Freshman dies in car crash Friday

Theta Chi brothers, friends remember him

By JENNY ANDREASSON

Black strips of cloth wrapped the arms of students at the Homecoming game in honor of a UCF student who died Friday night.

Michael Forrest, 18, was a freshman business major and recently inducted member of the UCF chapter of the Theta Chi Fraternity.

Around 1:35 p.m., on the corner of Norwalk and Donegan drives, a black Ford Taurus struck another car, according to a Florida Highway Patrol news release.

The impact caused the Jeep Cherokee to roll, partially ejecting Forrest, who was not wearing a seatbelt.

He was pronounced dead at the scene.

About 15 of Forrest’s Theta Chi brothers and other friends were black arm bands in Saturday's game in remembrance of his friend.

“Those guys who wore them wanted some way to remember their brother,” Theta Chi Chapter President Michael Forehand said.

Students were shocked and saddened by the news of the freshman’s death.

“Lots of babies were being born this week and it was just really sad to hear about this tragedy,” said Morgan Weinberg, a senior political science major.

“Everybody was in shock,” Weinberg said.

“The goal of Power Shift 2002 is to basically bring students together to unite all of the amazing activists from across the country together to solve the climate crisis,” Power Shift National Organizer Nadine DeSoto said.

Throughout workshops, speakers and a final day of action and lobbying on Capitol Hill, the students hope to convey a strong message to the nation's leaders that they will not stand by apathy.

Students tackle climate crisis

16 UCF students attend D.C. summit

“TODAY’S WEATHER”

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AROUND CAMPUS

News and notices for the UCF community

Stereotype forum begins today

The Office of Multicultural Affairs, Student Sorority Inc., and the Office of Diversity Initiatives will host a diversity forum titled “Breaking the Stereotypes” today from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Health and Public Affairs Room III. The forum will focus on the stereotypes our student body has encountered and how these stereotypes have affected our opinions, choices and emotions.

President Hitt holds open forum

President John Hitt and Provost William DeGrassi will host an open forum for students from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Key West Ballroom of the Student Union. All students are invited to come and talk about their opinions, contact: mariah@ucf.edu.

SGA to host Halloween party

Office with the stereotypes our student body come. For more information, contact President Hitt.

Rich Weidens proud to specialize in “blue humor”

WHITNEY WARDEN

Staff Writer

The Rich Weidons’ fifth anniversary shadow cast of The Rocky Horror Picture Show on Wednesday can best be described as decadent debauchery at its finest in a seamless transition of (expelled deleted), (expelled deleted) and (expelled deleted).

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The Halloween performance started from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. and included a pre-show by singer-songwriter Mick with a C and the Rich Weidons Dancers lip-synching to Michael Jackson’s “Ghost of Michael Jackson” and “Thriller.”

Attire dressed up for the sheer joy of the evening and also in celebration of Halloween. They were a group of costumes depicting various characters, from Rocky Horror to Andy Warhol, Marie Antoinette and Elvis, a group between the sub-cultural mimicking following and the Egyptian High Priest Imhotep.

A preshow was also performed that made event. Humorous promotions provided a large hit. The Rich Weidons are famous for their impressing the seventh deadly sins, and top turn tables to accompany their cosplay. The Rocky Horror costume included limited edition posters from its 1973 release and the original theatrical production.

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Rocky Horror takes on Halloween

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The theme for the floats created for the parade. This was the first time the parade has been on campus.

The winners were announced at the awards ceremony on Sunday. The Phi, Beta, and Iota Theta teams won for large organizations and organizations at the Orange County Fire Department.

The teams aboard their floats, which also included themes such as “Ralphie on Elm Street” and “The Addams Family,” heightened their enthusiasm as they passed through Memory Mall, where the judging area was located.

According to the rules packet, the teams competed for 800 of the possible 1200 points for the overall competition. The points were allotted based on appearance, creativity, use of theme and spirit. The winners were announced at the awards ceremony on Sunday. The Phi Beta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta and Alpha Phi Delta teams won for large organizations and Honor Congress won for small organizations.

Only about half of the 62 participating units were student organizations. Kim said. The other half consisted of businesses such as Smoothie King, represented by the smoothie machine, and other organizations such as the Orange County Fire Department.

