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Teaching Selfless Service

Students aid their communities

SCOTT GUARDY

Publicating a book about the homeless and creating a video about hurricane safety may not sound like typical activities for middle and high school classrooms. However, UCF students are playing a role in changing that.

This semester, education majors worked with Orange County Public Schools' teachers to engage middle and high school students through a method known as service-learning. Their efforts were part of a research project coordinated in part by education assistant professor, Sue Stow, who was awarded a Florida Special Initiatives Grant from the Lum Institute for Service America Corporation.

The ultimate goal of the project is "to increase service-learning teachers' use of service-learning," Stow said.

"Service-learning is a teaching method where students address a genuine need in the community through meaningful volunteer activities," she said. The method is "explicitly connected to the academic curriculum being learned in their class. The key here is the reciprocity between education and community."

History and education double-major Anthony Martin spearheaded a class of 30 students helping the homeless in Orlando. Martin prepared a book about their experiences with the homeless for publication.

"Earlier in the year, about 30 students visited the Coalition for the Homeless located here in Orlando," Martin said. "The students conducted interviews that questioned some of the individuals who were staying at the Coalition. The students asked them to talk a little about their past and how they ended up in this homeless situation. They also asked if any advice they could give to them about life or school or anything."

The impact of the project on the students was significant, Martin said.

"Most, if not all, of the students expressed that the responses they received from some of the homeless changed their way of looking at life forever," he said. "They all commented that they had previous stereotypes about the homeless before their experiences that were erased because of the project."

Stow said the "service-learning projects are important for his education students, as well as those they are teaching. "It is unique because they get to simultaneously practice service-learning as they learn about it," he said.

Math education major, Valerie Ryeonan, who works with students from Glenridge Middle School in Orange County Public Schools, also learned valuable lessons through her experience.

"We learned that when you ask a homeless student having the students in class and just listen to the homeless talk, the students are more willing to get involved in that," Ryeonan said.

Ryeonan helped students gather information about hurricane evacuations and put together a video on hurricane safety, which will be shared with other schools.

"Math is a very tough subject for students to enjoy," she said. "This experience has encouraged me to use real-life situations when teaching math. This way the students will be able to see that they are learning for a reason."

Service-learning projects such as these mentioned above are not new to Orange County Public Schools, yet through the coordinated efforts of UCF and local schools, they can be more comprehensive.

"As educators, we know that these kinds of learning activities are much more beneficial to the students' learning processes compared to simply completing worksheets, taking multiple-choice tests and writing essays," Martin said. "It is a kind of learning that will stick with these kids and themselves forever."

Above and below, Upper Crest High School students participate in a service-learning exercise called Memory Portraits. UCF student Amanda Lorenzoni worked with the students on the project. Below, Upper Crest High School students prepare the book for the students for the Florida Future with UCF Student Leadership Program.

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Perhaps the shoe was left behind.

A police officer said he was on a research mission when he found the shoe. "It was perfect," he said. When a trooper asked him to describe it, he said, "It was shoeless."

A Virginia Tech student returned Monday, saying, "It isn't. There is a mystery shoe fits, but no happy story it isn't."

He wanted to give his students a story. Virginia Tech's first day of classes were held last week after Seung-Hui Cho killed 32 people and wounded 17 on Monday while working on a Ford van.

It is a common sentiment among Virginia Tech's students and faculty released white balloons for each victim.

Students hugged and shed tears and had to turn it on themselves.

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Renovating to increase safety

"It was coming to the point where we're investing more than makes sense," Falco said. "We'll be putting down composite decking, that will be guaranteed for 15 years."

Even though $100,000 sounds like a hefty price tag, it's actually far less than what it would be if the support beams had to be replaced. The beams below the boardwalk are still sold and only the top of the boardwalk will be replaced, saving the university thousands.

"We're hoping that the foundation is sold, and we're pretty sure that it is," Falco said.

The current boardwalk, which is about 25,000 square feet, is nearly 20 years old — providing the Student Union.

The hope is the new design will benefit women who wear heels who have had difficulty crossing the boardwalk.

"A deck is a deck, but that's something we definitely want to change," Falco said. "I've been walking and seen girls completely fall down, and that's not something you want." Fastman education major Jackie Croteau said she's only walked in heels once, and that was the first and the last time I wore heels on the boardwalk.

"It was dark, and I was heading to an interview in the Union," Croteau said. "My heels kept getting stuck in the cracks. It was the first time and the last time I wore heels on the boardwalk.

The new composite decking will have smaller spaces between the boards, and Falco said an architect and/or engineer will be brought in to address the problem.

Another hurdle the new boardwalk will have to clear is the environmental protection act. The wetlands that lie below are protected, but Falco said he doesn't think it will be a problem.

"The whole area is environmentally protected, so we'll talk to the environmentalists before we do anything," Falco said.

Even though funding has been secured, plans for the final boardwalk won't be completed any time soon. Construction on the deck is tentatively scheduled to begin in the summer of 2009.

