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Pink ribbon gala
Women's Research Center hosts fifth annual Breast Cancer Update — SEE NEWS, A2

New police office opens
Some senators criticize event

Brenda Watkinson and Thomas Caesar join the movement for peace that took place at Lake Eola in downtown Orlando on Saturday. About 3,000 people from the central Florida region of the U.S. gathered to protest against the Iraq war.

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The U.S. is bankrupt and construction is in the middle to the war in Iraq is in the first place," said John Barry, author of the book "The End." The U.S. is fighting not for its geopolitical interest in the region, but for democracy, because a majority of Americans oppose the war and want the troops to come home and a majority of Iraqis want the U.S. to leave, so it can't be about democracy.

The soldiers' voices rang out loud and clear during the rally before the three-mile march around the city streets, which was planned to begin on Robinson Street, circle around to Church Street, and make its way back to Robinson Street.

What do we want Peace.

When do we want it? Now.

I wish we had an ounce of the organization. St. Pete, Enrico Wright, chanted during his speech Thursday morning to the 350 members of the organization. St. Pete.

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Wright said the system needs to be overthrown and replaced with a more just system, not one that needs to be overthrown.

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For first place in the sorority division on Friday. "I Will Stand Together for Peace."

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The money was raised through the annual UCF Idol contest. The event, which has collected more than $250,000 for charity in the past. Once all the donations have been collected, the total will be split between the mid-Florida chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society and the Orange County Special Olympics.

The money will go toward research to find a cure for MS, as well as to fund local programs, such as health and fitness and mental illness, and Ryan Romberg, Idaho judge and representative from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's mid-Florida chapter.

The Orange County Special Olympics brought the motto "Let me win, and if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt" for the night's competition.

Running from the event will aid in the 22 sports the Florida Special Olympics offers, including the 11-person sailing team coached by representative and Idaho judge Ann Marie Keck.

Trying to venture away from the usual American Idol theme, Beta Theta Pi opted for a different scene. "This year, we made it more concert-like," UCF Idol chairman Warren Rins stated.

SGA to give out $291K this year

The Student Government Association hopes to distribute $35,000 in scholarships for UCF students this fall, said a staff member Wednesday. The money comes from interest earned on students. Activity and Service Fee, said Jon Sciarinno, director of the Activity and Service Fee Business Office.

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**The art of coping with CANCER**

**ANANDA PEVY**  
Living with Cancer

The Women's Research Center at UCF hosted its annual Breast Cancer Update Thursday morning in the Partnership II Building.

This year's topic was "Coping with Grief: Cognitive Changes, Anxiety and Depression," a majority of female nurses and nursing students attended.

Speakers focused on the "chemo-brain" and the changes that occur because of radiation and chemotherapy treatments for breast cancer, including memory gaps, concentration and memory issues, parkinson's.

Dr. Debra Comfort, a clinical pharmacologist at Florida Hospital, said the people wants to "come to the realization that chemo-brain is not a, and there is enough literature-based information to support it."

Comfort said she wants to reach out to more clinics to reach more patients. She suggested informing the patients of what to expect from the side effects of chemotherapy.

"It's scary because they still have a function," Comfort said.

A keynote speaker Barbara Melancon, the program director of the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Mercy College, quoted William Osler, the father of Modern Medicine.

"It's more important to treat the person who has the disease than to treat the disease," she said.

Melancon, whose mother was a breast cancer survivor, focused on prevention, treatment and the family of breast cancer patients.

She said the nurse's job is to be done with pain management, and psychological intervention.

"It is possible for you to experience positive growth after your cancer," Melancon said.

Another speaker at the seminar included Paula Buczak of the South Coast Breast Cancer Foundation.

Carol DiMarco, of Sister Stacy and Vickie Loerman, an assistant professor in UCF's College of Nursing.

In 2007, there were 272,986 new diagnoses of breast cancer and 40,510 people died from the cancer. Loerman said these numbers are declining.

"Once you have the 'Big C,' everything else is secondary," she said.

Buczak said this is not the case. Only 10 percent of breast cancer patients live within five years of being diagnosed.

Buczak said the seminar went very well. The room was filled.

"I thought it was a good mix," Buczak said. "The people seemed pleased, interested and by the end of the seminar said that they were satisfied.

Buczak said she is a California native and has lived in the Panhandle for 4 years.

Buczak has been plagued by lost children, foster children and their parents.

