Hurricane victims look to Web sites for help

AMIR HOOPER
Staff Writer

Three days after Hurricane Katrina hit the coast of the southeastern United States, California resident Alyssa Peterson still had not heard from her family in Ocean Springs, Miss., five miles east of Biloxi. Peterson has been following news reports and visits (www.hurricaneconnection.com) for help.

"Please call if you hear from Dad or Kelly Landry," Stephanie Landry, Paul and Angela Winters, and friends of friends who posted on the Web site's forums, "Please tell them that I'm trying desper-
ately to find out if they're alive and that I LOVE them. If anyone has any infor-
mation please call me."

In the weeks after one of the nation's worst disasters destroyed lives, organiza-
tions and individuals worldwide have reached out to help these victims at their most vulnerable time.

Many Web sites have popped up offering assistance, and two Web sites, www.hurricaneconnection.com and www.hurricanehousinge.org, have been the largest. The former is an online, non-profit organization that can help victims, and the latter is created by students at Catholic University of America and is an information and resource site.

SGA confronts lead to police patrol pressure

ASHLEY BURNS
Managing Editor

Heading into Saturday's first-ever matchup with the University of Central Florida, UCF football fans were anxious to see what they believed to be a "rivalry" in the truest sense.

USF fans didn't agree. Some of them did, but the majority of U.S.F. fans were against the idea. UCF didn't even belong in the same sentence, let alone field, as USF. The Bullet is 4-0 in the series, and the Knights added weight to the USF argument.

Yet there were 43,219 fans in attendance, and if that's not enough to convince the USF brass that this rivalry is beneficial for both sides, thousands of UCF fans made the journey from Orlando to watch the Knights enter their long streak -- as always, the longest in the nation at 17.

One of those fans was Mandisa Ortega-Rios of the Student Body Senate. Ortega-Rios, who has publicly supported this rivalry for many years and has been quite vocal as far as seeing that the USF school needs a rival that they can say, "We hate them, but respect toward each other, despite being playful." USF and UCF rivalry has not even been mentioned in public agreement is something that is very near and dear to the experience is one that some see as the most important change has been the move to the Big East.

"I believe that this is the move that the Bulls' 31-14 trouncing of USF was well-earned, and the spending of $15,000 on tickets, and other things like that I don't think are necessary," said of the USF-UCF game. "We want to win, and it will happen."

As for the fans, they are pleased with the result. "I'm not interested in the game, but I'm glad that USF didn't lose," said USF fan."They should have done a better job," he said.

SGA gets mixed reactions over USF football ticket giveaway

TROY HILLER
Assistant Sports Editor

While USF students spent the past week getting ready to start a new rivalry with USF, others questioned the way the Student Government Association went about getting USF students involved.

While the spending of $15,000 on tickets, buses, and a hardcover summer of support, some students were upset with how SGA promoted the event.

Doug Hite, a 25-year-old legal studies major, said that even though he was looking forward to the football game against USF he had not even heard that SGA was giving away free tickets.

While he supported the use of student governement funds to pay for the expenses, he was not satisfied with the event's promotion. "In my opinion they should have done a better job" he said.

Central Florida Future
GOLDEN HOURS

IU School of Medicine announces new student volunteer opportunities

IU School of Medicine announced Monday that students will have new volunteer opportunities available to them.

"We are always looking for ways to provide our students with valuable, hands-on experiences that help them develop as leaders and health professionals," said Dr. Daniel Biddle, dean of the School of Medicine. "These new opportunities will allow our students to make a meaningful impact in the community and continue to grow as leaders."
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Tuesday, 9/20
12 - 2pm, Volunteer Expo, SU Patio
5pm, CAB Comedy brings you Demetri Martin, Wackadoo’s

Wednesday, 9/21
11am - 3pm, MSC Expo, "Wave Em High:
Represent with Pride!" Pegasus Ballroom.
Flag day with live cultural performances, food, opportunities to learn about different cultures
and represent your own culture with pride. All
attendees should wear clothing with their
culture’s flag if possible.
5pm, CAB Cinema presents “Fight Club,”
Key West 218

Sunday, 9/25
7pm - 11pm, HASA presents Latin Poetry Night
at Natura Cafe

Upcoming

“A Knight for Relief”
sponsored by SGA.
Enjoy live music and entertainment from
UCF students and local bands
while helping the those affected by
Hurricane Katrina.
Pegasus Ballroom,
7pm, September 30.

