2007 SGA PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Candidates promise professionalism

Rachel Waterman

With elections starting today, the future looks very promising for the leadership team. Rachel Waterman, a senior political science major with a minor in communication studies, is one of the leading candidates. She has a strong background in student government and has been involved in various campus organizations.

Chad Lindsey

Chad Lindsey, a junior political science major, is another strong candidate. He has been involved in student government for several years and has a good understanding of the issues facing the university.

It was a snowballing effect and one's eyes opened up to things. It was definitely a good idea to oppose it. Chad said.

His increasing involvement in activism was interpreted by his parents, who Chad describes as moderate Reaganites. He said he debates politics with his family, especially with his conservative grandmother.

"It was born in '92, after World War II when it was still Palestine. We have a lot of difference in opinion over Israel and Palestine," Chad said. While Lindsey wouldn't say he's religious, he does add that he's committed to his Jewish heritage. "I always want to know more about my heritage," Lindsey said.

"I've been around the culture for too long, and I want to take the lead in the Hebrew programs." Now, he said, activism has consumed him to the point where it's a full-time job. He works 30 hours a week with organizations that oppose overseas wars and other organizations.

He's also involved in Students in the Major, a two-semester seminar in which he chooses the investigation. Venezuelan Foreign Policy under the United Nations.

He said he would continue to be an activist for students if elected, but the $5000 starter ticket wants to cut their own tickets, not make the president's down from about $5000 annual to a hourly wage of $450 an hour.

"We thought it would be a good example to set an example.

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UFC to U.N.
Hospitality major hopes to practice his trade on a world-wide stage


UCF volunteers help raise FCAT scores

Students at attended the Late Knights Global Leadership get to help students and volunteers help the Pegasus Ballroom, where an inflated

Christodoulou said that this is the first time the CAB budget and would allow for participation in the Moviefest. The film festival was so

On Monday, every student from LEAD Scholars and other programs at UCF, volunteers their time to help bring the university to

Laura Jones, assistant professor in the College of Communication Information Sciences.

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Rosen student sets sights on working for United Nations

ROBYN FREDERICK

While many Rossen students dream of writing a letter or calling a restauranteur, senior Courtney Douglass has her sights set on different kinds of hospitality. Her love of the French culture and language from a global scale — the dreams of working for the United Nations World Tourism Organization, an agency dedicated to economic development and human rights protection through international tourism. There’s no set path to such a career, so Douglass became involved in everything she could at UCF. Currently training to be a part of a one-year Governor’s Fellowship program, where she helps to organize political functions and takes on two independent study courses.

Douglass’ college involvement started the junior fall when she joined the UCF Washington Honor Society, the historically African-American honor society, in her freshman year, and soon found her new role as the professional role of National Program Director. Director for the University’s National Society of Minority in Hospitality in her junior year.

The NSHMB was responsible for planning every aspect of the 17th annual national conference or had the opportunity to do national conferences or serving on Douglass’ presidential board.

Douglass didn’t know any French, but as the daughter of a former French teacher and travel consultant, her parents taught her that “normal people can do great things” and have always pushed her and given her strong influences on her.

Perhaps the strongest influence on Douglass is her younger sister, who looks up to me as an example — a lot of what I do today is inspired by her,” Douglass said. “She’s not my busy running national conferences or serving on Douglass’ board. Douglass runs a monthly meeting driven through her church. Last summer, she was asked to speak to a group of 200 high school students about leadership at their Youth Summit.

For the spring of her sophomore year, Douglass studied hospitality management at the University of Strasbourg in France, where she became totally immersed in the French culture, despite not speaking the language.

“When first started, I barely knew any French, but as the semester went on I became more comfortable and could do what I needed to around the city and make new friends.”

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BAGHDAD, Iraq — Two coal­lers exploring an outdoor market in Baghdad were killed at least 40 people and injuring scores in the deadliest attack since U.S. and Iraqi forces began a major security push around the cap­i­tal last week.

