Hurricane watch

UCF returns home to face off against the Tulsa Golden Hurricane — SEE SPORTS, A8

KARL WILBERG

UCF received a giant "F" on its sexual health report card this year. The Student Health Services and Sporting's Best Place, one of four specialty high-end research firms in the country, came together for the second time to measure the sexual health awareness of more than 350 colleges and universities across the country.

UCF only ranked higher than 11 colleges, coming in at No. 35.

The number of schools involved increased from last year, adding 35 colleges and universities to list, including UCF.

To determine those grades, ads were placed on Facebook.com recruiting students to take a short survey and researchers measured the accessibility of school Web sites. In addition to the study, each school’s health center was individually interviewed to determine how beneficial the health center’s resources are.

Each school was given a grade and GPA, just like students are given a grade in a class. The sexual health resources of each school were graded on 11 different categories.

These categories included sexual awareness programs, condom and contraception availability, HIV testing, other sexually transmitted infections testing, student health center hours of operation, drop-in versus appointment-based service, navigability and usability of Web-based annual health information, anonymous advice and newspaper columns, lecture outreach, programs, student peer group and sexual assault programs.

This year, the University of Minnesota rose up from 38 to 16 on the list in taking the field as being the most sexually resourceful campus in the country, UCF, however, placed 133 out of the 139 schools.

"The UCF Health Center's Web site was bad; there were no separate sexual assault programs and the availability of contraceptives was low," said Bert Spelling, owner of Sporting's Best Place firm.

"The horas of supervision and anonymous availability did receive an "A" representation.

The Health Center's Web site instead got an "F" on the study, contributing to the overall grade of UCF.

But Dr. Michael Deitch, associate director of Clinical Health Services, said that the site was just updated today. He said people get out of bed.

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CARSON KRESSLEY'S 10 TIPS TO PERSONAL STYLE
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2. Don't stress about what to wear. — Worrying about what to wear always seems to make you wear things you're not comfortable in.
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4. Keep it simple. — "This is the newest trend. It won't last a year and you'll look stupid." - I say, "Don't do what the trend says. Do what you think looks good and just keep it real.
5. "Get old before you go " — Don't be afraid of getting old. You won't regret staying young.
6. Ever hear of...? — "Nordstrom, Pegasus Ballroom, campus life. "It's cool to see someone successful in our community who made it."
7. Other students gravitated toward him. — "I thought it was your party." — Said someone.
8. "I'm not a straight guy." — Said Carson. — "You just have to make sure you do things your way."
9. "I don't know if you've heard of...? — "I've heard of Queer Eye." — Said someone.
10. Appropriate dress for the occasion. — His personal style, which he achieved with his looks and, among his numerous charitable acts, for Cam­­paign, which he achieved with his looks and, among his numerous charitable acts,

Tornado touches down in Pennsylvania, 12 injured reported
PENNSYLVANIA — A tornado touched down Thursday, destroy­­ing this city's major shopping mall, as a line of violent thunder­storms made their way across the western Pennsylvania. There were no immediate reports of injuries.

The twister could be seen tossing debris around, and getting louder, and noticed trees...
Former neo-Nazi’s childhood added to the hate

ASHLEY KOHLER

UCF student and reformed neo-Nazi Angela King talked about her experiences and lessons learned as part of Diversity Week at UCF. King, 26, visited the Student Union Oct. 17 and talked about the childhood experiences that contributed to her joining the skinhead movement and eventually ending up as a high school teacher.

King talked about why she joined the skinhead movement and the revelations that contributed to her reformation. She said she was raised in a rural area in Florida where there weren’t many people from different races or religions. She was raised in two religions, Baptist and Catholic, and would occasionally hear racial remarks in her home.

"I didn’t understand what they were saying," King said. "I was confused and didn’t know my place in society." She said her whole life had changed so much that she would be unsure if she knew her same identity.

"I don’t think you would even call her a person if you looked into her eyes," King said about her former self.

King said that she grew up in a rural area in Florida where there weren’t many people from different races or religions. She was raised in two religions, Baptist and Catholic, and would occasionally hear racial remarks in her home.

"I didn’t realize that these things didn’t make me feel better," she said. "I didn’t realize that these things didn’t make me feel better." She said that she started to wonder why people were so angry and had such negative feelings towards each other.