Besides the grand theft, which UCF holds a hunger meeting today from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Key Room, Room 240, of the Student Union. Volunteers are needed to provide expertise and support hunger and homelessness.

**LOCAL & STATE**

Keep busy with headlines you may have missed

**MIAMI** Police officer charged with first-degree grand theft

MIAMI — A Miami-Dade Police officer faces a charge of first-degree grand theft.

Officer Ricardo Toledo was arrested Saturday after police received a tip.

Authorities say Toledo stopped a vehicle carrying $35,000 in cash. Police say Toledo took the money and lost the motorized go.

The driver was an undercover detective.

Toledo was off-duty at the time.

Police say the officer had previously taken $330 for providing confidential information from a motor vehicle database.

Besides the grand theft charge, he also faces a charge of unethical conduct.

The five-year police veteran has been suspended from duty.

**State looking to 16-year-old foster child to help change system**

**PENSACOLA**

Devan Melamed is an expert on Florida's troubled foster care program.

Families, which overlooks abuse and kids in foster care.

Melamed said his knowledge as a grandchild to a father who was a foster care provider has given him a unique perspective.

It's a system that has long been plagued by lost children, overcrowded abuse and kids killed at the hands of their caregivers.

Cloffin compares the system, which cares for almost 36,000 children, to living in a dark closet.

His determination to be heard stems from the attention of George Sheldon, Florida's Secretary of the Department of Children & Families, who asked Cloffin to be a foster care provider.

Children are being thrown into the river. To do that, officials need to talk to children like Cloffin, he said.

Cloffin, an only child who has lived in the Panhandle his entire life, has been in and out of foster care since age 9 when his parents divorced.

**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS**

Excluding skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women, accounting for more than 1 in 4 cancers diagnosed in American women.
Forensic science program no CSI

Forensic science is an exciting and rewarding field that requires a combination of skills in biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics. The program at UCFCocoa is designed to prepare students for careers in forensic science, where they will be trained to analyze and interpret evidence from crime scenes. The program is structured to provide students with a strong foundation in the sciences, as well as practical experience in the field.

In this program, students will learn about the various aspects of forensic science, including crime scene investigation, evidence collection, and analysis. They will also have the opportunity to work with real-world cases, which will help them develop the skills they will need to succeed in the field.

The program is accredited by the National Academy of Forensic Sciences, which ensures that students will receive a high-quality education that meets the standards set by the professional community. Graduates of the program are well-prepared for careers in forensic science, and many of them go on to work for law enforcement agencies or as private investigators.

If you are interested in pursuing a career in forensic science, we encourage you to apply to the UCFCocoa program. The program is open to students of all backgrounds and experiences, and we are committed to providing them with the support they need to succeed.

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legal aid to represent children and teens in court, including those facing foster care. The program has been a major success, with thousands of children and teens served each year.

The governor had vetoed a plan to increase spending for the Children's Health Insurance Program, which provides health care to low-income children. The veto was upheld by the Florida Supreme Court on Monday.

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KEITH SPENCER

Film club unites the cinema-minded

UCF students who are interested in acting or producing their own short films, or who are just looking to do so, now have their chance through UCF's Cinema club.

This club seeks to encourage students, regardless of majors, to come together and share support through the production of short films and the mini-motion cinema. Students can learn about every aspect of filmmaking, ranging from shooting footage to working on technical sound, can fulfill those wishes by becoming a member.

Twenty-four members of the Club attended an open meeting earlier this month on Monday Oct. 16 as part of UCF's Diversity Week. The meeting was held in an easel inside UCF's Communications Building. The meeting was to introduce the Club to the soft melody of Judy Garland toward the work’s opening credits.

These students, similar to those in the film, would attend the classes or workshops and would have those same opportunities to collaborate and share support. Neither Kapucu nor her colleague, Dotson, said.

A junior cinema studies major, said that, "I really grew more understanding of this willingness, you know, that I had something that I could share with other people," said Dotson, a Digital Services Librarian. The Library set up displays featuring an exiled student whose work with the Turkish language classes was one of the most surprising things. Students were able to make contact with peers from Turkey, and the future goal of the class is to have students come to Turkey to study.

"The Library participates in Diversity Week every year, but this is the first time it has offered classes," Dotson said. "It is well and we've succeeded, it might be a continuing thing that comes back to the years," Dotson said.