The report came through the open-air market in the mostly Shi'a district of New Baghdad after the Iraqi forces marked the first major offensive against militants in the swath launched last week and a sobering reminder of the hard challenges facing any efforts against the well-armed fac­tion.

The dead toll was report­ed by police and ambulance service officials on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to media. At least 127 people were injured, they reported.

The explosions toppled wooden venders and utility poles, and blood pooled in the debris. Vendors were carted into hospitals on makeshift stretchers or in the arms of rescuers.

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Visions of the New America Art Exhibition
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Call for Entries

The Visions of the New America Art Exhibition is open to all current UCF students. Artwork will be judged on creative interpretation of The New America theme as well as technical merit. The competition is open to traditional and non-traditional media including painting, drawing, prints, photography, digital art, ceramics, sculpture, book arts and mixed media. $1,000 in scholarship prizes will be awarded to the winners.

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Students learn from one another

from a start of this program, [the stu-
dents] become kinder, smarter, less violent and more interested in success.

According to Thaxton—who knows to the elementary stu-
dents as Ms. Crazy Terry—children feel safe to be themselves and can learn to express their thoughts and feelings. The students and administration know that a 'side-benefit' of UCF Tudorstone is that the Ivey Lane students get a little extra personal atten-
tion—something they all crave," Thaxton said.

Thaxton received constant requests for 'UCF Tudorstone' from Ivey Lane students, and teachers have watched the growing self-confidence of those who have been tutored.

"I want to thank [UCF] for everything," said Rhonda Armine, a Kellagher Elementary student from Ivey Lane. "I really do appreciate it, because you have changed a life, and now I all do to it is to do well in school." 

LEAD Scholars and LINK were both groups responsible for planning Ser-
vice Day dubbed "Fun Day" by many guests.

At the event, attendees enjoyed free food while Ivey Lane students played on plastic inflatable slides, basketball hoops and a moonwalk. The students also showcased their artistic talents and observed Black History Month by per-
forming a rendition of "I Am an Eagle, I Am a Singer," also known as the "Black National Anthem.

The fourth and fifth-graders also got a first-hand look at a college campus.

"Children living in genera-
tional poverty don't see options for careers," Thaxton said. "Showing them a real college campus makes higher educa-
tion something real and con-
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Another Ivey Lane student, Anthony Furbush, known for hard work.

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Cocoa: It just might do your brain good.

RANDOLPH E. SCHNITZER
San Francisco

A little cup of the right kind of cocoa could hold the key to preventing brain function as people age.

In a world with an increasingly aging population, medical researchers are testing more cases of dementia and are looking for ways to make brains work better.

A potential source of help may be flavanols, a substance found in cocoa beans that can increase blood flow to the brain, researchers said Monday at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Ian Macdonald of Bergen Real Estate in New Jersey said on tests given to 54 men and women who were asked to do a complex task while their brains were being monitored with magnetic resonance imaging.

Among the women given drinks of cocoa high in flavanols, there was a significant increase in blood flow to the brains compared with subjects who did not drink the cocoa, he said.

This raises the prospect of using flavanols in the treatment of dementia, marked by decreased blood flow in the brain, and in maintaining overall cardiovascular health, he said.

The next step, Macdonald said, is to move from healthy subjects to people who have "compromised" blood flow to the brain.

Norman Hollenberg of Harvard Medical School said he found similar health benefits in the Cuna Indian tribe in Panama. They drink cocoa extensively.

But the cocoa typically sold in markets is low in flavanols, which are usually removed because they impart a bitter taste, Hollenberg said. He also said the findings do not mean people should indulge in chocolate.

"Chocolate is a delight. It can never be a health food because we have a calorie problem," Hollenberg said.

But, he added, in cocoa a lot of fat is removed from the chocolate. "I see a bright future for cocoa," he said.