Kim said that holding the parade on campus simplified the process. For float construction, it was always hard to just keep going back and forth as far as forgetting to bring something, or if you just wanted to sleep for a couple of hours,” she said. “Through my experience this year, students were in and out of the designated parking lots and were able to get home and come back. It made it a lot easier for them.”

She also said the ease was evident in the overall success of the parade. “We didn’t have any problems whatsoever,” she said. “Everybody did an amazing job and were so helpful and cooperative.”

Students renovate kids’ library

This real world experience can be made through being part of a team and brainstorming ideas such as this current project.

“The best thing about service learning for me is that it’s not what I can do, it’s what we can do,” Cory Joita said. “I will always remember that, even out of school.”

The Girls and Boys Town of Central Florida is a privately funded organization that provides temporary housing for abused, abandoned and neglected children. In its 23 years of existence, the organization has directly helped more than 23,000 children, according to Greg Zylstra, the executive director.

In 2003 alone, 1,315 children and 128 families received help from the services of the Boys Town Center in Oviedo, which is the second-oldest and largest location outside the national headquarters in Boys Town, Neb., Zylstra said.

Zylstra said that she hoped the team’s involvement would encourage and inspire the children to continue their studies in school.

“I think the team learned how to work together and work with clients in a professional manner. They made better decisions,” Zylstra said.

UCF Business Service Learning Director Amy Zeh said that service learning is spreading to many different fields of study, including business, because it matches “real world experience with practical application.”

For more information about applications, contact the Girls and Boys Town of Central Florida at 407-566-3667.

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**University of Central Florida**
This forum is free and open to the public.

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**HIGH EDUCATION**

What's in the news at countries around the country

**Education Department issues new federal loan regulations**

On Thursday, The Education Department issued long-awaited regulations governing federal loan programs, covering relationships between college and lenders, and the rights of students and parents.

The regulations, which take effect in July, come at the end of a year marked by investigations into the nation's $85-billion-a-year student-loan industry led by New York State's attorney general, Andrew M. Cuomo. The changes largely address the proposals the department submitted for public comment in June, including a requirement that any college-giving federal loans to a list of preferred lenders must be made at least at three lenders on that list.

**Comments accompanying the regulations also contain an explanation that the department's new stance on federal law supersedes state law.**

Some lenders requested more language, saying it may affect their ability to offer benefits or to respond to complaints from Mr. Cuomo and other state attorneys general when the lenders are siding by federal guidelines.

"It is well settled that any state law that conflicts with, stands in the way of the accomplishment and execution of the full purposes and objectives of federal law is preempted," the Education Department said in the comments.

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The regulations are complicated in specific areas, such as federal rules for medical, and legal and other federal rules may be changed in the future. The Education Department said the comments period will end on Thursday, published in the Federal Register.

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Police officers arrest a human rights activist who collided the emergency rule imposed by the military takeover President Pervez Musharraf in Pakistan on Sunday.

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Cyclists subject to price fixes, may get new co-op

Jennifer Heimb erg

A remedy to traffic and parking problems could be just as costly as driving.

Alex Bero, a political science senior at the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences was recently elected to the sub-committee, which crafts the rules that govern the bicycle movement.

"I really dislike the idea of it," Bero said. "It will be difficult to have a Critical Mass-type ride because you're not paying any expenses."

"The idea is to bring people together to work on sustainability," said Bero. "It's a way for people to raise awareness of the problems that we face."
The one thing everyone remembers about Mike is his smile.

TANYA RUTIZER

Mike Forehand was a very kind person who touched so many people. He was always smiling and happy and always looked at the good in people, never the bad. He never judged anyone.

On the Facebook site, friends left hundreds of messages for Forehand, and others from around the country have come to the site. "You could tell how much he loved his family," Rutizer said. "He loved them very well, but he loved his friends, too."

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Panel address issues

Leslie Sue Lieberman, a UCF anthropologist and director of the Washington Center, hosted a panel that examined TV dramas as a reinterpretation for women and minorities in the sciences, technology engineering and math disciplines.

In her presentation, Lieberman said that by 2022, America needs to increase the science, technology, engineering and math workforce by 10 million people if it wants to stay competitive in the modern world.

"We must do something to increase America's competitiveness on the international scene," Lieberman said. "In order to do that, we need to create a more diverse workforce, including more women and minorities."