"I think it gives us all an opportunity to look at things from another point of view, so even if you're a great teacher, of course you're attending classes. Kapucu said that at least 30 people attended the October classes. Wiant, a senior international relations major, said that, "Even though it was difficult to ‘wrap your tongue around' it at an American, taking the Turkish language classes made him want to start taking more foreign language classes. Wiant has lived in Turkey, but he said he never really learned to speak the language. Really and staff also attended the class. Carolee Hinchliffe, head of the reference department, said that the students were "very happy."

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place elsewhere. It should have been held in the Student Union, a neutral area." Smith said. "A police station is intimidating. If someone has a crisis, it can be difficult to bring it up to an armed police officer and say, 'I am Craig, every student, and I have a problem.'"

The event was not held at the Student Union because space there was limited. Smith and Mingo expressed their confusion over the way the event was consumed because, in the past, SGA has used the terms "open house" and "open forum" interchangeably. Smith and Mingo believed that open forum was the term to be used under the premise that it was an open discussion forum.

Will Lank, a junior political science major and SGA senator, disagreed with Smith and Mingo.

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Protesters march against Iraq War despite rain

The Gathering of Eagles and supporters of the war rally on Main Street, while demonstrators against the war marched by the Statue. Leadership of Eagles is a national nonprofit group that promotes a pro-troops message. "We just wanted to get a message out that the only message that we want to get out of Iraq, and this majority is effectively silenced," Barry said. "So the only way for us to have our voice heard is by organizing coalitions and by affecting the political process, and we intend to do that in several ways." Each person who has a little bit because it was pouring so constantly.

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Competition to expand outside of Greeks in ’08

Chris Christophel said, “We took the House of Blues logo. We want people to realize that it’s more than just a logo. It gets away from American Idol and lets us be able to play around with it for the upcoming years.”

The competition was open to all sororities and fraternities within the UCF community, with the top performances available to other organizations locally by next year.

“This was our third year doing this big philanthropy, and we want to expand it to other organizations like LEAD Scholarn and the Hower College,” Christophel said. “I feel like (the competition) is still in its infancy so we’re still working out kinks in it.”

Despite some minor audio difficulties, the performances went off without a hitch.

Performances ranged from original compilations to a rendition of a Broadway musical.

Competitors were judged on vocal performance, stage presence, crowd reaction and donations. The points were then added together for a final score.

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Other performances included Pi Beta Phi’s Britney Spears singing “So Small” by Carly Underwood, with Alex Fene on acoustic guitar, Chi Omega’s Liza Tart singing Britney Spears’ cover of “I Love Rock ‘n’ Roll”; and Kappa Sigma’s Dominic DiFramma belting out an original song with backup singer player David Denes.

Three judges joined the performers on stage and added commentary after each performance, mimicking the famous American Idol trio.

“We try to find the judges with a British accent, because it’s the funnest,” Christophel said.

Other judges included Shame Jaya, also from the XL 106.7 morning show; Alpha Epsilon Phi and UCF alumni 300 Kickbacks, Lucien Wall from Full Sail, and Beta Theta Pi faculty advisor Christian Bauer.

Throughout the night, raffles were drawn for prizes from Universal Studios, Silver Minu Subs, Orlando Magic, Majestic Steakhouse, Greek Unique and XL 106.7.

Beta Theta Pi member Jeff Houwers and his band, The Rara Avia, performed as a follow-up to the idol event.

“We were invited to play in Orlando,” Houwers said. “This was an opportunity to reach a pretty big audience.”

But first, he said, Christophel said he expects the UCF Idol to have a smoother transition in planning the event.

“My plan is to leave a whole band behind for Beta Idol,” Christophel said. “I’ve had to figure out a lot of stuff on my own, the potential that it has that I’m nervous about, and it’s going to be great.”

“For starters, you get paid to take it.”

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   - Turn off gas, water, and electricity.
   - Move outdoor furniture and objects to a safe location.
   - Secure shutters and garage doors.

2. **Evacuate if necessary**
   - Listen to local authorities and follow their instructions.
   - Use a hurricane kit to stay prepared.

3. **Stay informed**
   - Listen to the radio or watch local news.
   - Follow social media updates.

4. **Be ready**
   - Have a plan for emergency shelter.
   - Keep a supply of water and non-perishable food.

5. **If you stay**
   - Stay indoors and close windows.
   - Prepare for potential power outages.

6. **Stay safe**
   - Avoid flooded areas.
   - Stay away from downed power lines.

7. **After the hurricane**
   - Check for gas leaks, water damage, and structural damage.
   - Follow the directions of local emergency officials.