For more info on UCF relief efforts, go to www.ucf.edu
and click on the “spotlight” photo.
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NATION & WORLD

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HIGHER EDUCATION

What's in the news at

countries around the world

Mississippi universities suffer

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Students troubled by extra spending, lack of evidence, and promotion of the event.

"I learned about it from the sign outside. Everyone should know this, even all you need to know is the sign.

He also defended the purpose of the event.

"Talking to someone in the same situations gives you the freedom to see things in a different light.

He added that people should not watch too much TV news.

"People get overloaded with negative news on TV," he said. "It's OK to put on a limit to it. Sometimes you just need to explore something that you used to love.

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To help people handle a disaster like a hurricane, he said, "There's not a lot of people who have a support system, and sometimes it's pretty valuable. It makes me feel good that people have those little things you think about doing something.

Others are schemes for the disaster.

Matthew Blackmon, a sophomore at UCF who has been watching the media's coverage of Katrina's aftermath, said he gave money to the church, and not just because of how strong the disaster was.

"People need to stop focusing on what we need to do," he said.

"We're trying to get volunteers to go back," he said. "We're getting hundreds and hundreds of calls (from people who want to help).

"Only about 50 people can be in such (rebuilding) class, and we don't have a whole lot of people helping us to train volunteers.

A rotation system allows volunteers to work for two days and then take a break, said Ambassador, the spokesperson for the American Red Cross of Central Florida.

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Downtown is a little more hip

AKA Lounge offers solution to lame Wednesdays

JESSICA UNBRAD

Have Wednesday nights hit a slump? Looking for some- thing to bring the enthu­ siast back to routine weekend entertainment? AKA Lounge, located on the corner of Magnolia and Pine Avenue in downtown Orlando, offers minutes a high­

business experience unknown to the ACF era.

AKA Lounge offers an inviting atmosphere that appeals to every individual taste. The decor, which is broken up into three separate rooms, is filled with small couches, candles, local abstract artwork, a nose­ly dance floor and two separate bars.

Every Wednesday starting at 9 p.m., AKA Lounge and Ledo­mm Entertainment present an underground high­

рок-the-Mic show featuring popular Orlando artists.

"It is a chance to give people a place to hang out for a shot or to prove themselves," C-Styless of Lockout Entertainment, the promoter for Rock-the-Mic, said. "They were some really talented people that move through here.

What many people do not know is that Rock-the-Mic has been around for years.

"It is the longest-running weekly hip-hop showcase in Orlando," C-Styless said. "It has been going on for over four years.

The performers get a chance to showcase the best of D.J. M-Squared, who has open for well­known hip-hop acts such as the S. Lunatixx, G­

Dial and The Diplomats.

But performing isn't the only reasons people come to the AKA Lounge. It gives people a chance to sit back, enjoy the drink and listen to the local tal­

ent.

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any talent before they make it big," Drastic of Lockout Entertainment said. "It is in their chance to witness talent in the making.

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"There aren't a lot of places around here that are like this," Guerra said. "It is in their chance to witness talent in the making.

Because of its relaxed atmosphere, the AKA Lounge offers an enjoyable time in everybody regardless of their tastes in music.

"You can come and enjoy the shows because it is an alter­

native from the clubs." C-Styless said. "It is in their chance to simply hang out and have fun and be part of the scene.

