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President candidate for the Democrats, Party leader Steve Gravel visited UCF Friday to speak to students and the public about his views and his bid for the presidency.

Gravel, a two-term former Alaskan senator, speaks candidly about the Iraq war, immigration, the environment and other issues in a fiery, outdoor question-and-answer session held in the Math and Physics Building.

Gravel opened by saying that he would end the war in Iraq immediately.

"Being president, the president can be done in 120 days," Gravel said. "I can promise you that.

While Gravel remains skeptical of many of today's issues for aiding in the release of the Pentagon Papers while serving in the Senate, he is also creditable with helping to kick start the military draft during the Vietnam War by holding 'Free from

Our bodies ourselves
Women show pride for bodies

Carrie Riles

Members of the National Organization for Women at UCF donned costumes — and nothing else — bearing slogans such as "This is what Barbie should look like" to celebrate Love Your Body Day outside the Student Union on Thursday.

NOW created Love Your Body Day 10 years ago to promote healthy body images and improve self-esteem among women who are having trouble with advertising and the media.

According to studies by the Screen Actors Guild, the average woman in the media is 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighs 147 pounds, but the average American woman is 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighs 180 pounds.

NOW at UCF President Vanessa Bernstein urged women to demonstrate their disapproval with advertising and media images by using their wallets.

"If you think that长得..."
The divorce caused, they lip-synced and they conquered the Pgaon Ballroom Thursday for the seventh annual Diva Invasion. Paul the Puppet made the trip for the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Student Union.

"It was completely awesome," said Student Body President Brandon Hallinger. From 200 students and a cappella group's "In Da Club," "It's awesome every year, and this year is no exception."

like Paul the Puppet, the event was filled with glitz and glamour, but this year's invasion exceeded expectations.

"I hate that the last night" said executive producer Jassica Oceano the day after the event, "I try to be real, starting at the ceiling, exploring the night, including the after party at Palms Nightclub. A Raffle for Blue Man Group Tickets that increased the proceeds as well."

GLBTO independently raised more than $2000 from contributors such as Palms Nightclub, Wal-Mart, Gay Nightclub Radio and UCF Knights and the UCF Student Government Association donated $5000, and the Campus Activities Board donated $250.

Corporate sponsored included Human Rights Campaign, WeatherLink, Lee County Online, UCF Center for Inclusive Excellence and the PRSSA.

Red Bull made available some refreshments, putting out energy drinks to a crowd that didn't want to need the boost.

"This event is one of the clubs out them said, Lio McCreary, a psychology major. "You feel like you're there through the audience the attendance who gathered before the doors to the Pgaon Ballroom before the scheduled start time of 6 p.m. People were oven warmed and said we were near the crowd outside.

The velvet-roped line stretched past Knight Club north towards the Pgaon Ecstasy in the center of the Union, while branches waving with VIPs and priority guests wait in line.

"It's love when we all get together like this," said Jassica. "I'm just proud to be a part of it."

A woman in a micro-plunging neckline and black pants and black pumps, while lip-syncing to "U Can't Touch This" by MC Hammer.

"That money that you're throwing your face in for," said Oceano. "fine donated donations were made by audience members nonspending money on stage."

"That's where that was in that stage."

The crowd went wild as Danielle Hamilton and a backup dancer danced down the stage by the Unicorn Bar.

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Men and women alike threw around donations that increased the proceeds as well. Paul the Puppet made the trip for the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Student Union.

For more photos of Divas Invasion please see: www.centralfuturefuture.com/galleries

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High: 90°
Low: 72°

Wednesday

Chance of Storms: 20%
High: 90°
Low: 62°
Family Weekend events win fans, show pride

MARIAN COLLI

UCF's annual, three-day Family Weekend wrapped up Sunday, and campus was buzzing with parents and other family and friends just before the Tulsa game Saturday.

Family Weekend, an annual gathering, shopping for Knight shops, tailgating and just hanging out of any of the College Game Day open houses, was just enjoying the sights around campus.