Remember, the key is to be prepared and follow the instructions of local authorities.

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WHITNEY HAWKINS

In Florida, hurricanes are the norm. Each year during the hurricane season from June to November, residents prepare for the potential property damage and the confusion of insurance claims.

Mark Soskin, associate professor of economics at UCF, said insurance cost is affecting Florida as much as the growing housing prices and the state budget crisis.

"The state has become the insurer of last resort, and it's the citizen's insurance which is larger than any other state has ever done," Soskin said. "All you need is for a hurricane like Andrew ... to hit 30 miles farther north than it actually was, and we would have bankrupted half the insurance companies in the country, and it certainly would bankrupt the state of Florida, and yet we have this convenient kind of myth that we're covering that."

Insurance policies vary on what is covered, and it is up to the resident purchasing the policy to understand their coverage. But the language can be confusing.

"We do what we can to understand what the coverage is insurable and what is not. The basic principles insurance companies operate under are the theory of large numbers and the probability that inci­dence will be unrelated, which is the premise in understanding insurance, auto insurance and even wildfire insurance. Because insurance opera­tions are similar to banks, hurri­cane losses are not unrelated in the sense that if one home in a neighborhood is destroyed, so are the others. Insurance companies are less likely to be able to cover all the damage of a hurricane as the coverage is uninsurable when the large number theorem breaks down.

The best way to under­stand insurance policies is to understand what damage the area has sustained in previous hurricane seasons and the location’s propensity for damage.

"Insurance companies use computer programs to assess the likelihood of damages to be covered," said Charles Watkins, a theoretical model­ing and meteorology researcher in Savannah. Ga. "There are few available computer proj­ects under insurance compa­nies, and they rarely disagree with the others. If they give a rate that is higher than the rate that the equity holders don't like it and if the insurer is out of business after a major hurricane, then the homeowner will have a problem.

UCF statistics professor Mark Johnson has worked with the National Hurricane Center and the Insurance Institute for Building and Home Safety. He said that after hurricanes pass, the companies leave, leaving its deductibles.

"Our company is outside the range of the storm tracking and damage assessment," he said. "This year, the hurricane hit north of what it was meant to hit, and the insurance companies are not paying what they should."

"We provide an independent check since we don't work for insurance companies," Watkins said. "It provides a look at what the figures should be projecting."
Knights burned by Blazers once more

CENTRAL FLORIDA FUTURE

Ryne Bass

They were taking back and forth at the scorers' table. They even began to dance along with them to a song. But what tipped it all off was when UAB volleyball head coach Kerry Messersmith put on a sports blazer that UAB fan Alan Jones had been wearing right about a couple of the Rowdy Dancers had been wearing right before the third game of the match that really made fans smile.

"They were just a bunch of fun guys," Messersmith said about a couple of the Rowdy Knights that had attended the game. "I was standing there when we were doing stats and calling back and forth with them. They just seem like that if UAB. So it was it was impressive." Vecchione Messersmith and the five starters also wore impressive Friday night. The Blazers 5-7 overall, 8-5 in Conference USA swept the Knights 0-27 overall, 4-1 in C-USA for the second time this season, downing them 36-0.

UCF swept by UAB again this year, still winless in Conference USA

SPORTS

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UAB vs. UCF

25-30 and 30-24 in three games.

Stephanie Serna had a team-high 11 kills and hit .600 for the match, but that wasn't enough to bump up the team hitting percentage, which was .200 for the match.

Eriin Campbell chipped in six kills while Jenny Heppert added six for UCF which swept for the eighth time in the last 12 matches.

"This is the second time we played them, and we know why they like to set," Serna said. "We really thought this would be our day to beat them since they were missing their go-to player, but a lot of times didn't fall for us."

It seemed the writing was right for the Knights in game three.

Late goal pushes Blazers past Knights

ZACH PARDES

In a match that featured almost as many yellow cards as shots, UCF added to a seven- point lead with a loss to UAB in Birmingham, Ala.

A second-half goal gave UAB a 2-1 victory over the Knights in a Conference USA contest at Legion Field on Friday night. The Knights fell to 0-28 overall, 0-16 in Conference USA.

UCF was quick to battle back, however, with a tying goal less than a minute into the second half. Freshman Matt Luczmanski fought for a loose ball and was able to find the top of the net from five yards out, recording his third goal of the year.

