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CATCHING FRISBEE FEVER Athletes taking risks for the disc

- SEE NEWS, A8

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Relief on the way for officers

ASHLEY BURNS

The UCF Police Department · is stepping up its role in relief efforts for victims of Hurricane Katrina as officers leave today for Mississippi with a truckload

UCFPD packed up its recentacquired emergency response vehicle with supplies ranging from clothing to hygienic care items for people displaced by the hurricane, police officers and rescue workers who have been left without any personal belongings.

The emergency rescue vehi-cle was donated to the police department by the Orange County Fire Department.

UCFPD spokesman Sgt. Troy Williamson said that students, teachers and staff have been making donations for hurricane victims all week long and the officers should leave today depending on Orlando's weather conditions.

The police efforts at UCF have only been the tip of the iceberg of support from the community at and around the uni-

Student Government Association officials are working with the Office of Student Involvement and other organizations to put together a campus-wide event with all proceeds going directly to Katrina victims.

The plans are still being developed, but some SGA officials have said their goal is to put together a large concert in order to attract as many people

Among the campus organizations contributing to relief

PLEASE SEE TULANE ON A2



UCF Police officers leave for Mississippi today in order to deliver supplies to rescue workers and officers who have been affected by Hurricane Katrina and have no clothes or toiletries.

UCF REMEMBERS

Sept. 11 still open wound for many students

UCF reflects on state of America four years after the 2001 World Trade Center terrorist attacks

ABEER ABDALLA

our years after Sept. 11, Americans are reminiscing, searching for explanations and reevaluating the United States' place in the world.

Some UCF students feel that the increased awareness of terrorism caused by 9/11 resulted in a safer

"I personally feel that we are safer and I think a lot of that has to do with people being more aware," Matthew Whiting, a Florida Air National Guard staff sergeant and UCF senior, said.

"Being safe is an ongoing process in the war on terrorism," he said. "By spreading democracy we are making the world safer."

Whiting has strong memories of the morning of Sept. 11. He was a full-time student shortly before Sept. 11, but was called into work for the Guard on Sept. 12, 2001.

"I got a message on my answerng machine," Whiting said. "My unit got activated with 48 hours [of the terrorist attack] and I was called to base."

Many are shook by the fear Sept. 11 still inspires.

"I think the idea of terrorism hitting these shores is something to give you pause," UCF junior Eileen Stana said. "We think of the antagonism and the insecurity. We're not as insulated as we once were. It's not always 'over there,' 9/11 happened here.'

Stana compares the mood of America today to the turmoil that swept the country during the Vietnam War.

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general."

Stana blames the media for some of the lingering fear Americans feel at the mention of Sept. 11.

"I hate to beat up the media, but it's been sensationalized," she said. "They stir up the fear. It's not that [the attack] shouldn't be on our minds and shouldn't be forgotten, but they're filling space.

'It's just unhealthy when you keep bringing it to the forefront again and again. It's difficult to keep adapting when that apprehension is constantly there."

Discussions on Sept. 11 often lead to the debates on war in Iraq.

Ulrich Haynes, former U.S. Ambassador to Algeria from 1977-1981 and a professor at UCF and Rollins College, believes that much of our global difficulties today stem from America's isolationist behavior and that the actions of the Bush administration may lead to further erosion because of the country's "lack of consultation" with its allies.

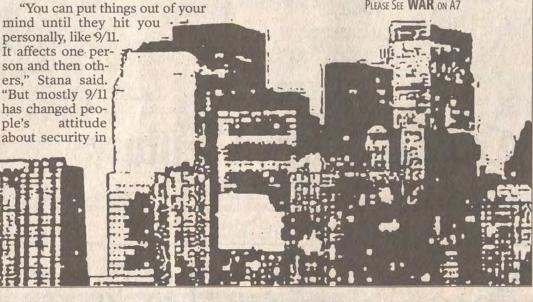
"It was a strategic mistake," he said. "It prevented the military intervention from becoming a multilateral action supported by some of the major powers of the world.

"It became a unilateral action on the part of the United States. For our own sake, we must accept the inevitability that we cannot remake the world in our own image.'

Haynes looks to a new administration for a solution.

"A new administration, in consultation with concerned nations around the world, could agree on primarily the kind of economic formulas that will alleviate the great-

PLEASE SEE WAR ON A7



CAMPUS POLITICS

Senate to offer more tickets for **USF** game

New bill aims to get more UCF students to Tampa

MARK JUSTICE

One of the most recent bills passed by the 37th Student Senate approves funding to make possible a trip for several hundred UCF students to this week's football game against the University of South Florida.

The bill will provide the Student body with several hundred free tickets to Saturday's game to compliment a program the Student Government Association already had in place to make the event a success. Senate Bill 37-91 was introduced in response to the high demand for 282 free tickets to the game initially offered to students by SGA.

Along with the first group of tickets offered by SGA, the 282 students received a seat on one of six buses that Student Government had rented to take students to and from the game.

SB 37-91 proposed additional funding to allow the executive b ranch to purchase another four hundred tickets to ensure a strong UCF presence at Satur-

day's game.

While approval of the bill is widespread there was some debate as to whether financing a trip to the USF game for so many students was the best use of SGA funds. During the debate over the bill, several senators pointed out that this was a bill that would allow the SGA to give back to the student population, alleviating the concerns many had over the cost of the project.

Others argued that the bill fit well into the senate's criteria of striving to approve legislation of benefit to the entire student

PLEASE SEE SENATORS ON A6

Motivational speaker offers magical words of wisdom

Orlando Magic V.P. gives insider advice on lifelong learning for approaching jobs

NAOMI RINGER

Students looking to get ahead in the job market need honesty, character and knowledge, according to Pat Williams, the Orlando Magic cofounder and senior vice president.

Williams' motivational speech, part of Wednesday's Employment Preparation Fair held by Career Services and Experiential Learning, encouraged students to improve themselves by becoming lifelong

Every employer [is] looking for people of character," he told the packed room.

Imagine your decisions making headline news, Williams said. He asked audience members if they would feel embarrassed or regretful when seeing their name in a newspaper headline.

Honesty and integrity, which he defined as "honesty with a little oomph," are major components of his

Giving the example from the book The Best Question Ever, he challenged students to ask themselves, "what is the wise thing for me to do?'

Liberal arts major Sarah Dunkle agreed. She said that honestly is important and employers need a reason to trust their employees.

Honesty also develops maturity and responsibility, Williams said.

PLEASE SEE WILLIAMS ON A6



Orlando Magic co-founder and Vice **President Pat** Williams let UCF students and other guests in attendance in on how to approach job interviews and stressed the importance of honesty and trust in the workplace.

NATION &

WORLD

Keep current with headlines

you may have missed

NEW ORLEANS - Cadav-

er dogs and boatloads of

forensic workers fanned out

Saturday across New Orleans

to collect the corpses left

behind by Hurricane Katrina.

Cleanup crews towed away

abandoned cars and even

began readying a hotel for

cers from his 1,750-strong

force, Police Chief Eddie Com-

pass was upbeat as he report-

ed that 200 arrests had been

Louisiana stood at 154 people,

including some patients on life

support who died when the

power went out, but the toll

was expected to climb as

trapped in houses and floating

crews began cleaning the

Around the city center,

collected bodies

The confirmed death toll in

made since the hurricane.

Despite missing 300 offi-

reopening.

crews

Forensics experts search Gulf

coast for dead as clean-up begins

AROUND **CAMPUS**

News and notices for the UCF community

Professors explain their art

Art professors Rob Reedy and Ke Francis will give informal gallery talks on their artwork in the UCF Art Department Faculty Exhibition.

Reedy's session is at 1:30 p.m. today and Francis' session is at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. Both sessions are in the Visual Arts Building Room 140A.

The talk is a chance for students to better understand the professors' work. Questions and input are encouraged.

For more information call Janet Kilbride at 407-823-3161.

Info on dangerous dating

Transfer and Transition Services will hold a Success Series Workshop: "When Dating Turns Dangerous" Tuesday at 5 p.m. in Howard Phillips Hall Room 102.

The topic will be awareness and prevention of stalking, dating violence and sexual vio-

For information call Iamila Kazi or Kimberly Maynard at 407-823-5959.

Learn to manage your time

The Student Academic Resource Center (SARC) will host a learning fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Union Key West Ball-

Six academic skills workshops will be offered on topics including study skills and time management. For more information contact SARC at 407-823-5130.

Get a career-enhancing externship Career Services and Experi-

mental Learning will host an externship information session from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in Egmont Key Room 224 of the Student

Externships allow students to explore a specific career while networking with members of the community. For more information call 407-823-2361.

Multicultural welcome back

The Multicultural Student Center (MSC) and the Multicultural Academic and Support Services (MASS) will host their Annual Welcome Program at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the Pegasus Ballroom of the Student

The featured speaker will be Gabriela Othón, Spring 2005 Global Fellow, UCF Global Perspectives Office.

For more information contact MASS at 407-823-2716.

Kick off Hispanic celebration

The Hispanic American Student Association will hold its annual Pachanga, a kickoff celebration for the first night of Hispanic Heritage Month, from 7 p.m. to midnight Thursday at the Memory Mall.

For more information, equestions2hasa@hotmail.com or check the Web site at www.hasa-ucf.org.

LET US KNOW

The Future wants to hear from you! If you have a club, organization or event and want your information to be considered for the Around Campus column, send a fax to 407-447-4556 or an e-mail to editor@ucfnews.com. Deadlines are 5 p.m. Monday for the Wednesday edition.

POLICE BEAT

Instructor arrested after chase for expired tag

CRYSTAL SCOTT

A minor traffic incident escalated into an arrest Thursday afternoon when UCF Officer Clement Punter spotted an expired tag and the driver attempted to avoid him by fleeing the scene, he reported.

Punter gave this account: He was able to identify that the month for expiration on the

vehicle's tag was July, but he was unable to make out whether the year was 2005 or 2006 because of an illegal black plastic ring attached to the license plate.

Punter followed the vehicle in hopes of identifying the registration expiration but encountered several green lights that kept him from catching up and getting close enough to do so.

The driver then made a left turn on Star Street, where an upcoming stop bar allowed Punter the opportunity to read the expiration clearly. As the driver approached the stop bar, the vehicle began to slow down but did not come to a com-

plete stop. The vehicle rolled past the stop bar and began turning into a parking lot.

Although the vehicle did not make a complete stop, it slowed down enough for Punter to read that the vehicle tag had expired in July.

Punter immediately attempted to signal the vehicle to stop by turning on his emer-gency lights. The driver appeared unaware that she was being stopped, so Punter briefly turned on his siren. The driver failed to respond, and Punter sounded his siren once more.

The driver did not acknowledge Punter's presence and continued driving for about 150 yards until coming to an abrupt stop at another stop bar painted on the ground.

Concerned that the car would take off again, Punter kept his engine running while he shouted to the driver to stop the car's engine.

The driver began making hand gestures that indicated annoyance as Punter once again requested that the car's engine be stopped.

