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Singled Out See who won Knights Krossing's dating competition... –NEWS, pg. A-4



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"I want to thank Coach Tuberville for giving me the opportunity to coach at Auburn." -Gene Chizik

**Chizik leaves UCF** 

#### JOE MANZO STAFF WRITER

Gene Chizik, UCF's defensive coordinator for the past four years, left to coach for Tommy Tuberville at Auburn Thursday. Chizik will coach the Tigers' secondary and oversee the defense.

"I want to thank Coach Tuberville for giving me the opportunity to coach at Auburn," Chizik said. "I am looking forward to getting started and work-

#### Defensive line signees

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ing with the staff and players. Our goal will be to field an attacking, a g g r e s s i v e, physical defensive team that

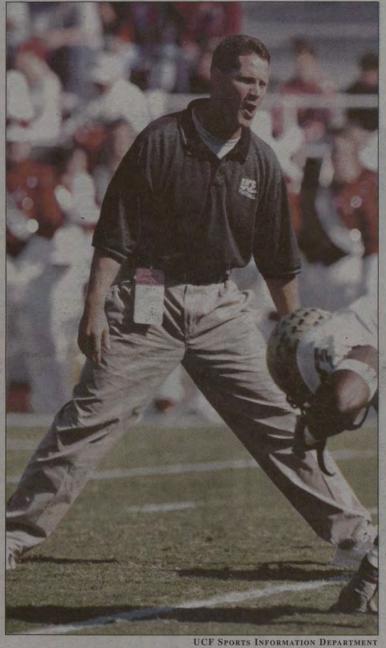
will help Auburn be successful each and every week."

The Golden Knights' defense ranked 16th in the country last year in total defense, 15th in passing, and had been improving each year under Chizik. The year before Chizik arrived, UCF's defense ranked 81st.

In addition to being defensive coordinator, Chizik also coached the secondary for three years and the linebackers for one year. Prior to UCF, Chizik coached six seasons at Stephen F. Austin, a Division 1AA school.

"We're looking forward to having Gene join our staff," Tuberville said. "He has been extremely successful as a defensive coordinator and a secondary coach. I think he will be a great fit for our staff and program."

UCF has yet to name a



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good for Johnson and Mascoe. Aside from a new defensive coordinator, UCF also needs a defensive backs coach. Three starters in last year's secondary, Ricot Joseph, Travis Fisher and Albert Snyder, are gone. Fortunately for UCF, Asante Samuel and Carlos Thompson, the projected starting cornerbacks, are seniors. Their backups have almost no experience. The safeties, Atari Bigby and Peter Sands, are also inexperienced.

# Campaigns begin for 2002-2003 SGA elections

#### MARCIA MEJIA STAFF WRITER

A low number of student applications for Student Government 2002-2003 elections may leave students with a smaller voting selection.

Current student body President Marco Pena is running for another year, but with a different team: Brian Kirlew for student body vice president and Brian Battles for vice presidential candidate.

Last year, Pena ran his campaign with candidates Katie Campbell and Tommy Shavers, and received 56.4 percent of the votes in the run-off elections. Coincidentally, the Pena team ran against Battles, who received only 43.5 percent of the votes.

Kirlew, current senate president pro-tempore, said the PKB ticket will be mostly concerned with "continuing to fund as many clubs and organizations, as possible." College of Health and Public Affairs Sen. Anthony Tsonis and Resident Assistant Tyler Fisher are also running for student body president.

"The first time I attended an SGA senate meeting in my freshman year, senators were literally throwing paper airplanes and paper wads around the room at each

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# Leadership Week unites students and community

EILEEN MARIN STAFF WRITER

Leadership Week 2002 starts Feb. 16 offering the faculty and student body more than 18 leadership workshops, a chance to win a cruise and a glimpse into life at Ground Zero.

replacement. Bill D'Ottavio, the linebackers coach, should get consideration. D'Ottavio was the defensive coordinator for Millersville University in Pennsylvania in 1997 and '98. He has been coaching defenses for 15 years, including stints with Middle State, Indiana Tennessee University and Pittsburgh.

Whoever gets the job will

defensive tackle Josh McKibben and linebacker Tito Rodriguez. However, with the addition of defensive tackle DeMarcus Johnson and middle linebacker Chad Mascoe, this year's lineup will likely be the most talented this school has ever seen. The same system that helped the smaller McKibben and Rodriguez flourish would be particularly

Students can participate in workshops focusing on leadership, community service and campus involvement. For every session students attend, they are entered in a drawing to win two cruise tickets, sponsored by Student Government Association. The cruise tickets have an estimated value of \$600.

Students also will hear Stephan Hittmann, executive director of the NYC Fire Department Office of Fire and

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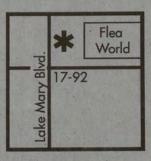
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# Candidates use experience to design platforms

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#### other," Fisher said.

"Fortunately, SGA has come a long way from that low point, but there is still room for improvement," he added.

Tsonis wants to improve SGA's communication relationship with students. "We want all students at UCF to be involved with SGA, not just a select few," he said. "We're going to put a contact e-mail address in the SGA logo so that anyone

who happens to see our logo can drop us a line ... ' Tsonis is running with

Anne-Marie Wolff for student body vice president and Stacey McCastlain for vice presidential candidate.

"The experience I do have in student government is on the student's side," McCastlain said. "Recently I aided in the founding of a pre-professional organization and have witnessed the obstacles students face in dealing with SGA first hand. It will be my duty to see to it that these problems are addressed."

McCastlain, a public administration major, is founder and vice president of the Organization for Future Public Administrators.

Alexandra Tolliver and Andrea Wesser are completing Fisher's ticket as student body vice president and vice presidential candidate, respectively.

"The ideas our ticket offers will make the community closer to UCF students like never before," Wesser said. "I see this position as a chance to really allow our peers to see the world and experience life-something every college career should contain.'

Active campaigning began Feb. 11, and the primary elections will begin Feb. 18.

### **Candidates**

#### **Marco Pena**

Student Body President Current student body president Senior

#### **Brian Kirlew**

Student Body Vice President Current senate president pro-tempore Senior, M.I.S.

#### **Brian Battles**

Vice Presidential Candidate Current SGA comptroller Senior

#### Platform:

Academic initiatives: Who's Who, plus-only grading system; teacher evaluations online, MidKnight Breakfast, larger career expo and strong student representation on all admissions and appeal boards.

Campus development initiatives: Establish Student Advocacy Office, further develop Multicultural Student Center, theatre/extra club place addition to Student Union, Greek Park II, increase graduate student services, Student Resource Center improvements, Lake Claire improvements, more oncampus student jobs and extended hours for the new Recreational Center

Campus programs initiatives: Safe Ride, create SG entertainment division, Knight-time events for on-campus residents, Orlando Chamber of Commerce, campus transportation system, continue Knightmare Homecoming Tradition and expand its concert, begin Annual Knightro Awards Ceremony, create student activities website, provide more student internship opportunities and create More Student Scholarships.

Student awareness initiatives: SGA Project Council, Cabinet Committee System, SGA newsletter, electronic marquee and branch campus promotions.

#### **Anthony Tsonis**

Student Body President Current College of Health and Public Affairs SGA Senator Junior, public administration

#### **Anne-Marie Wolff**

Student Body Vice President Current president of the Organization for Future Public Administrators Junior, public administration

#### **Stacey McCastlain**

Student Body Vice President Current vice president of the Organization for Future Public Administrators Junior, public administration

#### Platform:

Establish the industrial affairs committee in the executive branch of the SGA. This committee would be a liaison between student clubs and organizations and the outside business world. Its main goal would be to help these clubs receive outside funding for their projects and events.

Recognize students for their charitable service. The servi-script would be a transcript that students could opt to receive documenting all their community service and charitable acts.

More open SGA.

**Oppose Transportation Access** Fee, which charges \$165 for students who take 30 hours a year.

Oppose wasteful spending by the executive branch of the SGA. We will also work with the multicultural clubs and organizations so that the funding we allocate them is truly responsive to their needs.

**Student Body President** Current team leader and peer advisor with

**Tyler** Fisher

**Burnett Honors College** Junior, English literature; Spanish

#### **Alexandra Tolliver**

Student Body Vice President Current president of Gemini Courtyard in Lake Claire Council Sophomore, political science

#### **Andrea Wesser**

Student Body Vice President Current president of Lake Claire Council Sophomore, mechanical engineering

#### **Platform:**

Transportation initiatives: Increase frequency of bus stops even within a two-mile radius of campus, add shelters at bus stops and reduce fare for students and bus students to UCF football games at the Citrus Bowl.

Information distribution initiative: Central nucleus of information, such as revamping the Student Government Kiosk and instigating a corresponding Web site.

Reduce or eliminate transcript fee. Student transcripts should also reflect the number of volunteer hours served with Volunteer UCF and other official service organizations.

Activities initiative: One-hour, weekly respite from classes.

SGA communication initiative: Advertise weekly office hours in all student media.

Implement full-service post office.

Phone line for each resident in the Academic Village.

Free speak initiative: Unlimited on campus as long as it does not interfere with the operation of classes.

### Around Campus

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play will be performed and directed by Washington Center and Phillips Hall. parking, student services, fee payments, members of the UCF community Feb. Should you have cash balances on your textbook purchasing and more. The ori-

#### **Black History Month**

February is Black History Month and the African American Student Union has organized several events for students and the community.

• Feb. 13, B.A.M. School visit at Hungerford Elementary

· Feb. 15, Black Film Night, Engineering II Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. with NSBE

• Feb. 17, Sister Souljah, Visual Arts Building, 7:30 p.m.

• Feb. 22, Funny Friday, Visual Arts Building, 7 p.m.

•Feb. 28, J.T. Washington Honor Society Brain Bowl, Student Union, 7 p.m.; Closing Banquet, UCF Raddison, 7 p.m.

#### "The Vagina Monologues"

"The Vagina Monologues," Eve

15, 20, 21, at 7 p.m. in the Student Resource Center Auditorium. Proceeds will be donated to local and national anti-violence organizations.

Tickets are \$10.50 for students with ID, \$12.50 for faculty and staff and \$15.50 for the general public. All tickets are available at the UCF Arena Ticket Office, 407-823-6006.

Discounted tickets must be purchased at the Arena Ticket Office. Tickets priced for the General Public can also be purchased through Ticketmaster at 407-839-3900, though service charges will apply.

Check out the website at http://www.angelfire.com/fl5/vdayucf

#### New student IDs

New, pre-printed student ID cards will be available for pickup Feb. 11-15

card, bring your old card with you to transfer the balance. If you never acquired a UCF ID Card and are eligible to receive one, stop by the UCF Card Office in the John T. Washington Center to have your card made.

#### **Transfer and distance** learning orientation now online

UCF now offers undergraduate transfer students and distance learners a new alternative, online orientation. The Center for Distributed Learning's

[CDL] virtual tour is at http://reach.ucf.edu/~vorient.

In addition to basic UCF information, the site has specific content developed by the orientation offices from each area, including facts about polientation system was built on the WebCT instructional platform by Course Development and Web Services.

#### **UCF Objectivist Club**

Do you love the novels "The Fountainhead" and "Atlas Shrugged?" Would you like to master the rational art of living selfishly? The UCF Objectivist Club meets monthly to discuss the radical ideas of novelistphilosopher Ayn Rand. Join the fun the second Saturday of each month at 6 p.m., Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 780 E. Merritt Island Causeway, Merritt Island, Fla 32952. Contact Luther Setzer at 321-639-9062 or visit http://WideSCOPE.tripod.com for more information.

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#### news

# Students compete for dates in 'Singled Out'

#### KRISTA ZILIZI STAFF WRITER

Saturday, UCF's most eligible singles came out to take part in Knights Krossing's own version of MTV's dating game show "Singled Out."

The event, which attracted less than the traditional 50 female and 50 male dating pool contestants that coordinators had anticipated, maintained many of the same entertaining "Singled Out" contests like Britney Spears sing-a-longs, chicken impersonations and massage demonstrations that eliminated and advanced contestants throughout the game.

Contestants identified their personalities under representative titles like the Cowardly Lion and Plain Jane and their lifestyles as Revenge of the Nerds or Animal House. The redeeming gold ticket also saved one male and one female contestant from early elimination in the game.

Hosts Jessica Dearwater, a resident assistant at Knights Krossing, and Dariel "D.T." Henry, president of URSA for affiliated housing, had as much chemistry as Jenny McCarthy and Chris Hardwick of the origi-



HENRY LENZ / CFF Freshman Brandi Hazen gets a hug from her date, freshman Oscar Diaz.

nal Singled Out show, according to spectators.

"They were constantly flirting with each other and the contestants," freshman Ben Lopez said. "I think they made everyone

feel comfortable."

Yet freshman Ernie Materio did not feel as much chemistry between Dearwater and Henry as he felt between Dearwater and himself.



Host Dariel "D.T." Henry helps Jason Styron filter out the female dating pool.

"She looks better than all the and this show is focused on sincontestants," said Materio, who threw himself into the pool fullyclothed to win a date with Dearwater.

Students had different reasons for participating in the singles event.

"I'm here to find a date for Valentine's Day, maybe a potential girlfriend," junior Ben Fisch said.

Freshman Kelly Carretto said, "I wouldn't come out here looking for a boyfriend, I'm just here to have fun."

Henry said: "This event gives everyone the opportunity to enjoy Valentine's Day. Not everyone has a special valentine

gle people instead of couples around Valentine's Day."

By the end of the afternoon, freshman Brandi Hazen singled out freshman Oscar Diaz after eliminating all the Steve Urkel body types, the Cowardly Lion personalities and the Animal House lifestyles. Freshman Jason Styron dismissed all female contestants except sophomore Audrey Kessler, who was neither a Plain Jane personality nor an Ally McBeal body type, but she did give Stryon a memorable massage demonstration. The two couples enjoyed a courtesy limousine ride and dinner at Tony Roma's.



#### Key West 218 AB

#### Wednesday, February 20

**Reach for the Stars** 9:30am to 12:00pm Key West 218 AB

Leadership Workshops including Teambuilding, Presentation Techniques, & Dr. Suess 1pm - 5:45pm Cape Florida 316 AB

Leadership at Ground Zero Stephen Hittmann NYC Fire Department 7pm – 8pm Pegasus DEF

### Drawing

There will be a drawing for 2 Cruise Tickets (sponsored by SGA) at Dance Marathon for those who attend Leadership Week events. You do not have to be present to win. The more events and workshops that you attend, the greater chance that you have to win!

Women's Softball Game 1pm - 3:30pm UCF Softball Stadium (near Bergman field)

Student Leadership Programs

**LEAD Scholars Program** 

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#### Saturday, February 23 - Sunday, February 24

**Dance Marathon** Begins at 4pm on the 23rd Ends at 10am the 24th New Rec. & Wellness Center

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#### news

# Speaker to show video and photos of Ground Zero

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Life Safety, speak about his experiences on Sept. 11. Hittmann will discuss his commitment to rebuilding the spirit of FDNY and reveal never before seen video footage and photographs from Ground Zero. This event takes place at 7 p.m. in Pegasus Ballroom DEF and is open to both the campus and general public.

Leadership Week also showcases servant-leadership sessions coordinated by Volunteer UCF, which urges campus leaders to "serve first, and then lead." Students can volunteer their time at the AIDS Walk for Hope and Help, Green Ribbon Day and Mentor Orientation. Mentor Orientation, for example, will provide students with the opportunity to mentor a Seminole County public school student. This allows them to become a role model to the student.

Michele Pannozzo, assistant director of the LEAD Scholars Program, said: "The great thing about Leadership Week is that so many offices and organizations came together to make this happen. Hopefully it is going to be a new, positive tradition at UCF."

Prior to and during Leadership Week, the beach patrol, fashioned after UCF's spirit police, will travel around campus distributing free t-shirts and coupons from Wackadoos for discounted pool games.

Sponsored by Student Development and Enrollment Services, Campus Life, Student Leadership Programs, LEAD Scholars Program, Sports Marketing, OSA, Office of Housing and Residence Life, Human Resources, SGA, Greek Affairs, CAB, CEL Volunteer UCF, Army ROTC and Alumni Relations, Leadership Week promises to "set sail for new horizons and exciting leadership workshops."

#### Saturday, Feb. 16

Leadership Disney Style 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at Epcot

AIDS Walk for Hope & Help 9 a.m. at Wall Street Plaza, downtown Orlando Sign up through Volunteer UCF with Sri Cherukumillli at (407) 823-6471 or (407) 68-6051

#### Monday, Feb. 18

FISH Camp 3 p.m.-4 p.m. Cape Florida 316 AB

**Tuesday, Feb. 19** DISC Leadership Styles 1 p.m.-2 p.m. in Key West 218 AB

Leading & Managingls there a difference 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m. in Key West 218 CD Sponsored by Army ROTC

Student Leader Forum 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. in Key West 218 AB

### **Schedule of events**

### Wednesday, Feb. 20

Reach for Stars 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in Key West 218 AB Sponsored by Human Resources

Leadership Workshops 1 p.m.-5:45 p.m. in Cape Florida 316 AB

All Aboard-Teambuilding Basics 1 p.m. –1:45 p.m.

In Front of the Firing Squad 2 p.m.-2:45 p.m.

Anchors Up-Advanced Teambuilding 4 p.m.-4:45 p.m.

Building Leaders with Dr. Seuss 5 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

Leadership at Ground Zero 7 p.m.-8 p.m. in Pegasus Ballroom DEF Sponsored by LEAD Scholars Program

**Thursday, Feb. 21** Who Moved My Cheese 10 a.m.-12 p.m. in Key West 218 AB Sponsored by Human Resources

Squeezing the Toothpaste from the Top 12 p.m.-1p.m. in Cape Florida 316 AB

There is no "I" in Team 1 p.m.-2 p.m. in Key West 218 CD Sponsored by Sports Marketing

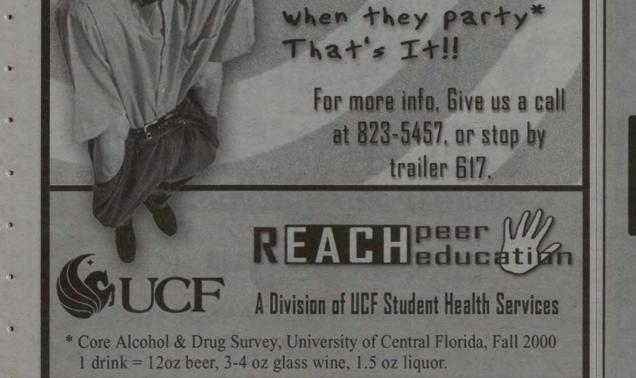
Leadership Week Awards Ceremony 2 p.m.-4p.m. in Pegasus Ballroom DEFGHI Not eligible for cruise ticket drawing

Friday, Feb. 22 Women's Softball Game 1 p.m.-3;30 p.m. at UCF Softball Stadium (near Bergman field) Sponsored by Sports Marketing

**Saturday, Feb. 23** Dance Marathon 4 p.m.-10 a.m. in New Rec. & Wellness Center Sponsored by CAB

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# MIS student co-owns grababargain.com

NICOLE TALLEY STAFF WRITER

Like many students, Jeff Antunes is very familiar with buying items over the Internet. He however, sees a completely different aspect to Internet purchasing.

That's because Antunes, a management information systems major, co-owns and operates GrabABargain.com, Inc.

The site is an alternative to traditional auction sites such as ebay. It serves as a fixed-price, person-to-person, marketplace for books, music, movies and video games. Antunes plans to further expand into consumer electronics and computers.

Antunes said, "Fixed prices save people the hassle of bidding, waiting for the auction to close and possibly loosing the item."

For the most part, Antunes keeps his schoolwork and his business separate.

Colleen Holuk, a GrabABargain.com representative, said, "Jeff just uses the information he learns in class and applies it in GrabABargain.com. There really aren't any teachers that he talks with about his business."