She was joined on the panel by Mary Johnson and Uri Shoch, associate professors in the UCF film department, and two members of the Florida Academy of Sciences.

"Our main goal was to see how we can develop programming that attracts people, especially women, to the sciences," Johnson said. "The question is how we can best use our current trends and technology to facilitate this."

The panel and those in attendance noted the popularity of CSI TV series and similar shows as cues for what is popular today. They also talked about what needs to be done to encourage the focus on the sciences involved.

Delgado addressed not only what we could do to attract brand-stranded marine mammals but also how humans might be partially responsible for the increase in which know that their product on our beaches.

Exhibit to biology professor Linda Walters presented her research on the impact of recreational boating on ocean reefs. A vital part of Flori- dian ecosystem.

"I only spoke for 30 minutes, and the rest of the time was dedicated to making restoration mats for my next project," Walters said. "The participants from all around the U.S. came to restore one of the most important reefs in our Indian River Lagoon basin."

Walters developed the restoration mats to act as starter reefs and to restore reefs destroyed by recreational boating. Walters has been a member of Sigma Xi since 1985 and was president of the UCF chapter for four years.

Two other UCF professors also presented at the conference.

Catherine Griswold, an associate professor of chemistry, presented her research on cleaning contaminated ground water. Peter J. Calvert of the College of Optics and Photonics presented his research on the use and applications of ultra-fast lasers.

Students also presented research highlights that highlighted their research. Senior and local member of Sigma Xi also judged the poster exhibits and recognized them for their presentation and level of research.

UCF students Annie Nguyen, Lita Kandork, Iven Schoop and Natalia Vergas presented poster exhibits and were honored for their disciplines ranged from marine biology to neuroscience. Odell stressed the importance of the Sigma Xi Society to the sciences and its role in the academic community.

"Sigma Xi is a valuable networking resource, and I encourage UCF science students to become members of the society," Odell said. "They have the opportunity to meet with professional employers, colleagues and potential graduate school advisors."

"Sigma Xi provides students with a focused organization to showcase the science that they have been doing."

The annual conference is held every November in various locations. For more information on Sigma Xi, you can contact UCF undergraduate advisor Linda Lieberman at lieberm@mail.ucf.edu.

Calendar girls pose for charity

There was a market for a "schoolgirl" calendar presenting the beauty of the girl next door," DeHart said.

Casey Nolan, vice president of operations, said he believes they have found a specific niche market. "A college campus was an excellent idea to bring this appeal to a local level," Nolan said.

"We sold about 170 to 200 women from each school applied to be in the calendar," Nolan said. "We started, and they really helped me relax," she said. "They made me really confident about myself."

"It is my best memory so far from college," said Nolan. "I was also very pleased with DeHart and how the photos were handled. I was very anxious when we started, and they really helped me relax," she said. "They made me feel really confident about myself."

"My favorite part was getting my hair and makeup done and getting to wear designer bathing suits," she said. "They made me feel really comfortable, especially since I have never done any modeling before."

The calendar featured in the calendar also help to sell them.

The women have four months, from August until January, to sell 200 calendars, but they need to reach that number, they need to reach $32,000 for their modeling processes.

"We did an American Idol-ish thing," Nolan said. "The three girls with the most votes were guaran- teed a slot on the calendar."

UCF's three most popular ladies were Jennifer Sanford, Miss December; Noelle Marchand, Miss October; and Jennifer Sensen- barger, Miss September.

"Each girl has to sell 300 calendars," Sanford said. "Once you sell those, you get paid $400. I have sold 80."

"The committee paid for the prior photos and their personalities," Nolan said. "In addition to providing some of the UCFLadies with modeling experience, Campus Girls USA is also fighting for a good cause. They are helping to raise $600,000 for The Breast Can- cer Research Foundation."

"We decided that breast cancer was the best for us," Nolan said. "It is a disease that affects everyone, men and women. Whether it's your mother, a grandmother, a daughter, it's a complication."

"Breast Cancer Research Foundation is the nation's most trusted breast cancer research organization," Nolan said. "They wanted most of the money to go back into the program."

"We wanted something oriented toward female students and for it to be perti- nent to what we wanted to sell," Nolan said. "Between 80 to 90 extra dollars everything dollar given to the foundation will go to the cancer."