The driver, identified as 26year-old Erica Wells, opened the car door and informed Punter that the engine was already off.

Wells attempted to step out of the car and, when requested to step back into her car, did so while obscenely asking why she had been pulled over.

Punter informed Wells that he would be with her momentarily as he started to relay the necessary information to his police dispatcher. When Punter was in the middle of calling in the tag number, Wells started the car engine and drove off.

Punter then jumped on his police motorcycle and followed the fleeing car into another parking lot across from Star Street. Wells parked the car and opened the door to get out. At this point Punter caught up with Wells and jumped off his motorcycle.

Wells began shouting profanities and said she had a class to teach and that there was no reason for her to be stopped.

Punter reached into the car for Wells' left arm to pull her out of the car and place her under arrest for fleeing, but she jerked away and moved closer to the passenger side.

Wells was asked three times to exit the car but repeatedly

She said that she would only exit her car upon the request of a superior officer.

Shortly after Wells' request, Sgt. Derrick Stochdreher arrived on the scene and requested that Wells exit her

Wells complied with his request and stood in front of her

Punter approached Wells and instructed her to turn around and place her hands behind her back because she was under arrest. Punter placed the handcuffs on Wells, who strongly resisted.

Wells was arrested and charged with fleeing and attempting to elude a marked police car, refusal to obey a police officer and resisting

mounds of trash and other debris strewn by the hurricane and by fleeing residents.

in murky water.

Bulldozers pushed heaps of chairs, sleeping bags and other discarded items into giant piles at the convention center, the chaotic site where thousands initially took refuge before being evacuated a week ago. Dump trucks were hauling the debris away.

Government won't bar reporters from covering corpse recovery

NEW YORK - Challenged in court by CNN, the Bush administration agreed on Saturday not to prevent the news media from following the effort to recover the bodies of Hurricane Katrina victims.

The government won't, however, permit photographers to join them in boats or helicopters during the mission to recover bodies from flooded homes.

CNN filed suit against the Federal Emergency Management Agency in U.S. District Court in Houston late Friday, concerned about two statements made by government officials that day. The officials said they didn't believe it was right for the news media to show pictures of Katrina victims.

In a hearing Saturday before U.S. District Judge Keith Ellison, Army Lt. Col. Christian DeGraff promised that recovery teams would not bar the media from watching. Satisfied, CNN agreed to put its case on hold.

Katrina relief, rebuilding costs predicted to be astronomical

WASHINGTON Although estimates of Hurricane Katrina's staggering toll on the treasury are highly imprecise, costs are certain to climb to \$200 billion in the coming weeks. The final accounting could approach the more than \$300 billion spent in four years to fight in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Analysts inside and outside government agree that the \$62 billion that Washington has spent so far was merely the

PLEASE SEE NATION ON A4

Tulane to receive relief money during football game at Citrus Bowl FROM A1

efforts are Course Development and Web Services and Late Knights, which are collecting donations payable to the American Red Cross.

LEAD Scholars is holding "Emergency Mardi Gras" Saturday in the Academic Village courtyard to raise money for the Red Cross. The organization will also have people collecting donations around the Student Union throughout the week.

The Delta Delta Delta and Pi Beta Phi sororities will also be at the Student Union accepting donations Wednesday.

The UCF French Department and the French Honor Society are chipping in by collecting donations of food and supplies to send to New Orleans citizens. Colbourn Hall Room 514 has been designated as the donation point for people to drop off supplies ranging from peanut butter and jelly to diapers. The French students are also collecting toiletries and plastic-wrapped

The College of Health and Public Affairs and the Association for Doctoral Students in Exceptional Education are also collecting goods for hurricane victims and have set up donation points in their respective build-



COURTESY UCF POLICE DEPARTMENT UCF police officers will be delivering donated goods with their recently acquired emergency rescue vehicle.

The President's Leadership Council is continuing its efforts in raising money for Tulane University, which is closed for the Fall after being ravaged by Katrina.

Tulane, situated in the heart of New Orleans, is also where UCF President John Hitt received his college education.

The PLC is organizing a number of events to help raise donations and members plan to present Tulane officials with a check on Oct. 22 when the Green Wave play the Knights in football at the Citrus

Hurricane Ophelia threatening U-turn toward South Carolina KATE HOWELL southeast of Charleston, S.C., the moment but some meteo- although fluctuations in inten-

Hurricane watches remained posted and a tropical storm warning has been added for areas of the Carolina coasts Sunday afternoon, as Ophelia continued to spin in-place off-

By 2 p.m. on Sunday, Ophelia was centered 260 miles east-

Cape Hatteras with maximum sustained winds at 80 mph, according to the the National Hurricane Centre.

Hunters reported Sunday that Ophelia became more organized Saturday night though it did not increase in strength. The hurricane had stalled for

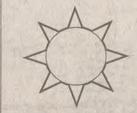
and about 250 miles south of rologists from the Weather sity should be expected. Channel predicted that it could edge northwest in the next few days. They also predict that "weak and floppy" currents will Air Force Reserve Hurricane become defined by Tuesday, causing the storm to move north and endangering the outer banks of North Carolina.

Ophelia is not expected to strengthen significantly,

Once the storm starts mov-

ing, the latest forecast track indicated the eye could come ashore southeast of Cape Lookout near Wilmington and cross Pamlico Sound on the central coast, according to meteorologist Gil Wagi at the National Weather Service office in New-

LOCAL WEATHER



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What's in the news at colleges around the country

Colleges invent ways to help new students transition easier

PITTSBURGH - Colleges and universities across the country are coming up with inventive ways to help new students transition easier and cut back on freshmen horror stories about living on their own, doing laundry and taking classes after dark.

The University of Pittsburgh's annual Student Activities Fair allows 3,300 freshmen to take a look at most extracurricular activities all at once. Seton Hill University in Greensburg uses reading material as a way for freshmen to get together at the start of the year by giving a free informative book to every

Carnegie Mellon University places 1,400 new freshmen in several orientations, such as specialized sessions for minority and international students.

The variety of offerings allows freshmen to ease into their new environments smoothly.

Schools to fight NCAA mascot ban; appeals may be granted

INDIANAPOLIS - The NCAA spent four years studying the use of American Indian nicknames. It took less than a month for the governing body to start backpedaling.

With university presidents threatening lawsuits, complaining about the rationale and openly questioning the Aug. 5 decision to ban Indian mascots, logos and nicknames from postseason tournaments, the NCAA has responded with unusual speed in making alterations.

Three schools have won appeals to be removed from the original list of 18 offenders, and more are expected.

Online groups helping college freshmen make new friends

DURHAM, N.C. - It's a circumstance freshman college students have faced for generations - having to find a new group of friends on a campus with 12,000 students.

But Ross Goldstein didn't wait to get to Duke before making some college buddies. By the time he arrived, he had met over 150 of the about 1,700 members of Duke's Class of 2009 over the Internet.

Thousands of students spent the summer and last spring meeting future classmates through Web sites such as Facebook.com and Myspace.com.

U.S. university panel suggests full investigation of professor

DENVER — A University of Colorado panel recom-mended a full investigation into allegations of research misconduct involving a professor who triggered a national outcry for comparing some Sept. 11 victims to a Nazi.

A faculty committee was called Friday for investigating Ward Churchill on seven allegations involving plagiarism, misuse of others' work and falsification and fabrication, interim provost Susan Avery said. The charges could lead to his dismissal.

Churchill wrote an essay comparing some World Trade Center victims to Adolf Eichmann, one of the Nazis who orchestrated the Holocaust.

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NATION & WORLD



Bhola Bishundat and his wife, Basmattie, walk across the Memorial Bridge during Sunday's Freedom Walk from the Pentagon to the National Mall. Their son was a victim on 9/11.

first installment of perhaps an unparalleled sum.

The government never has dealt with a disaster of this scale: 90,000 square miles of the Gulf Coast affected, with hundreds of thousands of people displaced and an entire metropolitan area under

In 1992, the devastation of Hurricane Andrew in Florida and Louisiana cost \$35 billion. The price for the 6.7-magnitude temblor in the Northridge area of Los Angeles in 1994 was \$15 billion to \$20 billion.

Members of the Louisiana congressional delegation say it could cost \$100 billion just in New Orleans.

As the House approved President Bush's second spending request Thursday, the chairman of the House Appropriations Committee predicted that lawmakers would repeat the effort in a few weeks.

Carolinas get ready as Hurricane Ophelia makes way for coast

CHARLESTON, S.C. — A hurricane watch was posted Saturday for the Southeast coast as Ophelia strengthened into a hurricane once again and meteorologists said its meandering course could take a sharp turn toward land.

A hurricane watch was posted along a 300-mile stretch from the Georgia-South Carolina line to North Carolina's Cape Lookout, meaning hurricane-force wind of at least 74 mph was possible by Sunday evening, the National Hurricane Center

Emergency management directors along the North Carolina coast said they were prepared for Ophelia and warned residents not to be compla-

It could strengthen a bit before an expected Tuesday landfall, said Eric Blake, a meteorologist at the hurricane center in Miami.

U.S., Iraqi troops conduct insurgent sweeps near Syrian border

TAL AFAR, Iraq — More than 5,000 Iraqi army and paramilitary troops backed by U.S. soldiers swept into this insurgent stronghold near the Syrian border, conducting houseto-house searches and battering down stone walls in the narrow, winding streets of the old city.

"Operation Restoring Rights is being conducted to remove terrorists and foreign fighters operating in Tal Afar," Col. Billy J. Buckner, a military spokesman, said Sunday. "This operation is in support of the Iraqi government's efforts to bring safety and security to the citizens of the city."

Buckner said that Iraqi and U.S. troops had captured 211 terror suspects, killed 141 terrorists and confiscated nine weapons caches since Aug. 26.

Late Saturday, Iraqi Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari ordered the Rabiyah border crossing closed in an attempt to stanch the flow of insurgents from Syria, which is about 60 miles from Tal Afar.

While several hundred insurgents using small arms initially put up stiff resistance in the city's ancient Sarai district, Iraqi forces reported only two men wounded in the day's fighting. The U.S. military issued no casualty report for the 3,500 Americans in the operation.

As the day wore on, fighting quickly died down, said Col. H.R. McMasters, commander of the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment. He said the joint force found the Sarai neighborhood nearly deserted once the shooting ended.

With the Tal Afar offensive under way, Iraqi Defense Minister Sadoun al-Dulaimi signaled his U.S.-trained forces would not stop after this operation and vowed to move against insurgent bastions throughout the country.

Sept. 11 memorial plans proceed while some rally against museum

NEW YORK — Holding up pictures of their loved ones and signs that read "Preserve Sacred Ground," more than 500 relatives of Sept. 11 victims rallied at the World Trade Center site Saturday against a proposed muse-

Family members worry the International Freedom Center will take attention away from those who died in the attack. They said the museum should not be allowed to show exhibits about struggles for freedom around the world.

The rally by more than a dozen family groups came a day before the fourth anniversary of the terrorist attacks. A bouquet of white flowers and several single, red roses were tucked into the metal fence surrounding the site, while huge American flags hung outside nearby office buildings.