However, Antunes man-

l like to bounce ideas off of my classmates. It's imperative to keep thing fresh, to gain outside perspective.

-JEFF ANTUNES

them, "success in their online endeavors."

He added: "There are a multitude of sites on the Internet. Competition raises awareness of certain types of products and services. I think trends and categories certainly have the potential to grow with more players in the sandbox."

Antune's site may not be the first or the largest site of its kind, but a few personal touchFebruary 27, 2002 10:00a.m.-3:00p.m. UCF Bookstore

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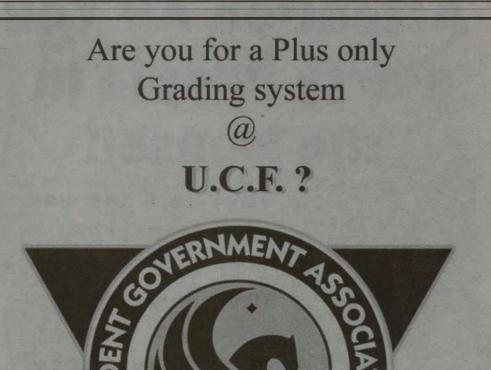
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ages his site with his fellow students in mind. "I like to bounce ideas off of my classmates," he said. "It's imperative to keep things fresh, to gain an outside perspective."

Everyday, Antunes gets a chance to apply theories in the classroom to the real world. He said, "Nothing can prepare you for owning and operating a business like the experience of doing it. "

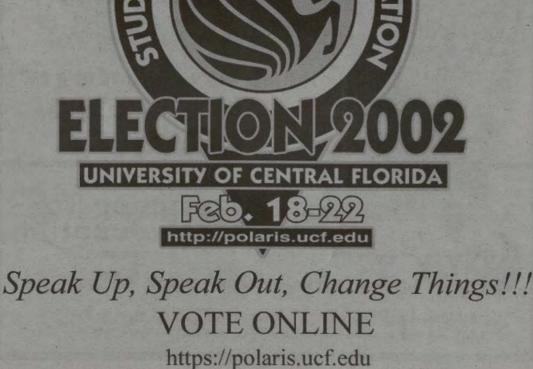
Half.com, an ebay subsidiary, is GrabABargain's main competitor. Founded by Joshua Kopelman in 1999 and acquired by ebay in 2000, half.com paved the way in this new egenre.

Mark Hughes, a half.com representative, visited GrabABargain.com and wishes es make GrabABargain unique from competitors.

Antunes said: "GrabABargain allows people to build relationships and a sense of community. Buyers can write sellers and get feedback on products before they buy."

GrabABargain only charges the seller a 15 percent commission on all things sold. Other similar sites charge each time an item changes hands.

Also, the site minimizes fraud by doing everything themselves. Antunes said: "We process our own transactions and handle our own customer service. The seller only has to package and ship the item, the buyer only has to buy it. We do the rest."



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<u>news</u>

# Don't get the Valentine's Day blues



**EMILY RUFF** STAFF WRITER

It sneaks up every year. The Christmas season roars in with frantic holiday sales, shiny red bows and family gatherings. New Year's comes along with wild parties, noisemakers and good friends. Then, the spring semester begins, and ever so quietly, Valentine's Day lurks in - and if you are without a significant other, you may wish to banish the date from the calendar entirely.

Have you ever spent the holiday curled up in bed, hoping to stay hidden long enough for the mushy cards and cheap candy to pass you by? Do you wear black in honor of the occasion? Do you dread the thought of sitting home alone on Valentine's Day?

Many UCF students are facing this year's holiday with the same lack of enthusiasm.

"Lonely people go out on Valentine's Day and look at all the happy people and cry," Kurt year." Jolly, a sophomore, said.

Wes Opas, a junior, said. "I think it is one of the most depressing holidays for single people."

Luckily, UCF has several events and activities happening on Thursday to keep students from the Valentine's blues.

The Campus Activities Board will be showing Rocky Horror Picture Show "for all the lonely hearts," Jolly said. The movie will play in the Wired Café at 9 p.m., Wednesday. CAB will also sponsor a Valentine's edition of Thursday Night Jive in the UCF Bookstore at 8 p.m.

There is no better way to lift spirits than to help others, and with Volunteer UCF, students can spread some Valentine cheer. The group will sponsor Hopeful Hearts to support Great Oaks Village, a residential campus for abused and at-risk elementary and middle school children. On Thursday at 3:30 p.m., the group will meet in the VAB parking lot to carpool to Great Oaks, where candy and cards will be distributed to the children.

Student volunteer Paige Morgan said, "The children are really excited about the event this

Marie Crawford, licensed mental health counselor at UCF, said on Valentine's Day, single people should embrace those they love, including family and friends. "The holiday is symbolically about romance," she said, "but it is also about just having loved ones in your life."

Call a friend you have been thinking of but have not had the time to contact. Catch up on your correspondence by writing or emailing several of the people

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with other single friends," Crawford said. Organize a group of other single people for a "Singles' Night Out," or host a singles-only party at your pad. With any luck, you may even meet the special someone who will make this year a Valentine's Day to remember.

### Did you know?

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#### Valentine's Day

A tiny village in Quebec is named Saint-Valentin, reportedly because the first mass was held there on Valentine's Day in 1810. Today, the town named for the patron saint of lovers is a popular destination for letters sent by stamp collectors looking for unusual postmarks to add to their collection. Permission was granted by the Canada Post to let Saint-Valentin use a special heart-shaped postmark. In 1999, collectors throughout Quebec and other Canadian provinces sent more than 6,000 Valentine's Day cards to get the special stamp.

During the late 1800s, postage rates around the world dropped, and the obscene St. Valentine's Day card became popular, despite the Victorian era being otherwise very prudish. As the numbers of racy valentines grew, several countries banned the practice of exchanging Valentine's Days cards. During this period, Chicago's post office rejected more than 25,000 cards on the grounds that they were so indecent, they were not fit to be carried through the U.S. mail.

The Chocolate Manufacturers Association of America says that 36 million boxes of chocolate are sold for Valentine's Day. According to Hershey's Chocolate Company, Valentine's Day ranks fourth in sales behind Halloween, Christmas and Easter.

The first American publisher of valentines was printer and artist Esther Howland. During the 1870s, her elaborate lace cards were purchased by the wealthy, as they cost a minimum of \$5 - some sold for as much as \$35. Mass production eventually brought prices down, and the affordable "penny valentine" became popular with the lower classes.

In Japan, St. Valentine's Day is a day when women give the special men in their lives boxes of chocolate. To balance this practice, White Day was invented by the confectionery industry for men to reciprocate such gifts. While Valentine's Day is an imported event, White Day, celebrated one month later on March 14, is purely a Japanese creation.

In the Middle Ages, one Valentine's Day custom was for young men and women to draw names from a bowl to see who their valentines would be. They would then wear these names on their sleeves for one week. "To wear your heart on your sleeve" now means that it is easy for other people to know how you are feeling.

In the United States, 64 percent of men do not make plans in advance for a romantic Valentine's Day with their sweet-



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# V-Day campaign organized to end violence against women

#### KRISTA ZILIZI STAFF WRITER

UCF will join more than 500 schools across the world in a movement known as the V-day College Campaign. 2002 Students and members of the UCF community will perform UCF's first off-Broadway production of Eve Ensler's, "The Vagina Monologues." The play, a compilation of 200 interviews with women from ages 6 to 80, is based on women's personal experiences with rape, incest, genital mutilation, oppression and abuse.

The V-day 2002 College Campaign is an organized response among colleges and universities across the world to end violence against women. The V-day College Campaign formed as an outgrowth of Ensler's original V-day movement that pushed to increase violence awareness and raise money to revitalize anti-violence organizations. Created in 1997, the V-day College Initiative began with just 65 schools. In its fourth year, the College Initiative has transformed into the V-day College Campaign with 550 schools participating worldwide.

Jamie Chiaccio, UCF's V-

#### When:

Friday, Feb. 15, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21, 7 p.m.

#### Where:

Student Academic Resource Center Auditorium

#### **Tickets:**

Student: \$10.50 with valid school ID at the UCF Arena Faculty and Staff: \$12.50 with school ID at the UCF Arena General Public: \$15.50 \*

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day co-coordinator, said: "It started with the big V-day, but Ensler realized that the movement needed to trickle down. The College Initiative gives "The Vagina Monologues" to colleges to perform under set guidelines and asks schools to donate proceeds they collect to local shelters."

Ninety percent of the proceeds UCF collects through tick-

et sales and merchandise profits will benefit three non-profit organizations in Orlando. The Harbor House, a local domestic violence center, the Sexual Assault Treatment Center, a local organization that provides free rape exams, and The Healing Tree/Sexual Trauma Recovery Center, a counseling center for survivors of sexual assault will receive the majority of funds. Proceeds will also benefit UCF's Victim Services, free comprehensive and confidential services to UCF students who are victims of crime. A small percentage of proceeds will assist Afghan women through a fund that sponsors medical care and education. The Clothesline Project will also be at the performances displaying T-shirts decorated with personal expressions of women who have been victims of sexual violence and assault.

Sponsored by UCF's Victim Services and REACH Peer Education, "The Vagina Monologues" will run for three nights directed, produced and performed by students and members of the UCF community. More than 50 women auditioned for the-play within four days. The production will be performed by a cast of 18; Patria Alguila, Anna Ambrose, Lucy Ray Bancroft, Kayli Carter, Jamie Chiaccio, Karen Clay, LaShay Harvey, Tamisha King, Terri Langford, Tracy Makens, Dorothy Pecoraro, Linda Potkovic, Megan Reiplinger, Maureen Harmon-Schaefer, Rae Taylor, Erin Vertolli, Jenny Wadley and Kimberly Carter-Williams.

Chiaccio said: "We were amazed how many women turned out for it. Nobody is paid for any of this, it is all strictly voluntary. A lot of women who aren't on the cast are still promoting the show in other ways. We are so proud of our cast and crew because they've really taken the cause on as their own."

Megan Reiplinger, a junior and cast member said: "When I first saw 'The Vagina Monologues' performed in Detroit, it was an amazing experience. When I left, I felt proud to be a woman. As an actor, I jumped at the chance to be involved in this."

Chiaccio believes the enthusiasm and the motivation that the cast and crew have shown is a common attitude among most at UCF.

"I think UCF is a very vagi-

na-friendly community," she said. "We have a lot of teachers from UCF and Valencia offering students extra credit to see it."

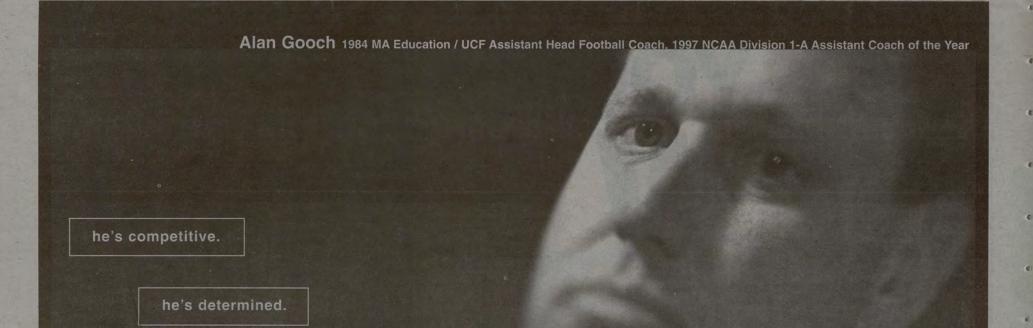
Chiaccio added, "And, Orlando happens to be on the map of vagina-friendly cities."

What Chiaccio is referring to is Orlando's efforts in preventing violence and providing victim services and the university's initiative to develop programs in victim assistance and domestic violence.

Chiaccio said: "I see people everyday who really care about these issues. Orlando has a very active lethality review team. At UCF, the sociology graduate program offers students a domestic violence certificate program, one of the only schools in the nation to have it. Members of the sociology department constantly work to get grants for services that provide help to victims of violence."

She said: "A lot of the resistance that other communities have faced have been quelled by letting people know that these are real women's stories. I think if 'The Vagina Monologues' is offensive, then so is life, because

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## Play tells of molestation, incest, oppression and abuse

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everything on stage is a true story."

The 90-minute production will include several monologues like "Reclaiming the Cunt," a monologue that reinforces the word "vagina" as a positive term, "My Angry Vagina," which describes the modern-day woman's frustration with tampons, thong underwear and gynecology visits, and "Hair," a woman's struggle to make her husband happy by shaving her pubic hair.

Chiaccio explains that while the performances are immensely entertaining, the underlying purpose of the monologues is to teach respect and awareness.

She said: "It's important to teach people that the word vagi-

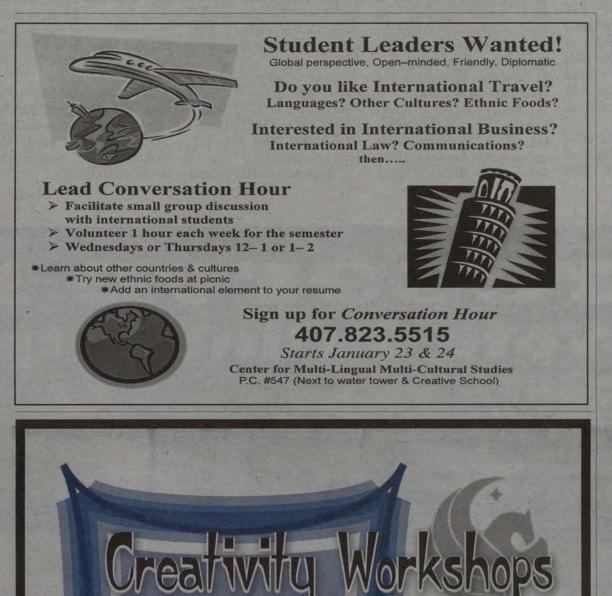
na is not a dirty word, it's a body part. For some reason we make up really weird names for the vagina and this play really takes the stigma off the word.

"It is very empowering for young women to see this, because as women, we are always trying to hide or change our bodies. As women, we modify what we wear and where we go. Can you imagine what it would be like if women never had to worry about being victimized?"

Rae Taylor, a graduate student and cast member said: "The most profound reason for this performance is you rediscover how blessed it is to be a woman and it makes all things that are womanly less taboo."

Anna Ambrose, a senior and cast member said: "This has

nothing to do with bashing men. We encourage men to come see this because there are some immature attitudes out there, especially among men. I've heard comments like, do we get to see vaginas if we go, or men referring to the production as 'The Pussy Chronicles.' It's for a good cause and it educates people about the experiences that women go through."



# CIA, FBI among many to recruit at MBA fair

#### DANIELLE DEPARI STAFF WRITER

The second annual Florida MBA and Graduate Business Consortium, a statewide career fair, will be held Feb. 15, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Pegasus Ballroom.

Megan Newman, of USF, said: "The objective is two-fold: To encourage companies that might not otherwise visit Florida to recruit at just one school to come make one travel commitment, and gain access to a wide range of students." She added, "And, it allows schools access to companies that they might not otherwise have access to because they are not within their immediate locale."

Twenty-six companies are registered; some positions will be in state, while others would require students to relocate. These companies will be looking for people to fill both full time positions and internships.

Examples of attending companies are: American Express Financial Advisors, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Raymond James Financial and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Business students at all levels of education are encouraged to attend the event.

Robert C. Ford, of UCF, said: "Having the chance to talk to a variety of employers from a variety of industries is a terrific way for our students to see what the market is offering and how they fit into the career tracks these jobs and organizations represent."

He added, "Even our currently employed students will want to know more about what they are worth in the job market of today and this is one more way for them to discover their value."

The atmosphere of the fair is strictly professional and professional dress is required. In addition, students should bring their resume along with a business card. Students should be prepared to be patient and wait to speak with company representatives, since there were more than 400 students in attendance last year.

This event will provide a wide array of educated individuals a chance to connect with a vast variety of employers. For more information, visit http://coba.usf.edu/services/caree r/flconsortium.htm

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DAN THOMPSON / CFF Dante Whigham, a graduate student in computer science, discusses career opportunities at the Microsoft booth of the Career Expo, held Feb. 6 at the UCF Arena.

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#### COMPILED BY **CARLY MORRIS**

#### **Double trouble**

Wayne Yung, 19, was arrested on charges of driving under the influence Jan. 26. Yung was stopped by Officer Gerald Emert for having a tail light out. Upon stopping the vehicle, Emert noticed Yung was unbalanced and his eyes were bloodshot. Yung agreed to field sobriety tests. During Yung's field tests, Officer James Mangan observed the passenger of the vehicle, Josef Young, 20, pushing something under the car seat. Young was asked to exit the vehicle, and Mangan found a plastic bag of marijuana under his seat. Young was arrested for possession of 20 grams of cannabis.

#### Drive on the right side of the road

Andrew Betteridge, 19, was arrested on charges of driving under the influence Feb. 3. Officer James Mangan observed Betteridge reversing his car in the wrong direction and at an unsafe speed. Betteridge then parked his car in a no parking zone. Mangan stopped Betteridge and noticed his eyes were bloodshot, his speech was slurred and he smelled like marijuana. While Mangan searched the vehicle, Betteridge admitted to taking "a few xanax bars" while driving back to UCF from Tampa. Betteridge was arrested and transported to the Orange County DUI testing center, where he admitted to being on bail for charges pending in Seminole County.

#### The list goes on, and on, and on....

Nye Macon, 19, was arrested Feb. 5 on charges of obtaining a driver's license by fraud, making and possessing a counterfeit license, possession of alcohol, interfering with fire equipment/facilities and possessing a firearm on school property.

Officer Erik Lashinsky reported to Seminole Hall in reference to possible drug use. Upon arrival, he met with the resident advisor, and she brought Lashinsky to Macon's room. Macon gave Lashinsky permission to search his room. Lashinsky asked Macon where the marijuana was, and Macon admitted to flushing it down the toilet. Lashinsky asked for identification, and Macon produced a New Jersey driver's license with his picture and another name and age. Lashinsky continued to search Macon's room, and found a knife and a paint ball gun, as well as a bottle of liquor. In Macon's desk were several pieces of photo paper with 'New Jersey Drivers License' printed on them and a booklet showing various styles and formats used by different states in reference to driver's licenses. Macon admitted he sometimes sold driver's licenses using a program on his computer and a digital camera. At least 12 pictures of individual driver's license photos were obtained from the camera.



#### LIBBY BAIRD STAFF WRITER

With Valentine's Day approaching, many couples are weighing the benefits of romance versus cost in their restaurant selections. Since Orlando is a diverse city, there are plenty of restaurants to choose from.

For those who are more budget conscious, traditional favorites such as the Olive

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ambiance, and the Olive Garden offers fine dining at moderate prices. For the equivalent in ribs, try Tony Roma's. They're about equally priced, and

close to campus. A dinner for two will run about \$30. One final option in this category if TGIFridays, located in the Waterford Lakes plaza.

Also available to diners looking for a more creative experience are such theme restaurants as Medieval Times and Arabian Nights. Though

expensive, they are sure to provide a memorable dining experience.

Valentine's Day sees couples dining out

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priced restaurant is the Melting Pot in Longwood. A fondue restaurant, the Melting cook their dinner to their own unique experience, but it's often costly. The romance factor in the Melting Pot is high, but be prepared to drop about \$70.

Diners with exclusive tastes may prefer to make reservations at City Walk's Emeril, created by the famous "Bam" chef. This is a very pricey restaurant.

Another creative dining favorite dish.

these establishments are more experience is the Enzian Dinner Theater on Hwy. 17-92 in Maitland. Much like a movie theater, diners sit at Another creative yet high tables and order food from servers while watching a movie.

Of course, Students can't Pot offers diners the chance to forget Disney. Couples can choose to eat at Downtown tastes. Fondue dining is a Disney and seek entertainment at the same time, such as at the House of Blues, or they can eat at one of the upscale establishments in the Disney resorts. Disney, however, is also on the pricey side.