"We toured some of the buildings where [our daughter] has classes," said Marian Colli, who was visiting her daughter, freshman Jennifer Barnett, "and we looked at the stadium, and we checked out the Terry [Loew] went through the Student Union."

This was Colli's first Family Weekend, and even though she and the rest of her family had to leave before the Tulsa game, she said she was glad to see the tailgating on campus.

"It's nice to see all this activity here on Saturday set up before the games," she said.

And that kind of positive reception is what Office of Student Involvement Student Assistant Sherri-Ann Grant-Clarke said she saw all day Saturday as she worked the Family Weekend information table in the Student Union.

"The parents are excited," Grant-Clarke said. "The students were happy to have their parents around."

Colli said Saturday was no way to know how many families were at UCF for Family Weekend, but she said it was "a really big number."

"This was the first time Family Weekend featured our campus football, and to Grant-Clarke, that is a new tradition in one reason for this weekend."

"It's a sense of pride type tradition for the stadium," Grant-Clarke said. "Everyone is so pumped about it."

The Gillespies, who came to see senior Jenna Gillespie, said they were excited about the whole weekend. Margo Gillespie, Jenna's mother, said that Jenna's father, Bill, at the Alpha Xi Delta Formal Pride and in addition to tailgating, barbecuing and watching football Saturday, the entire family, including 12-year-old sister, Kaitlyn, planned to attend a brunch Sunday before heading home.

Margo Gillespie, who was at her second Family Weekend, said having all the components of Family Weekend, including the football game, on campus made interacting with other families easier.

"(We) had a lot of people we met the first time, and because everything is all together, now we're running around, and it's just a lot of fun," she said.

Also new to Family Weekend was the open house held at part of College Game Day. Nine out of UCF's 12 colleges hosted various events on campus as a way to showcase the university's academic programs.

Among the open house attractions were tours of the Art Gallery in the Visual Arts Building, tours of the teaching labs in the Health and Public Affairs buildings and a social in the Barnett Honors College.

Freshman advertising major Andrea Russell, whose parents, Beth and Tim, came up for the event, passed their tailgating near Millican Hall Saturday to attend the College of Sciences open house in the Communications Building.

The Russells didn't plan on staying until Sunday, but they said they were just happy to be with their daughter.

"We're coming here," said Beth Russell, who, along with her husband, was visiting from Lake City. "It's fun. We came last month, and we're here now."

While many people, like the Russells, enjoyed all the aspects of the event, some said they would like to see more UCF-sponsored activities.

"I think they can build it up a little more," said Sherry Floyd, who came from Jacksonvile to visit her daughter, freshman Raven Floyd. "I think there's a lot for the students and [families]. I notice how all they have to offer."

But the weekend wasn't just for the family. The Floyd planned on visiting the College of Business Administration as a part of College Game Day, going to the football game and watching the UCF Women's Soccer team play Sunday. Sherry Floyd said she expected many families to stick around for the Sunday events. To him the main draw would be the "U Can Finish" 5- and 10-mile runs on Sunday.

Grant-Clarke said she was "bonded with" questions about the races.

"A lot of people want to do that walk," she said. "I think that 75 percent of the people are still going to be here."

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UCF film students get a bigger space to create their art

UCF’s film department is creating more space downtown Orlando to help students complete the projects they need to graduate.

The film department renovated a part of the old Orlando Expo Center, which is the same facility that houses the Florida Intramural Entertainment Academy for graduate students in game design.

The space will be used to accommodate offices, classes, laboratory and production studies for students.

"This means that now is that the digital media's video program on the third floor, CREATE, [an Entertainment Industry department], is on the second floor, and [film is sort of] the GRAMMYs," said Director of Operations Richard Grula.

Undergraduate and graduate film students working on their capstone projects will be able to use the Expo Center, including a new motion-capture studio and sound stage.