The Freedom Center and another museum, the Drawing Center, were chosen more than a year ago to occupy cultural space at the site in a building close to the planned "Reflecting Absence" memorial.

But rebuilding officials said last month that the Drawing Center would look elsewhere for a home and that the Freedom Center would have to submit more detailed plans and respond to family objections to ensure its place at the site. A mediator has recently been recruited to help museum officials and the families communi-

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Williams urges courage in troubled times

Many people are quick to claim responsibility when the outcome of a decision is favorable, he said. But most won't speak out when decisions backfire.

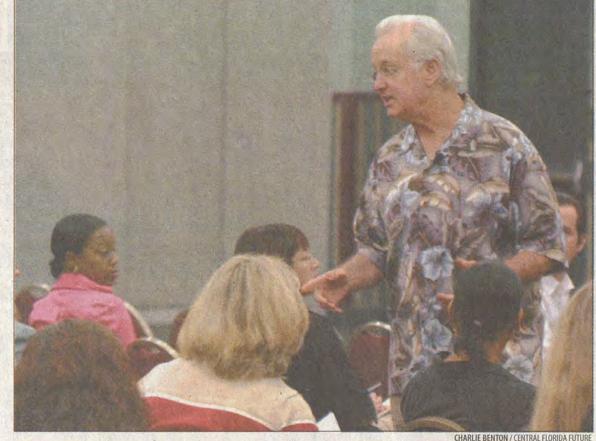
Internships or jobs straight out of college often pay only in experience, much to the chagrin of students. Working for free may not sound appealing, but given the choice between money or experience, Williams advises students to "take the experience. It's more important."

Working hard - paid or unpaid - does pay off, according to Williams.

He said that people of character work hard and are constantly asking what else they can contribute.

Above all, Williams said, life is difficult. "Perseverance gets us through three phases in life: before the storm, during the storm and after the storm.'

College may be the proverbial storm in students' lives, but life after college may be an even more frightening thought forsome students. Coupled with other elements of character, he believes courage will help stu-



Pat Williams used excerpts from the book, The Best Question Ever, during his motivational speech last week in the Student Union. He advised

dents succeed in school and in

"[Courage] comes during

Williams said. Good character isn't just one

times when you're scared,"

trait, graduate student Stacy Martin said, but "the whole package."

Senators push attendance at new football rivalry debut

students to improve themselves through lifelong learning, perseverance and personal responsibility.

body, and that although the cost seemed high, it was comparatively low to the several hundred dollars per person usually allotted for students to travel to conferences and events. Sen. Victor Perez summarized his thoughts on the bill by explaining that, "the money is there. Why not use it?"

After debate on the bill the majority of senators were convinced that it was a worth while cause and the bill was quickly amended to finance the purchase of 600 tickets instead of the proposed four hundred. At a cost of \$25 per ticket this raised the price of the legislation from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Although some senators remained strong in their opposition to the bill, the end of the debate found the amended version of SB 37-91 approved, and many enthusiastic about the project.

Speaker of the Senate Mark White cited a responsibility to develop pride and tradition at UCF as a cause for the wide support the bill enjoyed at Thursday's Senate meeting.

"I know that me and my fellow senators all feel that traditions on this campus benefit the entire student body and need to be strong and everlasting," White said. "That is why many of us feel that this rivalry against USF needs to be established so strong its first year."

The speaker continued to explain that, "The athletic department agrees and has been working in conjunction with both the legislative and executive branches of SGA to help reach out to students and alumni, to make this event one of the most successful traditions in UCF history."

ing students surrounded by the

The excitement felt by many of the student senators for the project could also be found among members of the student body that they serve. Freshman Nicole Bamberski, who chose UCF over her long-time love of Gator football, was candid in her support for the bill.

"It is important that the students and organizations of UCF support our developing football program," Bamberski said.
"There can be no better use of the Activity and Service Fee then to support a project widely endorsed by the student body that provided those funds."

Sophomore Crystal Lee agreed that the bill was a worth while endeavor by the Student Senate. "I think it's fantastic that SGA is supporting students in such a matter," she said.

SB 37-91 is not without it's critics however. Former Sen. Matt DeVlieger is perhaps the most outspoken in his disapproval of the legislation. "This great sum of money could have been used in ways to better help the student body, or even to help bus people in devastated areas on the Gulf coast," DeVlieger said. "Instead, we are busing students for free to a sports game. Where are our priorities?'

Criticism aside, one group is more enthusiastic than any other about SB 37-91. The members of the Golden Knight football team that will be competing on Saturday share a strong support for the legislation.

Michael Lavoie, a sophomore and right guard for the Golden Knights, felt that, "it's a great way for them to come out and see what we have become as a team." Teammate Kyle Smith agreed that the bill was great, exclaiming "the more support the better!"

WEEK IN HEALTH

RACHEL BAUMBACH

In many social settings, drinking alcohol is a regular habit, a staple in a day or night spent enjoying the company of friends, watching a sports game on TV or simply relaxing. On college campuses across the U.S., the regular habit becomes more aggressive each year.

For most students, the college years are a time for making friends, creating memories and preparing for the future, but hidden behind the guise of a healthy college atmosphere is a binge-drinking monster that seems to grow with each life it consumes.

According to a recently updated report by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, drinking by college students aged 18 to 24 contributes to an estimated 1,700 student deaths, 599,000 injuries and 97,000 cases of sexual assault or date rape each year.

The NIAAA says that white men are at the top of the list, along with athletes, fraternity and sorority members and some first-year students. Fol-lowing closely behind are students who live in on-campus housing.

The most recent head count of students enrolled at UCF is 42,837. Out of that number, 29,232 are white and 3,783 are undergraduates who live on campus. According to the results gathered by the NIAAA, a college like UCF is a breeding ground for excessive drinking.

In addition, the number of students enrolled at UCF rises each year, which means the numbers of cases of binge drinking will only keep growing.

Despite the number of negative occurrences students are involved in when it comes to alcohol abuse, drinking has been a common ingredient in what many students consider a successful social life. A vast majority of students bow to peer pressure and the desire to fit in as they face the act of establishing themselves in a new social setting.

In fact, college drinking has pressure to drink. Businesses good self esteem so they don't almost become a rite of passage, dependent on student patron- feel pressured by their insecuri-So where does this leave the age serve or sell alcohol, and generations of students to many students are employed by many of these same establish-So many customs promote ments.

the use of alcohol in college stu-Parents should play a huge role in teaching their children dents that, at times, educating students about the dangers of about the dangers of drinking drinking seems hopeless. excessively, but when the time comes to decide whether or not College sports arenas are littered with advertisements of to drink, it is truly an individual alcohol industry sponsors, leav-

Students should maintain a

ties to fit in. They should surround themselves with positive people and activities that do not always include alcohol.

Of course, occasional drinking is appropriate if taken into perspective and treated as a luxury. If it isn't, overall abuse can lead to bad sleep and study habits, violence, injury and an overall negative college experi-

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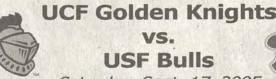
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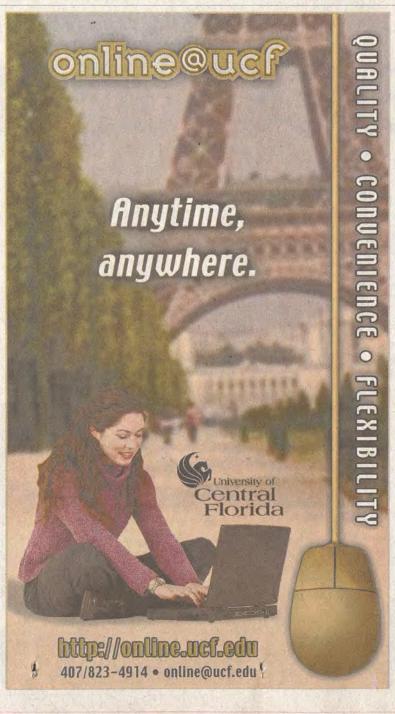
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Onychomycosis (fungal nails infections) is not rare and affects one in five persons in the U.S. Toenails are more infected than fingernails and, unfortunately, are more difficult to treat.

Dermatophytes are the type of fungus that thrive on the skin, hair and nails. The most common one is trichophyton rubrum, which is the cause of athlete's foot infection. The remainder of infections are caused by yeasts such as candida, which are normally present on the human body. A small percentage are caused by

Dermatophytes can be transmitted by direct contact such as athlete's foot that can turn to infect toenails or indirect contact as clothing, shoes, nail clippers, nail files, shower and locker room floors, and

Yeast infections can happen when there is an overgrowth due to many factors such as illness, antibiotics or a weakened immune system

Mold normally grows in soil and can grow on the skin and nails too. It usually does not pass through direct contact.

Fungal infections are divided into four categories and the most common form affect the skin under the nail, known as the nail bed.

Toenails are more likely to be infected if there is a predisposition for ingrown toenails or injury, even from frequent nail

Symptoms include yellow streaks in the nail bed and at the underside of the nail and debris under the nail due to a buildup of skin and nail. A thickened nail can separate from the skin under a nail that is very brittle.

Fungal nail infections progress very slowly and it depends on your overall health, level of humidity, environment of the nail, living conditions and whether the fingernails or toenails are infected.

There are other conditions that can mimic fungal nails

infections. Therefore, you need to see a health professional for a correct diagnosis. Tests can include examination of the debris of skin and nail under direct microscopic examination and/or a fungal culture to determine what kind of fungus it may be.

The treatment consists of oral or topical medication. Oral medication is more effective, however, it has serious side effects and is usually prescribed for moderate to severe infections. It involves months of expensive treatment and needs close supervision with blood and liver function tests.

You can decrease your risk of getting fungal nail infections by not wearing tight shoes, shoes that make your feet warm or sweaty, or wet shoes that are not appropriately dried out. Avoid sharing shoes, socks, nail clippers or nail files. Don't walk with bare feet in shared showers or locker rooms.

Treat athlete's foot promptly. If you wear artificial nails, visit a salon that sterilizes its tools. Nail manicures and certain nail products can damage the nail or cuticle, making the nail more susceptible to infection. Control chronic conditions such as diabetes or certain diseases causing poor blood circulation or long-term usage of immuno-

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War in Iraq, London bombings continue to cause tension

est scourge in the world poverty," he said.

According to Haynes, only by eliminating poverty can the U.S. spur the formation of democratic government.

UCF junior Adam Noble believes the passionate anti-Bush rhetoric is a call for change and a response to fear.

"Before 9/11 we had fear," he said. "Look at the Civil Rights Movement. It was social classes and ethnic classes. Fear put people into classes. Nothing happened until people were sick of it and enacted major change."

Still, not all Americans are against the war in Iraq.

"My forefathers fought [for freedom], and I'm damn proud of it," Whiting said. "Can you imagine what this country might have been like if they hadn't? Everything still applies, this country was not born overnight.

"With our soldiers over there, they're spreading and ensuring democracy. Either we fight them in this war - or we fight them when they come over here."