Hollenberg, an expert in blood pressure, studied the Cuna because those who live on native islands do not have high blood pressure.

He said he found that when some numbers move to cities, their blood pressure rises. A major difference is the consumption of their own prepared cocoa, which is high in flavanols. In native areas, that is all they drink in cities that adopt the local diet.

In addition to lowering blood pressure, Hollenberg said, there are no reports of dementia among the Cuna.

Reader comments that, however, it was too early to con­clude that chocolate led to better health. The men who ate more cocoa products could have shared other qualities that made them healthier.

"More info, the candy company said for some of the research reported Sunday.

Israeli police commissioner resigns; latest govt. scandal

AMIR TEHEL
Jerusalem

JERUSALEM — Israel’s police commissioner resigned Monday after a government commission said he ignored ties between senior officers and underworld figures and failed to ensure a thorough investigation into the 1999 killing of a suspected crime boss.

Earlier Sunday, commission chairman Vardi Zeiler, a retired judge, said Karadi should lose his job for the incomplete investigation into the 1999 killing of a suspected crime boss.

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Sumo wrestling, origami highlights of global event

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Junior business administration major Kristen Keller and her roommate, freshman Brittany Loveland, entered their chance to go inside the inflatable Sumo wrestling ring. Everyone had to don a body suit that gave them the appearance of a Sumo wrestler but also doubled as protective padding. Once the contestants got up they could bounce across the ring, Slam into one another and inevitablyecz on each other on the ground.

The roommates laughed together as they caught their breath after the wrestling match. "You see it on TV," Loveland said and shook the press-to-sumo match. "You see people doing it, so it's just like—yeah! It's supposed to be fun to hit one another!"

Keller agreed that it was a good time despite the hollowness of the outfits. "I definitely couldn't expect," Keller said. "It didn't think it was going to be that loud!"

Also sharing space with the wrestling ring in the Pegasus Ballroom were origami, sand art, and mask-making craft tables and stations for henna tattooing and Sumo wrestling.

On the second floor, filmmaking students exhibited their artistry in origami, a popular paper-folding art form. Camilla Singh enjoyed having hands on the art form and said it was a part of her culture. "Ginza's used it at a Hindu wedding," Singh said. She added that the artwork is typically done on the bride's hands.

Also on the second floor, senior Lissette Morley snapped pictures of students and superimposed the images on backgrounds of foreign countries to make postcards. Morley, who makes and sells origami for customers professionally for A Cargo Collection, Inc., said she enjoys offering her services to Late Knights.

"You have always been more than satisfied with the job the students do to put this event on. You can tell they work so hard and pay attention to every little detail that goes into planning this huge event," Universal Movielovers member Kristen Keller said. "I have always been more than satisfied with the job the students do to put this event on. You can tell they work so hard and pay attention to every little detail that goes into planning this huge event.

The rights went well," Morley said. "It usually does. Late Knights is very popular for phones, I mostly did close to 400 prints (Friday) nights.

The second floor also included the tables of various clubs including Sabah, the United Nations Association, the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Student Union and Phi Beta Sigma.

From seeing a stand-up comedian, to making a postcard from Egypt with her boyfriend, to listening to the local drum line, the booth, on the main floor of the Student Union, Morley said she enjoyed her experience at Global Getdown.

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"You were really excited about this, and hopefully it will be something that CAS Cinema directors-to-come will continue and establish as a tradition," said Chadlowson. "Late Knights this year is what it means to discover — discover the story meant to tell and the world's change to discover you.

"I think the open topic is great because it encourages everyone to do it," Chadlowson said. "I especially encourage student organizations to sign up and create a documentary to showcase their club.

"Students can compete in these different categories. The Best Picture Award is for a film of any genre that is voted best at all. The Best Documentary Award, for the best comedies, will go on to compete on a national level and has the chance to win million. The "Short Film" Movie category gives students the chance to show a scene from a classic movie of their choosing in any way they choose.