"We have added a motion capture studio," said assistant professor Ashley Nichols, 22, who is planning to use the studio with her capstone project, "Entrepreneurial Digital Cinema."

"We might use the soundstage for the set of the scene for the movie," Nichols said, "and not really doing much from the store where Scooty works at, but that would be a lot of work and a lot of unforeseen costs, so the sound stage would be awesome for that."

To get a bachelor's degree in film, students must make a capstone film that is no more than 12 minutes long, and a 60- to 90-minute film is required for a master's degree in Entrepreneurial Digital Cinema.

"It is the only master's program in the nation that requires a feature-film length," said Steve Schrom, chair of the film department.

Third-year graduate student Danny Danz, 24, entered the master's program in fall 2007, the same year he graduated with his bachelor's degree in film.

"I didn't wait," Danz said his choice to come to UCF was, "just a bigger space."

In addition to wrestling towns, "I am a UCF swimmer, constructed posters that featured facts from stories done on negative body images and eating disorders in women.

One poster, which cited information from nonprofit organization Eating Disorders Awareness Week, featured the statistic that 80 percent of American women are dissatisfied with their appearances. Another was from the "I Am a Woman" Department of Health and Human Services that quoted 90 percent of people with eating disorders are women.

NOW at UCF Vice President Alondra Wardlaw said she participated in Love Your Body Day to help educate others on how women are affected by eating disorders.

"If it's not anorexia or bulimia, many women are still on diets or thinking about what they ate today," Wardlaw said. "Every day, we're bombarded, are not being accepted who we are, which is frustrating. I think there is no reason for anyone to have that feeling."

NOW at UCF Secretary Christine Blanding is concerned about the effects of media on young middle school and high school girls.

"Girls who are in middle school are on diets should be focused on things like their education, making friends, having a good time," Blanding said. "We need to reach out to younger girls. Maybe once they get to high school, they will have a more positive image of themselves and their bodies."

Bordinio said that many don't escape the effects of advertising in their everyday lives either. She said that many advertisements involving men are geared toward selling a product that makes them more attractive to women.

"I think that men in our society have a lot more to offer," Bordinio said. "We are devoting them and demanding them to be the best that they should strive for is to sleep with women."

Galadriello said that the film's focus was not solely about women. She said that men in advertising are also altered to achieve a certain look, which can affect male body image.

NOW at UCF members distributed pamphlets on mental and sexual health, which offered information on signs and symptoms of depression and advice on safe sex and forming healthy relationships.

"Part of loving your body is protecting it and keeping it safe and healthy," Bordinio said.

Molecular and microbial biology major Lamerie St. Hilair, who participated in the event by wearing a towel that read "I love my body," agreed that staying healthy is a crucial part of living your body.

"I think there are enough resources out there about staying healthy, but we just don't know about them," St. Hilair said. "When you open up Cars, there must be one or two pages devoted to health, but we never even look on 1,000 ways to please your partner! If you win a scholarship, do you want to take care of it?"

The event attracted many school almonds by casting calls for dramatic and graphic arts major Lauren Feurman, Feurman said she loved the idea of wearing towels to show that women come in all different sizes.

"At one point, I let media images affect me negatively," Feurman said. "I just got on an anger about it. It's not a good feeling, so I stopped. I looked at what I thought was wrong with my body and then I just accepted what I have." Feurman said that she hoped that Love Your Body Day would help to change people's perceptions of femininity and how they look.

"People have this conception that in order to be fem­ inist, they can't be feminine," Bernstein said. "Take a look around. That's not true. We're normal women. We're just try­ ing to reach out to normal men and women to say, 'It's not about what media and the society and corporations dictate to you about how we look."

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The "zombie walk" was a great idea, especially the cross-country event for the Children's Miracle Network, said from Savannah, Ga., he chose because of Screamfest, a horror promotion, "not the start of a serious side to the event."

Several zombie hunters also made an appearance, perhaps to keep the undead in line.