"I think I was just confused," King said. "I didn’t know what I was doing or why I was doing it. It was like there was something inside of me that was pushing me in that direction. It was like there was a monster inside of me that was controlling me."

Vaccine offered for $103 at Student Health Center

Fox 1.

"We hope for the best results," Delanois said. "We hope for the best results." Delanois said that the worst was that she had never been able to return to school.

During the years, she said, she got into trouble for things such as disorderly conduct and public drunkenness.

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"I think it’s safe to say that the place I am right now is the best I’ve ever been," King said.

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Pakistan's Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto returns to Pakistan, eight years after her departure.

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Maine schools make birth control available to students.

After an outbreak of pregnancies, among middle school girls, education officials in one school district have decided to allow a school health center to prescribe birth control pills available to girls as a personal hygiene aid.

King Middle School will become the first middle school in Maine to make a full range of contraceptives, including birth control pills and patches.

Condoms have been available at King's health center since 2000.

Students need parental permission to access the school's health center.

But treatment is confined under state laws which allow the school to provide contraceptives to students only if their parents say they must do so.

There are no national figures on how many middle schools provide such services.

Most middle schools range in age from 11 to 15.

Portland's three middle schools reported 17 pregnancies during the first four years, not counting miscarriages or terminated pregnancies that weren't reported to the school nurses.

The Portland School Committee approved the plan, offered by city health officials, on a 2/3 vote Wednesday night. Whether the prescription would have been offered this school year or next wasn't immediately clear.

Summarizes the new state of the art

King is the only one of the three schools with a health center, primarily because it has more students who get free or reduced-price lunch, said Lisa Belsher, who oversees Portland's school health centers.

Five of the 145 students who visited King's health center during the 2005-2006 school year reported having sexual intercourse.

The Portland School Committee had also approved, last spring, a vote to make birth control pills available at the school.

Committee member Sarah Thompson, also the mother of a King eighth-grader, said she voted no even though it made her "uncomfortable.

Human remains discovered at University of North Dakota.

Human remains, apparently buried some time ago, have been found by construction workers digging on the campus.

The Portland School Board has yet to identify a site, near a school auditorium and the yard of the school president's house, which was found by construction workers.

Human remains discovered at University of North Dakota.

Police and how long the bodies had been there wasn't known, and the school said it had been a period of time.

State and federal anthropologists are investigating the site, said a school auditorium and the yard of the school president's house.

"This type of excavation is an extremely time-consuming process," said John D. Letts, director of the state's medical examiner's office.

"It's very slow and very difficult," he said, "but we know for some time as to exactly what is there."

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Health Center Web site contributes to bad mark

This past August and September, "We now have all kinds of links and a variety of resources for students." Delchon said the Health Center is continuing to update their Web site, as well as add more special resources, such as an "STD Wizard."

"Students can click on the link to this interactive Web site that answers a few questions and it does an analysis of what STD they may or may not have," Delchon said. "A reminder from the junior Health Councilor at the Wellness Center is, if it was based off of the Web site, can locally see why they would think that. It's been been remodeled for two years now."

Jadawal said that even she has difficulty accessing the site and that the UCF also ranked low because of poor condom distribution.

"We have the availability, but I do think the promotion be weak," Jadawal said. "I don't think most people how we have [condoms] here."

Free condoms are always available at the Wellness Center for anyone who wants them. No counseling or interaction with anyone is required; students can just go in and grab them.

"Red." However, it is available for UCF students only. Testing is always available at the Health Center or the Wellness Center. For semester, counselors hold a moderately moderated, and hundreds of students are tested per year.

Last year, out of 852 people tested for HIV, 11 people were tested positive.

The two main causes of sexually transmitted infections is available through a program at the Health Center, Counseling rainfall and others. But condoms are not the only means of Chlamydia since it's the No. 1 most prevalent sexually transmitted disease in the U.S., according to the CDC.

To what the research study shows, UCF does not hold sex education programs for students when the study is not all condoms. The "Condoms, Sex and AIDS" survey, which was held in Tower III on Tuesday, received more than 40 students.

Jadawal is also participating as a speaker for the Women's Health and Residence Life, two health advocate and AVs counselors were present to educate students about various STTs and safe ways to have sex.

Dr. Popovetsky, an HIV counselor for the Wellness Center, began by stating the Trojan Evolve campaign is an educational program that discusses the risks associated with unprotected sexual activity.