> And, for students on a very tight budget, there's nothing like a home-cooked meal. Earn bonus points by cooking your Valentine's



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## New graduate programs planned for 2003

New under graduate programs may include nutrition, space science and technology and sports and fitness

#### STEPHANIE SWEETMAN STAFF WRITER

A proposed package of new degree programs will be implemented during 2003 and 2008. UCF will offer several new bachelor's, master's and doctorate degrees.

Dr. Patricia Bishop, Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies, said the plan includes degrees in four areas

where the university needs further research development.

Bishop said, "The deans decided we wanted to emphasize programs in environmental sciences, biological and health services, social sciences and space science and technology.

Some of the highly ranked proposed degree programs include master's degrees in urban regional planning, nonprofit management, exercise physiology, K-8 math and science, marriage and family counseling, forensic science and creative writing. Doctorate programs such as criminal justice, economics and aerospace engineering may be possible.

New bachelor's programs

may include nutrition, space science and technology and sport and fitness.

The growth of the UCF graduate studies program will require additional faculty members. Bishop explained: "To keep up with the growth, we have to keep hiring new faculty. For most of these programs existing faculty will be used when possible."

Future programs such as forensic science already have faculty in place. Students in this field currently receive a degree in chemistry. A proposed master's program in creative writing will be taught entirely online, not requiring any additional faculty.

Bishop said UCF would

hire the faculty over several years for programs such as biomedical engineering and film.

She said, "We are anticipating starting five or six new programs per year; bachelor's, master's and doctoral."

UCF currently has 20 doctorate programs. Bishop says if the plan is followed, UCF will eventually have between 25 and 30 doctoral programs.

Bishop said the new programs offer UCF a tremendous opportunity for working with and serving the Central Florida community. The new programs would encourage professionals in various fields to return to school to seek higher degrees.



#### COMPILED BY KRISTA ZILIZI

#### **Director of chairs**

There are three Panhellenic chair positions open. Applications are available in the Greek Affairs office and are due Mon. Feb. 18 at 5 p.m. Applicants may sign up for interviews when they turn in their applications.

#### **New GAMMA officers**

The new GAMMA executive officers are Kristen Perpall, Ryan O'Rourke, Traci Capiello and Neil Ambekar. GAMMA constitution voting will take place Wed., Feb. 13.

#### Chi Omega places third in Miss Orlando pageant

Chi Omega sorority member Katie Noland became third runner-up at the Miss Orlando pageant.

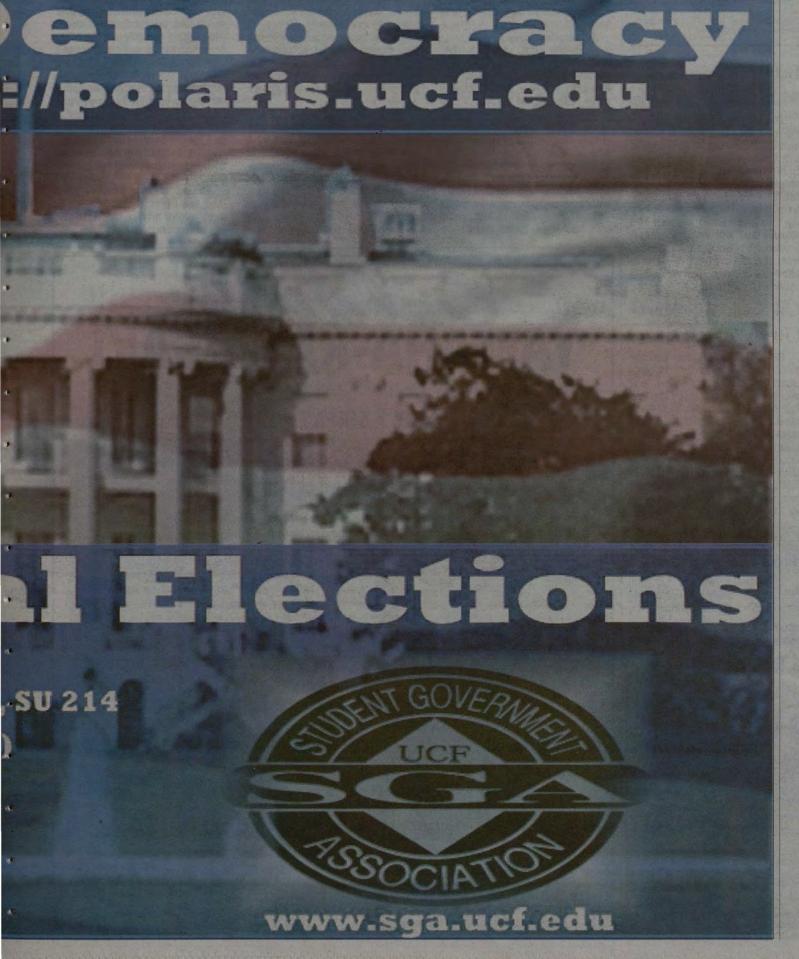
#### **Zeta Day**

Zeta Tau Alpha sorority will host Zeta Day on Sat., Feb. 16. Zeta sorority members throughout Florida will come to UCF to share ideas, listen to alumni speeches and meet Zeta members from other chapters.

"I think it is important for all Zeta's to attend Zeta Day because we get to meet our sorority sisters from other schools statewide to share our common bond," Stacy Heller said.

#### Pi Kapps to attend leadership conference

UCF's Pi Kappa Phi fraternity members will have the chance to attend "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" conference Sat., Feb 16. The conference is designed as an interactive leadership experience, sponsored by Pi Kappa Phi fraternity's national office each semester in several different regional locations.



"These programs are funded by Pi Kappa Phi, and are open to only Pi Kapps to help us achieve our national goal of building better men," said Nathan Holic, of Pi Kappa Phi.

#### Fraternity member attendance at Panhellenic meetings

Fraternity members are asked to sign in when attending Panhellenic meetings. Their attendance numbers will be recorded.

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## What's News-

#### In Business and Finance

#### Economists Raise Outlook for 2002

Economists are becoming more optimistic about the outlook for 2002.

According to Blue Chip Economic Indicators, a monthly newsletter that tracks the consensus of 52 business economists, forecasters now expect the economy to grow 1.5% in 2002. Last month, these economists predicted 1% growth. It was the first time in 11 months that they increased their forecast.

If these economists are right, the growth rate would still be well below the robust 4% rates that marked the late 1990s. But the recent upward shift in expectations is still meaningful, not only for Wall Street but for Washington. For example, it means policy makers in Washington are substantially more pessimistic than the private sector is about the economic outlook. In its budget released last week, the Office of Management and Budget predicted 0.7% growth in 2002. The Congressional Budget Office predicts 0.8% growth.

If the economy performs better than these estimates, it could mean that the White House projection of a \$106 billion budget deficit for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30 is overstated. Stronger-than-expected growth implies stronger-than-expected tax revenue. Of course, unpredictable government spending will also play a large hand in determining the deficit outlook.

#### Nokia, Samsung Lead Ailing Sector

In the worst year in the history of the mobile-phone industry, Nokia Corp. and Samsung Electronics Co. were the only top-ranking mobilephone makers to both gain market share and make money during 2001, according to new research.

Market leader Nokia lifted its share of global shipments to 36% from 31% in 2000, while still maintaining an operating margin of 20%, according to figures collated by Strategy Analytics. (Nokia puts its 2001 market share at 37%.) The Boston research firm estimated that Samsung achieved an operating margin of 15%, while boosting its market share to 7% from 5%, ng it the third-larg in 2001, behind second-place Motorola Inc. Most other leading handset makers lost money during 2001, according to Strategy Analytics.

#### Leading the Fields How would you rate the honesty and ethical standards of people in

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| U.S. military          | 81                  |
| Policemen              | 68                  |
| Medical doctors        | 66                  |
| Clergy                 | 64                  |
| Engineers              | 60                  |
| Accountants            | 41                  |
| Journalists            | 29                  |
| Congressmen            | 25                  |
| Labor union<br>leaders | 17                  |
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Source: Gallup Poll, Nov. 2001; professions listed as in survey question

#### Between 'Friends,' \$6 Million an Episode

The hit comedy "Friends," the top-rated show on television, will return to NBC for one more season in a deal that will pay each of the six stars about \$1 million per episode, people familiar with the situation say. That represents a 33% increase from the \$750,000 per episode salary the cast has earned the past two seasons and will keep "Friends," produced by Warner Bros. Television, the most expensive show in television history. Next season is expected to be the finale.

#### Oil Spill: Wal Mart Overtakes Exxon

Bentonville, Ark., has become home of the world's largest company: Wal Mart Stores Inc. has overtaken Exxon Mobil Corp. as the biggest company, based on sales. The discount retailer posted sales of \$218 billion for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, compared with \$212.9 billion for the oil giant. Wal Mart's coronation is partly the result of its own growth, partly the result of lower oil prices last year for Exxon Mobil.

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### Tech Ideas Thrive Despite Market

Digital Camera Shakeup, Balloon for Cellphones Make Debut at Show

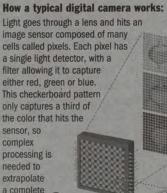
#### By DON CLARK

ome people think the sour stock market and dot-com collapse slowed technological innovation.

But despite a significant plunge in venture-capital funding, and spending cuts by big corporations, scientists and entrepreneurs are still improving hardware, software and technologybased services at a frantic rate. New evidence was expected to emerge this week in Phoenix, at an annual conference called Demo that helped launch many Internetbased companies in the 1990s. Though some exhibitors from past shows are no longer in existence, there is no shortage of business ideas this year.

Among them:

• Foveon Inc. says it has achieved a breakthrough in digital photography, one that could dramatically improve picture quality while changing the industry's economics. Foveon's chip technology, which captures images more efficiently than existing digital cameras, is expected to make possible multipurpose devices that take both high-quality still and video images. Eventually, some mass-market cameras with chips made by Foveon, Santa Clara, Calif., could cost less than conventional film Foveon's Camera Breakthrough



How Foveon's technology works: Light goes through the lens and hits a Foveon X3 image sensor chip. Pixels on the chip have light detectors located at different depths in the silicon, able to detect red, green and blue. Because each pixel can detect all three colors, the image is more accurate, and there's no

> Photo sensor cross section

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• ArrayComm Inc., a San Jose, Calif., company founded by cellphone pioneer Marty Cooper, is touting a future wireless network that exploits special antennas to send data at one million bits a second-20 times faster than the nextgeneration cellular system known as 3G.

• Linden Lab, a San Francisco start-up backed by software pioneer Mitch Kapor, has an idea for a kind of animated online world that consumers help create. Paid subscribers will design their own three-dimensional appearances, living spaces, and social and economic rules to play by.

• PrivaSys Inc., also of San

Francisco, has created a credit card with a tiny display and buttons that can consolidate multiple credit and debit cards into one while using existing card-reading devices in stores and restaurants.

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• Space Data Corp., of Chandler, Ariz., is exploring the possibility of floating specially equipped weather balloons to bring wireless communications to remote areas.

• Evolution Robotics is working on a special-purpose operating system for robots, solving problems such as machine vision and navigation.

Recent history has not been kind to such start-ups. Indeed, as money from private investors and *Please turn to Next Page* 



#### Turns Himself In

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### Private Eyes Bid to Track Students

oreign students, already facing scrutiny on campus from the FBI, could soon find themselves under the watchful eyes of private gumshoes.

Background-check companies and bounty hunters are among the businesses vying for contracts from the Immigration and Naturalization Service to help track foreign students who come to the U.S. on student visas. Such surveillance is a top priority in Washington since the discovery that some of the Sept. 11 hijackers came here on student visas and didn't pursue their study plans.

Central to the INS's plans is a new database that would monitor all 547,000 foreign students in the U.S. So far, a pilot-project data base covering 32 schools in five states tracks when foreign students arrive in the U.S. and enroll at their schools, but it doesn't check class attendance. (The rest of the nation's colleges and universities submit enrollment records to the INS on paper.)

One company competing for data base contract, ChoicePoint Inc., a big collector of information about credit-card holders, also proposes establishing phone banks that would call schools to verify that students have enrolled and are attending classes. "If the student is not regularly attending class, we're going to locate the student at his last, best known address," a company spokesman says.

A big issuer of bail-bonds, Capital Bonding Corp., plans to suggest that students entering the U.S. be required to purchase a \$10,000 immigration bond and to check in periodically. If the students fail to show up in its system, the company would send one of its 700 bail agents or 500 bounty hunters to find them. The group already monitors more than 10,000 foreign nationals who were required to buy immigration bonds because of visa violations.

Plans to increase surveillance of students are drawing critics. Some international education groups argue that tracking students—but not tourists and other visa-holders—is intrusive and inefficient.

"Having a bunch of gumshoes running around making sure they get up at seven and go to class is silly," says a spokesman for the Association of International Educators.

By Wall Street Journal staff reporters Ann Davis and Chris Oster.

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fice, the subject of a four-week manhunt, surrendered at the federal office building in Cleveland. Frank Gruttadauria's disappearance Jan. 11 sparked investigations into whether the 44-year-old stock broker stole \$125 million or more from clients during a 15-year period at a number of large Wall Street firms. If Mr. Gruttadauria is convicted, securities-law experts say the case would be the largest scam of retail investors ever by an individual broker.

#### Vaccine Shortages

#### Are at Crisis Level

Severe shortages of vaccines for eight of the 11 vaccine-preventable diseases have led to the worst crisis in the 29-year history of the government's National Immunization Program.

Children across the country are being turned away by pediatricians who have run out of shots largely because of manufacturing snafus at Merck & Co., American Home Products Corp. and Aventis SA.

"If this continues much longer or worsens, we will have a major health crisis," said Adm. Walter Orenstein, chief of immunizations at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "We've got to hope we come out of this as soon as possible." Some shortages are worsening. A rising tide of whooping cough in the U.S. has made the scarcity of pertussis vaccine particularly problematic. Twenty years ago, there were just 2,000 cases a year in the U.S. of whooping cough. In 2000, there were 8,000 cases, according to the CDC. No one knows whether the increased number of cases is related to the vaccine shortage, but top health officials are worried.

The CDC has begun rationing. Supplies of tetanus and diphtheria vaccines have been limited to hospitals, emergency rooms and public health departments, with hospitals limited to just 300 doses a month. Booster shots—once common when kids cut themselves with rusty nails—have been eliminated.

#### Odds & Ends

Target Corp. was sued by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, which alleges the retailer discriminated against African-Americans when hiring for entry-level management positions in parts of Wisconsin ... Qualcomm Inc. defended its accounting methods after a financial-research firm raised questions about them and the company's corporate governance.

**By Jay Hershey** 

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### Tech Ideas Thrive at 'Demo' Show

Continued from Previous Page stock offerings has receded, big companies have been generating a larger proportion of attentiongrabbing ideas. But entrepreneurs say they are finding ways to do more with less money.

"There are lots of ways for innovation to see the light of day," says Carver Mead, the chip pioneer who is Foveon's chairman. His company is a kind of joint spinoff from National Semiconductor Corp. and Synaptics Inc., another company founded by Dr. Mead, with additional money from a venture capital firm.

Foveon started by selling highend digital cameras, but attracted more attention for using standard chip manufacturing to make the But Foveon hid some bigger news. Up to now, image sensors have been composed of tiny cells—

sensors that capture images in dig-

ital cameras.

called pixels, or picture elements – that each contain a single light detector. To capture color, red, green or blue filters must be laid across each pixel in the grid, meaning each pixel could detect just one primary color. That requires extra processing by the camera to extrapolate real-world color combinations. Consequently, prints from mass-market digital cameras often are slightly blurry or marred by color oddities.

Foveon's engineers, exploiting the fact that silicon chips absorb different colors at different depths, designed image sensors that manage to capture all three basic colors at each pixel. Besides bringing greater clarity, its sensors can eliminate the need for extra processing chips that boost the cost.

The first to use Foveon's chips is Sigma Corp. of Japan. Its initial camera is expected to cost more than \$3,000, but Foveon believes models for under \$1,000 will appear by year's end. That will require Foveon to sell its technology to big camera makers such as Eastman Kodak Co. Madahv Mehra, director of digital capture systems in Kodak's professional products group, said it is in the early stages of evaluating the technology. But if it works as advertised, he said it could have broad industry impact.

Abortion rights activists promised us a world of equality, reduced poverty. A world where every child would be wanted. Instead, child abuse has escalated, and rather than shared responsibility for children, even more of the burden has shifted to women.

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### opinion

# Blind dates skew vision PADRA SANCHEZ

STAFF WRITER

#### In the world of blind dating, what you see is rarely what you get

We've all seen the show "Blind Date." We sit there and marvel at other people's willingness to brave an encounter with a complete stranger on national television.

What exactly is going through these people's heads when they are set up with someone who shares their love of dinner and moonlit walks on the beach?

I recently had the chance to feel those jitters while awaiting my "oh-he's-so-perfect-for-you" blind date. Perfect? Upon appearance, yes. He was gorgeous. I mean, does a blind date really have anything to offer besides superficiality?

My experience led me to the discovery that on a blind date, you quickly put on an act. Whether inadvertent or intentional, it is inevitable. I'm not saying you lie about your interests or deceive your date into believing falsities about you. But you are more careful than ever not to say, or God forbid, do anything stupid.

If being amicable is of any value to you, you do what you can to get along with the person whom you've been acquainted with for mere hours. This can call for a certain degree of compliance. That doesn't mean you are to smile and nod when your date confesses to killing small animals for fun, I just don't think strong opposition to their opinions makes a great first

impression.

The date itself should be an enjoyable experience. Mine certainly was. You don't yet know any of the person's bad habits or faults. And just as likely, they don't know yours. After all, you don't want to scare them off. Besides, you have a lot of things to live up to, like say, their expectations. Isn't the reason why someone set you two up because you just have so much in common? Right.

Are we truly ourselves when we meet someone for the first time? Not usually. I would hope that we all contain more substance than could be revealed on only one date. This means the blind date becomes

a time to play. A time to say all the right things, laugh at all the jokes (yes, even the bad ones) and run to the restroom as soon as dinner is over to carefully inspect your teeth. It should be simple fun with no strings attached.

It's the "follow-up" that designates the turning point in the realm of blind dating. Because you had such a great time upon your initial meeting, you hope to repeat the experience. Well, don't get your hopes up. While I'm sure there are many people out there who met their soul mate on a blind date, the rest of us just aren't that lucky. Eventually, the veil comes off and that perfect gentleman who ever so

politely opened doors is, three dates later, walking ahead of you and ordering first.

This doesn't happen in every case. I like to give guys the benefit of the doubt that chivalry lives on. I'm just speaking from personal experience, in which the blind date was great, but the rest, well ...

As long as we have the desire to meet new people and experience new things, the blind date will remain in fashion. Just don't get too excited. You know, the creators of television show didn't put the those thought bubbles on there for nothing. They represent a display of honesty that many of us don't want to acknowledge on a blind date. Because after all, in the world of blind dating, what you see is rarely what you get.

# Are elderly drivers a menace to society?

#### NICOLE TALLEY STAFF WRITER

Thanks to skyrocketing lifetime expectancies coupled with the population increase, younger folks are surrounded by a giant sea of old people. Especially in Florida, where many come to retire.

Now, I am not against the elderly. I do not think we should just put all of the old people in boats, send them out to the ocean and blow them up. Although, sometimes the thought flashes through my head when I'm behind an older driver on the freeway.

Imagine: Coasting along in the left lane, thinking about how great it will feel to be early for a change. Wham, you have to slam on the brakes because the car in front of you is doing 45 mph, when the speed limit clearly reads 75 mph.