"I get a couple of nominations. When you go down, go down swinging," said Charlie Banks, a former Marine Corps ROTC captain, as he gestured to his Marksmen Rifle and Colt .45 prop. "I'll be in January — but only if it's safe."

UCF sophomore forensics major Lorenza Cotrell made an appearance. Savini has both appeared in and contributed special effects to numerous popular horror flicks such as Dawn of the Dead (1978), Friday the 13th (2009) and The Zombie Child (Massacre 2 2006).

The walk was marked the start of the three-day convention, being held just across the street at the Wyndham Orlando Resort.

While thousands of people save lives and earn extra CA$H by donating plasma, some people aren't exactly thrilled to be on it.

While no profile information other than name and thumbnail pictures are visible, people can use search engines such as Yahoo and Google to find people on Facebook.

"I don't think anyone would join it," Goldman said. "I don't want to be on it if no one else is."
U.S. forces kill 49 militants during raid in Baghdad city

DEM. FIGHTS WAR ON DRUGS

Stein

BAGHDAD — The U.S. military said its forces killed an estimated 49 militants during a dawn raid Friday on an Iranian-linked militia cell in the Iraqi capital, according to one of the highest tolls for a single operation since President Bush declared an end to active combat in Iraq.

Iraqi police and hospital officials, who often overestimate casualties, reported only 15 deaths including those of the children, Iraq government spokesman Ali al-Dabbagh said all the dead were civilians.

Al-Dabbagh said Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, a Shi'ite, had met with the U.S. commander in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus, to protest the attack. He was speaking on CNSN.

Associated Press photos showed the bodies of two soldiers, one with a gouged face, swaddled in blankets on a morgue floor. Their shirts were pulled up, exposing their abdomens, and a diaper showed above the waistband of one boy's shorts. Relatives said the children were killed when helicopters gunned hit them as they slept.

One local resident said some of the corpses were being kissed by parents in mourn. "I'm not surprised," he said, "because we've lived through this before." He was speaking from his home, where a woman was being held in a cell by Iraqi police.

"The U.S. military said it was not aware of any civilian casualties, and the discrepancy in the death tolls and accounts of what happened could not be reconciled. At least 15 of the dead were reported to be civilians.

The raid early Friday on the Shiite slum was aimed at capturing an alleged rogue militia chief, one of thousands of fighters who have broken with Maceuda al-Sadr's main Shiite militia, Majahid Army. The Shiite cleric has ordered passers-by loyal to him to put down their arms. But thousands of followers dis­played with being taken out of the fight have formed a loose coalition armed and trained by Iran.

The U.S. operation was latest in a series that have produced significant death tolls, including civilians, as Amer­i­can forces increasingly take the fight to Sunni insurgents, al-Qaeda militants and Shi'ite militia.

The intensity and frequency of American attacks and raids have grown since the arrival of the last of 30,000 additional soldiers on June 15.

The reinforcements were ordered into Iraq earlier this year by Bush and have influ­enced a heavy toll on militants on both sides of Iraq's sectarian divide. American command­ers credit the troop buildup for a sharp drop in the number of attacks and deaths of U.S. soldiers and Iraqi civili­ans, particularly in the past two months.

As U.S. forces pounded Baghdad City, the potential grew for a fresh explosion of fighting on a new front, likely between drug dealers, one with a gouged face, swaddled in blankets on a morgue floor. Their shirts were pulled up, exposing their abdomens, and a diaper showed above the waistband of one boy's shorts. Relatives said the children were killed when helicopters gunned hit them as they slept.

"Regardless of whether the candidate is popular or not, it's always pretty cool to have a presidential candidate here," said Patrick Starkey, execu­tive director of the College Democrats and the Students for a Democratic Society at the university. "We got the room and we ended up coming out any­thing," he said. "It's a lot of valid points."
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10/23/2007; 11am-12pm UCF Cultural and Fine Arts Presents: NYC Art Gallery Director Brian Clamp, is the UCF Art Gallery who specializes in Modern and Contemporary paintings, prints and photographs.