The fallout from Sept. 11 and the resultant change in

"We think of the antagonism and the insecurity. We're not as insulated as we once were. It's not always 'over there, 9/11 happened here"

Middle Eastern policy did not affect America alone. The July bombings that traumatized London commuters are thought by many British to be a direct result of the U.S.-led war in Iraq.

"The bombs in London were appalling atrocities in which many innocent lives were lost," British politician Caroline Lucas told the British Broadcasting Corp. "They

were also an entirely predictable response to U.K. foreign policy over many years, but most particularly to our policy in Iraq."

According to Haynes, the problems the U.S. and Great Britain face in the Middle East have little to do with marketing and much to do with Western misunderstanding of basic carnal needs.

"The priorities of the people of the Third World are quite different from the priorities of the U.S. government," Haynes said. "If you ask them what they want, they want jobs, they want education, they want security, and way down on the list is democracy.

"Now if you ask our government, they [say the people of the Third World] want to be free. Many of them have never been free, and they do not see political freedom as a solution to their problems."

Stana echoes Haynes'

"I think we always have the ability to heal," she said. "We are a strong people, but this is not about us being able to heal. It's a matter of us learning. We need to be sensitive that there are other ways to live."





Frisbee fever is spreading on campus

Athletes take the disc to another level in ultimate sport fashion

KATE HOWELL

Bill Igar, head of UCF's ultimate Frisbee team, is working to firmly establish his team and change how UCF students view the sport.

"My biggest fear is that in five years the team will die," Igar said.

The UCF ultimate Frisbee team has existed for about three years, and this fall, encouraged by past successes, players are making some

"We're trying to have a club so we can bring in new people," Igar said.

Ultimate Frisbee is played in both the club season in the fall and the college season in the spring. Anyone can play on the club team but only UCF students can join the college

"You'd probably find a higher skill level in club because it's open to anyone, but everyone in college is young and fast," player Alex Turek said.

The players are also organizing a women's team.

'We have about five hardcore female members," Igar said. "[We have] five that are really interested and another 30 names on our list. It is kind of a numbers game."

Player Greg Tener described the game as a "mix between football, soccer and basketball."

Each team has seven players. Games are played on a 70by-40 yard field with end zones 25 yards deep. Play begins with one player throwing the Frisbee to the opposite team (called a "pull" and similar to a kickoff in football). When a player has the Frisbee, he is not allowed to run but can pivot on one foot to throw the Frisbee to another team member.

The members of the opposite team try to intercept the disk and points are scored when the Frisbee is caught in the opposite end zone. The game is usually played to 13

"It's really nice not being on the clock," Igar said, "and you always play to an odd number, sometimes nine or 11, but always an odd. I don't know why. The Frisbee gods have

Ultimate Frisbee is self-refereed and players follow the "spirit of the game," which requires fairness and a general lack of violence.

"If someone calls a foul and you don't think it was a foul you can contest," Igar said. "No one want to argue over fouls so we don't call as many as, say, basketball."

"It is the nicest thing," Tener said. "Everybody is very

Things can get competitive with intercollegiate games and statewide tournaments.

According to Igar, things can get kind of wild.

The nice thing is the way the tournaments are organized," he said. "There's the captains' meeting, the game and the party.'

The team will compete in a tournament in Vero Beach Sept. 17-18 against other Florida teams. A tournament will be held at UCF Nov. 12 and 13.

"We're trying to see if we can get mostly college teams," Turek said. He also hopes a second UCF team will emerge by that time.

The Ultimate Frisbee team holds three practices a week on the sports fields behind the Academic Village.

Tuesday practices start at 5 p.m. and are more casual and geared toward newbies, while Thursday practices, also at 5 p.m., are for the more competitive players. Sunday's noon practices are a mix "depending on who shows up," said Igar.

'With tournaments coming up we have to practice hard,' team member Phil Stokes said. "We have to build the new people and the old at the same

More information on Ultimate Frisbee can be found at UCF's Ultimate Frisbee Yahoo

http://sports.groups.yahoo.co m/group/ucf_ultimate/.



UCF's Ultimate Frisbee Team, seen in action above and below, is trying to shed any misleading images of the sport and show people that it's fast and action-packed. The layout of the game is much like football or soccer, but players are not allowed to run if they have the Frisbee. Games are also self-refereed and players follow an honor system, while trying to practice fairness and as little violence as possible





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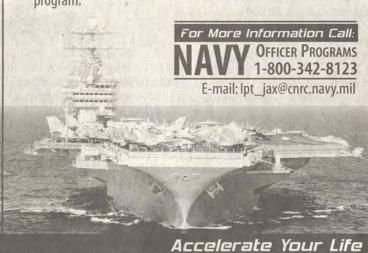
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Oct. 11, 2005	Khaled Hosseini "Religious Diversity in America" 7:00 p.m.	English Department, Undergraduate Studies	UCF Arena
Oct.13, 2005	Dr. Azizah al-Hibri "Women in Islam and Islam in America" 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Global Perspectives, Global Connections Foundation, UCF Middle Eastern Studies Program	Student Union Room 316 (Cape Florida)
Oct. 20, 2005	David Callahan "The Cheating Culture" 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Student Development & Enrollment Services, Undergraduate Studies	Student Union
Oct. 25, 2005	Edward Zlotkowski Faculty Development Event "The Scholarship of Engagement: The New Social Contract"	UCF Service-Learning	Student Union Room 316 (Cape Florida)
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Nov. 2005 – April 2006	The New Narrative / Series of 5 Multi-Media Presentations	Undergraduate Studies	ТВА
Nov. 3, 2005	International Forum "The Evolving Terrorist Threat" 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Global Perspectives, Centre for Terrorism and Political Violence at St. Andrews University, Undergraduate Studies	Student Union Room 316 (Cape Florida)
Nov. 9, 2005	Guy Garcia "The New Mainstream"	Undergraduate Studies, LACLS	Student Union Pegasus Ballroom

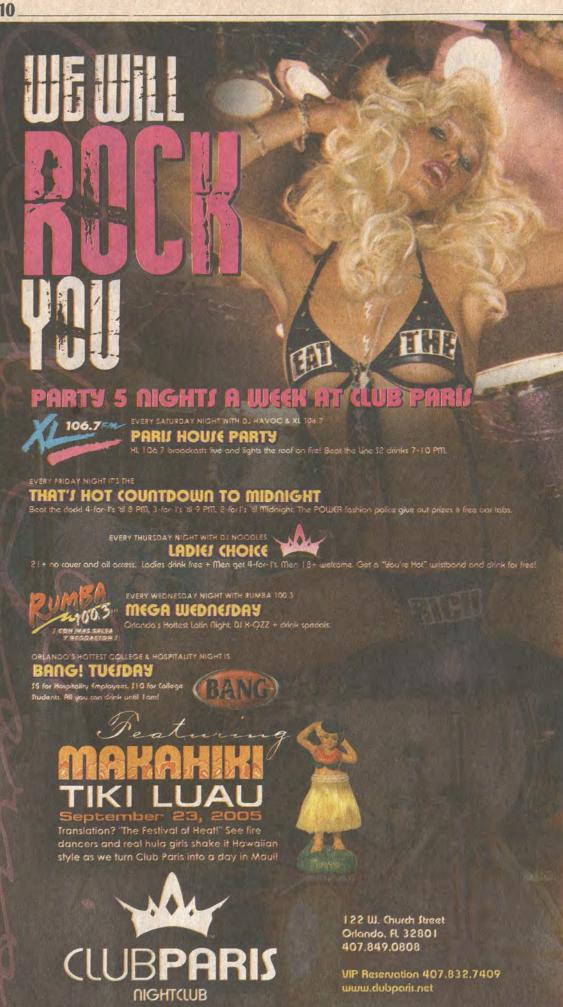
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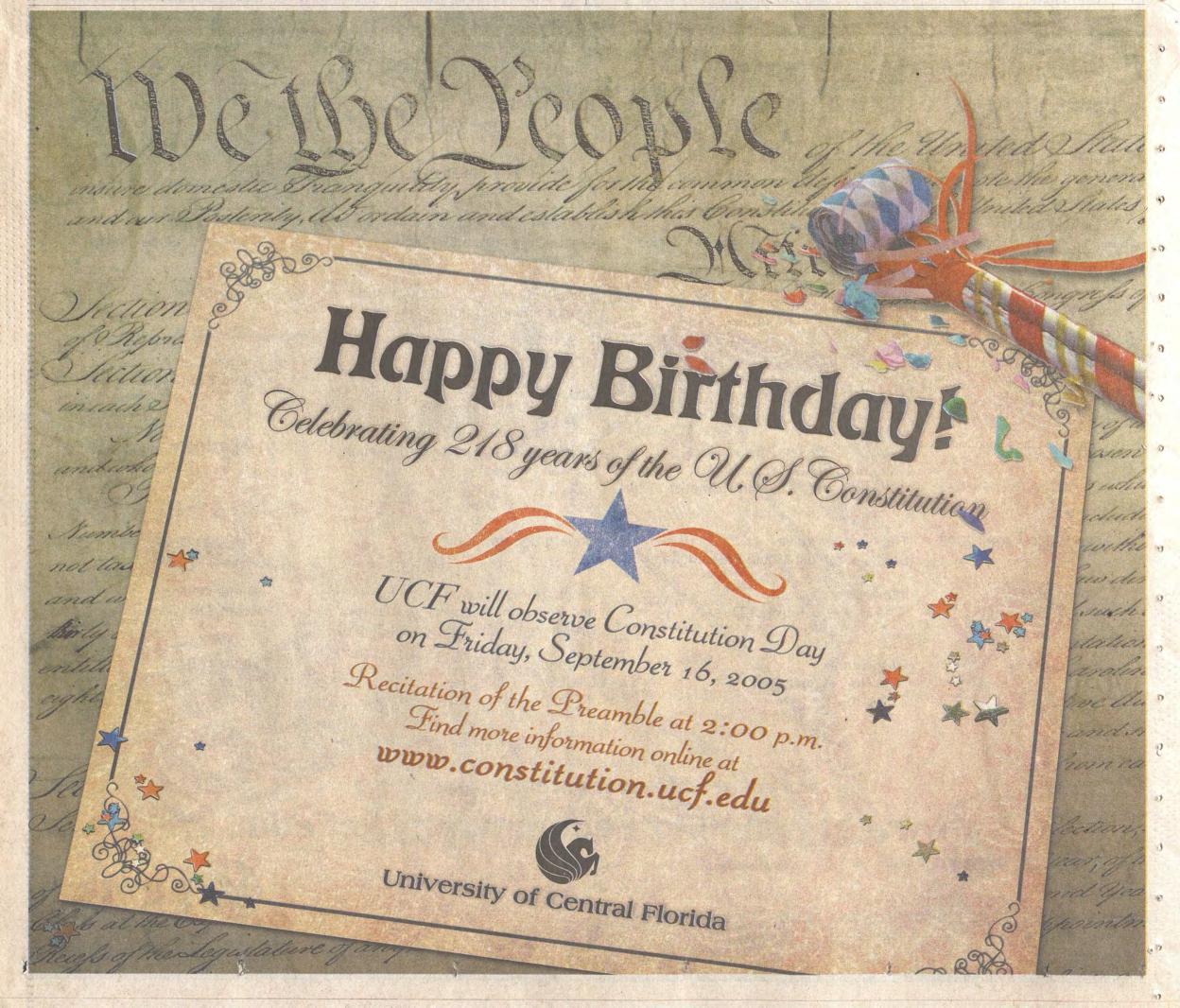
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"Our team is still trying to find itself ... we aren't playing as a unit." - WOMEN'S SOCCER COACH AMANDA CROMWELL ON HER TEAM'S SLOW START



UCF defender Stacey George, right, defends Florida State's India Trotter in Wendesday's 3-0 loss to the Seminoles. UCF's next game is on Sunday when they host Florida

In search of the elusive goal

Women's soccer looks to turn around a slow start to the season, to do so they will need to find the back of the net

> **ANDY VASQUEZ** Sports Editor

The UCF women's soccer team continued its early season struggles last week as it fell to Florida State on Wednesday, UW Milwaukee in overtime on Friday and Loyola on Sunday. All three UCF losses came on its home

field and dropped the Knights' overall record to 2-5.