DeHart said a little over half of their process from all calendars will go to the foundation. So far, they have raised $200,000.

Campus Girls USA also obtains mutual partnerships with local busi- nesses in Orlando. The $200 calendar contains 50 worth of coupons for local venues. The coupons include Lveys Shoe Repair, Mattel Cigars and The Pita Pit, to name a few.

"The coupons enhance the value of the calendar and give people a way to visit local businesses and get their money back," Nolan said. "The goal of the coupons is to make it a worthwhile gift for the students."

For the upcoming 2009 calendar, Campus Girls USA plans to expand to cover 65 universities in 35 states. So far, they have sold 200 calendars.

The committee decided that the final nine girls based on all the photos and their personalities.

"We looked for not only beautiful girls but also intelligent girls that are per- sonable and well-spoken," Nolan said.

DeHart agreed and they were looking for more in a girl than just beauty. "We are looking for people who are fun to be around," Nolan said. "Overall, we want an intriguing person who is confident and alert."

"We also want someone who is reasonable and who will help us out."

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We did a similar promotion last year in which part of every transaction of a new or used book went toward planting 30,000 trees in Gallopin County, Michigan. We named the new Knight Corner Bookstore Textbook Annex John Meyer said. "This year the vote is now three times from which we can choose from to rebuild." Meyer also indicated that the votes are weighted according to the total number of enrolled students at each institution.

The Nebraska Book Company owner of Knight Corner Bookstore looks to rebuild with the help of students in the United States. Michigan, Pike and San Isabel National Forests in southeastern Colorado.

The competition began in April 2007 and will run until May 2008. The school that contributes the most votes will have the forest named after it.

As of Nov. 1, DCF held a significant lead over the other competing schools with 619,790 votes. The next highest number of votes was 147,456 by Life University in Marietta, Ga., with 10,344 votes.

As of May 20, 344 votes. The next highest number of votes was 3,920,000 votes.

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Knights win Homecoming contest with a dominating 47-13 thrashing of the Marshall Thundering Herd

BRIAN MURPHY

Not many people would have thought it three weeks ago, but there is another way to describe the UCF Football team this season: underclassmen.

The Knights were fifth on the season with 12 points against South Florida on Oct. 12. Since then, the Knights have been taking no prisoners, averaging more than 40 points in their last three contests.

Saturday's homecoming victory over the Marshall Thundering Herd was no exception as the Knights won 47-13 in front of a record crowd of 46,381 in Bright House Networks Stadium. Here are the main storylines that came out of what might be UCF's most dominant victory this season:

One down ...

Every team lays out a number of goals that it wants to accomplish each season. The Knights accomplished one of their goals Saturday: the victory was the Knights' sixth of the season, making them bowl-eligible.

With three games remaining, the Knights really shouldn't have a problem reaching at least eight wins by the end of the season.

But, while it is a goal, being bowl-eligible is not the top of the mountains for the Knights. They are looking for something bigger: a conference championship.

That goal is still in sight as the Knights - 6-1 in Conference USA, 6-3 overall - are just 1/2 a game back of first place in the C-USA East Division. But, they need some help from other teams if they want to take over the top spot.

"This bowl-eligible is definitely a goal every year," Beamer said. "We're kind of past that. We're going to try to take over the top spot."

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The Knights defeated the Southern Miss Golden Eagles before ripping a shot into the Golden Eagles' defense.

KNIGHTS TIE FOR SEASON CROWN

PADDIE BRIERW

On a night when five seniors were honored before the match, it was a pair of underclassmen that stepped up and delivered a 2-0 win for the Knights Women's Soccer team over Southern Miss and at least a share of the Conference USA regular-season title.

Senior Jennifer Masas, Katie Bajela, Andrea Orr, Jessica Newport and Kathy Eaton were the extra attention before the match started, but once the whistle was blown, it was youth that helped the Knights play one of their most complete games of the season.

Sophomore Isabella Lorch started off the scoring for the Knights in the 79th minute, when she took a pass from sophomore Becca Thomas just outside the Golden Eagles' 18-yard box. Lorch then ripped a shot into the Golden Eagles' goal.

UCF added another goal about five minutes later.

In the 79th minute, Thomas headed the ball forward to Danielle de Seon, who ran past two defenders, put herself alone on goal and found the back of the net.