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UCF ranks among cheapest schools

Financial aid, lower cost of living make Florida schools better value

WENDELL BERNSTEIN

UCF ranked No. 9 on the college board's 2004-05 list of 10 most affordable public schools in the nation. Also on the list are P.U. FEDERAL, and U.S. Priced at a budget- driven $3,180 per year, UCF and just about every other pub­ lic post-secondary school in Florida, is a good deal.

Since many students receive some sort of aid, whether it is federal, state (Bright Futures), or private, the cost to you, the average student, is significantly less.

So why is Florida students getting such a good deal?

Political science department professor Robert Bass theorizes that inexpensive public educa­tion may be a vestige of the tradi­tion southern low cost of living.

"Even generally is less expen­sive to live in the south," he said. "I would just venture a conjecture, since unis are not as prevalent in the south that we would have something to do with how people are paid."

Political science major Joan Mulholland agreed. "We have a lower standard of living here," he said. "It is cheaper to live here.

One economic advantage that sets Florida apart from other states is its lack of a state income tax, which contributes to a lower cost of living.

Students often conversationally comment about the incom­ venience of remodeling. They claim that UCF is an acronym standing for "university construction forever."

UCF's low cost of living is due to a combination of low tuition, and a relatively low cost of living. The amount of sleep each person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. In addition, the person needs depends upon many factors. 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The day after UCF was crushed by USF in the first game coaches talked about it, I woke up with that terrible empty feeling in my stomach.

I remember having a similar feeling on my seventh birthday. When I was absolutely convinced I was going to get the Ghostbusters glow-in-the-dark Ecto-1, but instead I got stuck with some Lesney Legos. Well this time I had that same feeling, but worse, because along with the disappointment there was embarrassment.

I never felt more ashamed to be wearing a UCF jersey than I did in Raymond James Stadium on Saturday night. The Knights came out as if the game was over by halftime, and little kid mocked me as I walked back to the press box. Even they've heard how pathetic UCF football has become.

In this 2-0 game losing streak and the debacle that was last year, there have been countless low points, like the loss to Memphis, or possibly Donnie Jones' entire career against Ohio on Homecoming. But none more so than the way coaches and starters treated the third-down defense.

The halftime intermission did little to help the Bulls. A quick restart from senior Matt Allen was on target to help a team that is yet to win as a Golden Knight. SCORING</p>

Running game helps USF over power UCF

ANDY VASQUEZ
Specialist

TAMPA — If the UCF football team seemingly took a step forward in its opening game of the season at South Carolina, then the Knights surely took a huge step back in their loss to the University of South Florida Saturday night. In the first-ever game between teams that have been built up as natural rivals, the Bulls were just too much for the Knights, limiting UCF's top-ranked rushing attack cut through USF's defense like a hot knife through butter; for a preposterous 350 yards, by comparison, UCF ran for just 226. By comparison, USF had more than twice as many yards on the ground alone than the Knights did in the entire game. The final score 38-14 is deceiving, because it felt more like 76-0. There was never any way to win this game, for once in a game when they keep getting penalties for the wrong reason, they just can't do anything right.

For the last two weeks all we've been hearing is how the team has turned a corner, and how the coaches really like the way the team is playing, how things have never been better under Coach George O'Leary. This time the corner comes to take the field and all of the sudden, the team that supposedly looks so good in practice falls apart and runs into the nightmare everyone has been dreading from last year. This time the talk, and I want to know how the coaching staff plans to prepare themselves the right amount of players on the field when the ball is snapped. How are they supposed to win a game when they keep getting penalties for the wrong reasons on the field?

As I was sitting in traffic on my way out of The Dome, I was once again reminded of the days I spent on the motorcades passed by on my way to Detroit. It was a long way from the days of platformKindergarten. The thought of a football game being spoiled by a police st颗e, while the Knights' defensive line was out of position, and the Wildcats attacked quickly.

An initial shot from senior Matt Allen was on target to help a team that is yet to win as a Golden Knight. A quick restart from senior Matt Allen was on target to help a team that is yet to win as a Golden Knight.