The event concluded with the distribution of free condoms, an element the Trojan study showed UCF to be lacking in.

The sexual health report card study is all part of the Trojan Evolve campaign by stating the purpose of the program, which is to talk about safe sex. He then continued by saying, "Safe sex doesn't exist."

Student Senate selects speaker and pro temp

MEMBERSHIP

Members of the Student Government Association Senate elected a new speaker and president during the weekly student government meeting last Thursday.

This year, the College of Business Student SenateBrian Peterson is speaker and College of Arts and Sciences Student Alex De La Rosa is Senate president pro tempore.

"It hasn't quite hit me," Peterson said. "It's a great honor to serve in this capacity for student government and the university as a whole.

"I'm very excited for the 40th Student Senate. We have a fantastic group of senators who are all willing and motivated to represent the student body.

"Peterson will act as the head of the SGA Senate, which is the legislative branch. The job includes chairing such as facilitating and running the Senate meetings and taking care of other administrative tasks.

"The speaker is also the chair of the Senate executive committee, which comprises the speaker, the president pro tempore and all of the chair of the Senate. The group is made up of the senate leadership and meets weekly to discuss any issues involving student government.

"Peterson's job as speaker is extremely important. The speaker and the Senate are responsible for the Senate meetings and coordinating proceedings.

"By calling on certain people or organizations, the Senate is able to get things done," Peterson said.

"This is the second session that Lipinski has served as chair of the Operations Review Committee. She became chair in April, during the 39th Student Senate.

"Lipinski said, "I think that being able to implement changes in CUB and "taking it to the next level."

"Lipinski and the OCB make changes, such as random testing of student government — executives, judicial and legislative — and student organizations. They also helped get the post event travel forms online with the Student Government Office, and the whole process allows various offices within SGA can review, implement or discuss.

"The Legislative, Judicial and Rules Committee is another committee that implemented changes during their 39th Student Senate. They reviewed all the legislative and bodies that govern SGA.

"This is the 90th Student Senate," Lipinski said. Her second term as chair, she said the committee will continue as they did last year.

"We have a lot of new students that are not on the 40th Student Senate," Lipinski said. "I think it's the students who are coming in..." Petion stepped in and added, "It's the opportunity and a lot of motivation to just jump right into everythings."

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Victim Services and Volunteer UCF Kick Off of Domestic Violence Awareness Month in front of the Student Union on Wednesday, October 24, 2007.

In October of 1981, domestic violence became such a problem that the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence was named. October Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Victorio Antonovski, the domestic violence director for the Coalition Against Domestic Violence, said that domestic violence isn’t just physical.

“It can be verbal or physical,” she said, “anything that puts you down in a relationship, family, or friends.”

Harbor House and the Orange County Center Against Domestic Violence divide abuse into four categories: physical, emotional, sexual, and economic. Actions such as slapping, choking, threatening, touching and refusal to share control of money are considered domestic violence.

Domestic Violence Prevention Coordinator Jonathan McGriff said Harbor House provides free counseling and a 24-hour help line.

“We have met the needs of thousands of people that has approached and know about the resource,” McGriff said.

Harbor House also provides emergency shelter, support groups, safety planning, and dating and violence education programs, and prevention.

McGriff said that Harbor House is also taking steps to include men in their service and prevention programs.

The problem is that men we’ve tried to attract are resistant.

Community Relations Officer Cassandra Eshort said that the problem is that men who are subject to abuse more often, because they are at a physical disadvantage.

Women are easier to take advantage of than men,” she said. “They are not inferior sexually, but physically, yes.”

Harbor House started the “Coaching Boys Into Men Campaign,” teaching boys how to treat women before they become men, which is sponsored by the Orange County Coalition Against Domestic Violence Task Force.

This campaign emphasizes the fact that everyone is guilty of imperfections, but it is important for adults and authority figures to act as examples for children who learn and act as a result of their environment.

The more children that are exposed to healthy, functional relationships as an example, they will be to have a better and more accurate concept of what a relationship is supposed to look like.

LaShawn River, assistant community director of Victim Services, said that the organization has a plan for preventing domestic violence.

“We’re meeting men and women at the middle-school age to show them what’s appropriate,” River said.

River said that while a healthy relationship looks like what they are teaching.

Colleges to open host open houses Sat.

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First Family Weekend with an ex-campus home game, the open house aims to give parents and students the opportunity to tour the different UCF disciplines.