UAB junior Tim Gregory successfully capped the game and gave UAB the one-goal advantage after collecting a rebound and a pass from teammate Kevin Sawa in the 54th minute.

"I think our defense was solid," he said. "We didn't give them a lot of chances to score and we capitalized on our opportunities."
UCF dealt first loss in conference play

Knights' 2-0 loss to UAB leaves them tied for first place

UCF's Becca Thomas fights for a ball in the Knights' 0-0 tie with Colorado College on Oct. 21. In UCF's 2-0 loss to UAB on Friday, Thomas had one of the Knights' 11 shots. The Blazers were able to put up 16 shots, nine of which were on goal.

UCF泮ior goalkeeper Jennifer Manis was tested early against the Blazers, but she made four saves in the first half to hold them at bay and to keep the match tied at the half.

The Blazers (8-6-1 overall, 4-2 in Conference USA) came out in the second half and scored almost immediately. UAB's Danya Barsalona scored in the 54th minute, getting assists from Sally Palmer and Jenny Meyer. It was the seventh goal of the year for Barsalona.

In the 86th minute, Palmer scored her seventh goal of the year to put the game away.

UCF was outshot 16-11 in the match but did have a 9-3 advantage in corner kicks. Manis made seven saves in the match, and the two goals were just the 16th and 17th goals she has allowed on the year.

The loss is the first for the Knights since Sept. 16 against Mississippi in Oxford. The Knights beat the Memphis Tigers 2-1 in double overtime Sunday. The Knights now have sole possession of first place.

A full recap will be available in Wednesday's issue of the Future.

UCF returns home Friday for the final regular match of its season. The Knights host the Southern Miss Golden Eagles at 7 p.m. at the UCF Soccer Complex.
Serena’s strong play not enough for UCF

The Knights lost 3-2 to the Knights, but that would be the closest the Blazers got to the Knights for the rest of the game. UAB ran off an 8-5 run to take the second game heading into the break.

“We are a second-game team,” Serena said. “Thought-out the match, I had no doubt we were going to win that game, but toward the end, our passing broke down, and I made some specific hitting errors, but if we eliminate those specific errors, we could have won that game.”

The Knights are hoping their play can make fans smile in the next coming matches, instead of the opposing teams’ head coach. The Knights beat 9-2 the Memphis Tigers on Sunday. Check Wednesday’s issue of the Future for a full recap.
Sticking to our (figurative) guns

A journalist, I support the First Amendment. It is one of the cornerstones of our freedom. It’s useful wherever possible. It is one of our rallying points as journalists and as citizens.

Recently we support our First Amendment rights, it does not mean we endorse or embrace the Constitution’s Second Amendment, which allows citizens to own and possess firearms on college campuses, and more importantly outside of them.

Our Editor-in-Chief’s column on Wednesday concerning her stance: “Our Stance.”

Our editor for her opinion. She was doing her job. In any paper the Editor-in-Chief written a column, she is expressing her opinion. It’s common practice. As far I am concerned, we as an editorial staff agree. Guns, though used for self-defense, should not be on a college campus.

In September of 2002, three authors affiliated with Harvard University conducted a study by surveying students from 134 four-year college campuses and 36 states answered the study. The study was called “Threats at College” by Matthew Miller, David Hemenway and Henry Wechsler and was published in 2003 in the Journal of School Health.

The study was very interesting. A study of 10 percent of college students reported that they carried a working firearm at college.

Of the population studied, 12 percent reported being threatened with a gun while at school. The study also found that having a gun was “strongly associated” with being threatened to shoot or kill while at college. These students are more likely to put themselves and others at that risk.

Those owning a firearm were more likely to drive off campus with a significant other or to drive to a motor vehicle after being threatened, have a gun under the influence, use their guns outside of the influence, valid with the police.

Does that sound like someone you want owning a gun? Well obviously, they already do.

Just the mere fact that gun ownership is more frequent than non-owners is alarming. This may be considered as gun owners being on high alert and wording of what they are going to have to use their guns.

The research didn’t reveal only this. It also revealed the amount of gun crimes per 1,000 students and its correlation with the school’s violent crime.

The numbers were reported by region. Florida was categorized as the “South,” the geographic area. The area also includes Alabama, South Carolina, Georgia, Maryland and West Virginia. In those states, there are 993 college campuses, and 10,000 students; there are 29 hostile incidents reported with firearms. A “hostile gun” definition in our study means a gun is pulled at someone or a gun is pointed at someone.

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