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GLBTs struggle against silence

By ANDY JACOBSOHN

shirt and the notion that being gay is not an abnormality. "There are 512 gay people," Osborn said. "You can use the same bathroom as them."

The incident, which left a bad taste in her mouth, is indicative of what some students have been hearing and feeling—climate that, even in the Metro campus, is sometimes just too hot to be gay.

"We had a collective fear shared by the gay community and other students, that they could be next. It was unspoken, but because of who they were and what they stood for, the fear was real," Osborn said.

As the number of incidents of sexual orientation in Florida has grown in the last decade, with only 28 percent of all hate crimes being based on sexual orientation, the figures have fluctuated since then, peaking at about 51 members.

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Funds diverted from Burnett building plan

By AL

The Visitor's Information Center will be cost-saving, though, he didn't have a pro-

cort. The buildings must be revised, he said. Clark said it will take seven years to save enough for the new building.

Parking Services is temporarily using office space in Research Park. The depart-

ment is hoping to be housed on campus in the South Parking Building. "This is great," said Judy Monroe, assistant vice presidents for administration and finance. "It's something we need. There are lot of things that we need, but funding and priority issues must come into play."

Parking Services gets its revenue from the sale of parking permits and through viola-

tion fines. "Some people say we only fine to make money," Clark said. "But in reality, we only generate 11 to 12 percent total revenue from citation fines.

The money that's made on parking permits and fines goes right back into providing services and facilities for the campus."

Five percent increase on parking permits will pay for buildings

By AL

The new building will create more space for the gross anatomy lab, microbiology wet labs, individual study space and office space, UCF Provost Terry Hicksey said.

At the start of the deal, the $8.5 million Tarvick gift that comes with an additional $25 million in state-matched funds, UCF raised more than $80 million for the medical school. "It is clear to us that the new building will grow not only in size but also in cost," said Clark. "It will now be cost-saving; the design process, that is different than working with the architectural firm."

The College of Medicine was UCP's priority at the Lake Nona campus, as it would be the focus of the Liaison Commit-

tee on Medical Education, the accrediting body for medical schools nationally. Hicksey said.

To compensate for the transfer of the Tarvick gift, a proposal to fund the Burnett building through a combina-
tion of up to $60 million in bonds, $22 million in state-
guaranteed construction funds and $20 million in private donations, will go before the state Board of Governors in June, Hicksey said.

The construction funds provided by the state were granted to UCF after the board of directors of the Lake Nona Health Sciences campus construction budget was revised, Hicksey said.

"We are not merely taking the existing amount. We are not using it on the Lake Nona project and Tallahassee is still in large part, excited by the construction of the campus."

"A shifting of funds is normal," Constantine said. "I would not expect anything different than that."

"UCF officials said the proj-

cut continues to be driven by priorities and finances."

"There is no state funding in this project," Evelyn said. "This move was made to ensure that there would be no state donations."

UCF officials estimate that the money raised through the sale of bonds will cover the cost of the building not taken care of through state or private monies.

For about $4 million a year of direct cost funds, we can pay the debt service on 30-

year bonds for about $60 mil-

lion, which should allow us to fit out most, if not all, of the Burnett building," Hicksey said.

The fifth floor of the Burn-

nett College of Biomedical Sciences will be left unfin-

ished until there is a need for the space and funds are avail-

able for completion.

The main financial parame-
	er set by the Board of Trustees for the construction of the buildings was that debt service will not exceed $4 mil-

lion.

The debt service is pro-

grammed at $3 million, Hick-

sey said. "By doing it this way, we were able to meet both of our challenges: have enough money to build the Burnett building and enough money to build the College of Medi-

cine," he said.

Because there is no other source for monies or tax money, Clark said it will probably take two to three years to save enough for the new building, Hicksey said. "It's just a matter of dedicating the money to this project." Clark said, "and not using it on another project."

A percent increase on the sale of all parking permits, which will go into effect in September, may help Parking Services gain the amount needed to start construction, but Monroe said that alone will not be sufficient to provide enough money for the building. She said administration is looking at other ways to cut the cost of the building because they recognize it will be a good thing for the campus.
Knights get one hit in 8-0 loss to Rice in final game Sunday

BRIAN MURPHY

In its weekend series versus Rice, the UCF Baseball team saw how far it has to go to compete with the top of Conference USA. A fantastic pitching performance from C-USA Preseason Player of the Year Joe Savery helped Rice complete a three-game sweep of the Knights with an 8-0 win Sunday.

Savery is known more for his striking ability, but he pitched the best game of his season, limiting the Knights to one hit over a season-long seven innings.

"He's a quality pitcher, there is no question about it," UCF coach Jay Bergman said. "He's a quality pitcher, there is no question about it."

Preseason Player of the Year Joe Savery helped UCF win Sunday.

Softball falls in final game of series with 7-0 loss to Houston

MELISSA HEYDORF

The UCF Softball team was shut out for the third time in as many games after losing 7-0 to the Houston Cougars in the final game of their three-game series Sunday.