A quick look inside the brand new 2002 Cadillac land-yacht reveals a gray



DAN THOMPSON / CFF Life Care Center of Orlando provides a shuttle for its elderly residents so that they do not have to drive themselves.

head that barely reaches over the steering. wheel, topped with a giant beehive hairdo. Ok, so maybe that's a horrible stereo-

type and the AARP will sue me.

We can all laugh about it though, because we see the grain of truth in it. All of us have been there at one time or another.

It is a fact of nature that as we age, the skills necessary to drive safely deteriorate. Vision, hearing, reaction time, and the steadiness of limb and grip all go at one point or another. All these occur in healthy people, not to mention elderly citizens coping with the side affects from Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, cancer and other diseases.

For many elderly people, a driver's license is a ticket to freedom and independence. Once productive people are loath to hand over this symbol of active citizenship. As a fiercely independent person, I can identify.

Also, I admit that a dangerous driver can come from any age group. It should be looked at on a case-by-case basis.

The state of Florida contributes to the problem with their safe-driver license renewal policy, which allows you to renew your license through the mail as long as you remain accident-free. You can renew

this way up to 18 years, without ever having set foot in the DMV to take a driving test.

This is amazingly convenient, but possibly dangerous.

A good compromise would be to test drivers 70-years-old and older each year. This would allow the state to restrict those drivers who do not measure up to standards.

AARP lobbyists and others might see this solution as "age discrimination."

Discrimination is wrong. Period. However, the public must be protected from potential hazards. The only way to detect these accidents-waiting-to-happen is by setting up a mandatory testing system.

I for one am tired of having to tip toe around important issues for fear of breaching politically correct etiquette and, God forbid, offending someone.

Safety should come before politics.





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Women need license to parent

#### CHRIS ZAPATIER STAFF WRITER

I left campus shortly after noon. Famished, I stopped at the nearby TropiGrill for some of its world-class rice and beans. Once inside, I took my place in line. When it was my turn to order, I was signaled to step forward by a female cashier. I could tell just by looking at her that she came from an environment where becoming a welfare mother is considered an ambitious career objective, so it was no surprise when she motioned me forward with a sloppy hand gesture in lieu of verbal communication. What was a surprise was when I stepped up to the counter and saw that she was pregnant. Not only was she 18 at most, but she was working in a fast food restaurant. I wanted to kick her in the butt for contributing to our already overcrowded and under funded public schools and to our equally overcrowded and under funded prisons a few years from now.

As I ate, I couldn't help envisioning the youth her developing fetus has to look forward to; inadequate (if any) health insurance for medical emergencies, hours spent

# GRAY MATTERS

waiting for public transportation, no money to pursue secondary education on the off chance that he or she wished to do so, and so on and so on.

Don't misunderstand me, I'm not suggesting that a big bankbook automatically makes for perfect parents. I am simply saying that money is conducive to an ideal environment for child rearing.

I believe that guidelines need to be established to determine what constitutes a fit parent, and economic status is a perfect place to start. And don't ever let anyone insult your intelligence by telling you that money can't buy happiness. In this country - more so than any other - money affords people access to the safest neighborhoods, ivy league schools, the finest legal representation, and all too often exemptions from the rule of law. And to any hopelessly naïve idealists who would assert that parental love alone negates the need for strong financial backing I pose this question- can love

quell the constant rumbling in a child's belly? How much love can kids get from parents working two full-time jobs to make ends meet?

At present I live paycheck to paycheck. If I were to purchase a Porsche Boxster, people would call me foolish and not feel an iota of sympathy when it was repossessed because I could not make the payments.

But for some strange reason, this lack of sympathy is never extended to persons having children they cannot afford. Instead, they're dubbed "society's less fortunate," and often portraved as victims of oppression by society's bourgeoisie, despite the fact that they are entirely responsible for their situation.

More important than the question of what role socio-economic status plays in how a child is raised is who is raising them. It is painfully obvious that there are people out there having children who should not be.

I personally know an unedu-

cated 18-year-old girl who is pregnant by a 21-year-old Publix bagboy with one illegitimate child and one divorce already under his belt. Since too many people are clearly incapable of impartially judging themselves fit for parenting, I propose that state governments should.

Understandably, many Americans will contend that such an invasive, draconian regulation would be inimical to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, but I would argue that the end would justify the means. I would also point out that we as a society have accepted other governmental intrusions that we think are in the best interest of the person or persons being victimized and society as a whole.

More frequently than ever before, parents are being arrested for practicing corporal punishment, which violates their right to raise their children as they see fit. Police routinely intervene in domestic disturbances even when their presence

Licenses are

convicted of a felony in this country, you lose your constitutionally guaranteed rights to vote and carry a firearm, but there is no conviction that can legally bar a person from having children. To adopt children, prospective parents must submit to a battery of evaluations including financial audits and numerous visits from social workers, but the same standards do not apply to parents wishing to biologically acquire a child. Why the double standard when so much is at stake?

Everyday in America, people with no jobs, rap sheets, and \$50-a-day heroin habits become the guardians of helpless infants. And what becomes of these children? At best they end up poorly socialized, at worst they end up on death row. And while this tragic cycle continues, Americans continue to place the blame on the same scapegoats: the police, HRS or lack of God in our lives, because that is the way we get around solving problems in this country, we feign ignorance to their causes.

That way, no minority groups get offended, the ACLU files no lawsuits and the bleeding hearts at Berkeley stage no protests. How many more children must end up like Kayla McKeen before drastic measures are taken against this societal cancer?



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Thongs uncovered: What's wrong with the thong?

# Beyond Calamities

#### KRISTA ZILIZI STAFF WRITER

The thong is a useless article of clothing. It doesn't protect your rear from the cold. It doesn't obscure an unshapely rump. It doesn't protect the tender skin from a scratchy pair of pants. And the single function the thong did once serve (to make visible panty lines vanish) has vanished as well.

Once the whole point of wearing thong underwear was to avoid panty lines; now the strings of silk are not just creeping over the waistlines of women's pants, they are intentionally being worn that way.

Once considered an embarrassing display, women furiously tucked and stuffed their thongs half way down their backsides to keep their creeping thongs concealed. As troublesome as the thong was, it was better to fight the frustration, than wear a full-bottomed pair of underwear that would reveal a set of shameful panty lines.

But now women suddenly seem tired of fighting the thong

What are you wearing this Valentine's Day?

that will inevitably ride right out of their pants. Rather than tucking and stuffing, women

are now tugging their thong straps way above the waistlines of their pants and calling it fashion. (Incidentally, panty lines are still unacceptable.)

Exposed thongs bring several images to my mind, like strip joints and plumber's cracks, images that have very little to do with fashion. There is nothing becoming about a woman showing off her underwear unless she's a stripper or a lingerie model. If she's not storing dollar bills in the straps of her panties, then she better keep her thong underwear undercover. If a woman can't control her creeping thong because the waistline of her pants dips too low, then perhaps it's time to trade in the low-rider jeans for a more sensible pair of pants.

A little common sense

should tell women that exposed undergarments generally do not demand respect. An

8-year-old little girl at the grocery store had enough sense to know that as I saw her giggle at a young woman whose thong straps were exposed. She said, "Mommy, her underwear's sticking out."



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### Letters to the Editor

#### **Obtain the facts**

This letter is in response to the Jan. 23 commentary in the entertainment section written by Christie Zizo. I am a firm believer that to report a story to the public, one must first obtain all the facts. First of all, Kate Winslet was not in the film at all, it was Kate Beckinsale who played leading lady Evelyn.

Secondly, Zizo must have fallen asleep, or chosen to blindly ignore the tremendous significance the movie brought to the audience. Director Jerry Bruckheimer brought to attention many details that are foundational building blocks

#### Confused

This letter is a response in regards to the article "Do multicultural really promote multiculturalism?" written by Darcy Rodriguez or as I would like to call her-Confused.

I do commend her for attempting to tackle such a monster as race, ethnicity and culture publicly. But I just want to add that the reason there are so many confused individuals (as herself) in society today is due primarily to the fact that they fail to form an opinion prior to gaining full knowledge of the topic.

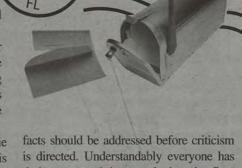
in our American defense today. Did she fall asleep or have no emotional reaction when Bruckheimer tore at our souls by delivering a small glimpse of the grief and helplessness that those officers must have experienced?

Nevertheless, there is one sentence in her article that I will agree on, that she is narrow minded. She goes from talking about the possibility of a Hollywood version of Sept. 11, to an all out assault on Bruckheimer. Pearl Harbor was real, and all Bruckheimer tried to accomplish was emotional remembrance for those lost. Some of the best stories/movies are those told from the perspective of the common man and his universal struggles, of which we can all relate

Take The Diary of Ann Frank for example. This provides a prime example of how taking a large event and narrowing it down to one or two personal accounts can better provide the audience with the trauma that was life.

I don't think that a Sept. 11 movie would be so horrible. Sweeping this tragedy under the carpet will not make it any less real. Grief and pain are sometimes a harsh eye opener, but by learning from mistakes we grow.

So the next time Ms. Zizo decides to voice her opinion in an article, maybe the



their own opinion, and that is fine. However when an opinion is made uninformed there is another word for it, ignorance.

-AMBER RENEE' ALLEN

There are many differences between ethnicity, culture and race. Although I cannot attempt to explain them in this short response as she attempted to do in her short wordy column.

But yes, the ignorant still exist as Rodriguez went on to say "Why have I been labeled a multicultural student? Who said I was multicultural? Since when does a last name dictate your culture?" Your last name does not dictate your culture or ethnicity, but speaking for many African descendant people the name represents burden, turmoil and victory. The last names we have derived

have come from a slave owner given to our ancestors upon arrival to this country.

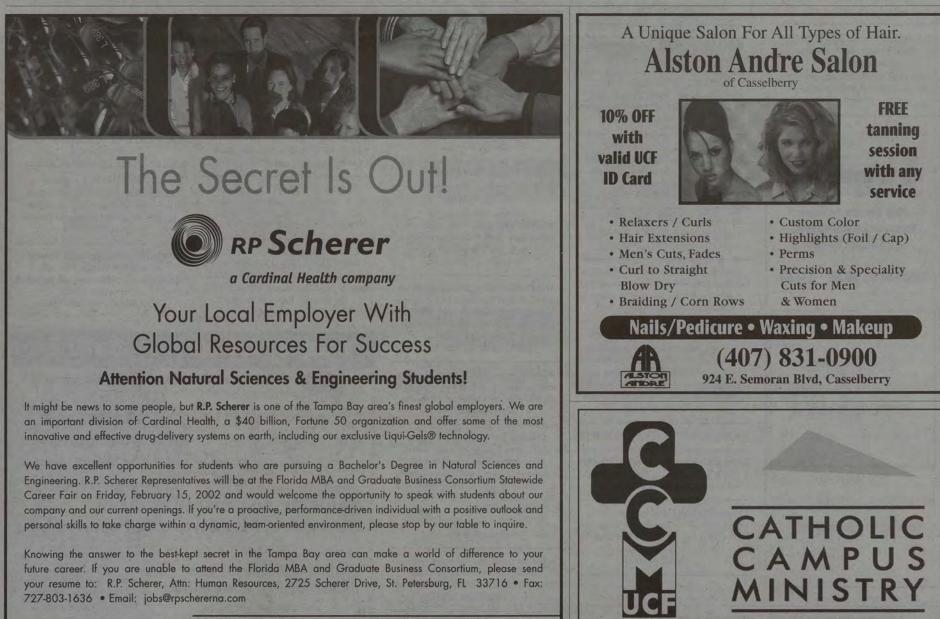
The article's main focus was to be of multicultural clubs and organizations and how they promote multiculturalism. These clubs post they're meeting times on the screens in the union. I have been to several multicultural organization meetings and they are just as welcoming as the next. Multicultural, not black, Hispanic or Asian, there is nothing written in fine print that states "If you do not exist in our cultural, race or ethnic category do not attend our meeting."

Society chooses to segregate itself.

This segregation is of a new class and is on the rise it's called fear. This fear proves to be multifaceted and dares individuals to step out of their comfort zones. It ranges from: Should I attend the Caribbean Student Association meeting although I'm not from the Caribbean? Should I check the White non-hispanic box or other and write in Irish Cherokee next to it? These are two examples of absurdities that could go on about fear and how people never truly get to be themselves.

-CHANELL DIANE WALKER

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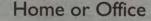
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Angela, Happy Valentine's Day and Happy Anniversary also. You continue to make me smile each day. My heart is with you. -Rock

Ash. You always make me smile. You're wonderful, and well worth the wait. Happy Valentine's Day! Joe

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VUCF Wheel of Fortune at the Life Care Center, 7 - 8pm

February 14th

Valentine's Day Flower Sale SU, South Patio 10am - 5pm

Bring Goodie Bags to kids at Great Oak Village, 3:30 - 6pm



"Vagina Monologues" SRC Auditorium, 7pm Sponsored by Victim Services \*also showing on February 20th & 21st

February 17th

Black Awareness Month Guest Speaker: Sister Souljah VAB 7pm - 10pm Sponsored by AASU

February 19th

CAB Movie Knight: "Saturday Night Fever" SU, Cape Florida - 9pm

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Frederick's of Hollywood offers an array of gifts for both guys and girls.

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# g out for love. FUTURE STAFF PICKS FOR VALENTI

#### **Christie Zizo's picks** to reel in that special someone

Personally, experience tells me that love is not something to look for. However, if any one out there is looking to get hit by Cupid's arrow, make some time to hang out at these spots:

Trendy eateries: Ladies, it's the old adage - the quickest way to a man's heart is through his stomach. The right man can correspond to the right kind of food. Marble Slab Creamery and Panera Bread are some of my suggestions. Both have good food and nice atmospheres. Panera's earth tones and gorgeous music are perfect for a



the Marble Slab one is and very often places like together than films that have required to have cash on Barnes and Noble, Stardust to be figured out in order to nand — always a plus. Bookstores, video stores and CD shops: Sure a good body is nice, if one goes for such a thing. I prefer a

romantic encounter. Plus at healthy mind, an open mind Nothing brings people closer video and Sam Goody bring interesting people than one could find in any night club. The Enzian Theater:

The Marble **Slab Creamery** has brought people together before.

The outdoor ambiance of the old renovated house is stunning at night, with small gardens and strung lights - perfect for a quiet get-acquainted stroll.

For the outdoorsy people: May I suggest Cocoa Beach at sunset? Or perhaps Leu Gardens? Or Wechiva State Park?

In the end, the best place to go is the one that suits your personality. Figure that out, and you're all set.

**Matt Phipps Picks** for that perfect Valentine's Day Best restaurant for atmosphere and food

enjoy. Not only can you see out more colorful and more the newest offerings from the world of Indy film, one can enjoy a casual restaurant setting in the one-room theater.

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# Valentine's Day not just for lovers

#### COMMENTARY



CHRISTIE ZIZO STAFF WRITER

I desperately searched for movie news to bash this week. Finding none, I decided to turn my attention to that which I recently heard someone describe as "black Thursday" --- Valentine's Day.

But before all you hopeless romantics get your panties in a bunch, I'm not going to give Valentine's Day a thorough thrashing. It's true, I would rather celebrate Halloween twice than celebrate Valentine's

#### Day, and I feel Valentine's Day was Do's and only saved because don'ts of Hallmark couldn't dating move their President's Day greeting card line.

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of songs that made "Moulin Rouge" that much more enjoyable, I can't denounce the power of love,

However, as a fan

and therefore cannot denounce Valentine's Day.

I just wish more people celebrated it properly.

Sure, most know the history of the day, but the simple fact is love is not just for lovers, and it is not restricted to romance. While Paul McCartney may have

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# Be a kid again on Valentine's Day

#### **RACHEL BRAVERMAN** STAFF WRITER

Think back to Kindergarten. It was a time when birthdays meant cupcakes and Valentine's Day had nothing to do with being in love or have a significant other. It meant picking out the coolest valentines to give to your friends, and maybe even a secret crush. Oh yeah, and giving out those message heart candies.

In an effort to revert back to those golden days, a short list of several kid valentine's has been constructed.

Winnie the Pooh. He just shouts friendship and warm-inside feelings. Winnie the Pooh, Piglet, Tigger and Eeyore spread Valentine wishes. Hallmark sells a box of 32 Winnie the Pooh valentines that double as stickers. There are valentine messages for friends or for that special someone. "A very BIG heart for a very BEST friend" can be for your buds. "Whenever I'm giggly my heart comes out wiggly. Happy Valentine's Day" can be for a crush. All these for only \$2.95.

For a dollar cheaper at \$1.95 a Winnie the Pooh fan can get another box of 32 valentines at Hallmark. The difference is that these are not stickers. That doesn't mean they're not

there is one of four valentine puzzles, such as a heart shaped maze. Once again there are messages for friends or boy/girl friends. "I'm so glad we're friends" with Pooh and Piglet holding hands is sweet for a pal. "Please bee my valentines and I will bee yours too!" is adorable with Pooh and some bees after their honey.

thing, than perhaps Looney Tunes are more your style.

Tweety Bird fortune teller cards are a time warp into the second grade. Who did not take a piece of paper when they were 8 years old and fold it into fortune tellers?

cool however. On each valentine For \$3.95 you can get a box of 24 fortune tellers at Hallmark. Although a bit pricey for only 24 cards, each card has four fortunes on it. "You'll have a tewwific day, I gawantee it!" is once such fortune. These kinds of cards are so much fun because each time it's opened there's a different fortune.

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So if you are like so many of If Winnie the Pooh is not your the people out there who just wish that Valentine's Day was about letting friends know that you care and eating chocolate and candy, then check out the kid valentines. They're a lot more fun than those mushy cards.





Winnie the Pooh's theme of friendship and love is perfect for Valentine's Day.

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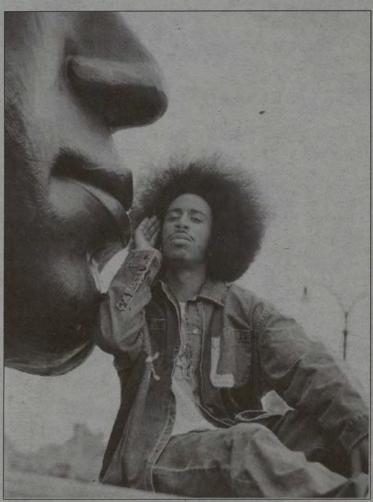


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### entertainment

a peek at the week in local entertainment



Ludacris is in town for his Word of Mouf tour. He will roll into the Hard Rock Live Feb. 13.

#### Wednesday Feb. 13

Ludacris Hard Rock Live at 9 p.m.

Ashley Lockead (jazz) Peter Scott's at 7 p.m.

**Attention, Gunmoll** Will's Pub at 8 p.m.

**DJ Baby Anne** Red Velvet at 10 p.m.

The Jam Band (jam rock) Muldoon's Saloon at 9:30 p.m.

DJ Puq (hip-hop) Knight's Out Pub at 10 p.m.

The Sex Offenders (math rock)

DJ Rob-E (house/break-beat) Blue Room at 10 p.m.

Alan Gerber (tenor), Eugenia Garrity (soprano), Bethany Kerr (violinist), Anne McLean (pianist), For "Bach's Valentine Lunch" Cathedral Church of Saint Luke at noon

Wes Hamrick (pianist), for **Valentine Candlelight Dinner** and Concert St. James Catholic Cathedral at 8 p.m.

**Open mike** hosted by Honeypot Jason and Paul's Coffee Shop at 6:30 p.m.



Alicia Keys, Glenn Lewis Hard Rock Live at 8 p.m.

Jimmie Vaughan, **Gregg Allman** House of Blues at 8 p.m.

Patti Labelle King Center for Performing Arts at 8 p.m.

**Black 47, The Prodigals** The Social at 8 p.m.

Just Dan, DJ Mark Barbarella at 10 p.m.

Naked Head, **October (alternative rock)** Johnny's Rockin Bistro at 10 p.m.