The Knights were competitive in all three games as the defense performed well, only allowing five total goals, but the offense was unable to get on the board in any of the

The Knights' latest lost was certainly the most frustrating of the three as they fell to Loyola 1-0 on Sunday afternoon.

UCF came out firing with 11 shots in the first half compared to four from Loyola, but

the Knights couldn't get the ball into the net.

Loyola turned things around on the Knights in the second half outshooting UCF

11-4, giving both teams 15 shots for the game. The backbreaking goal came with less than 10 minutes in the game when Loyola's Courtney Arikian scored the game's only goal in the 84th minute. The goal came when Arikian deflected a cross past UCF goaltender Beth Harless, who was making her second start of the season.

The Knights offense was led by Jessayln Withers and Roberta Pelarigo, who each had three shots.

As they did on Sunday afternoon, the



REBECCA BARNETT / CENTRAL FLORIDA I Forward Roberta Pelarigo controls the ball in UCF's loss to UWM Friday. She is one of three Knights with two goals this season.

Knights looked good on defense throughout their game on Friday evening. Through regulation the Knights didn't give up a goal, but

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FAST FACTS

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UCF players, fans ready to start rivalry with neighbor

Football gearing up for Saturday's game

ANDY VASQUEZ

In competitive sports it is hard to find something more intriguing than a rivalry. Matchups, rankings, talent and records seem to all be thrown out the window in the emotion of those contests as anything can seemingly happen.

This Saturday, the Knights will open the latest chapter of its rivalry with a not-so-distant neighbor.

The University of South Florida is a mere 98 miles away from the campus of UCF, creating a natural rivalry between the two schools in virtually every

When UCF and USF take to the field or the court, the stakes go up. Whether it's basketball, baseball, soccer or tennis, the competition is heated and it has been that way for years.

That is why it is so surprising that the two teams have never faced one another on the football field, but that will all change on Saturday night.

The Knights will travel to

Raymond James Stadium in Tampa Saturday night for the first-ever matchup between UCF and USF on the football

This is a date that UCF players have been looking forward to for a long time and evidently. Knights fans have been as well.

UCF ticket manager Kevin Luck announced late last week that UCF's allotment of 3,400 seats has already sold out, and the Knights are asking for additional tickets to cover season ticket holders and UCF student ticket requests.

The request for more tickets shouldn't be a problem as USF shares its home with the NFL's Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the stadium has a seating capacity of nearly 70,000.

Adding to the drama of the matchup is the Knights' 16-game losing streak, which is the longest in the nation. The Knights are desperate to end the streak as soon as possible and doing it against USF would mark the Knights' first victory since

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Around C-USA: Marshall falls hard, Tulsa falls even harder to Oklahoma

On the day when Marshall honored the coach that won 94 games in nine years in Huntington, Mark Snyder created a big hole in his quest to succeed Bob

Snyder, who was hired on Apr. 14 to replace the retiring Pruett, called a pass play at the Kansas State 21-yard line with eight seconds left and his Thundering Herd down 21-19.

The ensuing play stunned the Joan C. Edwards Stadium record crowd of 36,914, as quarterback Jimmy Skinner's pass was deflected at the line and intercepted by KSU cornerback

Justin McKinney at he 12.

It was a fitting end to the game for Marshall, who turned the ball over five times, including two fumbles inside the KSU 5-yard line.

Orlando native Bernie Morris started the game at quarterback for the Herd, leaving the game in the second quarter with a left shoulder injury. Skinner took over and finished 15-25 with 189 yards and two inter-

Morris led the Herd to a 10-0 lead before the KSU offense hit the field, capitalizing on a fum-

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VOLLEYBALL BEATS WILDCATS, SEE PAGE B2



Volleyball's captain Katie Kohnen practices last month for at the UCF Arena. The Knights picked up their second win of the season Friday night versus Bethune Cookman, see B3 for story

Men's soccer set to continue old A-Sun rivalry with Hatters

Ryan McIntosh, left, and forward Adham Rashwan, right, have both been key parts to the Knights' early success this



Stetson matchup will be tough as Knights prepare for C-USA

BRIAN MURPHY

Some solid defense and timely scoring has the UCF men's soccer team out to a quick 2-0 start in 2005.

But Coach Brent Erwin and his Golden Knights know that the season is still young. They also know that they will have a tough contest against a former Atlantic Sun foe, the Stetson Hatters, on Tuesday night.

"For (Stetson), it's a big game because we are in Conference USA now," Erwin said. "So, they are playing on behalf of their conference to say, 'Hey look, we are just as good as [UCF].' We are going to have to be very good to win that game."

Historically, Stetson has been UCF's most-hated rival. With the two teams now in different conferences, some of the animosity may have eroded, but to Erwin, rivalries should not

distract his team from the big picture. The biggest rival for me is the team we have to play," Erwin said. "I always think there is something special about local games, because there is pride. But ... I try not to get caught up in it too much, because we need to go prepare and play our best game."

Stetson has lost its first three matches this year, but with a couple of breaks, that record could have been reversed. Each of its losses was by a single goal and in two of those games, the Hatters took their opponents to double overtime.

While Stetson has given up nine goals in its three defeats, UCF goalkeeper Ryan McIntosh has been a major reason for the Knights' early-

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Volleyball sweeps Wildcats for second win

ANDY JACOBSOHN

The UCF volleyball team found a win in a familiar place on Friday, now it hopes it can turn around its slow start.

The Golden Knights won their second match of the year, beating Bethune-Cookman in three straight games (30-21, 30-15, 30-16).

The Knights' second consecutive win improves their record to 2-4 while the Wildcats' record dropped to 0-7 this

Traditionally the Knights

have had no problem with BCC as they were undefeated in 12 previous matches versus the Wildcats, but only one of those had been at BCC. The change in scenery did little to hurt the Knights as they improved their record to a perfect 14-0 against the Wildcats.

Junior outside hitter Maina Heming was big for the Knights as she mustered up her seconded consecutive double-double with 12 kills and 16 digs.

The Wildcats' hitting average was .011, topped by the Knights' .318 average.

Contributing to the hitting

average was sophomore outside hitter Lorin Lukas with 10 kills and sophomore setter Kim Clonan with 19 assists, which was a match high. Ranking second with assists for the match was junior setter Leah Alexander with 15.

The home squad was led by Ariane Guy, who had 11 digs and seven assists. None of the Wildcats' players finished with more than four kills.

The game, which was originally scheduled to be played on BCC campus on Friday evening, was played at Embry-Riddle University's ICI Center

just down the road at 2 p.m. due to the construction at the Wildcats' Moore Gymnasium.

The Knights now only have one game remaining on their season-opening seven game road trip.

UCF will wrap up the trip

this Friday night at rival USF. Last year the Knights beat USF 3-1 at the UCF Arena. All time the Knights are 22-40 against the Bulls, but UCF has won its last two versus its Tampa rivals.

The Knights open their home schedule on Sept. 20 against Florida Atlantic University at 4 p.m.

season success. The senior two games with 10 saves.

Erwin said that McIntosh's diving save on a penalty kick by CCSU preseason All-American Alex Harrison was the turning point that led to a 4-1 Golden Knights' triumph. McIntosh's 10 saves over the weekend gave him 297 for his career, putting him in a tie for second all-time in

His work also got him recognized as the Conference USA Defensive Player of the Week. And even though Erwin refers to McIntosh as one of the best goalkeepers to ever play at UCF, he believes the twotime A-Sun Defensive Player of the Year has room for

"I still think we are only

McIntosh and the Knights face off against the Stetson Hatters at 7 p.m. Thursday at the UCF Soccer

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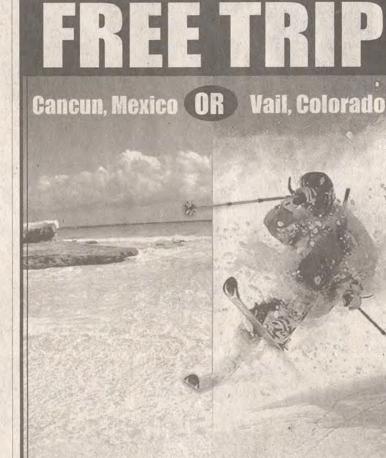
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scratching the surface on how good he could be," Erwin said. "He works hard every day. The training for him is pretty hard, but he is very good. He is a good ambassador for the team. He is a good ambassador for the university."

Complex.

Defense has been solid The loss was disappointing was going to be a hard-fought for the Knights as they put pressure on the Panthers throughout the game but were

> Harless, making her first start of the season for the Knights, was impressive as she made three saves before the strange game-winner.

> unable to break through for a

Midfielder Jen Montgomery, right, makes a pass in Friday's loss to UWM. The Knights are hoping to find the goal more in coming weeks.

UCF forced Panthers freshman goalkeeper Erin Kane to make seven saves.

The Knights outshot U-WM 15-11, but the Panthers had both of the games' corner

The game was also a physical contest as there were 36 combined fouls called, 20 of them on the Knights.

Wednesday afternoon the Knights took on Florida State University, the No. 12 team in the nation.

With Tropical Storm Ophelia spewing showers across the Complex Soccer throughout the game, FSU extinguished any hope the Knights had of winning early on in the second half.

Two goals in the first 10 minutes of the second half sealed the Knights' fate as they fell 3-0 to the Seminoles.

"Last year's loss to UCF on our Senior Night was definitely in the back of our minds," FSU junior defender Kelly Rowland said. "We knew this game. Luckily we were able to put three in the back of the net because it was a pretty even game for the most part."

In a game that was tightly played throughout the first half, but a brief lapse by the Knights in the second half proved to be costly.

In the 50th minute UCF gave up a goal to the Seminole's India Trotter when she took a pass and beat the last Knights defender taking a low shot past the keeper.