"Students can increase it word-of-mouth, or change the story with themes which is great because it really lets you have it the chance to express your self artificially," Chadlowson said.

The movies will be shown

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FULLY ACCREDITED UNIVERSITY
Knights gain control of third place in C-USA
with victory over Rice

MELISSA HEYBOER
Sports Editor

After losing a key Conference USA match-up last Wednesday to Tulane, the UCF Men's Basketball team knew that Saturday's game against Rice was a must-win. The Golden Knights took that knowledge and used it to their advantage beating off a tough Owl team 74-63 Saturday night at Autry Court.

"I'm really proud of our guys, the focus and the ability to bounce back," UCF head coach Kirk Speraw said in a post-game radio interview. "I thought this was probably the most important game of the season."

The Knights (19-7 overall, 8-4 C-USA) jumped out to an early 6-0 lead with two quick 3-pointers from Josh Peppers and Dave Noel. The Owls (13-12 overall, 7-5 C-USA) responded with three consecutive baskets to put Rice up 8-7 with 16:08 remaining in the first half. That would be the last and only time the Owls would have the lead the entire game.

Part of that can be attributed to the tough defense from Dave Noel, who held Rice's Morris Almond to just 13 points, six of which were

Golden Knights win last three games of UNLV tournament

MELISSA HEYBOER
Sports Editor

The UCF Softball team is doing just what it's supposed to. Prior to the start of the season, head coach Renee Luers-Gillispie said one thing they needed to improve from last season is not getting swept by teams, but rather walking away with at least one or two wins.

So far, with ten games under their belt, and a 6-4 record, the Golden Knights are doing just that. After going 3-2 last week at the FAU Miken Invitational, UCF headed to Nevada to take on some steep competition in the UNLV Louisville Slugger Desert Classic.

The Knights went 3-2 over the three day tournament, falling to No. 9 UCLA and UNLV on Friday but coming back on Saturday to beat Colorado State and
Vazquez’s strong but not enough for Knights

John Vazquez hit a one-run ground ball to a diving junior shortstop Maryland added another run in the sixth inning. Dwayne Bailey. Instead of getting the easy first with an RBI single from Bryan Bennett. Instead of getting an easy first with an RBI single from Bryan Bennett.

Junior outfielder Joe Bergman said, "It was a tough loss that started early. Neither team was able to get the momentum going our way. It was a battle from start to finish."

Could you summarize the key points of the article? The article discusses a baseball game where the Knights lost to the Golden Knights. The Golden Knights scored 16 runs to the Knights' 10, with key moments including a strong performance from the Golden Knights’ pitcher, who struck out 12 batters. The Knights' offensive struggles continued throughout the game, unable to capitalize on scoring opportunities. The article highlights the intensity of the competition and the disappointment felt by the Knights’ fans and players. It also mentions the impact of the game on the Knights’ season, reiterating the need for improved performance in future games.

In the context of the article, what advice might be given to improve the team's performance in the next game? Based on the article, some potential advice to improve the team's performance in the next game might include:

1. Enhancing defensive strategies to reduce unneeded runs scored by the opposing team.
2. Strengthening offensive tactics to generate more scoring opportunities.
3. Improving pitch selection and execution to limit walk count and wild pitches.
4. Focusing on mental preparedness to prevent lapses in concentration.
5. Utilizing data-driven analytics to optimize player positioning and strategy adjustments.
6. Encouraging teamwork and communication to ensure all players are on the same page during the game.
Kime crucial to wins over CSU, Seton Hall on day two

Noel, UCF crack Almond in win

free throws. "Almond is a great player," Noel said in a radio interview. "We wanted to limit his touches and get him out of his groove ... All he needs is one, two shots, and he's gonna try and get his." "I never really set the tone on Almond," Spivey said in a radio interview. "He was unbelievable in the way he was defending Morris." Despite a tough night for Almond, the Owls' Lorenzo Williams stepped up for Rice, keeping UCF on its toes all night. Williams was 7-for-9 from the field with 16 points. Leading the Knights' offense was Poppe, who, as of late, has been on a hot streak. Poppe ended the game with 30 points, going 7-for-13 from the field. Aside from Poppe, two other Knights scored in double digits, Leilah Poyser and Dana Noel each had 10 points. Noel also put UCF's free-throw shooting woes to rest as he went 13-for-16, including four straight in the second half to cap a scoring win. As a team, the Knights were 24-for-34, including 16-straight in the second half.