"It means a lot," Layley said. "This team, we've been through so much, so much adversity this year. It's a great win for us."

Thomas fell to the ground directly after the header and was on the ground for several minutes.

She was eventually helped off the field before being taken out of the game to get stitched up, though associate head coach Colby Hale said she would be fine for the upcoming Conference USA Championship, which starts Wednesday.

"The theme for tonight was: 'Let's do it for the seniors,'" Layley said.

WOMEN'S SOCCER CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP
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UCF's Matthew Reda, a redshirt freshman for the UCF Women's Soccer team, was named conference player of the week.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL FLA SOUTHERN SUNDAY
7 PM (HOME)
UCF women's basketball continued their winning ways with a 72-49 win over Florida.

SCOREBOARD

47-13

UCF defeats Laine Sapp and the rest of USF's football team after a 47-13 win over Marshall on Saturday. In the first on-campus Homecoming game at UCF history, the Knights defeated the Thundering Herd with the help of a pair of underclassmen that started off the scoring for the Knights.

Knights tie for season crown

PADDIE BRIERW

On a night when five seniors were honored before the match, it was a pair of underclassmen that stepped up and delivered a 2-0 win for the Knights Women's Soccer team over Southern Miss and at least a share of the Conference USA regular-season title.

Senior Jennifer Masas, Katie Bajela, Andrea Orr, Jessica Newport and Kathy Eaton were the extra attention before the match started, but once the whistle was blown, it was youth that helped the Knights play one of their most complete games of the season.

Sophomore Isabella Lorch started off the scoring for the Knights in the 79th minute, when she took a pass from sophomore Becca Thomas just outside the Golden Eagles' 18-yard box. Lorch then ripped a shot into the Golden Eagles' goal.

UCF added another goal about five minutes later.

In the 79th minute, Thomas headed the ball forward to Danielle de Seon, who ran past two defenders, put herself alone on goal and found the back of the net.

"It means a lot," Layley said. "This team, we've been through so much, so much adversity this year. It's a great win for us."

Thomas fell to the ground directly after the header and was on the ground for several minutes.

She was eventually helped off the field before being taken out of the game to get stitched up, though associate head coach Colby Hale said she would be fine for the upcoming Conference USA Championship, which starts Wednesday.

"The theme for tonight was: 'Let's do it for the seniors,'" Layley said.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEXAS TECH FRIDAY
7:30 PM (HOME)
The Knights played against the Texas Tech Red Raiders and won with the help of the UCF fans.
The shadow Mr. Israel
He wasn't exactly being challenged by Kevin Smith as the team's top rushing threat throughout the season, but Israel has become a very accomplished running back.

He came into this season with 79 career rushing attempts. But all those gains have him not being a world-quarterback are just about average. Now he has seven rushes this season after tying his career high of 12 carries against the Herd. He had 70 career rushing yards during three weeks at UCF coming into this season. He has produced 141 rushing yards in the last three games.

"It doesn't seem like defenses respect me on the run at all," Israel said.

"They're times when I'm called to run and I still have first down, and they're leaving the field wide open and just covering the receivers and forgetting about me.

"I've just been doing it, and it's been working, and I'm going to keep doing it until someone stops me."

Another week, another weapon
Saturday marked the fifth Saturday by a different quarterback who can manage the game with his arm and his legs, as well as a defense which seems to be playing with something to prove. Saturday was Brian Watters' day. The redshirt freshman has become a very accomplished receiver throughout the season. The win over South Florida marked the fifth game in which the Knights were said to have one of their three or one out of their four steady options.

"We pass rush, we're very consistent on certain passing schemes," he said. "Then we'll travel to the unknown and we'll travel to UAB on Saturday to take on the Blazers, who are 1-3 in the East Division, 2-0 overall. These people are going to have a lot of defense."}

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Taylor, O'Donnell combine for 50

By JOEY M. CAPECE

Billings made his debut with the Knights last season and averaged about three points a game in limited minutes.

Both Zondervan and Billings started against the Lions. They combined for 13 points on 5-of-13 shooting. Zondervan missed a number of easy layups while Billings scored 10 points on 3-of-13 shooting.

Zondervan is not worried about his starting position.