“The audience for the open house are people who will be here for the weekend and the average fan who have never been on a college building before,” said John Schell, vice president of University Communications.

Schell, who coordinates the open house, said that while the new students and their families are a big draw for the weekend events, College Game Day is a way for fans to see the academic side of UCF.

That’s exactly what Black said she saw the new event doing.

“Each college having an open house and then the football game a few hours later,” Blackman said, “it just proves that UCF is focused on academics, as well as athletics.”

Some College Game Days, such as UCF’s recent “Tribute to Podcasts” radio studio sponsored by the College of Sciences, brunch at 10:30 a.m., hosted by the Rosen College of Hospitality Management and tour of downtown John E. Rollins College and Public Affairs buildings.

Tour groups and presentations are free and open to families and prospective and current students alike. Some events such as the brunch, require invitations.

“Each college has a program designed to show off of the college’s discipline,” Sillman said.

Familiar events include Late Knights, which Blackmon said is the weekend’s most-attended event, at 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., in the Student Union and College Game Day at 7:30 p.m.

Perhaps the most familiar event is college football, but this is on campus.

“Everything engineering major Tammis Rick said she looked forward to about visiting UCF with her mother and four of her mother’s friends who are traveling from Tampa for the three-day event.

“I’m really looking forward to the game because I have so much fun tailgating, and I get to show my family how pathetic being a Knight fan is,” Blackmon said.

She said having a stadium on campus makes it easier to enjoy the game and Family Weekend.

“I think it is bit more of a hassle,” she said.

For more information on College Game Day, visit: www.gocf.ucf.edu.

For more information on Family Weekend and a complete schedule of all the featured events, visit: www.ucf.edu/ufc/family-weekend.

Kyle Hauck

All speeches will be given in October on Wednesdays at 1:30 on the Free Speech Plaza at the Malott Union Building.

For more information, you can contact: UniversityRelations@ucf.edu or Kyle Hauck at khauck@ucf.edu.
Jena Six forum asks: 'Where do we go from here?'

SHARON D. RICHARDSON

UCF students showed up Monday that they're not going to let the recent events in Jena, La., be forgotten.

The African American Student Union sponsored a forum called "Where Do We Go From Here?" in the Cape Florida Ballroom of the Student Union.

The forum, as part of the Student Union's Diversity Week, discussed the recent events known as the Jena Six, who were accused of beating a white student in Jena, La.

One of the students, Mychal Bell, has been convicted of killing the white student, and the other five students were acquitted because of their age.

The forum began with a panel discussion about racism, injustice, and media coverage at UCF, but it also led to UCF students traveling to Jena to participate in a support rally of thousands.

That's where the discussion began, and the forum was where it continued.

The forum began with a slide show of the Jena Six rally and photographs of related events.

Venroy Porter, an industrial engineering major, acted as moderator at the forum.

Porter was also a participant in the trip to Jena.

A panel of six individuals who had strong opinions regarding this topic led the discussion.

The panel included Leah Gibson, the organizer of the UCF trip to Jena; Michael Byrd, a member of the College Democrats; Austin Smith, a history major and representative of Students for a Democratic Society; Tereasa Clarkson, senior property manager/account executive at UCP's Property and Inventory Control Office; Dion Sherman, a participant in the rally and administration representative at Florida Metropolitan University; and Leah Porter, an industrial engineering major.

The panel answered several questions from the moderator, which were followed by comments and questions from the audience.

Porter asked everyone to avoid the use of racial slurs and to respect everyone who spoke. He then read through a timeline of the history of racial issues and events that occurred in Jena before and after the arrest of the Jena Six.

On Dec. 5 and 6, 2006, six black students were arrested and charged with aggravating second-degree battery.

"In present different opinions on the topic of injustice, the Jena Six trial and related footage from a CNN report posted on YouTube.com was shown along with someone's personal video.

"People look at this as a 'race' issue, but this is a typical case of second-degree battery," Gibson said.

Some panel members, as well as several audience members, expressed that what happened was a simple fight that should have just been handled by the school.

"It wasn't a fight because Justin Barker (the white student) never swung a lick," Clarkson said, despite opinions from the audience.

Some felt that the discussion needed to be brought back to whether Bell had a fair trial.

"The debate is in the fairness of the evaluations of his actions," Gibson said. "The fact that he had a poor lawyer alone is justification for appeal and reevaluation."