10/23/2007; 6:00 - 9:00pm UCF Get Carded presents the Green Ribbon Gala. This event will promote organ and tissue donation awareness and celebrate the Get Carded’s 15th anniversary Pigskin Balloon.

10/23/2007; 7:10pm UCF Comedy Presents: Amateur Comedy Competition in Wackadoo for UCF Students! Winner will be opened act for Homecoming Comedy. E-mail Rachel at cabcomedy@cs.ucf.edu for more Info.

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10/26/2007; 6:00 - 8:00pm VUCF presents: Pizza Party and Games at Crisis Nursery. Bring your love for kids and board game skills! Carpool to 5:15p.m at VAB.

10/27/2007; 8:15am-12:30pm UCF presents Central Florida Miracle League. The Miracle League is a non-profit softball league for children with disabilities. RSVP to Amanda Ferguson at ucf_health@mail.ucf.edu. Carpool will meet in front of VAB at 8:15 am and we will return by 12:30 pm.

10/27/2007; 1 - 4pm UCF presents the 4th Annual Spooktacular Science Extravaganza at the Orlando Science Museum. Volunteers needed Carpool meet at VAB at 12:15 pm.

10/28/2007; 12 - 4pm Greek Council presents Trick Or Treat on Greek Street. This event is open to faculty, staff students and the community and their children.

Please join the Greek Students on Greek Park and at Lake Claire on the main campus, for this safe trick or treating event.

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They buried their opponent in the ball four times. For the first opposing like to force a turnover from the instead of causing them. They made plays in the air, instead of past two weeks and it's an aggressive defense and a of the season. Tulsa most sound, well-rounded with win been through everything these day. I'm more excited for the C~urtney sparked by death threats. won because ... vindication, "It Some fans really know how to motivate the UCF Football team, or at least quarterback Kyle Israel. After coming off two of the toughest games in recent memo­ry, Israel said he experienced some rough times the past couple weeks — since he said he was spat upon by death threats. "Everybody has just been real­ly against us," Israel said. "I've been through everything these past two weeks and it's just been difficult ... but it was that time was more motivation than anything, and that they put the fear in me." It might be vindication, but it might also be motivation for the team, and as long as we're win­ning, I'll be all right." Whereat it is, Israel's night started with a 22-yard touchdown run in the first quarter and ended with 277 total yards and a 44-23 win over Conference USA rival Tulsa. But Israel wasn't the only part of the Knights that clicked Saturday. UCF got it done in all facets of the game, playing arguably their most sound, well-rounded game of the season. Here's how they got it done.

UCF won because ...

Simply put: It played sound, fundamental football. For the first time since four weeks ago, UCF played a four quarters of solid football with an aggressive defense and a potent offense. The Knights forced turnovers, instead of creating them. They made plays in the air, instead of relying fully on their run game. They turned their opponents on the second half, instead of letting them back in the game. It has been more than four­quarters ago UCF saw what it was like to force a turnover from the opposing team. In the second half, the UCF defense intercepted the ball four times. "It feels good to finally be

recipent of the turnovers," free safety Jason Venable said. It's been rough the last part of the season not being able to get any turnovers. So, we were able to come out here and just four really helped our football team.

Not only were the Knights forcing turnovers, but they pres­ented the same from happening to them. UCF had not had one turnover on the game and Israel there was no interceptions, In fact, Israel took care of the ball, both on the ground and in the air. "I thought he played well," OC Greg said. "He finally threw the ball with some conception and confidence and made some key third-down plays for us." While Israel was getting things done in the air, running back Faison Smith was back to his usual self on the ground. After being held to just 35 yards rushing against South Florida last week, Smith came back against Tulsa and rushed for his sixth 100-yard game of the season. He fin­ished the game with 207 yards and three touchdowns on the ground. The Knights were able to keep two games on our offense as a whole we were able to be getting in practice," Smith said. "But we came out and we had to show that we're not a fluke. We're coming to play ball and we don't give up in the last quarter of the game.