"I'm not worried about it. I'm looking to improve and be a better player. I'm still learning the game," Zondervan said. "I'm trying to get better every day and make the team a better team."
PIRATES PLUNDER KNIGHTS FOR SECOND SEASON THIS YEAR

RYAN BASS

The last time the ECU Volleyball team faced the East Carolina Pirates, it was hoping to clinch the NEC Arena with a victory. In Friday’s match, the Knights were just trying to get in win period. Things continued to go bad for the Knights, who dropped their seventh straight decision for the second time in those seven games in those seven matches.

After allowing three shots and a shot on goal in the first half, the Pirates chopped the Pirates with seven shots and six digs. The Pirates made the score 17-8, but ECU’s efforts were doubled to keep the ECU offense on top.

The Pirates kept the Pirates in the 7-3rd minute of the first half, getting a goal off 10 Killers and didn’t allow the Golden Eagles to control the game. After allowing three shots on goal in the first half, the Pirates chopped the Pirates with seven shots and six digs. The Pirates made the score 17-8, but ECU’s efforts were doubled to keep the ECU offense on top.

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Opinions

Warming can't get the cold shoulder

A awareness of global warming has been increasing over the past few years, but have you noticed it? A survey of 1,000 consumers found that 75% of respondents have underestimated the rate at which climate changes will occur. To respond to this, it is estimated that the global temperature will increase by 2.5 degrees Celsius by 2050. This is why we need to act now.

As awareness has spread to the general public, global warming is becoming more prominent. In the past, individuals were concerned about local issues such as pollution and recycling. But today, we are seeing a global shift in thinking. People are starting to realize that our actions have consequences and that we need to take responsibility for our impact on the environment.

Global warming is a complex issue, but we can all do our part to reduce our carbon footprint. Simple actions like turning off the lights, using public transportation, and eating less meat can make a big difference. We need to work together to create a sustainable future.

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Students show spirit with a splish and a splash

STEVE MILLIS

They came, they cheered and they splashed.

Despite a week of rain and wind, the cloudy parted and the sun came out last Friday to greet student groups gathers for UCF's annual Homecoming pep rally, Spirit Splash.

It was very well attended and had a great turn out. Marshall fans, March­ing Knights, students lined up to get their passes and create a mass-commerce atmosphere. At the entrance to the area the big crowd did line around the entire Reflecting Pond to the other side of Vertical Male Hall so more students took positions around the pool.

Volunteers began passing out the shirts and the names of lettuce, five-piece rock ensem­bles from the Homecoming Bus to the students. Students splashed, crowed search and especially UCF alums­marbles threw into the performances by the Knight­dancing and the cheer­dancing and the cheer­ing classes to attend. kreating Knights made their way to the Homecoming volunteers.

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The event continued with performances by the Knights­Mom Dance Team, the Mar­ching Knights and Ros­teens.

"My favorite part is the dancing and the cheerleaders," said Brittany Kent, junior cheer leader. "This is my last year and it won't be the same without the students to cheer and show their support to the team."

The fun and excitement of the Splish, "It's pretty much a solid for some stu­dents," said Kory Whitacre, a Marshall student who attended UCF as a student. "I live over here," said Kory, "and I came to the water and went water skiing and my wife was throwing out balls." The fun and excitement of the Splish, "It's pretty much a solid for some stu­dents," said Kory Whitacre, a Marshall student who attended UCF as a student. "I live over here," said Kory, "and I came to the water and went water skiing and my wife was throwing out balls.

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Second-year Student President Brandie Hollinger and Vice President Logan Berkowitz took the stage to show their support of the Knights and the event.

"This is the best Spirit Splish ever," Hollinger said to the roaring crowd. "Berkowitz then took the stage and made a confession.

"You know, this is my fifth Spirit Splish and I still have never gotten water in the water," Berkowitz said.

This was met by boos and hisses from the crowd. Hollinger also confessed that she had never been in water at Spirit Splash before. Both of them then answered the crowd by running off of the stage and rushing toward the Reflecting Pond and the cheering mass.

They were met with an assault of water and a round of applause from their fellow students. The day was awesome and a lot of fun, said O'Leary.
Two students become Homecoming royalty for a year

ROBYN SIERKSY
Staff Writer

After a week of campaigning at the various Homecoming events, through Facebook groups and through their various organizations, the results of the vote for the Homecoming King and Queen were announced following the Homecoming Coronation at the Halpatioke Performing Arts Center.