Less than four minutes later FSU's leading scorer Sel Kuralay knocked in her seventh goal of the season and second of the match to give the Noles' an insurmountable lead.

Florida State had 18 shots to the Knights' seven, while both teams had six corner kicks and four saves.

"Florida State is a good team," Cromwell said. "Our team is still trying to find itself. We aren't playing as a unit, we are playing as individuals."

Both Hanna Wilde and Roberta Pelarigo had two shots for the Golden Knights, while Hallgren, Kristin Bilby and Michelle DeCespedes each had a shot for the Knights.

The Knights' next match is on Sunday at 4 p.m. when they take on the University of Florida at the UCF Soccer Complex.

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going on offense.

they also couldn't get anything

formance by UCF's defense

was encouraging, as its begin-

great," UCF Coach Amanda

Cromwell said. "I think the

whole back line played great.

The shots that Milwaukee had

I did not think were that dan-

gerous. A lot of them went

high or outside. Beth Harless

more and the Knights' defen-

sive anchor, was solid through-

out the game helping to keep

the ball away from the Knights'

goal. But there was nothing

even Hallgren could do in the

95th minute when UW-Mil-

waukee scored the game's only

U-WM's Val Cooper got the

scoring play started with a free

kick deep in Milwaukee's

defensive end. Andrea Kramer

of the Panthers got the ball in

UCF's corner and crossed it to

the far post, where Sarah Tee-

garden was waiting. Teegarden

slid into the box for the shot,

but gathered the ball with her

body instead, turned around

goal," Cromwell said. "The girl

slipped and then scored."

"I can't be upset about the

and scored from the ground.

Hallgren, a redshirt sopho-

did well tonight in the goal."

ning to mesh as a unit.

Despite the loss, the per-

"Jessica Hallgren played

Ohio -COLUMBUS, Vince Young, best known for his highlight-reel runs, threw a 24-yard go-ahead touchdown to Limas Sweed with 2:37 left, and No. 2 Texas defeated No. 4 Ohio State 25-22 Saturday night in the much-anticipated first meeting between two of college football's most storied programs.

Young's floating touchdown pass over a defender capped a 72-yard drive during which his biggest plays were through the air, including a third-and-six completion of nine yards to Jamaal Charles. His second touchdown pass of the game made the score 23-22 and the defense did the rest.

The Longhorns' 'D,' which time and time again toughened after turnovers and special teams gave Ohio State (1-1) good field position, had the biggest takeaway of the game when Drew Kelson stripped a

scrambling Justin Zwick and Brian Robison recovered and returned it inside the 20.

Ohio State held the Longhorns (2-0) out of the end zone, but Larry Dibbles sacked Troy Smith for a safety and Texas coach Mack Brown had his second straight huge victory over a Big Ten team. The Longhorns defeated Michigan in the Rose Bowl, when Young launched his 2005 Heisman Trophy campaign with 192 yards rushing.

Young finished 18-for-29 for 270 yards and ran 20 times for 76 yards.

No. 20 Notre Dame 17 No. 3 Michigan 10

ANN ARBOR, Mich. -Brady Quinn threw two touchdown passes in the first half and the 20th-ranked Fighting Irish held on to beat No. 3 Michigan, making Charlie Weis the first Notre Dame coach to win his first two games on the road since Knute

Rockne in 1918.

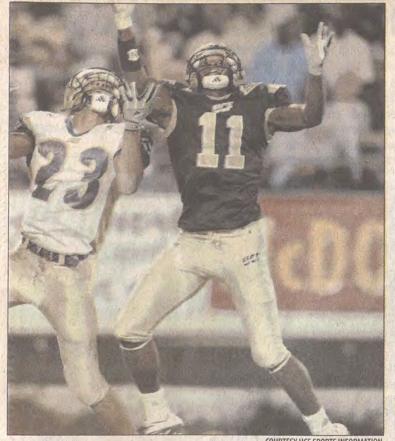
Notre Dame (2-0), which won at then-No. 23 Pittsburgh last week, snapped the Wolverines' 16-game winning streak at Michigan Stadium and handed them their first loss against a nonconference team at home since 1998. The Irish - two years removed from losing 38-0 in Ann Arbor - also won at Michigan for the first time since 1993.

Michigan (1-1) squandered several chances in the fourth quarter to pull within a touchdown before finally capitalizing on their third opportunity. On a fourth-and-three, Chad Henne lofted a 25-yard pass to Mario Manningham with 3:47 left to make it 17-10.

The Wolverines then forced Notre Dame to punt, but four incomplete passes later, the Irish were celebrating on the sideline.

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Mike Walker, above right, scored a touchdown and had more than 100 yards receiving at USC.

Players ready for rivalry matchup

Oct. 25, 2003.

"Not necessarily doing it against them, but to do it period," UCF senior receiver Brandon Marshall said. "But [doing it against them] would be that much better."

"This is the biggest game of my college career," Marshall said. "Tm worked up for it. I'm working myself into a frenzy every day and by the time I come out that tunnel I'm going to be steaming. It's going to be fun, the Battle of I-4."

UCF quarterback Steven Moffett, who celebrates his 21st birthday on Tuesday, has been looking forward to this matchup as well for a number of reasons.

"I'm really excited." Moffett said. "That's a big rivalry game for us. I know a lot of those guys out there, and I got a lot of friends that go to South Florida ... We've always wanted to play each other and now we finally get that chance to play each other so it should be really excit-

Other players aren't buying into the idea of a rivalry, but putting the focus into getting a win, no matter who their opponent is.

"I don't see it as a rivalry being the first time we've played them," senior UCF defensive lineman Glenroy Watkins said. "But it should be and it's going to be an exciting game, because I

think we should beat them."

Junior receiver Mike Walker echoed a similar sentiment.

"We're just trying to win," Walker said. "We need a victory ... We're just working hard and trying to get a victory. All that rivalry stuff is for the media and

"That would be great," UCF defensive end Paul Carrington said of beating the Bulls to end the streak. "That's what we're looking for."

But Carrington knows that the Knights will have to be consistent on defense throughout the game, something they struggled with in the first half against South Carolina.

"I think the first two plays we gave up were just stupid, little mistakes," Carrington said. "Like not calling the blitz to the right side and not playing the proper coverage or not getting pressure on the quarterback. Just stupid little things, and against Steve Spurrier you can't really do

According to Carrington, if the Knights play the entire game against USF the way they played the second half against South Carolina, then anything is possi-

"That's the main thing we did well against South Carolina [in the second half]," Carrington said. "We got some pressure on him and got three sacks. I think if we go in against USF and play the same I think there's no question that we can get the 'W."

AROUND CONFERENCE USA

FROM B1

ble on the kickoff following Marshall's opening field goal.

Skinner took Marshall down the field prior to his second interception, completing passes of 20 and 32 yards to set up what seemed like a sure field goal attempt for Ian O'Connor, who had already hit from 44 and 21 yards out.

Marshall's next game is Sept. 24, when it comes to Orlando for its C-USA opener with UCF.

For a brief moment in the fourth quarter, it looked like the Golden Hurricane would roll through Norman to hand Oklahoma its second loss in two weeks.

Adrian Peterson had other ideas.

The Sooners did not attempt a pass for the entire second half, opting to hand the ball to Peterson 19 times, and last season's Heisman Trophy runner-up responded with 183 yards in the half to lead Oklahoma to a 31-15

Peterson finished with 32 carries for 222 yards and 3 touchdowns in support of struggling freshman quarterback Rhett Bomar.

Bomar finished 5-13 with 41 yards and two interceptions, both of which resulted in Tulsa

With 9:10 remaining in the game, Tulsa cut the Sooner lead to 17-15 on a quarterback sneak by Paul Smith, but failed to convert the two point try as Smith misfired on a pass to Richard McQuillar.

Peterson put the game away six minutes later, breaking three tackles on a fourth-and-1 play and high stepping his way into the end zone for a 41-yard score.

Tulsa falls to 0-2, traveling to North Texas Saturday before heading home to open the C-USA slate against Memphis on Sept. 24.

Southern Mississippi

The Golden Eagles looked to make their last scheduled trip to Tuscaloosa a memorable one, but the Alabama offense was too much for Southern Mississippi in a 30-21 Crimson Tide victory.

Tide quarterback Brodie Croyle threw for 330 yards and two touchdowns, while running back Tim Castille added two

USM scored 21 unanswered points in the first half to take a 21-10 lead, with quarterback Dustin Almond throwing two touchdowns to wide receiver Anthony Perine.

Castille's two touchdowns in the second half stemmed the



Tulsa defensive back Nick Graham returns an interception past Oklahoma wide receiver Travis Wilson (4) who watches during Oklahoma's 31-15 victory over the Golden Hurricane Saturday.

Golden Eagle tide and completed the scoring, as Almond was intercepted late in the fourth quarter and Darren McCaleb

missed a 45-yard field goal. This was the 14th straight season in which Alabama and Southern Miss played, but as of right now, the game is not scheduled for future seasons.

The USM football program had spent the last two weeks in Memphis, 300 miles north of its home in Hattiesburg. It will head back home to host Division I-AA McNeese State before beginning its C-USA schedule on the road against Houston.

Houston

The Cougars turned the ball over three times, but 499 yards of total offense were enough to overcome Division I-AA Sam Houston State 31-10 at Robertson Stadium in Houston.

Quarterback Kevin Kolb was 19 of 31 with 208 yards and two touchdowns, adding 56 yards rushing on 11 carries.

The Cougars rushed for 293 yards as a team, with fifth-year senior running back Ryan Gilbert leading the way with 127 yards on 17 carries and two scores, his first career 100-yard rushing game.

While the Cougars were able to come out on top without much struggle, there were some disturbing trends that carried over from their loss to Oregon last week.

Houston committed 12 penalties for 105 yards against Oregon, but failed to improve much against weaker competition, committing eight penalties for 74 yards.

They also allowed Sam Houston St. to average better

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than 5 yards per rushing attempt, adding to Oregon's 206 yards gained on the ground last

Houston will go to El Paso, Texas, on Friday night for a nationally televised showdown with C-USA West Division rival UTEP. ESPN2 will have the game, which begins at 8 p.m.

Alabama-Birmingham (UAB)

The Blazers did not let their near upset of Tennessee last week dampen their expectations, traveling across the state to Troy to defeat the Trojans 27-UAB's defense was once

again the story. After creating a quarterback controversy between Rick Clausen and Erik Ainge in Tennessee last weekend, the Blazers intercepted Troy quarterback Carl Meadows four times, adding four

Junior linebacker Orlandus King was the star for the Blazers, recording seven tackles, an interception and a sack. 2004 All C-USA defensive end Larry McSwain added an interception and sack to go with his three tackles. UAB quarterback Darrell

Hackney continued his outstanding play, throwing for 296 yards and two touchdowns. Corey White and Trey Chaney added 96 and 77 yards rushing, respectively. The UAB victory ended a 10-

game home winning streak for Troy, holding the Trojans to just 190 yards of total offense.

