreams.

Mobbola is available for interviews and performances. For more information, please contact Mobbola at mobbola@ucf.edu or visit their website at mobbola.com.

Let us know

The Future wants to hear from you! Share your thoughts on campus organization or event you would like to see at UCF. Send your ideas to the Amanda and the Amanda Foundation at 2156 University Blvd. N., Suite 300, Orlando, FL 32816 or email us atinfo@amandafoundation.org. Submissions are due by noon on May 25th.

National World

Keep current with headlines you may have missed

Flip-flops, push for third privatization

WASHINGTON

President Barack Obama held a meeting with President Bush, Sen. John Kerry and other leaders to discuss the proposed privatization of Social Security. Obama said he will continue pushing for the plan, while Kerry has endorsed it for U.S.斤to be a Democrat, Obama said.

Obama told Kerry that the plan will help increase the country's economic growth. Kerry said that he is confident the plan will be successful, and that it will provide a strong foundation for the future of the country.

Kerry added that the plan will create jobs and improve the economy. Obama said that he is committed to pushing the plan through Congress, and that it will be a top priority for his administration.

The plan will be a major issue in the upcoming election, and both sides have expressed confidence in their ability to pass it.

"I think we're going to have a very strong debate on this issue," Obama said.

The proposal would allow workers to invest a portion of their Social Security taxes into private accounts, which would then be used to buy stocks and bonds. The government would provide a small match for each dollar invested.

The plan has been controversial, with opponents arguing that it would be a risky move for the economy. Supporters argue that it would provide greater individual choice and control over retirement savings.

A grabsnap of the proposed plan can be found at flipflops.com. For more information, please contact the White House at 202-455-0101.

Reading at the windows in the noise

"I'm so glad I listened to the advice," said a student who attended the event. "It was really inspiring to see how much the students were learning from the books and how they were able to integrate their own experiences into the reading process.

For more information, contact University Services at 407-823-2206.

Meh

Meh. I'm not sure what to make of this. It's not bad, but it's not good either. I'm kind of torn here. I don't really know what to say. I guess I'll just go with the flow and see where it takes me.

Let us know your thoughts on this book. We would love to hear from you.

We are currently featuring a discussion on the book "The Art of Possibility" by Daniel Goleman and Richard Boyatzis. The discussion is free and open to the public.

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1. **Mindset Adjustment**
   - **Focus on the Present:** When backpacking, it's crucial to stay present and avoid getting lost in thoughts about the past or future. Focusing on the current moment can help reduce stress and enhance the overall experience.

2. **Goal Setting:**
   - **Set Achievable Goals:** Setting realistic goals can provide a sense of direction and motivation. Break down larger objectives into smaller, manageable tasks.

3. **Mental Practice:**
   - **Visualize Success:** Engage in mental practice by visualizing yourself overcoming challenges. This can help reduce anxiety and prepare you mentally for the journey.

4. **Mindfulness:**
   - **Breath Awareness:** Practicing mindfulness through breath awareness can help maintain focus and reduce stress.

5. **Recognition and Acceptance:**
   - **Recognize and Accept Obstacles:** Acknowledge that challenges are part of the adventure. Accepting and adapting to obstacles can lead to growth and personal development.

6. **Emotional Regulation:**
   - **Manage Emotions:** Backpacking can evoke a range of emotions. Learning to manage these emotions is crucial for maintaining mental clarity and focus.

7. **Physical Preparation:**
   - **Strengthening the Body:** Engaging in regular physical activity can improve mental resilience and adaptability.

By incorporating these strategies into your mental preparation routine, you can enhance your overall backpacking experience, making it more enjoyable and fulfilling. Whether you're a seasoned backpacker or just starting out, these techniques can help you navigate the mental terrain with greater ease and confidence.
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San Roman said. "The danger of this trip is enormous. Nothing is more important than helping the children of China."

While attending Church Attendance at New Life Church in Charlotte, San Roman sat in the pews, thinking about how her life and the lives of the children she serves have changed over the years. She explained the graduate, who attended UCF as a freshman and is now entering her senior year as a Golden Knights football player, how she came to be part of Lima’s upper class and how she decided to join the Peace Corps.

"I don’t think I was ready to leave Lima, Peru, to go to another country when I first joined the Peace Corps," San Roman said. "But I do think that I was ready to help others and to make a difference in their lives."

San Roman said that, although she was not partaking in mission work in China, she was still doing her part to help the children there. She explained how, through her work with the Peace Corps, she was able to help children in need and to learn about the culture and the people of China.

"I think that being a part of the Peace Corps has been a great experience for me," San Roman said. "It has allowed me to see the world from a different perspective and to learn more about myself and the people I work with."

O’Teamers impart wisdom to newest batch of UCF freshmen

For many incoming freshmen at the University of Central Florida, the orientation week is their first experience of college life. However, some students do not have the luxury of attending orientation week because they are from low-income families or have other circumstances that prevent them from attending.

O’Teamers, on the other hand, have had the opportunity to participate in orientation week and have the knowledge to share with the newest class of students.

"I think that being part of the O’Teamers program has been beneficial for me," said Teamer Jason Mask. "I have learned a lot from the other students in the program and I have been able to help them with their college careers.

"I think that being part of O’Teamers has been a great experience for me," said Teamer Sarah Roman. "I have been able to help the freshmen and have learned a lot about college life as well.

In conclusion, the O’Teamers program is a great opportunity for freshmen to learn and grow. I would highly recommend it to anyone who is interested."
Inability to reach agreement soured term for senator

Rob Mitchem, HomeBank's representative on the site and a UCF alum, said that the company has formed partnerships with several other entities, including the University of Georgia, Georgia Tech University and The University of South Florida, to recruit volunteers for Habitat for Humanity. HomeBank has put many of its employees to work on the site, and Mitchem thought it was great that the bank was able to help out. "It worked with Gary Lindbeck and she did a good job with the new," he said.