Gibson also said that according to a CNN report, a witness who testified against Bell was one of the students who hung nooses on a tree that "traditionally" while students sat under in Jena High School.

The nooses were hung the day after a black student asked for permission and then sat under the tree.

The ballroom filled with groans from the audience when Porter addressed a different view of that incident.

Porter explained that some claim the students who hung nooses didn't know black history, and therefore didn't know what the nooses meant.

The rebuttal to that view was that the white students didn't know what the nooses meant, they wouldn't have hung them.

"Lunching is a form of terror," Smith said. "You don't just do something and walk away unless you want to scare someone else. It's a threat of action to come.

"There was also a debate about whether the Sept. 20 rally in Jena was accurately portrayed in the media.

"I think it was accurately portrayed," Ly said. "Most rallies aren't covered by the media. They cover things like what didfinity do last night?"

Smith disagreed. "Mass media shrank this down to just these six men," Smith said, and that's all. It was also mentioned that the most media was late in covering this issue.

"It is said that this happened back in 2006, but it didn't really reach the media until now," Sherman said.

Members of the panel expressed that the rally in Jena was about more than just the six men.

"I believe that we are going to stand by people who are not being represented fairly and not being given a fair shot," Smith said.

The forum wrapped up with the panel and audience commenting on the potential aftermath of the Jena Six events.

"Hopefully, these are small steps to lead to overrepresented issues and bring some sort of diversity," Byrd said.

Clarkson elaborated that she believes Jena Six means change for Jena, La.

"I am certain there will be some sort of backlash," Clarkson said. "What our town is hoping for is unity and that everything is handled evenly and equally so that America can see that Jena is not a racist town."

The forum closed to the crowd, despite predictions of the future results of the Jena Six.

Clarkson asked the panel and audience members to ask themselves, "Where do we go from here?"

"As young black people, we are supposed to decide to continue this movement," Byrd said.

Gibson said that it's up to individuals to step up and decide what will happen next.

"Make it your business to answer it," she urged.

U.S. grad student and T.E.A.M. founder Chad Jones and the panel discussed the Jena Six Green Monday in the Cape Florida Ballroom of the Student Union.

Chad Jones commented that "People get involved everyday, and are not afraid of sensational events."

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Mr. and Mr. Smith

Central Florida Future

UCF RB, Tulsa QB key to Saturday win

MELISSA HAYDOCK
Editor in Chief

Maybe all the UCF football team needs is a little spice in its game — a little extra kick, if something last week that Knights were lacking a little sparked memories of that year.

Anderson said that last week’s blowout was an all-too-familiar memory — one that he said the rest of the Knights’ team would like to put past them as they return home for Conference USA action Saturday.

UCF will return to the field this weekend to face the Tulsa Golden Hurricane, and the Knights know they have to start performing if they wish to hold on to any chance at the C-USA Championship or a bowl.

"The best of the seasons, they are all conference games and they are all extremely significant to what we’re going to be able to do after the season," said head coach George O’Leary.

"I guess you kind of look at it as the start of a new season within the conference. Our destiny is basically in our own hands," said O’Leary.

"For the Knights, their destiny starts Saturday.

Super Smith

No, not Kevin Smith. Tulsa quarterback Paul Smith will be the key for the offenses of both teams. Smith will be looking back from a poor game, and Paul Smith hopes to continue his arid attack.

WHAT TO WATCH FOR

UCF vs. Tulsa

**OFFENSE WATCH**

The Tulsa Golden Hurricane are second in the nation with 572.8 yards per game of offense.

**DEFENSE WATCH**

UCF has had 100 tackles for loss this season, 34 of which were against conference foes and 31 of which were against conference foes.

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**SCORE**

UCF 1, Tulane 0

**TIME REMAINING**

2:00 p.m.
When the UCF Women's Soccer team faces off against Tennessee Tech today at 7 p.m. at the UCF Soccer Complex, the Knights will have a chance to grab a stronghold on Conference USA.

The Knights (9-2-2 overall, 5-3 in C-USA) have the one sole teams that have won all of their conference matches, and they are 1-2-2 in the C-USA standings.

"We've talked a lot about it, we've excited our Bob Sheppard Thomas said. "Being 4-0 in conference is always awesome. But we know that going into both these games this weekend, they're both going to be tough teams — we've been watching game film, and they both go to be tough opponents. So we know that we gotta work hard this weekend," UCF head coach Amanda Cromwell said.