The Blazers will complete the non-conference portion of their schedule at home on Saturday against I-AA Jacksonville

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UCLA outgained the Rice offense by 323 yards as UCLA quarterback Drew Olson passed for 296 yards and three touchdowns en route to a 63-21 Bruin

The Owls lost their seventh straight game dating back to last season, their inept defense the story again. This was the fourth time in the last nine games in which the Owl opponent scored more than 50 points.

UCLA running back Maurice Drew, a sleeper for the Heisman Trophy, compiled 168 total yards on 15 touches, including two pass receptions and two punt returns.

Olson and Drew led the Bruin offense to touchdowns on its first seven possessions, creating a 49-14 lead by halftime.

The running game was the lone bright spot for Rice, gaining 192 yards on 49 carries. It could not offset a horrendous passing performance from Joel Armstrong and Chase Clement, who combined for just 63 yards.

It gets significantly tougher for Rice next week as they travel to Austin to face the No. 2 team in the country, Texas. The Longhorns are fresh off arguably their biggest regular season win in school history, beating No. 4 Ohio State 25-22 in Columbus on Saturday.

Southern Methodist University

TCU traveled to Dallas to take on SMU just one week removed from its shocking upset of Oklahoma in Norman. SMU, on the other hand, had been defeated by perennial Oklahoma doormat Baylor last

That's why they do not play the games on paper, as No. 22 TCU was stunned by the Mustangs, 21-10, to give SMU the prized "Iron Skillet" awarded to the winner of this 90-year-old

Mustang running back DeMyron Martin scored all three SMU touchdowns, two rushing and one receiving from quarterback Jerad Romo, en route to a 148-total-yard night. Those scores were the first for the redshirt freshman, who turned down a scholarship offer from TCU.

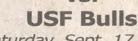
The Mustang defense was tremendous, intercepting TCU quarterback Tye Gunn three times, twice in the fourth quarter. Gunn passed for just 134

SMU will face another instate opponent in Texas A&M on Saturday. The game will be televised nationally by Fox Sports Net at 12:30 p.m.

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No. 5 LSU 35 No. 15 Arizona State 31

TEMPE, Ariz. — LSU came a long way to start its season, and JaMarcus Russell made the trip worthwhile.

Russell passed 39 yards to Early Doucet for a climactic touchdown that handed the No. 5 Tigers a victory over No. 15 Arizona State, giving Coach Les Miles a victory in his LSU

Doucet went high to pull down Russell's pass on the left side of the end zone and got one foot in at landing. It was the Tigers' fourth touchdown in a furious fourth quarter that began with them trailing 17-7.

The Tigers' defense still had to stop the Sun Devils (1-1) one last time after Sam Keller threw passes of 27 and 25 yards to start a final drive. LSU accomplished that at its own 28, as Keller threw four straight incompletions. LaRon Landry got between the ball and ASU's Derek Hagan on third down, and Ronnie Prude went to the ground with Terry Richardson after a low pass on fourth with 31 seconds to go.

Joseph Addai ran for 109 vards and two touchdowns on 16 carries, but special teams led the Tigers' comeback from a 17-7 deficit in the fourth quarter.

No. 7 Virginia Tech 45 Duke 0

DURHAM, N.C. — Marcus Vick threw three touchdown passes and No. 7 Virginia Tech turned in a dominating defensive performance, holding Duke to 35 total yards.

Roland Minor returned an interception for a touchdown for the Hokies (2-0, 2-0 Atlantic Coast Conference), who remained unbeaten on the road in the league since joining last

Virginia Tech's defenders spent plenty of time in the Duke backfield, tallying 10 tackles-forloss and holding Duke to just 13 yards rushing on 35 attempts.

Vick, coming off a mistakefree performance in his first collegiate start, looked sharp against the Blue Devils (0-2, 0-1). He completed 12 of 19 passes for 172 yards — though his receivers dropped three easy throws in the first half — with one interception.

Iowa St. 23, No. 8 Iowa 3

AMES, Iowa — LaMarcus Hicks returned an interception 28 yards for a touchdown and Iowa State capitalized on turnovers for all its points to stun No. 8 Iowa.

Iowa State (2-0) came up with an inspired effort on defense a week after struggling in a 32-21 victory over Division I-AA Illinois State, recovering three fumbles, intercepting two passes and getting three sacks.

Iowa (1-1) scored with ease in a 56-0 rout of Ball State in its opener, but the Hawkeyes were



Texas' Vince Young looks for an open receiver during the fourth quarter of the Longhorns 25-22 win over Ohio State, Saturday evening in Columbus, Ohio. Texas is now 2-0.

so inept offensively in this one that they never got closer to the end zone than the Iowa State 26.

The Hawkeyes got 140 yards rushing on 18 carries from Albert Young but had little else going. Their lone score was a 44-yard field goal by Kyle Schlicher in the third quarter.

Even worse, Iowa lost quarterback Drew Tate with an apparent concussion midway through the second quarter.

South Carolina 15 No. 9 Georgia 17

ATHENS, Ga. — Thomas Brown scored on a 5-yard run with 11 minutes to go, South Carolina failed to convert a twopoint conversion and No. 9 Georgia held on to beat Steve Spurrier and the Gamecocks.

The Bulldogs (2-0, 1-0 Southeastern Conference) were no match for Spurrier when the Ol' Ball Coach was at Florida, losing 11 times in 12 years. The most embarrassing defeat came in 1995, when the Gators routed Georgia 52-17 at Sanford Stadi-

Clinging to a 10-9 lead, Georgia finally wore down the Gamecocks (1-1, 0-1) with its running game. Quarterback D.J. Shockley scampered 14 yards, Danny Ware broke off a 16-yard gain and Thomas Brown did the rest. The sophomore carried five times for 33 yards on the drive, capped by his touchdown with 11:24 left.

Brown finished with 144 yards on 20 carries, leading Georgia's 238-yard effort on the ground.

South Carolina's Blake Mitchell found Sidney Rice on a 4-yard touchdown play with 6:52 remaining.

A missed extra point earlier in the game was crucial, forcing the Gamecocks to go for two. Mitchell overthrew Rice, preserving Georgia's narrow lead.

South Carolina got the ball once more with just over a minute to go, but went fourand-out deep in Georgia's terri-

Louisiana Tech 3 No. 10 Florida 41

GAINESVILLE - DeShawn Wynn ran 16 times for a careerhigh 101 yards and scored three touchdowns, helping the 10thranked Gators beat Louisiana

With the victory, Florida coach Urban Meyer accomplished something that his predecessor, Ron Zook, never did: start 2-0. Zook was 1-1 in each of his three seasons. Of course, Zook's losses came against Miami twice and Tennessee.

Chris Leak threw just eight passes in the first half, but connected with Chad Jackson on an 80-yard score in the third quarter. Leak also ran for two second-half scores.

Matt Kubik was 4-of-18 passing for 56 yards with two interceptions for Louisiana Tech (0-1). Donald Allen was 7-of-14 for 61 yards with one interception.

The Citadel 10 No. 11 Florida State 62

TALLAHASSEE - Drew Weatherford bounced back after struggling in his first collegiate start to throw for 342 yards and two touchdowns as No. 11 Florida State scored 45 straight points on the way to beating Division I-AA The Citadel.

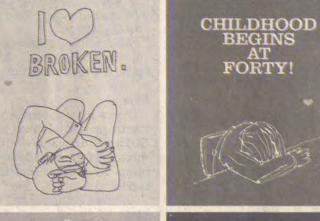
Weatherford completed 26 of 37 passes, a vast improvement from Monday's 7-of-24 showing for just 67 yards in a 10-7 win over Miami on Monday. His backup, Xavier Lee, was yanked after a first-half interception, but passed for 143 yards and a touchdown for the Seminoles (2-0), who finished with 629 total yards.

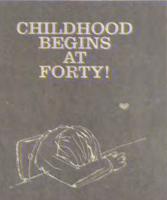
The outmanned Citadel (1-1) was dominated by Florida State's defense, managing just 91 yards total offense and five first

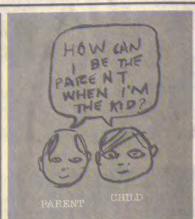
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Opinions

OUR STANCE

America still learning to mourn

he Sept. 11 terror attacks, like all great tragedies, spawned many songs. Some were sad and reflective, some were angry and xenophobic and some were just as confused and hurt as most of us.

Some brought tears to our eyes and some caused many of us to roll our eyes and quickly change the station. One country song in the second category, brought to us by Darryl Worley, extorted us to fight, calling "Have you forgotten how it felt that day?"

The answer, Mr. Worley, is

America has not forgotten and UCF students have not for-

Sept. 11, 2001, was a Tuesday. Many UCF students were in class, many still in high school. Some working, visiting friends and family, or sleeping.

In other words, the same things average people do on any average Tuesday. This Tuesday was different however; this was the Tuesday the nation's youth would learn how to grieve.

And grieve we did. We grieved for the dead, their families and our own lost innocence. We grieved for the illusion of absolute safety we had sheltered under for so long.

t is a rite of passage for

to the "mods," up through the

the more modern "Generation

X" and "Generation Y," society

every group of young adults into

The good news, if you can

come around again, and you, the

generation of students that com-

promises most of the UCF stu-

dent body, have demonstrated

enough of a discernable trend to

most derogatory and incendiary

Ladies and gentleman, you

are the "Entitlement Genera-

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A recent article in the Associ-

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The bad news? It may be the

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"hippies" and the "punks" and to

every generation to acquire

a label. From the "greasers"

For some, the loss was personal - a friend, a lover, a family member you may have only met twice but cared for all the same. For the majority of us the loss was abstract - we grieved for thousands we never knew but shared a common bond with. We mourned for a way of life, for innocence, for naiveté.

People grieve in different ways. The faithful flooded churches, temples, synagogues and mosques to pray for the dead and for the future. Some lost their faith, questioning a God that let such things happen to decent and innocent people. Many clung to their friends, families and even their jobs.

In one Florida high school a band director told his students to take out their instruments. It was Tuesday, it was band class and his class of juniors and seniors would play for the dead. They played every song they knew, and amateur though it was, they were moved. It was a form of mourning and it was sincere. But that's just one story.

All Americans have a story. It is a story of mourning, of heartbreak and of hope. It is a story that has become so much a part of our lives that we couldn't forget for a moment, even if we wanted to.

OUR STANCE

Generation entitled

to better parenting

The very idea of attaching an

all-encompassing label to the

millions of diverse members of

an age group (in this case, 11-26)

is absurd. However, these titles

don't materialize out of thin air,

and an observational eye toward

daily life will show that there is

has become so lavish that the

have been eroded for many.

is necessarily more elitist or

ties and situations requiring

are always choosing sides

regarding personality develop-

ment. Is it the parents' fault for

not raising their child correctly,

In this case, the parents are

clearly at fault. There is no enti-

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tlement that the older genera-

overprotective nature of many

parents today; some of which

surely are the same ones com-

attitude in public and in the

At school awards assemblies,

workplace.

plaining about dealing with this

You hear about it every day.

tion laments stems from the

or does the child itself have to

shoulder the responsibility?

ideas of hard work and sacrifice

What's truly frightening is

that it's not that this generation

unwilling to work than past gen-

erations, it's that the opportuni-

effort and struggle haven't been

there. For that, the parents are to

Experts and casual observers

Sept. 11 didn't just change our foreign policy or our methods of gathering intelligence, it changed the way we see the world and the way the world

For many UCF students, just in their early 20s, it was a wakeup call; the tragedy that defined a generation. Our parents tell us where they were during President Kennedy's assassination. Our grandparents still speak of the shock of Pearl Harbor. And now we are destined to relay our own stories to our children.