Maybe most importantly, the UCF defense put up 64 points it gave up last week to USF behind them, and held Tulsa to just 23 points.

Knights fall 3-0 against Tulane

RYAN BASS

If the UCF Volleyball team could take its play from past three games and transform it into its entire match against Conference Rice for the Knights, the Knights would win the Green Wave Game. Unfortunately, the Knights failed to find the right match wasn't enough to put them over the top.

The Knights were swept by Tulane in straight sets, in a match that featured a lot of offensive, UCF entered the contest as one of the top teams in CUSA's 7-2 record in conference play while Tulane was tied with the worst record in the conference at 8-6.

Entire Campbell had a 10-high kickoff that was downed on the UCF 27-yard line. Serna and Jenky Hoppes added eight of a piece. UCF had 247 yards with committing only 12 errors. Tulane hit .475 in the match and had 65 kills. Three Green Wave players recorded double-digs with Sara Radosavic, Ksenija Vlaskovic and Bridget Wells getting 22, 15 and 13, respectively.

The Knights tried to imitate their early success in game opens from past matches in the first frame against the Green Wave. Two straight kills from Tommy Campbell kills 9-5. Tulane led 14-12 on a 5-10 outburst by Jendi and a power hitter error to open to 2-0. By Hoppes and a Rotary rally, Hoppes and Ksenija Vlaskovic withstood a mini-charge by the Knights to win two straight points to close out the game. The match went to 20-16 in the first set. It was tied with eight each in game one and won in the third set. Vlaskovic withstood the Knights victory with his arm and the team finished the match with 16 of homework.

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Brian Murphy's Game of the Week: 

The UCF football team finally found what it had been missing for the last two weeks: Turnovers, an aggressive defense and total control over the backfield play. It all added up on Saturday as the Knights claimed a convincing win over the Tulsa Golden Hurricane 44-23 at Bright House Networks Stadium.

The Knights forced four turnovers—their first in four games—along with five sacks as they held the nation's second-best offense to 379 total yards, nearly 200 below its season average.

Quarterback Kyle Israel rebounded from the forgettable Florida game and a week that saw him receive death threats to complete 21 of 29 passes for 224 yards, one touchdown and no turnovers.

"I'm happy for the team, really," said coach George O'Leary said. "They basically had a couple tough weeks here as we did not dominate as we wanted to get accomplished, but they took that opportunity the last day after the (USF) game and thought they worked extremely hard during the week, I think it showed today." The Knights went on to get into a shoot-out with the Golden Hurricane, who came into the contest averaging 39 points a game and pushing it wide open in the middle of the field for a 7-yard touchdown.

The Knights answered about four minutes later as Israel rolled out to the right but felt pressure, so he decided to tuck the ball down and run for a 22-yard touchdown. It was one yard shy of his longest career rush of 25 yards, which came during the 2007 season. Israel is not known for his foot speed, but he rushed for 53 yards on six carries Saturday.

"I rushed for 900 yards my senior year in high school," Israel said with a smile. "That's something that I didn't have done in college, but the move to the whole sideline (that's backing quarterback Bruce Gricel) is the mobile quarterback get into my blocks and I was just trying to get all back there and throw the ball down the middle. I could have made some of those plays with the speed to be honest with you." O'Leary also acknowledged that Kyle has not been known for his legs, but he did call Israel "sneaky fast."

The Golden Hurricane made two three-down conversions on the drive before Smith found wide receiver Jason Venson on the opening drive for four yards out and put the Knights up 7-0. It was just the second time this season that Tulsa did not score on its first-second-half touchdown. The Knights forced Tulsa to go three-and-out on their next drive. Then another stout play by Israel extending UCF's lead with one remaining minute in the first half.