DJ Knightlife for "A Knight to Remember" Blue Room at 10 p.m.

Sugar Cane (island beat) Latitudes at 10 p.m.

Saturday Feb. 16

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Jeff Howell (acoustic) Cricketers Arms at 10 p.m.

"Slow Drive Saturday" (old school hip-hop) The Social at 9 p.m.

Little Jimmy's Groove, Indorphine (groove rock) Johnny's Rockin Bistro at 10 p.m.

Liars Academy, My Hotel Year Will's Pub at 6 p.m.

The Midnight Ramblers, Cold **Cut Combo (western blues)** 

(hard edge) Lost & Found at 10 p.m.

**Billy the Janitor (pop dance)** WaZoo Niteclub at 9 p.m.

**Digger, Unsung Zeroes** Back Booth at 5 p.m.

Sunday Feb. 17

**Unwritten Law, Spitvalves** House of Blues at 6:45 p.m.

**Neil Diamond** TD Waterhouse Centre at 8 p.m.

DJ Prostyle, DJ Erik Velez (Latin hip-hop) Latin Quarter at 10 p.m.

**KYA** featuring Stumpy Abode Gilas at 7 p.m.



"The Blues Garage" hosted by CL West Dante's at 8:30 p.m.

DJ Jimmy Jamz (popular mix) BET SoundStage Club at 8 p.m.

Skezag (funky exploratory grooves) Casey's on Central at 10 p.m.

Monday

The Gadjits, Greyfield (powerpop/punk) Will's Pub at 6 p.m.

DJ Brianna Lee (dance/house) Parliament House at 10 p.m.

**The Surface Tension** Quartet (jazz) **Chapters Bread & Books** Café at 6:30 p.m.

**Dan Stone, Tyson Denies** Back Booth at 10 p.m.

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**DJ John Campisano** The Groove at 9 p.m.

Tuesday Feb. 19

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DJ Justin, Vu-Van (hip-hop/house) Roxy at 9 p.m.

Open mike night hosted by Bob Sanders Borders Books & Music at 7 p.m.

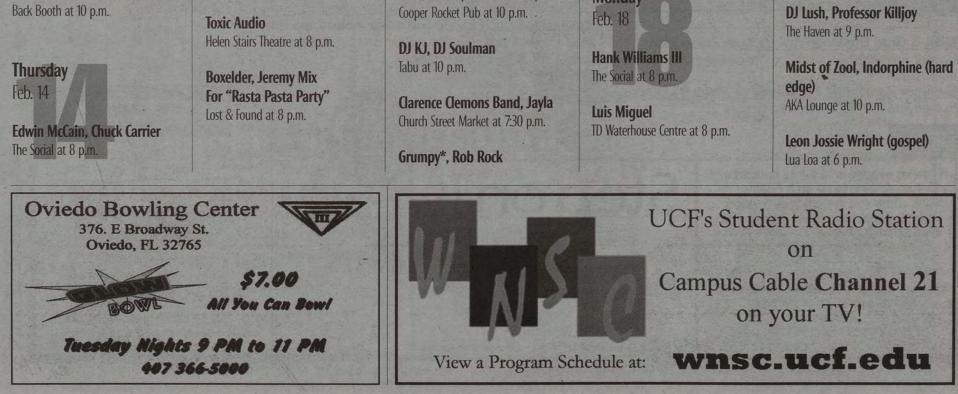
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# entertainment A play about the sanctity of a table

#### CHRISSY FICARA STAFF WRITER

A house has many parts: the living room, host of nightly viewings of entertainment television and rented movies; the kitchen, highly populated throughway where everyone's favorite treats and meals can be found.

Then there's the dining room that "untouchable" space with the family china and the long table sparkling like new because it hasn't hosted a dinner since the last national holiday. Throughout the years, the dining room has evolved from the center of family life and maturity to a dusting museum piece.

This is what UCF Theatre's current production "The Dining Room" centers around; it is a play about the sanctity of a table.

The play, set in a formal dining room of

town, explores the popularly known issues of family disintegration and the changing of family values.

With a cast of six talented actors and actresses, "The Dining Room" is carried on through a series of vignettes, or glimpses, into the lives of the revolutionized families of the White Anglo-Saxon Protestants. Each cast member plays a series of varying characters, each representing a different role in the family structure and a different time in the history of America and of the family unit.

Throughout the play, the characters reveal how the family structure has changed through history. The people and the lives of the various characters are centered on this dining room table and what role it plays to them.

In early America, the dining room table

a past wealthy house in a New England was the center of life, as kids would grow older they too would be given the privilege to join their parents at the distinguished place of eating. Unlike today where dinner is far from a time of family gathering, usually centered around a television and perversely eaten at the kitchen table.

> The production of "The Dining Room" put on by UCF Theatre is an impressive portrayal of what true acting is all about. The complicated task of performing a production where six actors must portray an entourage of varying characters involved in constantly overlapping short stories, while still keeping the audience interested and understanding is done with ease and professionalism. Each actor and actress moved from one character to another flawlessly and believably. It takes talent and ability to play a child one moment and an elderly person the next, with a maid in between and an architect afterwards,

without the audience ever believing otherwise and moving along with the actor through their different personalities.

The direction, through speedy costume changes and interlacing scenes, masterfully kept the audience captivated and in tune with what was happening within the show. Each performer took a play centered around a table and lured the audience in, story by story, character by character, until each audience member felt as if they too were apart of one of those families. They were so outstanding that during intermission whispers about past family traditions and meals at personal dining room tables were heard amongst friends over candy bars and Cokes.

"The Dining Room" is a show worth the time and will definitely leave audience members reminiscing about their own family tradition. Kudos to the cast, it was magnificent.

## Brotherly love is for Valentine's day too

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sung about silly love songs and Elton John dedicated a song to his lover, I believe it was the Youngbloods who sang the line "everybody get together, try to love one another right now."

Well, commercial Valentine's Day has flaunted romantic love in the faces of the lovelorn for too long. All you need may be love, but it doesn't mean needing a sweetheart.

The winter holiday season should not be the only time people give and put aside their differences. It should be all year round. And guess what, that's a form of love too: it's called "brotherly love."

So, for this coming Valentine's Day, might I suggest walking up to an acquaintance, an over-worked adjunct professor, the cleaning lady and let them know they're special too. Maybe give a little money to a homeless person, or offer to help carry someone's packages. Little things to show there are all types of love.





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# Real couples with movie-like romances

#### CHRISSY FICARA STAFF WRITER

Valentine's Day is when love-sick couples across the country celebrate the romance they have found in each other — with the help of Cupid's arrow, of course. Each couple on Valentine's Day, whether having just met or been by each other's side for years, has a different story, a chance meeting, a friendship turned into something more, a love not hindered by distance.

Yet, what never changes from couple to couple is the commitment, the laughs, the lives that are shared when two hearts become one and the memories that they will make from one Valentine's Day to another.

Here are a few of the ladies and gentleman on campus who have been struck by Cupid's unavoidable arrow....

#### **Alison Potokin and** Matt Hoyler

In the midst of the technological age of the 21st century, Alison and Matt found love with the aid of none other than

#### Online's Instant America Messenger.

Alison came to UCF from New York and while chatting around, getting to know some people, she stumbled across Matt, this faceless guy somewhere in her monitor. After a week of e-mails and private chats, Alison dragged one of her friends to meet the mysterious Matt at Orlando's favorite ice cream shop, Marble Slab Creamery.

That night they went back to the dorms, watched a DVD and haven't gone a day without each other since. Who said the Internet wasn't a good place to meet someone?

When asked what word they would use to describe each other, Alison looked at Matt and said "Just Right," and Matt's response, "Perfect."

#### **Melissa Zurz and Dave Soloman**

Melissa and Dave have one of those relationships that everyone dreams of and hopes to one day find. After two and a half years, Melissa and Dave have found the type of comfort that only true love knows.

first sight. In high school, Melissa worked at a smoothie shop with one of Dave's best friends. When Dave and another friend came to the store to visit Melissa's co-worker, Melissa kind of liked what she saw in the other friend, not Dave. So, she told her coworker, and he got confused and told Dave that Melissa liked him.

Imagine her surprise when Dave, not the other guy showed up to take her out. Funny how Cupid works. Two and a half years later, Melissa and Dave are veterans at Valentine's Day.

So, what do these two have to say about each other? Dave says Melissa is "Amazing," while Melissa turns to Dave, with a grin on her face and says, "He's Swell."

#### **Heather Kuznik and Matt Yachmetz**

After four months, Heather can't help but look over at Matt and think UCF student Meredith Baker holds a picture of absent boyfriend Marc "Handsome," which isn't a sur-

It wasn't exactly love at prise considering how she met friends, point, giggle and eat, him.

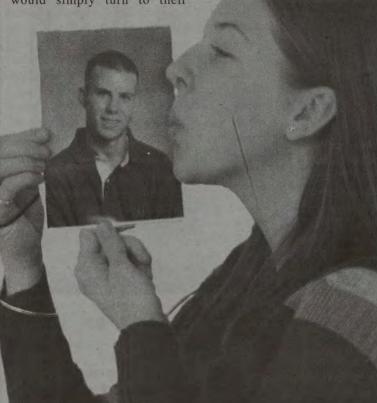
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It was your average day in the meal plan, socializing, picking off of the endless buffet of food and spotting a cute guy across the room. Most girls would simply turn to their

Caughlin, a FSU student.

but not Heather. Heather hap-

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### entertainment

## Staff offers Valentine's suggestions for all types



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I would definitely have to vote for Lee's Lakeside on this one. The food is spectacular and the atmosphere does not get much better than the one here. This restaurant sits right on the lake. Be ready to spend a little money if you want to take that special someone to a romantic dinner here. But in my opinion the food is well worth it.

#### Best romantic spot

The winner of this category in my book would have to be New Symrna Beach. All you need is a bottle of wine and a blanket and you are good to go. The sound of the waves and the beautiful night scenery of stars are very nice.

Plus, if you get adventurous there is always a night swim in the Atlantic.

Best place to buy Lingerie

After thinking long and hard on this category I could not come up with the best so I will give a few places to go. If you are the mall type there is always Fredrick's of Hollywood and Victoria's Secret. If you want to be a little bit more adventurous then I would suggest somewhere like Fairvilla Adult Mega store or Avant Guard II. Where ever you go please remember to make sure you know what size she wears. Lingerie should hug the curves of her body and be sensual. It should not look like a parachute from a drag racer.



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# Anti-love singers of all time

#### **RANDY HARRIS** STAFF WRITER

"Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned."

Truer words were never spoken, especially during the time leading up to that scourge of single women and recently jilted Valentine's lovers: Day. Fortunately for us bitter singles, musicians feel our pain

songs for us to cut up our ex's pictures by. Regardless of gender, for those lonely people the Beatles were referring to in "Eleanor Rigby," take comfort in smash hit "You Oughta Know" the following "anti- Valentine's Day" CD's.

**Alanis Morissette Jagged Little Pill** That sweet little girl

Alanis Morissette

#### all too well, and have written from Nickelodeon's "You Can't 'Do That On Television" was transformed into a super pissedoff femme fatale with the release of Jagged Little Pill. Her exploded into our cultural consciousness and struck a chord. with scorned men, woman and even transsexuals.

#### **Fiona Apple** Tidal

One thing was made abundantly clear with one listen to Apple's debut album. The girl has issues. Topping her list of grievances was her failed relationships with the opposite sex. Tracks like "Shadowboxer," "Never is a Promise" and the scandalous "Criminal" expressed her frustrations with thoughtless, insensitive bastards. But the following line from "Sleep to Dream" sums up the album's tone perfectly: "You say love is a hell that you cannot bear and I say gimme mine back and then go there-for all I care." Amen, sister.

#### **Limp Bizkit**

Significant Other

The ultimate break-up album for the angst-ridden teenage male. Fred Durst and company rally against conniving, vindictive, manipulative ex-girlfriends and we were allowed to listen to them vent. Aside from odes to destruction (Break Stuff) and odes to how hard they rock (Just Like This), Significant Other revealed that deep down, Durst and the Bizkit boys were just looking for love in all the wrong places. Songs like "Re-Arranged," "No Sex" and "Nookie" gave the public the guy's perspective on relationships, albeit far less intelligent than any of his female counterparts.

#### **Stabbing Westward**

Wither, Blister, Burn & Peel

Many stalker theme songs can be found on this disc by these moody Chicago boys. Their haunting melodies and lyrics of obsession, betrayal and deception speak to all those creepy guys who can't seem to find a date. Restraining order

anthems from the album include "What Do I Have To Do?," "Shame" and "Inside You." Beware ladies, if you know a guy who is a huge Stabbing Westward fan, run as fast as you can and save yourself.

#### No Doubt

Tragic Kingdom

Anyone who has ever seen the VH1 "No Doubt: Behind The Music" episode knows exactly what this record was about. For the two of you who have no idea, I'll fill you in. Sexy songtress Gwen Stefani and bassist Tony Kanal were high-school sweethearts who were on the road to a happily-ever-after existence when Kanal inexplicably broke it off. When hearing this unbelievable news, guys around the globe shouted in unison "What the hell were you thinking, man?!" Tragic Kingdom, the band's multi-platinum breakthrough album was almost entirely about this break-up. Songs like "Happy Now?," "End it on This" and the heartbreaking "Don't Speak" made guys offer to console Stefani, while female listeners called for the head of Kanal.



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# Chuck Shepherd's IS OF THE WEIRD

#### CHUCK SHEPHERD UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE

#### Lead stories

· Following a hearing in Pasadena, Calif., a federal appeals court ruled in January that convicted marijuana smuggler Gary H. Marolf (who is now serving 10 years in prison) was entitled to \$400,000 compensation because drug agents had not given him a required document when they legally confiscated the boat he used for smuggling. Agents were required to give the boat owner formal legal "notice" of the confiscation but gave it to Marolf's co-defendant instead, and when it was revealed that Marolf was the sole owner, the agents failed to follow up. (The boat brought only \$100,000 when it was subsequently sold at auction.)

· Researchers at Kinki University (Nara, Japan) announced in January that they had successfully bred spinach genes into pigs (the first mammal-plant combination) and claimed that the resulting meat would be "more healthy" than normal pork. "But," added Professor Akira Iritani, "the significance of this success is more academic than practical."

#### Scamming in America's darkest hour

In December, the Days Inn hotel in Hicksville, N.Y. (near JFK airport), agreed to a fine and refunds to settle charges that, in the days after Sept. 11, it billed people stranded by the air-travel shutdown up to \$399 a day for its \$139 rooms.

And The New York Times reported in October that Providence Inc., a Cincinnati firm that lends money to victims in anticipation of litigation, sent at least 76 relatives of Sept. 11 victims portfolios containing gifts of up to \$200, along with a

ter the remains over the countryside from an airplane window but accidentally dropped the whole bag.

• "Fat Finger" Syndrome: A Nov. 30 typing error exposed the financial services firm UBS Warburg to losses of up to \$100 million. In one of 2001's largest initial public offerings, for the Japanese company Dentsu, a UBS Warburg trader typed a sell order of 610,000 shares at only 16 yen each, instead of 16 shares at 610,000 yen. Since UBS Warburg was running the IPO, it had to make up the difference by buying back the sold shares on the open market. The order was canceled minutes later, but so many shares had traded during the interim that UBS Warburg bought at a heavy loss.

#### **Smooth reactions**

· A judge in Hull, Quebec, ordered a stripper-defendant to sit in the very back of the courtroom in her November theft trial, in that a witness was having trouble testifying because the dancer flirted with him constantly from the defense table. The witness, professional gambler Terry Leblanc, 34, had said the woman was his first real girlfriend and the taker of his virginity and that he remained so smitten with her that in an earlier court appearance, he literally swooned on the stand as she continually winked and air-kissed him.

• Pro boxer Waxxem Fikes, 35, who spent five days in jail in Akron, Ohio, in October after being arrested for aggressively complaining to an employee of Swenson's restaurant that his cheeseburger was not properly prepared, was acquitted of assault in his December trial. The employee had charged that the 6-foot-2, 240-pound Fikes was belligerent, but Fikes testified that he merely "told (the employee) I expect the onions to be crisp, tender and succulent, and bursting with flavor, (and) they were not. (T)he (employee) had no compassion for what I was talking about." · In October, Kew Gardens, N.Y., rape defendant William Scott sucker-punched his lawyer Harold Ehrentrew in the face because, as he explained to the judge, "(T)his man is not doing his job. That's why I had to smack the ("s-," according to a New York Post report) out of him in front of these jurors." Observers believe that Scott was perturbed that damning DNA evidence had just been admitted against him.

in Odessa for 16 years, stood on a chair at a pre-Thanksgiving event last year and screamed at the food recipients that they should all be showing more gratitude for the charity they were receiving. (She resigned a few days later.)

And in December, according to residents at an Edmonton, Alberta, homeless shelter, Alberta's Premier Ralph Klein, in an unscheduled latenight visit, swore at some residents, told them to get jobs, and derisively tossed money on the floor as he left. (A few days later, Klein said the inci-. dent was the result of his drinking problem.)

#### Least competent criminals

Nine months ago, the Virginia Supreme Court ordered a new trial for death-row murderer Paul Warner Powell, 23, because the prosecutor had improperly described his crime to the jury in order to legally qualify Powell for the death penalty. Powell (already serving three life terms for rape) then wrote a victory letter to the prosecutor, taunting him for his failure to make the death penalty stick. However, in the course of that

letter. Powell allegedly inadvertently confessed to precisely the one detail of the case that the prosecutors needed to legitimately file death-penalty charges, namely that he did in fact attempt to sexually molest the victim before killing her. Thus, in December, prosecutors announced Powell's retrial would again be a capital case.

#### **Recurring themes**

• News of the Weird reported in 1999 on a pervert who menaced a McDonald's in Milwaukee by calling up the female manager, pretending to be a police officer, and guiding her by telephone through a strip search of a male employee, who he said should be checked out for theft. The caller was never caught, and a man using a similar modus operandi struck twice in September 2000 at fast-food restaurants in Bismarck, N.D.

In December 2001, yet another incident occurred at the Arby's in Noblesville, Ind., when a "police cracy established a requirement that officer" called the female manager and asked her to strip search a certain female employee while he was

on the phone, while asking the employee impertinent questions, and then later that month, the same thing happened in Billings, Mont., at a business the Billings Gazette did not identify. (The Gazette later reported that it had received a follow-up inquiry from authorities in Charleston, W.Va., as a caller had struck a restaurant there, too.)

#### Our civilization in decline

• A 43-year-old man was found guilty of bullying his daughter (now 18) by roughhousing her throughout her childhood (Cardiff, Wales, November).

Miss France contestant Aurelie Brun, 19 (winner of Miss Loire-Forez), was disqualified when it was revealed she had endured spinestretching surgery (a 3.8cm increase) to meet the minimum-height requirement (and anyway, she had since shrunk back under the 5-foot-7 limit) (October).

Scotland's educational bureaukids as young as 5 set their own formal "personal development goals" (December).



list of suggested lawyers.

And New York City police arrested 115 unlicensed Ground Zero vendors in December and cracked down on many more vendors for selling counterfeit logo items of the NYPD and Fire Department of New York (counterfeiting that denied proceeds to the police and firefighter foundations that control the trademarks).

#### **Oops!**

· A brown bag holding cremated ashes crashed through the backyard deck of James and Jane McDonald in Grand Forks, N.D., on Dec. 29, leaving an 18-inch hole. According to a local environmental health official, the most likely explanation is that someone was attempting to scat-

#### Unclear on the concept

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# The best of the best in romance

#### **BRIANA MIRANDA** STAFF WRITER

What are the top ten all time romantic movies? Well, since I am only nineteen years old, that does alter my perception of all time by just a few decades, however, these right here are what it's really all about.