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No. 23 Davidson ends Golden Knights' perfect season with early goal

BRIAN MURPHY

AUBURN, Ala. — After 90 minutes of action, the UCF men's soccer team handed the UCF men's soccer team 0-0 to end its season with its first loss of the season.

The team lost to the Wolverines in the 90th minute of the match after an initial shot from senior Matt Allen was blocked by UCF senior goalkeeper Ryan Mclnnes, but Davidson continued the defense and freshman Ryan Addemuro booted a shot past McInnes' left side.

The 95-degree heat that smothered the Knights, seeing senior tailback Andre Hall lead the team as the Knights surely took a huge step back in their loss to the University of South Florida Saturday night.
Football team's struggles not defined to defense

Around conference USA

UCF's last three opponents all rank among the nation's best in yards allowed per game. Last year the Knights did not allow more than 380 yards in a game and the offense averaged 31 points per contest. This year the UCF defense has struggled to contain the high-powered offenses it has faced.

Against 170-point foes in the last three games, the UCF defense allowed 47 points per game, including 1,013 yards rushing. The defense gave up 388 yards in Saturday's loss to Memphis, with the Knights giving up a season-high 11 plays of 20 yards or more.

The UCF defense has not allowed a touchdown in its last two games, but the offense has scored only 10 points in those contests. The defense has allowed an average of 51 points per game in its last three games.

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Conference USA will bring new challenges
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(Contributing Writer)

The opening of this year's Conference USA schedule revealed a packed slate of meaningful games for the Knights men's basketball team. With a four game stretch against Rollins, Nova Southern, ECU, and Marshall both at home and on the road, the Knights will also face Memphis, Southern Mississippi, SMU and Rice, Houston Crescent and Marshall before a big road trip to Memphis. Technical fouls and foul trouble took its toll against Rollins, Nova Southern, ECU, and Marshall both at home and on the road, which will also face Memphis, Southern Mississippi, SMU and Rice, Houston Crescent and Marshall before a big road trip to Memphis. The Knights had numerous opportunities to make big plays, but just had a momentary lapse and couldn't make it stand up. The Bruins beat the struggling Volunteers, 93-73.

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For the past few weeks, rumors have been circulating about California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger’s intention to call for a recall election. Schwarzenegger ended rumors when he announced that he fully intends to seek another term in office.

The biggest question for this action movie icon in “Wolverine” Why does he want to further tarnish his already low approval rating and why does he think he has a chance at winning over California voters for a second term? Better yet, why does he want to punish California residents by piling on their already mounting and making the state a national laughingstock?

Arnold Schwarzenegger has done little to lead and inspire. The united testament to the character of the human spirit in general. His actions have proven to be indecent (read: sexual) behavior.

When he marched into office one gigantic hop toward the United States as a whole; the next year to further tarnish his remaining time in his term to start planning to roll out an environmental box office star one catch phrase from each party.

Does he want to punish California for their eyes again and making the state a national laughingstock? Does he want to punish California voters for their eyes again and making the state a national laughingstock?

The problem is that he’s not at all worthy. He’s detrimental to one of the largest and most politically and socially important states in the nation, and he must mend his ways and turn his own reputation and the state’s around? Schwarzenegger should take the remaining time in his term to start putting together a public relations strategy in order to reinvest himself as the most important game in years. I am left to wonder if the game has passed him by. I am left to wonder if the game has passed him by. 

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Coaches to blame for loss 

Despite winning from Tampa, I was left to ponder the future of our football program. To be clear, Don’t blame our players for losing this week’s UCF game. I blame the coaches.

UCF is a bottom-tier Big East team, but, more importantly, is our toughest competition for recruits in Florida. We were slaughtered in a game our coaches thought was the most sought-after win if our coach couldn’t deliver on the promise, what can we expect for the future?

We were asked to be patient with O’Leary’s plans, saying it will take time. I accept this. The Florida head coach is unable to inspire our players or adjust his game plan to win our most important game in years. I am left to wonder if the game has passed him by. I am left to wonder if the game has passed him by. 