UCF was finally able to get their second goal when Roushandel almost evened the match when he took the kick and sent it into the top of the net in the 86th minute.

"I think it's important that we keep working hard this weekend," Thomas said. "We've got a long way to go, and the games are going to be tough."
Tulsa offense a tough test for shaky UCF defense

Points shouldn't be a problem
Hanson takes on African poverty

Late '90s pop group Hanson doesn't just talk the talk; they walk the walk - literally. The group of three brothers will be at the House of Blues on Sunday to promote their new album, The Walk. The concert is not the only thing that Hanson fans have to look forward to in Orlando. The brothers will also do a mile-long barefoot walk at 3 p.m. before the show in Downtown Disney to bring awareness to poverty all over the world.

Hanson also has a partnership with Tom's Shoes, a shoe company that donates a pair of shoes to an impoverished person for every pair they sell. The company is currently focusing on the poor and homeless in Africa. The band recently traveled to South Africa to see the implementation of a new medical technology that helps pregnant women with AIDS and attempts to protect the unborn babies from the disease.

Zac Hanson said the trip inspired him and his brothers to give back and use their celebrity for a good cause. The song "Great Divide" was inspired by their trip and can be downloaded on iTunes. All proceeds go directly to the research hospital in Africa.

He said their band encourages all of their fans to do something, no matter the size, to give back. "Something as simple as walking a mile or buying a pair of shoes or buying a song; it's not a big thing," he said. "And it's not something that will change the world, but actually it does because solutions come from action." The barefoot walk is free and open to the general public.

The three brothers, Isaac, Taylor and Zac, have been a band for 13 years and have been commercially recording for 10. The Walk is a deviation from traditional recording form, the youngest band member Zac Hanson said in a phone interview. He said they chose to perform live in the studio, rather than recording each piece of orchestration separately and blending it all electronically.

The live process allowed the band to capture what they feel is the essence of their music, he said. "We wanted to crystallize the way we sound as a live band into the music," Hanson said. "We gave ourselves less tools to use and tried to do more with the tools we have." The minimal amount of orchestration is meant to give the CD a fresher edge, he said.

Zac Hanson said that most people don't truly understand what the music is like until they see the brothers perform live. The live recording method allowed them to attempt to capture what makes their live performances so unique, he said. "There's an energy," he said. "There's something there that comes through that's kind of indefinable." The brothers began cultivating their fans.
Simple fashion staple is the all hoop earrings

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Hoop earrings have always been a fashion staple and they are dangling from many women’s ears around UCF.

The simplicity of this fashion statement may be what makes it so popular. Whether they are silver or gold, hoops can be paired with casual outfits or formal attire to accomplish a feminine look.

Paula-Simone Campbell, a 23-year-old senior creative writing major, said she bought her silver hoops on eBay for about $10.

She referred to them as “key knockers.”

“[I<] was freshening up my earring collection,” Campbell said. “I don’t care how goofy or trendy they are, the bigger the better.”

Campbell, who said she doesn’t look to celebrities for style tips, likes big hoops in silver or gold.

Junior communications major Vanessa Belmonte said she bought her silver hoops from Forever 21 for about $8.

Belmonte said she credits her hip-hop culture for her fashion sense.

“She has big hair and wants to accumulate it,” she said Belmonte, 21. “They’re simple, casual and easy.”

Alyssa Williams, a senior political science major, said she bought her gold hoops at Claire’s Accessories for about $15.

“I think they look nice,” she said.

Williams, 21, said “Tyra Banks is her style inspiration because, to Williams, she is the epitome of fashion.

“Like Alien,” Blaire Wilkins and Drew Barrymore are just some of the noted celebrities who can be spotted wearing hoop earrings.

This style pairs well with different hairlines, such as long, flowing waves, straight bobs and even hair pulled back in a bun.

Accessories your hoops with bangs, bracelets, aviator sunglasses and metallic bags.

Just remember, when in doubt, keep it simple: Don’t wear a flashy necklace and big hoops because it will clutter your outfit.


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It's a wild, wild West out there

Grant Lowther

"So, I know Will Smith is kind of a band, but for some reason it doesn't get any better than "Wild West West.""

"Is that so?"

"It's the lyrics. Sometimes, I like to tell girls I'm a sea urchin... but I know, from the song, six is more like a man purse. Finger pistols are made at this point.