Graduate Student Julie Zimmermann and senior Scott Kirkman were crowned as the royalty of Homecoming.

"I would like to thank everyone on campus for their support," said Zimmermann.

"I'm really grateful for all the support," said Kirkman.

"I'm just glad everyone had a good time," said Brittnay King.

During the coronation, the court was required to attend each Homecoming event and was acknowledged at each event. At Movie Knight, they passed out the popcorn.

"I think the students recognized that these were very involved students, and they were proud and appreciative of them," said Zimmermann.

"Zimmermann has been involved in campus activities the past few years. She was actively involved in Pi Beta Phi, LEAD Scholars and Campus Creators for Our City. She held leadership roles in each organization," said Kirkman.

"I thought it was important to get out, and a number," said Zimmermann.

"UCP promised Zimmermann had been involved in Homecoming through LEAD, where she served as the director of the executive board. This got her to apply to the Homecoming slate for her third year.

"When she realized she would graduate with degrees in advertising/public relations and theater in only three years, she applied to be on the President's Leadership Council.

"It was such a phenomenal opportunity for us to get to know the administration in this campus and be a representative of the student body," said Zimmermann.

"I think it was an honor to know that she didn't want to cut her experience short.

She began taking classes for her master's degree as an undergraduate, and that's allowing her to graduate in May 2008 with her master's in mass communications.

"UCF gave me the opportunity to have jobs with my masters," said Zimmermann. "That's something you just can't turn down.

As an undergraduate, Zimmermann majored in advertising/public relations and theater, which she said is the great film.

She completed three advertising/public relations internships and has volunteered with children's theater in the Orlando community.

Another attribute that sets Zimmermann apart is that Ashley Conners, her little sister in Pi Beta Phi, was the 2006 Homecoming Queen.

"It was so proud of her last year," Zimmermann said. "Ashley had just really been able to get involved in campus in so many different ways. I couldn't be a prouder big sister."

Zimmerman said that last year, while she was on the executive board, she got to stand with "Coroner" mother and watch her get crowned.

"I had always monitored my mother, watching her get crowned," she said. "This year was just the icing on the cake."

A profile on Kirkman, the Student Government Association President, will run in the next issue of the Times.
UCF’S FIRST EVER CAMPUS HOMECOMING

Here are some photos to remember
November 5, 2007

UCF resident John Hitt gives a speech before Spirit Splash on Friday. He was joined by Student Body President Brandie Hollinger and Director of Athletics Keith Tribble. The event, which drew more than 1,000 students into the water, was part of the annual Homecoming festivities. The 2007 Homecoming Court lines up before the winner is announced at Saturday's Homecoming game.

The students involved in the game, in addition to the Homecoming Court, included members of the Resident Hall organizations, performers at Spirit Splash, and the band. The UCF Student Body performed during halftime of the first ever on-campus football team game against Bethune-Cookman University.
Skit Knight entertains with 'Terror' and comedy

The UCF Student Film Society teamed with WUCF to host Skit Knight 2007. The winner of the event is left for the next year's Skit Knight. (See page 12 for more coverage.)

CLIMBING TO THE TOP

By MARK HAMM

Nearly 1,000 people attended Homecoming's Comedy Knight, and despite the late arrival of the lat­ter, the laughs were worth the wait.

Even with the large crowd, seating was not a problem. It has been in past years thanks in part to the size of the New UCF Arena.

"The arena offers so much new opportunities due to the space we can use," said Mark Berkowitz, executive director of the Student Union. "We can hold more, and that is our greatest advantage:"

Even with the seating problem, Berkowitz said Skit Knight did better than last year.

"This year felt more comfortable," he said.

The arena's new seating allowed for a more intimate feel, according to Berkowitz.

"The audience was more involved because of Bruce. Bruce stole the show," Berkowitz said.

Known as Bruce Bruce, the comedian filled the stadium with jokes and=/0 material. He is known for his "Terror" and "comedy" routines.

"The winner of this event is up to 12 minutes," said Berkowitz. "And Bruce made it to five minutes.:)

Bruce is a well-known comedian who has appeared on various television shows such as "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno." He has also done stand-up comedy on various college campuses.

"Bruce is a great entertainer," said one audience member. "He brought the house down with his jokes and stories about his life."
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