The Knights' half-time up 41-31. That lead was tested early in the second half as the Owls came out of intermission with two quick baskets, cutting UCF's lead to six. The Owls threatened several more times, bringing the game within five late. Fortunately for the Knights, Rice

Noel cracked six points and forced three turnovers for the Owls. Despite the win, it was still very evident to coaches Spivey that there are plenty of things that can be worked on. The cardinal mistakes that have plagued them all season, never completely absent in Saturday's game. UCF's defense put the ball all over itself, running into problems for the Owls, Luckett and UCF Rice had the same problem giving up 39 points to the Knights of Seton Hall.

"That's something that's gonna happen," Spivey said in a radio interview. "But we stepped it up on some possessions that were just terrific in the second half and kept them at bay.

With this win, the Knights took sole possession of third place in C-USA. "We have a lot of work to do," Spivey said in a radio interview. But we stepped it up on some possessions that were just terrific in the second half and kept them at bay. With this win, the Knights return to the field. For all of our in third place by a low.

"We didn't do that last year," Noel said in a radio interview. "It shows the character of this team. We're not just gonna lay down and let everyone walk all over us.

The Knights' next game is Wednesday at home against Southern Miss. Southern Miss is currently fifth in C-USA with an overall record of 16-10 and a conference record of 6-5.

"We gotta step it up, it's a big game for us," Noel said in a radio interview. "Especially with the run we don't even want to play in front of them."
Opinions

Central Florida Future

We endorse...

The future is following Brenda Hollinger and Logan Berkowitz to the student body's next president, as we are confident that they will be a voice for all students and for the future for the right reasons.

Hollinger's past position of Director of Student Activities and current position as Director of Campus Life has given her a unique position at the upper echelons of SGA, but she has always kept in mind her choice to see what students want.

Berkowitz, on the other hand, is the perfect counterpart to Hollinger, whose experience as an ideal student body president has given him a great deal of experience with working with others as well as others senators. He is as dedicated and passionate about student representation on the Board as Hollinger is about being student body president for the right reasons.

Our stance is that Hollinger and Berkowitz are ambitious, and they will certainly have their work cut out for them if they are elected to the position of student body president. Nevertheless, if they can accomplish this, they will have demonstrated a great deal of professional and personal effectiveness.

During the debate last week, Hollinger stressed the importance of laying a solid foundation on which future candidates can build. She is an example of an effective public speaker and is a strong leader who will lead us to a successful presidency. Berkowitz, however, was more diplomatic. He was clear that he was a student body president who would want to work with others and do what is best for the university in mind.

Both Hollinger and Berkowitz have shown their devotion to representing every student on campus, and we have every reason to believe that their abilities should not be underestimated.

They have a clear vision of what needs to be done to improve campus safety, and they are committed to achieving their goals. They have both demonstrated a great deal of leadership and commitment to student representation on the Board.

Hollinger and Berkowitz are excellent candidates for student body president, and they will always represent students' interests and make good decisions that will benefit all students.

We believe that Hollinger is the best candidate for the job because she is committed to helping students achieve their goals, and she has the potential to make significant contributions to the University in her role as student body president.

Berkowitz is the right man for the job. He is as dedicated and passionate about student representation on the Board as Hollinger is about being student body president for the right reasons.

We endorse Hollinger and Berkowitz for student body president.
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