"I'm going to be going on tour with them...

It never fails, I meet someone who's inarguably less than seaworthy, and oh my God, is this friendship being formed? We seem to have similar tastes and it seems as though the stars are aligned. This is truly a miraculous event.

And the topic of music taste comes up, and unfortunately goes wrong. People love to assume that, based on how I dress, I must listen to a certain type of music. This really isn't the case.

The assumptions are made, corrected by me, and then the process of making these corrections, the other party is alienated. Silence then blankets the landscape.

Skirting the topic of music would be the best way to avoid the issue, but I realize it is impossible. People believe that learning of a person's musical tastes is tantamount to knowing, from the song... six is more like a man purse. Finger pistols are made at this point.

At the end of the day, music is more than music, and that is why I love it. I say all this because I have a dwarf outfit, and I am trying to protect myself from the permutations powers that be. To mention this topic, the good would nearly strike down horrible, and I'm sure that even man purse and man purse would be confused. It is a secret that causes me much shame.

If I mention my own musical preferences, I will be the next. So, I can only say that I love the sound of Will Smith, but for some reason it doesn't get any better than "Wild West West.""

Will Smith is the man.

Amanda K. Shapiro

Music Goddess

Only a year after the debut of their first album, Band of Horses released a follow-up debut album. Cease to Begin, on Oct. 9, under the Sub Pop record label. The album has more release serves as the band's attempt to reproduce the accomplishment of 2006's Everything All the Time.

The band has already built a substantial reputation with the success of their music. In addition to their first release, the mellow rockers have had their music featured on the show One Tree Hill.

Cease to Begin offers 10 easy-listening tracks that are guaranteed to transition audiences into a calm and peaceful state. Locally, the variable of change in band members did not break the focus of the band. The album is cohesive and thought-driven, with each song adding new vibrant melodies to the splendor of the record.

Vocal work on the album feels largely reminiscent of Peter Cetera's work with Chicago. The voice is clear and direct, adding an echotone that seems to permeate on the listener.

Though the lead vocals tend to be high-pitched, the songs never border on the whininess of stereotypical mellow artists.

"The General Specific" is the feel-good hit of the album. The song combines the style of The Beach Boys' "Wouldn't It Be Nice" with the indie feel of bands like The Shins. The result is upbeat and pleasant, providing just the right amount of pop to offset the entire melodic drama that is showcased on songs like "I'm Threw A Ghost."

Further into the album, songs like "One On's Gonna Love You" hit a soft spot with lyrics that read "Anything to make you smile." This is the ever-existing ghost of what one can never say that you'd be better off... Or you did that it was.

The entire album is easy to love, but "Detlef Schrempf" and "Cigarettes, Wedding Bands" are the rockers' stand-out tracks. The chorus and reverber effects on the guitar work help maintain the simple progressions. Most of the songs bear all in the transcendent songwriting.

Though it appears subtly as an undeniable country twang seeps through some of the more folk-like songs and helps cement the rhythmic stability, Band of Horses have been described as having a Bono to Perry Farrell's work with Jane's Addiction and the sounds of My Morning Jacket.

Whether the album becomes a new favorite or just good background music, there is enough diversity between songs on Cease to Begin to please but just about everyone.

For more information, visit their Web site at www.bandof horses.com.

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Brothers bring their lives on tour

mainstream energy in 1997 with their debut commercial album, Middle of Nowhere. Since then, they have released four more albums, including The Walk. Through each recording and tour, the Hanson brothers have managed to remain grounded and out of trouble. Zac Hanson said that their ability to stay away from dangerous influences is driven by their love for what they do.

"When it comes to things like abusing alcohol and drugs, you just aren't going to do that," Zac Hanson said. "We have to keep each other in check, whether you're brothers or friends from high school." He added, "(Being) brothers probably doesn't hurt," he added.

The family atmosphere of the tour bus has expanded from just brothers. All three Hansons are married, and their wives and children travel with them every night. Zac Hanson said, "You need to bring your life with you," Zach Hanson said. He said that sometimes it can be like a traveling circus, but to the band, it's worth it.

As the brothers embark on another tour, Hanson said that concertgoers can expect a mix of music from all of their albums. "It's a rock 'n' roll show," he said. He said no two shows on the tour are alike. The brothers try to change up the music every night to keep the show fresh and interesting.