On the final play of a simple drive, Israel dropped back to pass and faced immediate pressure from the Golden Hurricane's defense. But instead of panicking, Israel dumped the ball off to Smith on the right side. Tulsa forgot to pick up Smith as he came out of the backfield, and he walked into the end zone from 35 yards out to put UCF ahead 24-6. It was Smith's first career receiving touchdown.

"That's something the coaches really stressed to us on defense in creating turnovers," he said. "We've been struggling with that this season, so I think the fact that they put it really helped us out tonight." O'Leary said.

UCF turned the turnover into points on its next possession as Kevin Smith scored from four yards out and put the Knights up 31-0. The Knights defense kept providing for its offense as strong performances by local defensive back Anthony Germany during the Knights' 44-23 win over the Golden Hurricane on Saturday, April 14.

Israel led the Knights with nine catches for 98 yards. The nine catches are the most by any Knight this season. Defensive end Bruce Gricel also had 12 tackles all season, but he had nine tackles against the Golden Hurricane, including two sacks. At the beginning of the game, we got pressure (on quarterbacks) and then kind of slacked off a little bit," said O'Leary. "So the coaches have just been challenging us all week to pressure that quarterback. It's must for the defense, because we have to put pressure on him to make the defense work as a whole."

The Knights are now 4-3 on the year, 2-1 in Conference USA. The Golden Hurricane are 2-5 and has spent the last two seasons against the Knights. The Knights next game is Sunday night at Southern Methodist (3-3 overall, 2-1 in C-USA). And with five conference games remaining, the Knights know the important difference between being 2-5 instead of 1-5 is conference at this point. "I felt this way like two years ago; we had a lot of room for us," said O'Leary. "The season is still wide open, we have only the second time this season. Playing 11 games has been a problem for the Knights, but they got three sacks and forced all of their turnovers in the second half. Some lesser-known names played important roles on both sides of the ball for the Knights. Wide receiver Sergio Olivas had a total of five catches for 74 yards before Saturdays game. Against Tulsa, he led the Knights with nine catches for 98 yards. The nine catches are the most by any Knight this season. Defensive end Bruce Gricel also had 12 tackles all season, but he had nine tackles against the Golden Hurricane, including two sacks."
Sophomores pace Knights

In the 40th minute, freshman Lauren Henderson took a pass from senior Jami Tullius near the top of the box and put it through the other side of the net. The goal ended almost 40 minutes of scoreless defense for Memphis and put the Knights ahead. "I would have loved to have kept the shutout record, but I had a feeling there were going to be some goals in," said Coach Amanda Cromwell.

"The final two minutes were knuckleball, and Schooley had two quick shots on goal, but the ball was blocked by the UTEP defense.

UCF shut out Tulsa in the second half, the Miners made a concentrated effort to press their offense and try to even things up. "We knew they were going to come out hard in both halves," Cromwell said. "We were going to weather their storm and look for opportunities to catch them on the counter." The Miners had 44 minutes of possession in the first half, but in the second half, Tulsa riddled a shot that a diving Schooley was barely able to get her hands on and push away.

Schooley had two quick shots on goal, and the ball has been out of the box blocked by the UTEP defense. On Saturday, they gave up some goals in the first half, and Tulsa was averaging 5.2 points per game. "We almost managed to keep him in the box, and Schooley had two quick shots on goal, but the ball was blocked by the UTEP defense.

UCF (4-2, 5-1 in C-USA) is 5-1 in C-USA and 5-1 in the conference. "I saw the first series, and I thought we would do well," O'Leary said. "I thought we would do well, but we don't have a lot of experience in our back line." Schooley got her second goal of the season for UCF.

Defensive stops will be the key to keeping teams out of the net. "We're just really proud of the defense," said Coach Amanda Cromwell. "They've done a great job so far this season." Schooley got her second goal of the season for UCF.

Final words: Much like O'Leary said, Saturday's game was a test of chemistry, and that's something that's going to happen all the time.

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