#### "Ghost"(1990)

#### **Directed by Jerry Zucker**

Who would have thought that the wacky guys who brought us "Airplane!" would go on to make one of the most touching love stories of the past decade? The performances are pretty good all around in this one...Whoopi even got an Oscar...but it's the story that really sticks out. I mean, seriously, how many love stories/ghost stories/murder mysteries/comedies can you honestly say that you have you ever seen in your life? But besides the successful mixture of genres, the love story between Swayze and Moore had a chemistry, that made you believe that they were really in love. The last scene, where they see each other for the last time and have to say goodbye, will choke up even the most cynical viewer. Never before was so much said with just the word "ditto."

#### "Meet Joe Black" (1999) **Directed by Martin Brest**

For some reason, this one wasn't received well by critics and didn't do well at the box office. However, all flaws aside, there's no denying that this movie has a lot of things to say about life and love. It is also undeniably romantic. The performances are all strong, and you just can't go wrong with Anthony Hopkins. The love scene between Brad Pitt and Claire Forlani is handled perfectly...it's subdued yet tender, magical yet believable. All in all, Brad Pitt was sent to exemplify the after life and the certainty of "death and taxes."

### "Moulin Rouge" (2001)

#### "Great Expectations" (1997)

Directed by Alfoso Cuaron. For starters, it's a visually stunning film. It's almost like a visual poem, or a dream come to life. This makes sense, because the character played by Ethan Hawke tells us that this is his version of the story, as he remembers it. So everything is vague and slightly askew.. What makes the movie work is how we identify with Hawke's lifelong pursuit of Gwyneth Paltrow. His heart yearns for her, he aches for her and everything in his life he does for her. So when everything comes together full circle in the end, we feel satisfied. Obviously a classic. What girl doesn't want to be yearned for?

#### "Chasing Amy" (1997) Directed by Kevin Smith.

If this isn't the most realistic movie on this list, it's definitely the grittiest. The unique characteristic of this modern love story is director/writer Kevin Smith's frank and colorful dialogue. This movie has things to say about sex, men, women and homosexuality that ring true. The highlight of this film is when Affleck has his monologue in the car, where everything he feels for Adams just comes spewing out. It's a scene that reminds people what it's like to be in that position and really want to let it all out to that person. The movie knows when to make you laugh, and when to break your heart. And that's how love is in real life ... you get the good with the bad.

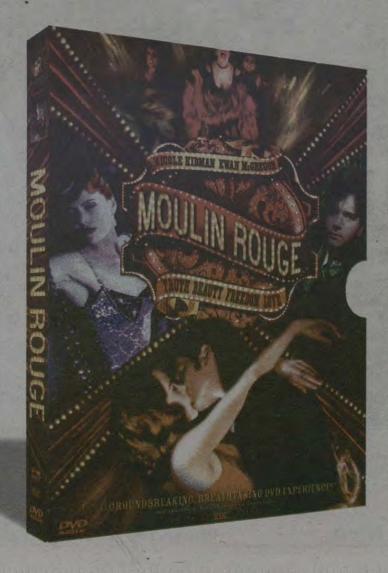
### "William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet" (1997)

Directed by Baz Lurhmann. Ah, same director as Moulin Rouge. Do we see any similarities? At any rate, you can definitely tell that this film and "Moulin Rouge" came from the same brain. They're very similar in tone, design and editing style. They both switch gears from tragic to comedic to romantic at a moment's notice. They both deal with stories where two people fall into a forbidden love. They both feature scenes where death comes between love. The message in "Romeo and Juliet" is that love is stronger than hate. It's a tragedy, without a doubt, but between Leonardo DiCaprio's and Claire Danes' performance, it sure is a

#### "Beauty and the Beast" (1991) **Directed by Gary Trousdale and** Kirk Wise.

favorite among the ladies.

This film is considered one of Disney's best. The best thing about this movie is that it makes you forget that what you are watching is nothing more than mere drawings. You lose yourself in the story, in the characters, in the detail, in the color, in the splendor and in the romance. The movie sucks you in, and you forget that you are watching a cartoon. These are real people, showing real emotion. The movie's message, love is blind, is universal. It works on every level. Anyone can draw a room and put a beast and a girl in it, that's true. But somehow this film has a spe-



cial kind of magic, a magic that one...love will go on (thanks, the movement of Belle's hair or in the rippling of the beast's fur. I



dare you to watch the movie, (or watch it again if you've seen it already), look into the beast's eyes and tell me that you don't see a soul.

#### "Sleepless in Seattle" (1993)

#### Directed by Nora Ephron.

Face it. This just makes it that much more true that there has to be someone out there for everyone, and that no matter how hard you look, or where you are in the world, fate will bring you two together. This movie is grounded by the performances of Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan...again, they have that oh, so important ingredient of chemistry. By now, we're used to seeing Hanks play his usual sensitive nice guy role, and Ryan has made an art form out of playing the cute, bubbly love interest. But it feels fresh here because, as they say, the first time's the charm. Unlike recent romantic comedies about fate, like "Serendipity," when these two come together in the end, it doesn't seem like all that was keeping them apart was a screenwriter's typewriter. It all seems believable...as believable as an idealized film can be, for you cynics out there. It's all a matter of faith and fate. Well, they say that faith and fate go hand in hand; you rarely have one without the other ... especially in the movies."

lies in the small details. It lies in Celine). James Horner's score is a modern classic and has the ability to become timeless as soon as it reaches your ears. If you want a good cry, then you need look no further. This film is what movies are all about: it's entertaining, it's larger than life, it's romantic beyond words, and it goes to show that a woman's heart really is like the ocean.

#### "When Harry Met Sally ... " (1989) **Directed by Rob Reiner.**

Billy Crystal and Meg Ryan (another two-timer on the list) are perfect in this story of friends that become lovers...they were born to play these roles opposite each other. The film is helped by an intelligent screenplay and warm, humanistic direction by Rob Reiner. Some of you must be thinking, "is this really on the top 10 of all time? What for?" It's number one because it perfectly states where and how love comes from. All good relationships begin with a friendship. The film illustrates perfectly how they come together over time, and how it is overwhelmingly inevitable them coming into each others lives. It shows how they evolve over the years, from acquaintances to close friends, and then ultimately to lovers. You can actually understand how these people fell in love, because you were there for every step of the way. Honestly who hasn't had a Harry or Sally in their life at one point? You can see that these people fell in love with the little things about each other, like how she orders a sandwich, or how he reads the ending of a book first. This is what it's all about guys: the little things. It's the little things, the things that make a person unique, you remember, the stuff that makes you fall for someone. When everything is said and done, it's the little things that are the biggest things of all.

In the end, love is stronger than death, love is stronger than hate, love hits you when you're not looking for it, love is innocent and pure, love has its ups and downs, love can change a person, love is blind, love does go on, love is a servant of fate, there's someone out there for everyone, and that, above all, every good relationship has to begin with a great friendship. So if you were to watch all these movies back to back, and take there messages and combine them, then you would see how, though they may not be overly romantic at a first glance, they truly are love stories. Every day love some might call it. Sure, it's idealized, and sure it's a hopelessly romantic way to view the world...but somewhere out there, someone is thinking the same thing. Happy Valentine's Day to everyone. Single...or not.

#### Directed by Baz Lurhmann

There are nothing but good things to say about this movie. "Moulin Rouge" is probably the most innocent and naive of all the films on this list. It adheres to the simple belief that all you need is love. Everything about this film is so detailed, from the costumes, to the set design, to the acting, all working together to create a timeless fairy tale. Baz Lurhmann is a true visionary and he took quite a risk putting this film together. As for Nicole Kidman and Ewan McGregor, that's what they're talking about when they say chemistry. When these two sing to each other, their eyes shine as if they truly believe that they are meant for each other. That sincerity is enough to win us over, make our eyes shine and make us truly believe that all you need is love.

#### **"Titanic"** (1997) **Directed by James Cameron.**

Look at that...Leonardo DiCaprio has two films on the list too. Okay, the people who haven't seen this one don't have running water in their houses, much less a theater in their neighborhoods. It's an old fashioned epic with a lush production design, great special effects and to top it all off, it's almost unbearably romantic. We all know the message of this

### entertainment

# Do's and do not's of dating

#### KIM LINDQUIST STAFF WRITER

Well guys, I'm probably not the best choice to write this article. My dating experience has been limited, but please, these are some pointers that even I know. Some are based on personal experience, others from friends.

#### For the Guys:

Do make it a point of telling where you went the other night to your significant other. If you lie, trust me, we will always catch you one way or another. No, I am not just saying this to scare you. Even if it is something that we do not necessarily want to hear, we will hate you more if we find out from one of your friends. Everyone has at LEAST one friend who cannot keep his/her mouth shut.

Do open doors. This simple gesture shows respect for a girl, which is something we are always looking for. It does not take that much energy to execute and, trust me, you won't look as stupid as many unindo NOT open every single freaking door that blocks our path. It just gets to be too much. Limit it to car doors and when you are in front of her.

Do bring flowers. There are road stands all over the place that sell a dozen roses for \$3.99, so you can even get some on the way to pick her up. They are cheap, and even if you pick a dandelion off the side of the road, it shows you are thinking of her.

Do have good hygiene. This involves deodorant, brushed teeth and clipped fingernails. I do not know of one girl who goes for the Edward Scissorhands look. Cologne is nice, and I know girls who will be attracted to you immediately based on the cologne you wear. Some suggestions include Eternity, Curve and Very Sexy by Victoria's Secret. DO NOT overdo it. Forget Abercrombie and Fitch Woods. No matter how much or how little you put on, it still smells too strong and too much like wart remover.

Do not mention ex-girlfriends. Some guys may think that mentioning bad traits

formed guys think. However, about their ex's may make a date secure. However, this leads us to believe that you are a.) too picky, b.) will talk the same way about us, and/or c.) you are not really over her. This includes mentioning exgirlfriends who are now friends. If you are friends with an ex, be honest, but make her feel comfortable. Inviting her along to see your friend may be an idea.

> Do not find a date by keying single in the AOL Search directory. Nothing is worse than having a random IM that says, "Are you horny tonight?"

> Do not assume sleeping with you is some kind of amazing offer. Think of City High's "Caramel": "You know I ain't a virgin but that don't mean I'm having sex with you."

> Do not think that dinner out means driving through the local McDonald's drive-thru. Sure, two for two Big Macs are too good to pass up, but save it for after class.

#### For the Girls:

Do make an effort to dress up. If he sees you wearing the same thing you always wear in as the example with the guys, class, it shows you are not taking this outing seriously. It sounds sexist, but it is a simple tactic.

Do show appreciation if your date does any of the above "do's" for you. They don't have to open doors or bring flowers, so if they do, make it a point to say thank you.

Do be yourself. It sounds simple, but we girls have all been through dates where we act a certain way because we think that's what he wants to see. In the end, you are the same person anyway. If he does not like that person, then he will end it then and it will just be more painful. Do yourself a favor and, if this is the case, at least get it over by the first date.

Do speak your mind. If he asks you where to go for dinner or what you want to do, have an opinion. I know a lot of guys who get annoyed and bored with a girl who is just "okay" with whatever. This does not mean that it's your way or no way; just have some good ideas ready and be honest.

Do not mention ex's. Just

your date will think that you are not over him and, thus, stop the pursuit. Focus on him during the date. You can complain to your girlfriends later.

Do not date your roommate's/best friend's brother. You know how often we like to complain and find company when something goes wrong in our relationships. Your friend won't want to hear about her brother's faults because, although she recognizes that he has some, she will take offense and become protective. Misery loves company, so why bother?

Do not obsessively call your man every minute. Most often the term used for girls that do this amongst guys is "psycho." Sure, you may want to talk to him, but it comes across as being too clingy. Show respect for his outings with the guys, even girls.

Do not cling too much on the first date. Some guys are not too fond of PDAs and are a little freaked if you're all over him right away. Some may even think this spells out easy, so unless that's the case, try to refrain.



# Couples struck by Cupid's arrow

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pened to walk by the guy and pinch his butt, and hasn't been able to get rid of him since.

Matt and Heather live in the same dorm building, Matt's room being just below hers, yet it wasn't until this chance meeting these two were brought together. Every day since has been unforgettable. Their first date was skateboarding under the stars all over campus, how romantic. And what do these two have planned for Valentine's Day? While the details are a secret, Matt does admit that he plans to take Heather out for her favorite, a seafood dinner.

and three months, how could it not be? Meredith and Marc have been friends since those awkward years in middle school, yet the idea of love didn't come to mind until Marc asked Meredith to their freshman homecoming. From the first dance, Meredith and Marc have shared a commitment that Valentines Day was made

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#### Meredith Baker and Marc Coughlin

When Meredith was asked to describe her relationship with Marc, she simply replied "Fairy Tale.

And after four years

Yet, unlike most couples, these two are miles apart, Meredith here at UCF and Marc over there at FSU. But, sometimes love is enough, and for Marc and Meredith, it'll take more than a few miles and a few hours to break four years (and growing) worth of memories and special moments; although the phone bill is another story.

On this Valentine's Day, for two people who don't get to see each other every day, it will be a quiet night, dinner, a movie and a lot of cuddling.

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76=225; T-71. Ryan Sillery, 79-

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#### Men's golf finishes 13th at SunTrust **Gator Invitational**

GAINESVILLE, Fla. -The UCF men's golf team shot 890 (+50) to tie with Ohio State for 13th place at the SunTrust Gator Invitational this weekend.

Andreas Hoegberg was UCF's top finisher with a 222 (+12) tying for 51st place. Gainesville native Ben Osbrach finished 56th with a score of 223 (+13).

Louisiana State won the

#### **UCF** women's soccer signs eight

UCF women's soccer Coach Amanda Cromwell announced eight future Golden Knights have signed their letter of intent to play at UCF this fall. Highlighting the list is local product Courtney Baines, a 5foot-4 scoring machine for Satellite High School.

"We recruited a lot of players," said Cromwell, who plays for the Washington Freedom of the WUSA during the college off-season. "In terms of quality, it's a great class. They will compete immediately for starting positions and I wouldn't be surprised if at least half are in the starting lineup this fall."

The field of recruits spreads far and wide as Cromwell scoured the nation and enticed Virginia, players from California, Oklahoma, Ohio and all parts of Florida.

"This year we recruited talent in key parts of the country," Cromwell said. "Hopefully we established a pipeline in those areas to help land future recruits."

Midfielder/Striker, Indialantic, Fla. (Satellite) A multi-talented athlete, lettering in five sports at Satellite High School, but excelling in soccer and cross country. Named first team All-Space Coast junior year in soccer. Currently leads the Space Coast with 52 goals, 36 assists and 140 points. Satellite is 53-2-1 in the past two seasons falling short of FHSAA 3A State Championship in 2001. Named Offensive MVP sophomore and junior years. Played club soccer for the Indialantic Force U-17 team. Won 2001 FYSA State Cup State Championship. Totaled 105 goals, 96 assists for 306 points through three years of high school, and is only five assists short of the state record. Off the field, a Scholar Athlete Award winner and J. Kyle Braid Athletic Leadership Award recipient.

Amy Gharibvand, 5-7, Defender/Striker, Broken Arrow, Okla. (Broken Arrow) Gharibvand was an all-district honorable mention honoree her freshman and sophomore years. Played striker for the Tulsa Thunder '84 under the coaching Courtney Baines, 5-4, of her father Jahan. A member

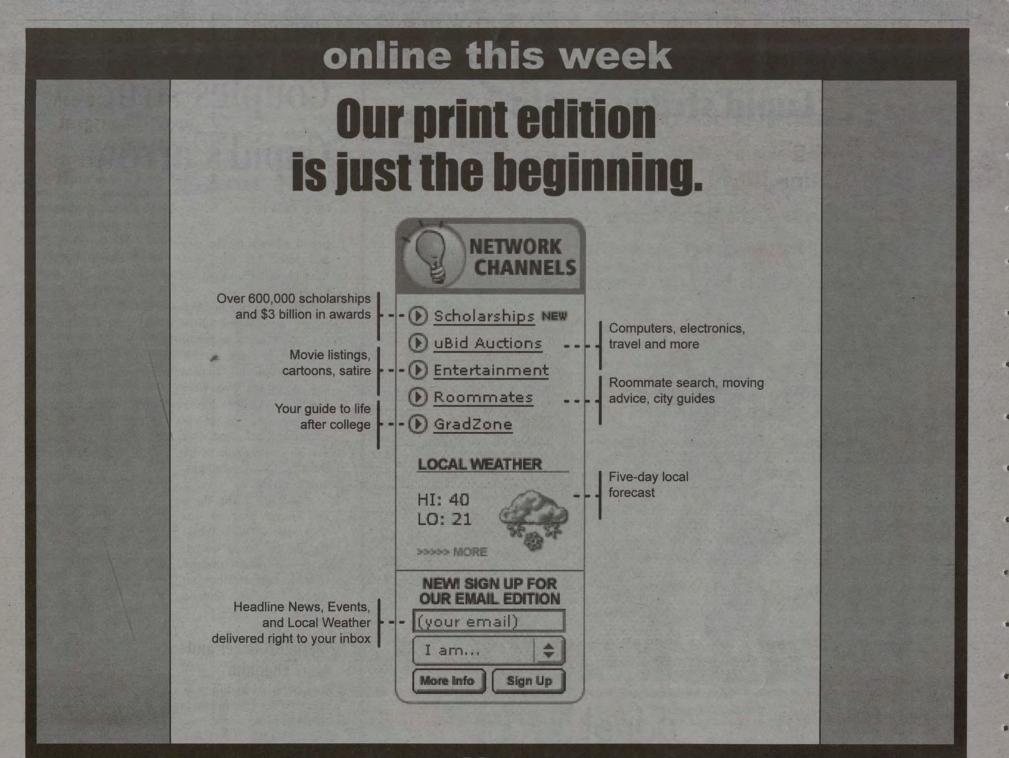
of the ODP team for five years and was MVP of the State during the 1995-96 and 1996-97 seasons. Attended Adidas Elite Soccer program in which the Top 100 players are invited.

Beth Harless, 5-8, Goalkeeper, Hilliard, Ohio (Darby)

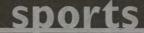
Harless was a four-year starter and letterwinner at Hillard Darby High School. A team captain her junior and senior year, Harless was named first team all-conference her senior season. She set school records for shutouts in a season (10) and goals against average (0.91). Played for the ODP Ohio South State Team in 2000 and 2001. A member of the Ohio Premier S.C. team that won the 2001 Cincinnati Cardinal Cup and Columbus Super Clubs championships, and came in second at the Raleigh Elks' Shootout and made the finals of the Disney Showcase. Off the field, Harless is a member of the National Honor Society, Student Senate and Student Athletic Council.

Sarah Hughes, 5-8, Midfielder, Milton, Fla. (Pace)

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Hughes is a multi-talented athlete on and off the field. The four-year letterwinner in both soccer and swimming at Pace High School, led her area in assists and ranked 30th in the state with 17. First team All-Northwest Florida honoree as a sophomore and junior. Led team to District Championship and Elite Eight during her freshman season. Member of the Pensacola Samba select team with fellow UCF recruit Summer Savage. Nominated for the Wendy's Heisman Trophy. Off the field, Hughes is ranked second in her class, a Junior

Scholar Award recipient and a nominee for the 2002 FHSAA Academic All-State team.

Jen Montgomery, 5-5, Striker, Colton, Calif. (Colton) Four-year letterwinner at Colton High School. Named to All-CIF second team sophomore and junior years. Tallied best scoring season during freshman year scoring 27 goals and assisting on 14 for 68 points. In four years, totalled 94 goals and 50 assists for 238 points. Played ODP soccer for five years and led team to 1999-2000 state and regional championships, and Adidas Cup National Title. Was a member of the Irvine Strikers Soccer Club premier squad from age 16 to 18. Attended Adidas Elite Soccer program in which the Top 100 players are invited.