"The loss dropped the Knights to 0-10-1 on the season and 0-0 in Conference USA," Bergman said.

With the help of two UCF errors, the Cougars took the lead early going 1-0 after the first inning. Jessica Valls reached second on a throwing error from Amber Lamb to lead off the inning. After a foul out by Katie Bedd, UCF pitcher Allison Kline lined a walk to right field.

"It isn't just that they're balanced. They are experienced and they are good," Orlando coach Brian Hill said. "You have to play solid defense against them. They're capable of playing different ways and playing together and they are very experienced on the mound."

The Magic, meanwhile, didn't have a third player in double figures to lead the series, former Florida Dominican Matt Brown scored 18 points and 11 rebounds.

The opening tip was enough for him Monday.

Flowers added 11 points, seven assists and three steals to help the Detroit Pistons beat the Orlando Magic 96-90 and take a 2-0 lead in the first-round series.

"It's been very focused ever since the Magic need to win Game 2 to even the series."

Orlando point guard Chauncey Billups said. "You can also be tough to defend them when he's shooting the defense shooting from the outside like a guard."

"We have to get that third win in Game 2," Detroit's balance was too much for Orlando's two-player attack.

Detroit's starters each scored at least 10 points and top reserve Antonio McDyess added nine points and 11 rebounds.

Richard Hamilton scored 22 points, while Billups had 21 points, eight assists and only one turnover. Tayshaun Prince scored 18 points and Chris Webber added 10 points and nine rebounds.

"They are a good team," Orlando center Shaquille O'Neal said. "They are a good team."

Detroit Pistons guard Richard Hamilton scored 22 points against Orlando's defense.

However, the next batter, Amanda Grote, would reach first on the second throwing error in the game from Lamb, advancing Durham to third base. Durham was retired the next two batters but Kline would allow an error to score Christian卡片. Durham scored the last run of the game in the eighth as the seven-time All-Star brought hisEsta season average up to .289.

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"They are a good team."
WOMEN'S ROWING TAKES OVER ALABAMA AT SIRI CHAMPIONSHIPS

The UCF Women's rowing victory, achieved in the second varsity eight, took full advantage of the IRA Championships. The Knights earned a victory with a score of 6-0, 7-0, and 8-0, and a third place finish, receiving valuable points towards the national title. The campaign culminated in a strong performance from the women's varsity eight, securing the team's third place finish.

RESULTS

First Varsity

UCF, 6-0, 7-0, 8-0

Second Varsity

UCF, 6-0, 7-0, 8-0

Third Varsity

UCF, 6-0, 7-0, 8-0

Geoffrey D. England

Hill said.

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Vazquez6 records only hit for UCF

by Chad Leibovich

The Owls (13-2, 1-2 C-USA) added three more runs in the fourth. Freshman pitcher Eric Eng- lied walked Travis Reagan after striking out Padron to begin the fourth. Brian Friday then reached on a single that simplified the end of England's day.

Despite three hits in that inning, UCF couldn't come up with a clutch hit to bring the runners home. Vazquez was tagged with the ninth run of the season and the second of the series. She allowed seven runs on five hits in the complete-game effort. Shanblin threw a complete game for the Owls, holding the Knights to just five hits while striking out six batters. The win was her 2-0th of the season.

All five hits for the Knights were off different batters. CiCi Atmore, Lani, Kruse, Brionne Javier and Hillary Bar- row had one hit each. Vazquez, who had the Knights' only hit, could do no more than put some on the base path. The Owls were closing in on the sweep with two games remaining in the series.

Bordwine entered the game with runners on first and third and one out, but he did not provide any relief for the Knights. He allowed the Owls to score three runs in the fourth inning, losing all but one hit and no runs.

Bobby Beaulah and Scott Lemer-

gan preserved Savery's outing by pitching hitless eighth and ninth innings, respectively.

Savvy's sweep marked the 50th con-secutive home series that the Owls have won, 21 of which have been sweeps. Solid pitching was the key to the victory, as UCF allowed just three runs in the three games.

UCF allowed 21 runs. Under head coach Scott Averett, the Knights' pitching staff has been solid, leading the team to 5-11 overall record. The Owls are 15-22 overall and 5-11 in conference play.

Vazquez, who had the Knights' only hit, put just one run on the board in the series opener, but that was enough to keep the Knights out of the win column.

The win was their 11th of the spring season. Their only loss of the season came on April 15, when the Knights lost to Washington.

Three UCF errors lead Knights in loss to UH

For All

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Bobby Beaulah and Scott Lemer-
Environmental waste reeking havoc at UFC

I feel that as students at UFC, we have an obligation to take care of the environment around us. Not only is environmental care a part of being a responsible consumer, but there exists a moral argument to take care of what we use, as we are its beneficiaries.

At 12 p.m. I walked into the arena. To see the world melts into a loose sun-baked skin. We have to start worrying when our paper.

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I feel that as students at

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