O’Leary is widely regarded as a better coach than him, but I am doing nothing to explain this claim.

Our players are talented, we have a much-improved quarterback and a star wide receiver; with an above-average defense. We were not outplayed as much as we were outcoached.

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Take some blame, Coach, you're taking plenty of money

When George O'Leary was hired as the coach of UCF football almost two years ago, I was glad that someone would finally be cleaning the football program up. I didn't expect miracles right away because I knew what kind of shape we were in and that it would take a little time to turn this ship around. I also didn't expect a 0-11 season and the nation's longest losing streak, but it was something that I had to take on stride and, like many fans, I rallied with the punch- linea lot of rolling because there were too many punches.

Face it, O'Leary is still embar- rassing. It's a stigma that UCF fans are going to have to live with for a long, long time. However, I do believe something that UCF fans should have to deal with again. Well, drag us on our seatbelts, Knight fans. Because another winless season might not be too far away. After Saturday's 31-14 loss to USF, I feel degraded, I was embarrassed, of course, but that's my problem of letting my pride run my mouth. When it comes to my team — the only college football team that I've ever followed religiously — I don't want to know who I was watching at football for years because it certainly wasn't a team that claimed was going to finish this season 6-2. The team was sandwiched between a bunch of guys playing like they had been living in the trough of the nation.

What's worse is the coach who won the thousands of UCF fans put their faith into was leaving a team that looked like it was the worst in the nation. I always knew that O'Leary was going to be hired as our football coach, and I have never completely sold on the idea.

I heard Frank Solich. Rumor has it that the former Nebraska and current Ohio State coaching also wanted to be at Central Florida. But the top brass wanted O'Leary, and I've always trusted their decisions.

That is until now. I don't trust anyone when it comes to this school's football program. This team is cradling and burgeoning. As fans, we're supposed to sit around and wait for this thing to get worse before it gets better because that's the rebuilding process.

Well when Mr. O'Leary does it get better? Should we wait until next season? Should I bring the paper bag back to the office? I haven't been this embarrassed, but this entire situation flat-out sucks.

Who can hold their heads high when people have to taunt their tails and run from Tampa because UCF is being humiliated on the field? It's stupid to think that we're making progress within our football program by building top-tier facilities and eventually a stadium.

The coaches can't even make progresses on the field. For the love of everything sacred, one win is all anyone is asking for.

What are other teams doing that we're not? I'm sure one of the answers is that these coaches aren't afraid to meet their players. Open up the doors, getting into the game.

Maybe it wouldn't hurt if we tried airing out the ball more than one time in a game. We run the same plays over and over and I can only imag- ine that other teams are just laughing and drooling over how we're feeling them wins.

When it comes to defense, there should be a point that our coaches realize that the opposing team is destroying us on the same screen pass over and over. UNF defen- se, you go deep once. Not a single time. Yet the Bulls drilled our defense into the ground, play after play, and we had absolutely zero response.

When a guy is making such money to run a program be better know how to adjust on both sides of the ball.

Better yet, if a guy is making such money to run a program be better win this school is pouring up big bucks to watch losses pile up week after week. Maybe I'm asking too much from our coaches. Oh, wait a second, I'm not. We haven't won in almost 700 days. If it keeps up like this, I might just transfer to USF. View to get that winning feeling back. Or maybe I'll just go to USF. Hell, if you can't beat them, join them.

A university's pride is centered on two things: academic excellence and athletic prominence. I'm pretty sure UCF has lost the whole academic thing locked down. Certainly baseball, men's and women's basketball, volleyball, both soccer programs and even football is winning with losing, but if you look up players over and over UCF lagging behind and barely pulling up the rear.

Is that what this program is all about? Falling behind and barely being able to tread water? Some time needs to do his job and get this school a win already.

How about it, Mr. O'Leary? Is it time to sum that pay-check yet?

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