Shaina Ross, 5-8, Defender, Burke, Va. (Robinson Secondary) Ross is a first team all-region, all-district, all-state and honorable mention allmetro honoree. The four-year varsity letterwinner plays club for the Chantilly Hurricanes which is a three-time State Cup runner-up in Virginia. Also a very talented track athlete. Off the field, Ross is a member of the National Honor Society. High school teammate of fellow recruit Julie Snaman.

Summer Savage, 5-5, Defender, Gulf Breeze, Fla. (Gulf Breeze) Savage helped lead Gulf Breeze to back-toback FHSAA 2A State Championships in 2000 and 2001. Lettered all four years and was a first team all-area sophomore and junior year after earning second team honors as a freshman. Named Defensive MVP during sophomore and junior year. Played club soccer for Pensacola Samba with incoming recruit Sarah Hughes. A three-year member of the 1984 Girls ODP state team from 1999-2001, which went to

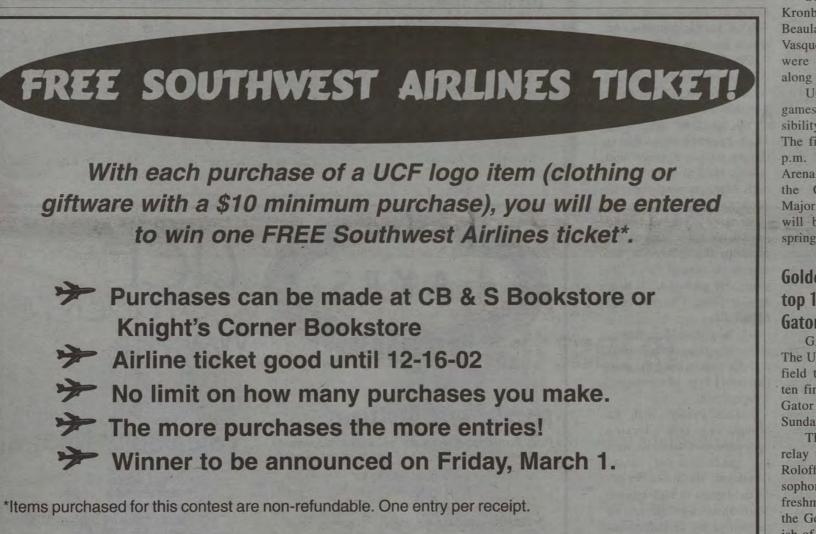
Norway with ODP team. Off the field, a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and Math Honors Society.

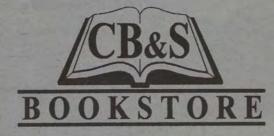
Julie 5-8, Snaman, Goalkeeper, Burke, Va. (Robinson Secondary) Snaman was a four-year letterwinner playing defender at Robinson Secondary School in Fairfax, Va. Named honorable mention second team all-district. Played goalkeeper for Chantilly Hurricanes club team along with fellow recruit Shaina Ross. Member of ODP team for one year as a goalkeeper.

### UCF men's soccer most improved in 2001

The UCF men's soccer team is the most improved team in the nation according to the NCAA, with a 12-7 overall record and a 4-3 mark in the Atlantic Sun.

The Golden Knights were 2-







14-3 in 2000, giving them an 8.5 game improvement in 2001. Despite the disappointing record UCF did gain valuable experience in 2000 by playing perennial Portland power and Conference USA teams South Florida, Louisville and Memphis. The tough schedule, put together by Coach Bob Winch, appears to have paid off with the Knights tremendous improvement in a short period of time.

Much of the team improvement can be credited to Harris-Stowe State College transfer Daniel Berhane. Berhane made an immediate impact in 2001, leading the A-Sun in points with 30, while scoring 11 goals and creating opportunities with eight assists. Berhane was named to the All A-Sun First Team.

Sophomores Tobias Kronberger and Chris Beaulac and freshmen Eric Vasquez and John Sobczak were All A-Sun honorees along with Berhane.

UCF has three spring games scheduled with a possibility of more to be added. The first game will be at 7 p.m. Friday at the UCF Arena Soccer Field against the Columbus Crew of Major League Soccer. There will be no charge for the spring exhibition games.

#### Golden Knights earn top 10 showings at Gator Invite

GAINESVILLE, Fla. -The UCF women's track and field team snatched six top ten finishes in events at the Gator Invitational on Sunday.

The distance medley relay team of juniors Kelly Roloff and Sonja Shedden, sophomore Sara Dillman and freshman Amy Giles claimed the Golden Knights top finish of the day taking second with a time of 12.21.85

Erica Garcia continued her consistency in the short track events placing seventh

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In the field events, Chin leaped to a fifth place finish in the long jump with a mark of 18-feet, 2.25 inches and not to be outdone by her teammate senior LaTrica Firby grabbed fifth in the triple jump at 38-10.50.

UCF returns to action on Feb. 28 at the Nike Fast Times in Gainesville.

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### sports

# Wilcox adds new dimension to running game

#### CHRIS BERNHARDT STAFF WRITER

When you have a junior at quarterback, a sophomore tailback and two sophomore wideouts waiting in the wings, bringing on more recruits at the offensive skill He's plenty vertical enough positions is not a top priority. But it sure doesn't hurt either.

Even with the likes of Ryan Schneider, Alex Haynes, Tavaris Capers and Luther Huggins ready to carry the UCF offense for the next two or three years, the Golden Knights ensured the well would not run dry by signing four offensive 02 North-South Shrine Bowl skill players to letters of intent for this recruiting season

signing two running backs," we have one signed at this runner with 4.5 speed and point," Coach Mike Kruczek agility. He's also a big-time said. "At wide receiver we performer, running for 169 set out to sign two guys and we signed two."

Marshall, Andre Sumpter, running back Dontavius Wilcox and place kicker Matt Prater were all announced as members of the UCF football team durday news conference.

Marshall and Sumpter will bring depth to an Kruczek said. already impressive receiving Matt Prater will be corps that has seniors Jimmy Fryzel and Doug Gabriel in addition to Capers and Huggins. Marshall fits the mold of a big receiver, standing 6-foot-5. Out of Lake Howell High School in Winter Park, he played a variety of positions on both sides of the ball, running for 450 yards, passing 1,056 and returning two fumbles and mitment to Ohio State.

interceptions for touchdowns. He was an all-state selection and offensive MVP of the All-Central Florida game, and chose UCF over Florida. He'll make the transition to receiver.

"He's plenty fast for us. which is what we were looking for from a receiver," Kruczek said.

Sumpter projects to be more of a speed receiver, being used an option quarterback in high school. Inducted into the Hall of Fame at Englewood High School in Jacksonville, he was a member of the 2001-All-Star team.

In Wilcox UCF gets a versatile player coming out "We had an objective of of the backfield. At 5-foot-11, 202 pounds, he's a power yards and three touchdowns en route to leading Wide outs Brandon Rockledge to the state championship this year. On the season he rushed for 1,298 yards. He picked UCF over Kansas State, Ole Miss and Marshall.

"(Wilcox) adds a dimening last Wednesday's signing sion that (Haynes) doesn't and it's nice to have the onetwo punch type of situation,"

brought in to help a kicking game that took a big hit with the graduation of Javier Beorlegui. He hit on 14-of-18 field goals in high school, 56-of-58 extra points, and 84 percent of his kickoffs went for touchbacks. He was second team all state out of Estero High School and went to UCF despite an early com-



-JULIE REEVES CONTRIBUTING WRITER

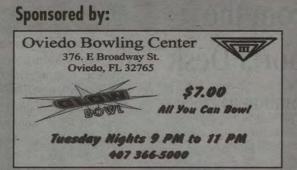
#### Alpha Tau Omega repeats as wiffleball champions

Alpha Tau Omega beat Sigma Phi Epsilon 31-20 in the wiffleball championship Saturday to win its second consecutive title. Clint Bagdon was the MVP as he led his team in homeruns and pitched a winning game.

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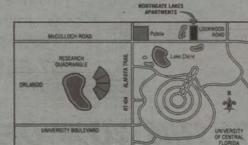
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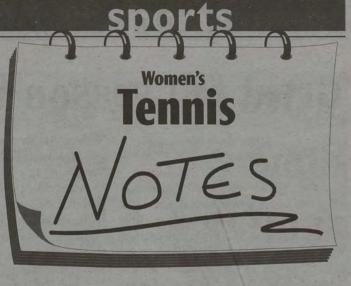
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JOSH SMITH STAFF WRITER

### UCF's record is now 3-1 overall with a 2-0 A-Sun record.

#### UCF gets big conference win over FAU

UCF defeated FAU on Friday, the Golden Knights' second Atlantic Sun win this season. The women were glad to be back home after a long weekend and some hard matches on the road in Tallahassee. After being swept by FAU for the doubles point, Alena Dvorakova beat UCF's Anna Westin in a tough 7-6 (7-5), 6-3 match-up for the first point of singles play.

UCF led after a No. 2 match win making it 3-1 with three matches yet to be played. FAU then came back to tie the score at three points apiece when it won the No. 1 and No. 6 singles games. With one match still in play, the outcome came down to senior Marieke Gunawan who was engaged in the longest match of the day. Eventually she won 6-2, 3-6, 6-2 over Maria Aguirre-Gomez to give UCF the 4-3 victory.

"It was a long way back for us after dropping the doubles point," UCF Coach Patricia Allison said. "The girls played hard though and we were able to come away with good win against a very good team. This is a big conference win for us." Women's to a sufficient

### Women's tennis players stand out

Not only do they have a fantastic overall record of 3-1, but the UCF women's tennis players are enjoying an undefeated record in the Atlantic Sun Conference. Although the team has played extremely well, there were some great individual efforts this past week.

Senior Marieke Gunawan from Kedoya, Indonesia, had a great game against her Florida

State opponent. Being down one set she managed to come back and take the match for a point and helped her team make an almost successful comeback. The next day against FAU, Gunawan's key victory in the longest match of the day gave the Golden Knights a much-needed win.

Freshman Kristina Lohmos had a strong showing in her match against FSU's Amber Tantee by winning in straight sets to help the comeback cause. She continued to stay unbeaten this year by beating FAU's Jessica Burrow 6-0, 6-2. Julie Pecastaing also remained undefeated by defeating Stephanie Beaulieu in two sets against FAU. Both players are currently on a four match winning streak.

#### Men's basketball suffers ups and downs

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#### Men's basketball

This is the hardest of all UCF teams to figure out. They go on the road and beat Georgia State, but turn around and lose to Campbell. It appears they forgot how to play defense in the second half. The Camels shot 61.9 percent from the field and 75 percent from three-point range in the final 20 minutes. Fortunately for the Golden Knights they come home this week, where they are 9-3. They host Samford on Thursday and Jacksonville State on Saturday. Right now UCF is sandwiched between those two teams in sixth place in the Atlantic Sun.

#### spring.

The men's team had the weekend off and takes on South Florida on Saturday.

#### Track and field

The track and field team earned six top 10 finishes at the Gator Invitational, including a second-place finish by the distance medley relay team.

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#### Tennis

The women's team beat A- \* Sun rival Florida Atlantic last week and improve to 3-1 overall and 2-0 in the conference. Kristina Lohmos and Julie Pecastaing are both undefeated so far in singles play this

#### Golf

The men's team opened up the spring season with in a tie for 13th place at the SunTrust Gator Invitational. The women's team hosted the UCF Invitational on Monday and Tuesday.

#### Soccer

The men's team was named the most improved team in the nation by finishing the 2001 season 12-7 after finishing the 2000 season 2-14-3. The women's team signed eight players, spanning five states, including California.

### sports

## Great fall season brings high spring expectations

#### JOE MANZO STAFF WRITER

The UCF women's golf team has been one of the school's most successful athletic teams in recent history, qualifying for the NCAA Tournament each of the past two seasons. This year's team may be better than those teams. With a talented freshman and a lot of experience, this year's team is poised to make another run at the NCAAs.

During the fall season, UCF placed in the top five in each of its four tournaments, including two second-place finishes. The main reason for the Golden Knights success is the play of freshman Federica Piovano from Rome, Italy. Piovano is third among freshmen with a 74.50 stroke average. She placed in the top 10 in each of the fall tournaments, and came within two strokes of Arizona's Lorena Ochoa, the nation's best golfer, at the Hawaii Rainbow Wahine Tournament in October.

"(Piovano is the) best in the last six years that I've been here," Coach Jill Fjelstul said. "I've never had a freshman perform the way Frederica has, and I think we need to keep an eye on her. She certainly deserves all the accolades that's coming her way, because she's a great individual and a great golfer."

Supplementing Piovano will be an experienced lineup with five seniors, including Monica Gundersrud, Olivia Hartley and Tanja Arnold. All three were consistent last year and look to finish their careers off well.

"We've got seniors on the team, Tonya Arnold, Olivia Hartley and Monica Gundersrud, which I'd like to see them finish strong in the spring," Fjelstul said. "I'm expecting a lot from everybody. If we're going to play well as a team, we're going to have to have individual performances that exceed what they did in fall."

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Senior Beate Faanes and junior Kim Tudor will also be counted on to contribute.

In order to qualify for the NCAA Tournament, the Golden Knights will likely have to win the Atlantic Sun Tournament in April. Last year, UCF lost in the conference tournament, but got an at large bid.

"I think the (Atlantic Sun) teams are getting stronger and stronger," Fjelstul

said. "I think it's going to be a good conference championship. We host it in April. Obviously we don't have a home course advantage because it's played at a neutral site. We are the host and we're looking forward to hosting a great event and having a good championship."

Although every team ultimately wants to win the conference tournament, there is a lot of time and five tournaments before that event. In order to be in position to win the conference, the Golden Knights must use the experience they gain during the season to improve.

"Well we had a great fall season, so we're going to try to continue with the good golf and the good tournament finishes for the spring," Fjelstul said. "Obviously we're going to take one tournament at a time. We need to have good individual performances to make the team total look good. Everybody shoots for the conference tournament, but that's a long ways away right now."

### Football signs local talent

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ed by schools like Louisville, Maryland, Wake Forest and N.C. State.

At 6-foot-2, 275 pounds, DE Roy Williams is likely to make a big impression on the football field. Williams also comes from Southwest Mississippi CC. As a sophomore, he recorded 62 tackles, 13 of those for a loss. He is ranked No. 10 on the Clarion Ledger's top 25 junior college football recruits. In his junior and senior seasons playing for Deland High School, Williams made 189 tackles, 41 tackles for loss and 28 sacks. He is a USA Today All-American rated as the No. 8 nose guard in the country by Rivals.com.

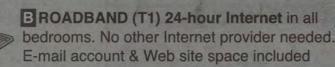
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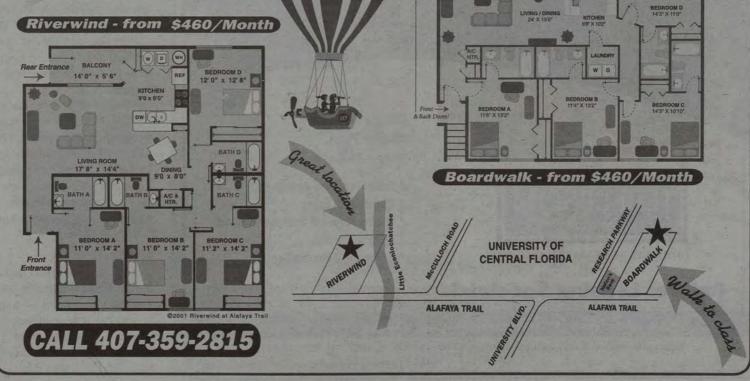
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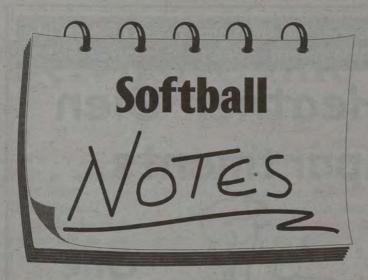
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Demarcus Johnson. He is also out of Southwest Mississippi CC. He is 6foot-4, 295 pounds and UCF coaches say they think he will be the greatest DT to ever be a part of Golden Knights football. UCF is hoping that his impact will be seen immediately. As a former teammate of Elton Patterson, they will likely play on the line together once again. His sophomore year he had 73 tackles and seven sacks for Southwest Mississippi CC. Johnson is also ranked No. 2 on the Clarion Ledger's top 25 junior college recruits. He chose UCF over such schools as Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, Clemson, and Auburn.







KRISTY SHONKA STAFF WRITER

#### Golden Knights 4-1 in Triple Crown Classic

The UCF softball team (6-3) won four straight after dropping the first game of the tournament to Mississippi. The Golden Knights exacted revenge on the Rebels in the Gold Medal game, which pitted the No. 3 and No. 4 seeds against each other.

UCF battled back Sunday with a two-out rally in the bottom of the sixth inning after falling behind Ole Miss, 2-1, in the top of the inning. Sarah Miller hit a single to center field that scored Dottie Cupp and Tepora Hess and put the Golden Knights up 3-2. Stephanie Best added an insurance run on an RBI single to center that scored Nikki

Green.

The win gave UCF third place in the tournament behind Georgia and Purdue.

The Ole Miss win was the second game in which UCF had to come from behind late in the game to win. Against Tennessee on Saturday, UCF was down, 2-1, in the bottom of the seventh inning when Hess hit a sacrifice fly that scored Lindsey Manz, sending the game into extra innings.

In the bottom of the eighth Lindsay Bush reached on a walk before Jania Shinhoster hit a walkoff two-run homerun, her second of the tournament. UCF won 4-2. Cupp picked up the win in both of those games.

"I thought if we were at least 2-2 through this part of the tournament that'd be great," UCF Coach Renee Gillispie said. "We're outdoing what are expectations were. It's good to see the kids have the focus to go after someone like Tennessee."

In the early game on Saturday, UCF beat Bethune-Cookman, 4-2. Hess went 3-for-3 with 4 RBIs in the win. Pysha Simmons picked up her first win of the season with a complete game. She only gave up four hits.

Friday UCF split two games, losing to Ole Miss in the early game, and then mercy killing Marshall in the nightcap. Lindy Oakley picked up the win against Marshall, throwing a complete game, giving up only one hit and no earned runs. UCF had 12 hits in the game. Hess went 3for-3, while Bush and Stephanie Best both went 2-for-3 in the 9-1 win.

"I think the Marshall game finally gave our hitters confidence," Gillispie said. "We needed for them to open up on somebody and finally get a chance to see they can swing and they can get hard hits. That was a good game for us to get in before we played Tennessee."

Shinhoster's first homerun of the season came in the, 3-2, Ole Miss loss. The only other run the Golden Knights scored in that game was on a bases-loaded walk.



Pitcher Lindy Oakley is 1-1 and has a 0.62 ERA for the Golden Knights, who are 6-3 in just their first season.

#### **Atlantic Sun or SEC**

The Golden Knights, in just their first year, have a 3-2 record against SEC opponents. They beat Tennessee and split games with Arkansas and Mississippi.

#### **Efficiency expert**

Shinhoster, a freshman from Gulliver Prep in Miami, has six hits so far this season. Three of them happen to be homeruns and she hit all of them last weekend and only against SEC teams.

Shinhoster hit her first collegiate homerun in the first game against Ole Miss. Her second came just in time to end the extrainning battle with Tennessee. Her third accounted for UCF's first run in its win over Mississippi.

The sudden power from her leadoff hitter came as somewhat of a surprise to Gillispie.

"I never in my wildest dreams thought that she had that much power to hit in key situations like that," Gillispie said.

During the fall Shinhoster was a left-handed slap hitter, but to struggle, going 0-for-2, but

against Marshall her bat came

alive. Hess went 3-for-3 against Marshall and Bethune-Cookman. She was 0-for-2 \*against Tennessee, but hit the game-tying sacrifice fly in the bottom of the seventh, which sent the game to extra innings. In Sunday's game against Mississippi she went 2for-3.