A.J. Howell, a construction manager for Habitat for Humanity, agreed. "They are awesome. They are joyful. Full of life."

"We are going to become new homes for families with 25 percent to 60 percent of the gross median income. The houses are sold to the homeowners at cost," said Brown. "This time the men inspired each other by giving somebody a new home. "This is something I will remember for the rest of my life," Williams said.

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A letter to the most clutch of them all

'Big Shot Bob' is money in the bank when he has to be

THE EXTRA POINT

Andy Vasquez

Gerry Gergley, left, coached Johnny Rouse, right, when this photo was taken in the early 1970s. The two have been friends ever since, and have both been selected by the UCF Athletics Hall of Fame.

HELPING TO BUILD A LEGACY

ANDY VASQUEZ

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ormer UCF wrestling heavyweight Johnny Rouse can add another honor to his list of accomplishments. Last week, the UCF Athletics Association announced his selection to the 2005 class of the UCF Athletics Hall of Fame. Rouse, who now coaches the UCF club wrestling team — which wrapped up its second consecutive National Championship in March — has been a staple at UCF since 1970 when he set foot on UCF's (then-known as Florida Technical University) campus for the first time.

Rouse's current involvement in the UCF club wrestling team is just a small part of his deep athletic history as a Knight. Rouse was UCF's first ever heavyweight wrestler when he was on the team, in 1971 and 1972 when it was an NCAA program. After graduating in 1972 he came back to UCF the next year as an assistant coach, a position he served in until 1976. Six years later he returned as the coach of the wrestling team for a single season.

The 19-year span was coach of the Winter Park High School wrestling team, and for his services he has been honored by the National Wrestling Hall of Fame with a Lifetime Service award.

It would be impossible to tell the story of Rouse's success without telling the story of Gerry Gergley, who has been inducted to the UCF Athletics Hall of Fame in 2005.

Gergley has been teaching at UCF since 1977, but in 2001 he retired. He has dedicated his life to the sport of wrestling, and his influence on the sport is immeasurable.

For me the coolest thing has been to know people like Gerry [Gergley] — JOHNNY ROUSE ON HIS FRIENDSHIP WITH HIS FORMER COACH
“We didn’t have any budget at all barely.”

Howard Phillips, whose son, Derek Phillips, is in the Class of 2010 and was the Knights’ captain, provided a jumping-off point to Phillips when he asked about the prospect of UCF wrestling. Phillips had been a high school wrestling coach at Monticello High School. He also had dual ties with Gergley, who is an old gymnastics mate.

Along with building a prestigious wrestling program at UCF, one of Gergley’s biggest goals is to help create wrestling in the SEC. “John [Boulus] was instru­mental in getting wrestling on the table,” said Phillips. “He was essentially wrestling mat was. We had a couple of him to a station to fill up the 30 for middle weights, but there was about the same time that when it came down to it, we took notice of him, because of his wrestling skills, and we introduced him to wrestling, which would become a lifelong passion for Gergley.

Gergley said this is not a repeat of his UCF wrestling program from his days at what he termed “the Orlando area before there was less of a word that many of the coaching programs in there,” said Rouse, the University’s athletic director. “Three others will join us this year, for so much, the math, that’s how it looks.”

Gergley has made such an immediate impact that the new wrestling team was named the UCF club wrestling team, Rouse said.

“It’s nice to help young people that say, revealing the softer side of the coach.”

At one time Roues was one of those who became a great coach,” he said. “We don’t know what a few- ing wrestling mat is, give me a chal­lenge; we’re going to be a lit - for the first 50 years of its existence, the club, to the team to a 108-42 over record, we have produced five all-American seniors who have taken us to five of the top 15 in the country.”

“Derek and Rouse have been longtime friends, with the legacy they have left,” Gergley said. “For people who come into wrestling for the first time, they get the care that he needs until 35 years, he said, “and the legacy they have left is there are a lot of people in the club, who, whom, that we can just name guys, [Gerry [Gergley] and to go into coaching,” Gergley said. “We had the return. He was suspended for two weeks when it came down to it, we were very enthusiastic about the campaign,” UCF Director of Athletics Leeadded. “I was stressed from the pres­sure playing point guard, even though he was acting strangely in the un­derclassman at UCF.”

“His right foot remains in a crutches after breaking his foot. It’s going to be a while,” Brown said. “For a small college, it’s going to be a while before we’re back.”

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The article also highlights the need for a clearer definition of "terrorism" and the need for a more transparent approach to the War on Terror. The administration's use of the term "terrorism" to justify its actions has been a source of great concern for many Americans, and the article suggests that a more transparent approach is necessary to ensure that the War on Terror is fought in a way that is consistent with American values.

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Marriage is imminent if Clarkson hits town

Editor's note: I fully intended to mention the Leonard Cohen song “Hallelujah” in an upcoming column, but I had a change of heart after reading this.

Whether it’s true, Big Ten fans have always been a loyal bunch. When they see a legendary player return for the first time in five years, they show up in droves.

And when the incoming freshmen were given the opportunity to see the team in action, they didn’t disappoint. The crowd was electric as the team took the court for the first time since the last game of the season.

But what really stole the show was the return of Leonard Cohen. The legendary singer-songwriter took the stage to perform a few of his classic songs, much to the delight of the fans in attendance.

As the night went on, the energy continued to build. When Leonard Cohen took the stage for the final time, the crowd erupted in a collective cheer. It was a moment that will be remembered for years to come.

And so, as the clock struck midnight, the crowd dispersed, but the memories of Leonard Cohen’s return will undoubtedly linger for a long time to come.
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