In the wake of Sept. 11 many further defined their political stances. Those of the left dug in and those on the right armed themselves as we declared war on Afghanistan, Iraq and, worst of all, each other.

In today's America there is little room for compromise. We've become an uncompromising people and that may be the least noticed tragedy in a host of

So, let's put the politics away for a while. For a moment, ignore all the orchestrated Sept. 11 memorials across the country and the pundits everywhere telling you how to feel. Let us all take a moment to mourn the dead, and appreciate the living, in our own way.



The UCF Marching Knights celebrate their 25th anniversary this Fall season.

READER VIEWS

Stop pointing fingers about Katrina devastation

After watching my family, friends and coworkers discuss the Hurricane Katrina slow relief reaction ad nauseum for the last week-and-a-half, I feel it is time to vent these frustrations. We have accomplished nothing, because no one is willing to admit their own mistakes and shift their focus to the remedies.

Our country is content to ridicule one another while people die due to inaction.

This is no more apparent than in the recent comments produced by Rush Limbaugh and Kanye West. Now some of my friends believe that Rush is a pompous windbag, and some say Kanye is a pretentious, opportunist hack. Brothers and sisters, can we not find some common ground here?

Shall we just agree that both of these men are pompous, pretentious, opportunist windbag hacks following their own agenda at the expense of the suffering? Why do we form opinions based on the observations of others? Is America frightened that its real views may not fall within the ideologies of celebrities or network television?

I am absolutely sick of this partisan finger pointing. Everyone is accountable. The citizens who refused to evacuate point the finger at the mayor and governor; they in turn lay blame on the poor planning of FEMA; and then who is left to blame but our president and Congress?

It's time to share the responsibility and all must be implicated — residents, local government and the federal powers alike. If I hear anyone else place blame upon a singular person or demographic, I swear will vomit blood. Could we please transcend this political pissing match?

be absolutely correct. A rational person would recognize that this is absolutely

Every good lie has a grain of truth to wrap itself around; however it barely touches the more pertinent issues.

I understand that it is easier to select the half-truths than to support your position, but it is no longer productive.

Petty bickering and uncompromising positions are what caused this horrific series of events in the first place. Do you really believe that the same actions can result in progress?

I am certain that these last few weeks are an example of something ... maybe a consensus will form and we can determine what it is.

- BRENDEN CONRAD

Building more refineries not the answer to gas shortages

I can not believe that some people are trying to use the disruption of the oil industry in the Gulf region as a reason to build more oil refineries and to drill off the coast

This will only increase our dependence on non-renewable, polluting energy sources. That is how we got into this mess in the

I know that nobody likes paying \$3 for a gallon of gas, but it is folly to assume that increasing our dependence on fossil fuels will solve our energy problems. Doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results is the very definition of

We need to focus on conservation to get us through this crisis in the short run and on renewable, non-polluting alternative energy sources to solve our energy needs in

- ANGELO VILLAGOMEZ

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And don't you dare take my more than a grain of truth in this The greatest problem I see is that many kid out of the game, coach; I pay the long run. of these assertions contain valid arguments, money for him to be in this Many young people today are but their central flaw is that they assume to warped by their lives of privilege league, so he will play. and fortunate circumstance. The A couple months ago, parents quality of life in the past 20 years in Ohio moved to have a little

league baseball team banned from the league because they were "too good," and they were making some kids feel inferior. This same team had been beaten badly the previous season and had vowed to work extra hard to be better next year.

every child is given an award so

Teachers spend countless

time after-hours fighting off

crazed moms and dads who

can't comprehend how their

child could be anything less than

that no one feels bad.

What was the players' reward for all of the hard work they put in? Well, success on the baseball field ... until the local parents decided they didn't want to subject their own children to, gasp, losing.

These parents are trying to make life better for their children, but their efforts couldn't be more misguided. Failure and setbacks are a part of the real world; you're not doing them a favor by sheltering them from these experiences.

Business owners and company executives don't care about how special your little apple dumpling is, and you can be sure that your child will not be treated special, regardless of how wonderful you (and subsequently they) are convinced that they

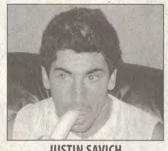
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'Where will you be for the **UCF/USF** game?'



JUSTIN SAVICH

"Going back to my hometown of Tampa to watch the Knights kick some



DANNY RODRIGUEZ Physical therapy

"Trying to get some tickets and then watching UCF win."



PAUL MCKENICA

"Riding the Sig Ep bus to Tampa and watching the game live."



BLAKE BOESEL

Tailgating heavily and watching the game in style in a sky box."



KEITH AHRENS

"Hopefully avoiding being arrested. I plan on being that guy."

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Five days left until UCF butchers a few moo cows

I have a confession to make and I don't think it's going to make many people happy.

I own a USF shirt. Once you've recovered from the horrifying shock please resume reading.

My fraternity held its annual alumni golf tournament Saturday and afterward some of the old farts thought it would be funny to give me a special prize in recognition of the hard work I do.

They gave me a freaking USF shirt. And it's not just any USF shirt, it's quite possibly the ugliest shirt of any

I have another confession: I wore the shirt as I wrote this column. In the fieriest pits of hell, never would I ever do something so horrible as to wear a USF shirt.

I'd rather staple my eyelid to Tony Stewart's No. 20 than ever clothe myself with the attire of a university that was created by the devil himself.

I know three things in life: I'd look stupid with a mustache, losing a lot of weight means you have to buy new clothes and USF is the nation's top university for people seeking degrees in

The first-ever matchup between UCF and USF on the football field is still five days away, but the reason I'm throwing gasoline on the fire now is because I've been issued a challenge.

The news editor of USF's The Oracle — who was once my assistant sports editor at the Future - sent me an email to ask if I wanted to make a friendly wager at the debut of college football's newest rivalry.

There were no details to the bet, just a simple inquiry as to whether or not I was interested. I've sent no e-mail back as of yet, mainly because I'm convinced I'll get a horrible computer virus just from e-mailing someone who attends USF. Pure evil, I tell

So this is my answer to the news editor at the Bore-acle: You bet your Bulls butt I'll take that bet. You name the terms and the wager and I'm down.

This is the reason why I'm wearing this horrendous shirt with its ugly little logos of Lucifer's university. It's reverse mojonation. Normally, I'll wear a UCF shirt every day leading up to a huge game and the Knights will lose. I've done this a lot obviously.

This time around I figured I have nothing to lose by wearing the USF shirt. I'm wearing this eye torture every day this week, on campus and



MOUTHING OFF **ASHLEY BURNS** Managing Editor

off, and it's my way of helping UCF win. The only thing I'm nervous about is getting off campus with all of my bones in tact. Hell, I want to kick my own butt for wearing this shirt as it is.

But that's my reasoning and that's why I'm accepting this bet. It's a gutsy move on my part and but I'm confident that the losing streak won't go to 17 straight. Plus I'm a man's man and we make bets and live with stupid consequences if we happen to lose.

I'll shave a USF logo into my hair - although there isn't much up there — or I'll wear this god-awful shirt for an entire month. I'll take just about any wager for this bet. I'll let those moo cow monkeys slap a photo of me on their front page wearing USF garb from head to toe.

Why would I do this to myself? Because I'm not worried. I believe in the talent of my team and I believe players like Steven Moffett and Cedric Gagne-Marcoux when they tell me that there is no win they want more than the game they're playing this Sat-

If they're hungry, I am confident that they'll succeed.

Besides, what does USF have that's supposed to scare me? Andre Hall? The big, bad Bulls running back had quite the game against Florida A&M Saturday -156 yards and three touchdowns is very impressive.

Too bad I could probably throw my ADPi flag football team on the field against FAMU and they'd do the same thing. Playing FAMU after the program was hit with eleventy billion violations — is like playing football against a team of retirement home all-stars. Be proud of that win, Bulls.

I'll admit right away though, that I really don't have any room to talk. I probably shouldn't be writing this column in the first place because USF has something we don't: a win in the past

Teams that don't win shouldn't produce newspaper writers who talk smack. We might not have won in our past 16 games, but I'll talk

more trash than Allen Iver-

The reason I'm so confident is because I saw something in our team this past Saturday, even though the Knights had a bye week and didn't play.

South Carolina's edge-ofthe-seat performance against Georgia showed me that our team is much better than any of us think. The Gamecocks have a monster secondary and they shut D.J. Shockley my preseason favorite for the Heisman trophy — down and kept Georgia's offense honest the entire game.

The Cocks didn't shut Moffett down. USF doesn't have the defense USC has.

I also saw the Cocks' running backs combine for 78 yards rushing against an amazing Bulldog defense. USC ran for 38 yards against UCF. I welcome Mr. Hall to step up against our defensive line, because I'm pretty sure that Paul Carrington and Chris Welch won't be as hospitable as I am right now.

I don't expect Saturday's game to be pretty. It'll be anything but pretty. I expect it to be painful for the loser and a huge bragging right for the

victor. This game affects recruiting, fanfare, statewide respect and the overall attention either school will receive. For UCF, I'm convinced that this

game is going to determine the season. If the Knights win, I think they'll finish 8-3. They need this one win to jumpstart the motivation and get the black and gold juju running again. A win Saturday should result in

UCF steamrolling Marshall at home and then rattling off six more wins.

My only concerns left on the schedule at that point would be UAB and Southern Mississippi. Memphis had me concerned before the season began, but the starting quarterback is done for the season, so let's see that onedimensional flop try anything against us.

If UCF loses to USF, not only will my pride be crushed and ego deflated like an innertube after an hour in the pool with Starr Jones, but the embarrassment will drop the Knights into a much bigger slump. I guarantee that my estimations are not far off. I can't guarantee that UCF will

But I can guarantee that if our boys really are that hungry, they're going to feast on some raw Bull this weekend.

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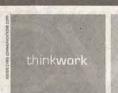
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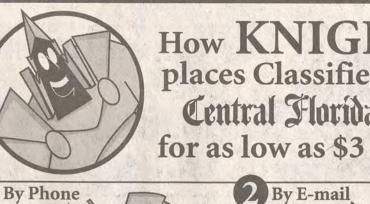
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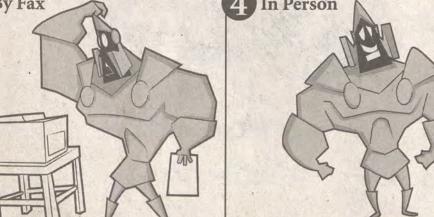
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