#### **Pitching success**

Cupp is now 4-2 with a 1.72 ERA, with a .276 batting average. Simmons is 1-0 with a 3.75 ERA, and only gave up on earned run in her start against BCC. Oakley is 1-1 and has a mere 0.62 ERA. She did not give up any earned runs in her win over Marshall.

#### **Knights honored**

Cupp and Shinhoster were named to the all-tournament team for their performances in the Triple Crown Classic.



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12103 Collegiate Way Eatin' Good Orlando in the Neighborhood <sup>®</sup> to switch her back to the right side, and the decision seems to be paying off, for player and coach.

"I asked her today if she wanted to go back to the left side and she said 'No way coach," Gillispie said.

Shinhoster's three homeruns put her ahead of the power-hitting Cupp, who is second on the team with two homeruns. Having a leadoff hitter who can hit the long ball or lay down the bunt will leave the opposing teams questioning how to defend her.

#### Hess heats up

After opening weekend Hess was only 1-for-12 at the plate, now she's leading the team with a .360 batting average. In Friday's loss to Ole Miss Hess continued

#### You win some,

#### you lose some

The Golden Knights have let no team get the best of them so far this season. UCF only has three losses and has beaten each of the teams it lost to. In the Golden Knights opening weekend they split games with Bethune-Cookman and Arkansas. Last weekend they lost just once, to Ole Miss, but came back to beat the Rebels on Sunday.

#### Up next

This weekend the Golden Knights make the trip to Atlanta for Georgia State's tournament, where they will face Charleston Southern, Wright State, GSU, Gardner-Webb and Western Kentucky.

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### sports

## **Mascoe heads** linebacker signees

JOE MANZO STAFF WRITER

The positions where UCF will be most inexperienced next year are linebacker and defensive back. All three starting linebackers are gone and so are three starting defensive backs. The Golden Knights got immediate help at linebacker, but signed only one defensive back.

UCF's leading tackler each of the past two years, Tito Rodriguez, is one of the linebackers who graduated. Junior college transfer Chad Mascoe, from Southwest Mississippi Community College, will replace him. Masco is 6 feet 2 inches tall and 250 pounds, and will be one of the most decorated athletes ever to wear the black and gold.

"UCF has struck gold in signing Masco," recruiting expert Bill Buchalter said, "what a steal for the Knights."

Mascoe graduated from Osceola high school, where he played quarterback, linebacker, wide receiver, running back and safety. The Journal-Atlanta Constitution, Orlando Sentinel, Florida Times-Union and other publications listed Mascoe as one of their top prospects.

"He could play anywhere," UCF Coach Mike Kruczek said. "He runs inside out on anybody. We didn't place him in Southwest Mississippi, Florida State did. Florida State wanted him back. We got him. He's going to be a great big piece of the puzzle on that side of the football."

The Golden Knights also signed two other linebackers, both of the smaller, faster variety.

breaks people down. So that gives us the three linebackers that we wanted."

Chris Pilinko, Rodriguez's backup last year, will move to the strong side and will compete for the starting job with numerous other players.

"It's kind of wide open between Gerren Brey, Lemec Bernard, Pilinko, and Stanford Rhule," Fountain said. "We'll find a match. That's where the competition is going to be going on."

The weak side linebacker spot will likely belong to junior Antoine Poe.

At defensive back, UCF's only signee was Chad Breeden, who is 6-foot-1, 180 pounds and from Mayfield, Ohio. Breeden is a hard hitter who will probably redshirt next year. Breeden's signing was one of the most important for UCF. He is the first player from Ohio to sign with the Golden Knights.

"We're starting to branch into the Midwest," Kruczek said. "We play in that area in the MAC Conference so I think it's critical that we get up there. There's great football and great tradition up in Ohio and Illinois and Indiana. You'll see more kids from up in that area."

Filling in for the departed defensive backs should not be a problem this season. Asante Samuel has started at cornerback the last two years. Carlos Thompson played the nickel cornerback spot last year and should replace Travis Fisher next year. The coaches also like Omar Laurence and Rovel Hamilton.

"Hamilton is going to be a sophomore, and we feel ne's as good a talent as Asante Samuel," Fountain said.

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"They should definitely coach Scott redshirt," Fountain said.

Kruczek said: "Ty Kalandyke's a stereotypical linebacker that the Miami's and the Florida's are looking for; the guys that can run and make plays. He's not very large but he gets there to make a play.

"Ronnell Sandy's another guy that plays the game very aggressively. He's a guy that runs and makes plays. He's not overly big, but when he gets there he

At strong safety, Atari Bigby saw a lot of action behind Albert Snyder and is ready to start. Free safety is another story. Ricot Joseph was one of UCF's best defensive players the last three years, and nobody behind him has much experience. He will be replaced by either Peter Sands, a sophomore form Titusville, or redshirt sophomore Alphonzo Hopkins. Rashard Johnson, a former walk-on, will also see time at safety.

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#### sports

# **Defensive line adds strength for 2002**

#### **JOSH SMITH** STAFF WRITER

The UCF football team signed eight athletes on the defensive side of the ball, four of which will play defensive end or defensive tackle.

At defensive end, "Big" Ben Brinson will be joining high school

Knight. Even while playing for Evans High School, Brinson, 6-foot-5, 270 pounds, stayed committed to UCF. He still has three years of eligibility after playing his freshman year at Southwest Mississippi Community College where he recorded three sacks, and 32 tackles. He was named to Bill Buchalter's

teammate Alex Haynes as a Golden "Dandy Dozen". UCF may be looking to move him to center as well.

> Chris Welsh, 6-foot-5, 235 pounds, is another local high school talent. Welsh was the first commitment of the 2002 class. He played a dual role at Cocoa High School as tight end and defensive end. He is an all-around athlete who lettered three years in football and two

years in baseball. He can bench 295 and runs a 4.65 in the 40. He is considered to be one of the top tacklers on the space coast by the "Florida Today". Rivals.com rated Welsh as the No. 62 DE in the country. Welsh also has a 3.3 GPA, which is one reason he was recruit-

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# Transfers bring size, experience to offensive line

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The Golden Knights' most prized offensive line recruit is David Ashkinaz, 6-foot-4, 307 pounds, out of De Anza Community College in California. Ashkinaz is already enrolled in school and will practice during spring.

"(Ashkinaz) benches 500 pounds, has speed like a gazelle, knocks people off the football and plays the game the way you want to," Kruczek said. "He will step in immediately and be a starter for this program."

Ashkinaz will compete with redshirt sophomore Travis Muse, 6-foot-6, 320 pounds, at left guard. He used to play left tackle, but is not worried about switching positions.

"I played left tackle the last four years," Ashkinaz said, "but I'm not 6'6", so I've got to play guard."

Junior college transfers Alex Mendez and Kyle Watkins will compete at both tackle positions. Steve Edwards, last year's starting strong side tackle, graduated.

Mendez, 6-foot-6, 320 pounds, signed with UCF last year but did not qualify academically.

"He's big, and he plays the game the way you like to see it played up inside," Kruczek said. "We're real fortunate to have him coming into this program."

Watkins is one of the tallest players to ever sign with UCF at 6-foot-8. The 340-pounder chose UCF after committing to Iowa State.

"Watkins has tremendous feet," Kruczek said. "He was being recruited by a number of Division 1A programs."

Two other guards also signed; Dan Veenstra from Largo and Seth Ulsh from Ocala. Both are about 6-foot-5, 290 pounds and will likely redshirt.

"Veenstra's exactly what we need," Kruczek said. "He's a very aggressive kid that football means something to, and he's also a great student. He'll be around for five years."

Also likely to redshirt is tackle Larry Peoples from Jacksonville. Rivals.com had him rated No. 88 on its top 100. Peoples is 6-foot-6, but weighs only 290 pounds.

Only one recruit will play center, Cedric Gagne-Marcoux. The 6-foot-3inch, 280-pounder from Canada was recruited as a guard but will move to center.

"We expect Mike Mabry to play center," recruiting coordinator Scott Fountain said. "Cedrick Marcoux we're probably going to move to center because he's a smaller guy."

UCF also signed a tight end, Brennis "Big Country" Smith. With Mario Jackson, Michael Gains and former quarterback Brian Miller already at that position, it is unlikely Smith will see time his first year.

"He doesn't say a whole lot, but he says a whole lot out on the field," Kruczek said. "Can play defensive end but we recruited him to play tight end, a critical area for us."



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# Third baseman balances academics and athletics

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Shipps who turned UCF's coaching staff onto Kragt. After visiting the Golden Knights' facility, one that he describes as awesome, he decided to come to Orlando. UCF's top-notch engineering program and proximity to his parents' home in Bradenton also drew him here.

Off the field, Kragt's achievements have also been notable. A member of the National Honor Society in high school, Kragt has always put his education first. A civil engineering major, he spends much of his non-baseball time studying, as well as fishing and playing golf.

His first priority after baseball is to finish his engineering degree, but if the opportunity to play professional baseball comes his way, Kragt, like other players, will probably take it. However, he is prepared if that doesn't happen, and he is not one to come out and say whether he deserves it or not.

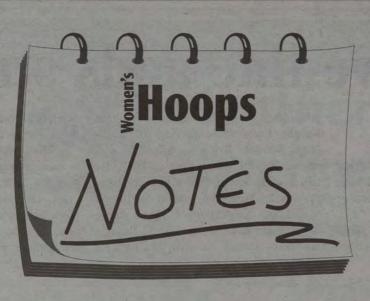
"I don't think you should go around tooting your own horn," Kragt said. "If you're good, people will know."

His work ethic, humility, and positive attitude have earned him the respect of the coaching staff after only a semester at UCF.

"Nathan is a very humble person and a hard worker," Bergman said. "He is a real credit to the baseball team."

Kragt only reinforces this when asked about his game philosophy.

"I try to play hard, and enjoy it while I can," he said. "I love this team."



CHRIS BERNHARDT STAFF WRITER

#### Golden Knights on three-game winning streak

The Golden Knights registered a huge road win on Saturday, beating Atlantic Sun leader Belmont 87-86 in overtime.

The upset was even more impressive considering how the game began. The Bruins jumped out to 11-2 lead in the first half. But UCF was able to get back into it, tying the game at 20 with a shot by Erin Paige at 9:15. UCF took the lead with about three minutes to go in the half, but Belmont went on an 8-4 run to go into the intermission up 37-32.

In a mirror of the first half,

Belmont came out of halftime on an 8-0 run. Once again UCF mounted a comeback, tying the game at 48. At 11:19 the Bruins opened up a seven-point lead, yet the Golden Knights again showed their resolve and knotted the game 63-63 with 4:13 left.

Despite four fouls down the stretch that resulted in eight points from the free throw line by Belmont, Jessica Scala and Lanetra Cooks each nailed threes to send the game into overtime.

With about a minute left in the extra period and Belmont up two, Paige put back a missed free throw by Scala to tie. Belmont regained the lead 86-85 on a threepoint play by Erica Davenport, but Marvelous Washington sank two free throws with eight second left to clinch the victory. Washington paced UCF with 31 points, while Adrienne Billings chipped in 17. UCF moved to 13-10 on the year, 9-5 against the A-Sun. Belmont fell to 16-4 and 10-3.

#### Scala hobbles on

Scala played well despite injuring her ankle Feb. 4 against Georgia State. She added 14 points to the winning effort.

#### **Marvelous high**

Washington's 31 points was a career high and a season high for the entire team. The previous was 27 by Cook in early January.

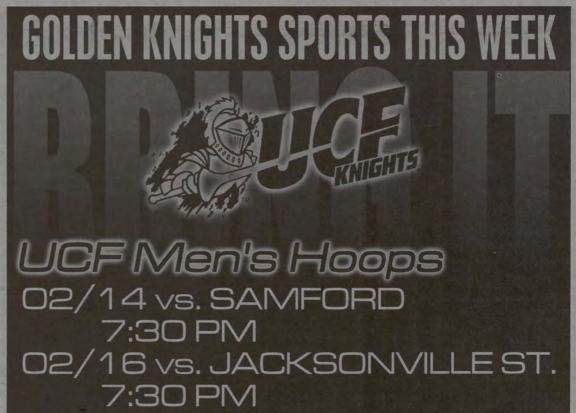
#### **Big-time win streak**

The upset of Belmont marked the Golden Knights' third straight win over an A-Sun rival. They won two home games against Campbell and Georgia State last week. The three-game turnaround came after losing four straight, including losses to Belmont, Campbell and GSU.

#### Around the A-Sun

Tracy Henry of Mercer won player of the week. In three games, Henry averaged 11.3 points and 2.3 steals. She also hit 50 percent from beyond the threepoint arc.

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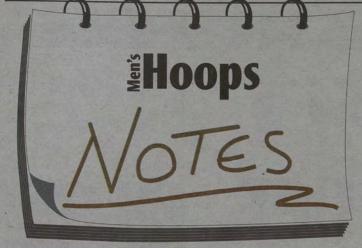
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#### JOE MANZO STAFF WRITER

The UCF men's basketball team lost to Campbell 86-84 Saturday in Buies Creek, N.C. The Fighting Camels scored a season-high 54 points in the second half, shooting 62 percent from the floor and 75 percent from three. The Golden Knights made a run in the final two minutes, but Campbell made most of its free throw attempts late.

Ray Abellard led UCF with 20 points and eight assists, driving past his defender at will. Joey Graham had 18 points, five rebounds, four assists and a block. Stephen Graham also had five rebounds, four assists and a block to go with 10 points. Jason Thornton scored 13 and went 3-for-4 from three. Paul Reed added nine points and five boards.

The loss dropped UCF to sixth place in the Atlantic Sun with a 9-7 record. Georgia State, Jacksonville, Samford and Florida Atlantic each have six losses. Troy State leads the conference at 11-4.

Campbell, which also beat Florida Atlantic last week, is a half a game behind eighth place Belmont.

Thursday, UCF shocked Georgia State 83-73 in Atlanta, Ga. The Panthers led 41-35 at the half and extended its lead to 48-39 in the first four minutes of the second half. UCF then made a run and tied the game at 52. The Golden Knights finally took the lead 60-58 on an Al Miller shot and did not look back.

Miller scored eight points, all in the final eight minutes. Reed scored a career-high 26 points and grabbed 16 rebounds against the Panthers. Stephen Graham scored 20 points and had six rebounds, three assists, and four steals. Joey Graham had 10 points and Abellard had nine.

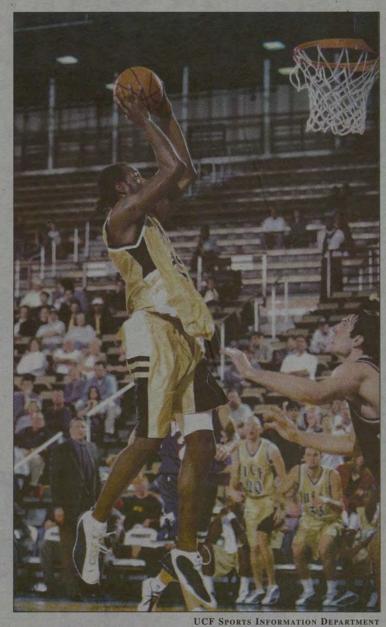
The win was key for UCF, which proved it can beat Georgia State. The Golden Knights lost to the Panthers, 92-84, in overtime at the UCF Arena on Jan. 7.

#### UCF has two home games

UCF hosts Samford and Jacksonville State this week, Samford at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Jacksonville State at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the UCF Arena.

Samford is one game ahead of UCF in the A-Sun standings. The Bulldogs beat the Golden Knights by one point, 59-58, in Birmingham, Ala., on Dec. 19. A loss would put UCF two games behind the four teams tied for second place and would also bring them within a game of Jacksonville State, the seventh place team in the conference.

If UCF were to lose both home games, Jacksonville State would win the tiebreaker. The Gamecocks beat UCF, 72-69, on Dec. 17, in Jacksonville, Fl.



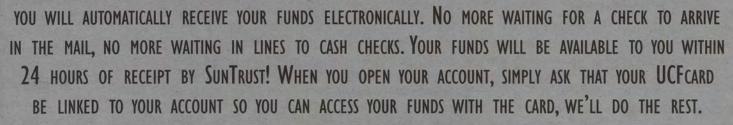
Paul Reed scored a career-high 26 points in UCF's win over Georgia State on Thursday.

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# **Kragt begins his UCF** career perfectly

### The transfer went 3-for-3 in his first start as a Golden Knight

#### TOM ALEXANDER STAFF WRITER

When fans attend UCF baseball games at Jay Bergman Field this season, they are bound to see plenty of new faces on the diamond. The faces may vary not only from last season to this one, but even from game to game, as Coach Jay Bergman and his staff try to find the right chemistry to get the team back to the NCAA Tournament.

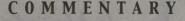
Young players will get their chances, as will the host of junior college transfers. This will be especially evident in the revamped Knights infield, with the only consistent starter in shortstop Mike Myers. One of the newcomers



who getting his shot junior college transfer and third baseman Nathan Kragt.

Kragt, who went 3-for-3 in his first NCAA start for the Knights in their 8-5 loss to Bethune-Cookman last week, brings a strong glove, good speed on the bases and a good work ethic to the hot corner. Born in Iowa, Kragt and family his moved to Bradenton, Fla., when he was very young. He began playing baseball at the age of 5, learn-

Kragt was a three-sport athlete at Bradenton **Christian Sch** 





**KRISTY SHONKA** STAFF WRITER

### Covering the bases

#### Football

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One day after announcing he had signed the best recruiting class ever, UCF Coach Mike Kruczek had to accept the challenge of finding a new defensive coordinator. Thursday Gene Chizik resigned to take the same position at Auburn.

Under Chizik, the Golden Knights defense finished 16th in the nation in total defense last season.

#### Softball

The newest Golden Knights are on a four-game winning streak and went 4-1 in the Triple Crown Classic last weekend. Leadoff hitter Jania Shinhoster hit three homeruns in the tournament, including the game-winner against Tennessee.

UCF finished third in the tournament and showed that even in its first year this team is going to compete every game. The Golden Knights battled back to win games against Tennessee and Ole Miss and blew out Marshall, 9-1.

#### Baseball

The baseball team had a light week last week, with one game against Bethune-Cookman on Feb. 5. The Golden Knights had a 5-1 lead heading into the bottom of the fifth inning, but BCC rallied and scored seven runs off UCF's hullnen

ing the game from his father and other Little League coaches. Kragt had natural athletic ability from the start, and was a letter-winner in soccer, basketball and baseball at

#### Bradenton Christian School

He was also a two-time all-state honoree in soccer and baseball, and a three-time allconference honoree in all three sports. He also helped the baseball team to a Florida state

tournament appearance. It is for this reason Bergman describes Kragt as a "versatile player, capable of playing any position on the field."

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# Offensive linemen lead recruiting class

#### JOE MANZO STAFF WRITER

Once again, UCF head football coach Mike Kruczek was pleased with UCF's recruiting class.

"I can honestly look at you and say that this by far is the best group of young men we've signed," Kruczek said. "ESPN

Magazine has said it's one of the best in the South. Well, if you're one of the best in the South, you're one the best in the country as far as I'm concerned."

One of the strengths of this year's class is the offensive line. UCF signed six offensive linemen, three from junior college. Several of who will be expected to

"The complexity of the offensive line changes as far as what the athletes look like," Kruczek said. "A major objective going into this recruiting season was to get people that would be immediately competitive for positions in this program to give us a chance to win."

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This weekend UCF travels to Louisiana-Lafayette for a threegame series.

#### Women's basketball

The women's basketball has been exacting some revenge with wins over Campbell, Georgia State and Belmont in the past two weeks. The Campbell and GSU games were defensive battles. which UCF had to come from behind to win. Against Belmont, UCF got out to a slow start but Marvelous Washington scored a career-high 31 points to lead the Golden Knights to victory.

The three wins make up for loss to each of those teams at the end of January, when UCF lost four straight.

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