



SDES Gathers to Celebrate

Student Development and Enrollment Services (SDES) presented the **Third Annual Celebration Breakfast** on April 19, 2001 in the Pegasus Ballroom. SDES was formed in 1998 and has been committed to building and strengthening quality student enrollment. The annual event is held in appreciation to the division's employees.

Ms. Vicky Keller opened the celebration with a welcome and asked SDES employees to help themselves to the breakfast buffet. Dr. Thomas Huddleston, SDES Vice President, greeted all the staff and faculty and announced President John C. Hitt as the special guest to the event. Dr. Huddleston spoke of the appreciation and dedication of the division and the

formation of collaboration and partnerships. He gave special recognition to the SDES Council for all their hard work during the year and for hosting an impressive **Third Annual Celebration Breakfast**. Dr. Huddleston announced two new SDES Council members: Ashley Baker and Robin Holmes. They will be replacing Linda Jones, Carolyn Standner and Inez Ford.

Service awards were presented to employees of five, ten, fifteen, twenty and twenty-five years of employment at UCF by Dr. Mark Allen Poisel.

Following, Ms. Inez Ford announced the **Excellence Awards**. The **Excellence Award** forms were completed by fellow employees who nominated a co-worker in SDES who have gone above and beyond the call of duty. The winning nominations were then selected by the SDES Council. The Excellence Award winners follow:

- **OPS** **Jacqueline Jessup**
Advisor, Transfer Services
- **USPS** **Gary Campbell**
*Sr. Maintenance Superintendent
Campus Life Facility*
- **A&P/FAC** **Jennifer Boyce**
Assistant Director, Orientation Center

This year a new recognition award, **Vice President Award**, was presented. The award was selected by the Council to be presented to a UCF employee outside the division for outstanding service to Student Development and Enrollment Services. The Vice President Award winner was **Glenn Cunningham**, *Chair and Professor of Chemistry*.

There were smiling faces, great food, great company and many prizes and giveaways! Vice President Huddleston thanks all the employees of the division for continuing to add value to the UCF experience!

Thank you SDES Council for your time and efforts to make the SDES Annual Breakfast Celebration successful!



Dr. Huddleston presenting the **USPS Excellence Award** to Gary Campbell



BIG Prize Winner!
FREE UCF Parking for One year!
Cheryl Deer,
Brevard Campus
Campus Life



Delores Burghard, Director
Creative School for Children
25 Years of Service Award



People in the News...



- **Martha Bruno**, LD Coordinator for Testing, Student Disability Services
- **Casey Bush**, Program Assistant, Registrar's Office
- **William Clarke**, Custodial Worker, Student Union
- **Monica Flamarique**, Custodial Worker, Student Union
- **Elsa Nieves**, Program Assistant, Registrar's Office
- **Crystal Rozanski**, Accountant, Student Government

Special Welcome to **Lynne Branham** as she assumes the position of *Assistant Director at the Student Academic Resource Center*. Lynne has over 5 years of experience in higher education. She received a B.A. in Social Science (with a major in American Studies and a minor concentration in Psychology) from Stetson University and a Masters of Art degree from Southern Nazarene University in Education. Lynne has an extensive background in program development, coordination of tutoring programs, development of curriculum, evaluation and supervision. Lynne's interests outside of work include gardening, spending time with family and cooking.



Soon to be awarded MA

- **Sandra Bulger**, Assistant University Registrar and UCF staff member since 1989, will receive a Master of Arts degree in Spanish Literature from the University of Central Florida this month. A graduate of McMurry University in Abilene, Texas, she has journeyed through the Cashier's Office, then the Admissions Office and now serves the Registrar's Office in her current position, where her responsibilities include readmissions, transfers, Help Line, scanning and college program assistance.
- **Michael R. Zinsar**, Assistant Director Information and Publications, will receive a Master of Arts degree in Corporate Communication and Technology from Rollins College this month. He is a graduate of St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York and has directed the information and publications activities for the Registrar's Office since March 2001.

Joe Ritchie, Director of Orientation, and **Jennifer Boyce**, Assistant Director of Orientation, along with the 2001 O-Team, recently attended the annual Southern Regional Orientation Workshop held in Murray, Kentucky. Over 1,200 people attended this event with the majority of them being orientation leaders from over 40 colleges. While there, the O-Team participated in the 'Song' and the 'Banner' competition. In addition, both Joe and Jen presented two programs: *Understanding and Celebrating our Diversity and Body Language and Nonverbal Communication*. Joe and Jen received third place in the category of Educational Session for their program presentations.

ABOVE and BEYOND

Gloria Jimenez



When people, particularly staff and students, are our most important product, then each individual is invaluable to the operation and success of a university! Such is the case in the Unit of Special Programs. **Gloria Jimenez** is the *Administrative Assistant* in Special Programs, working in the Office of the Assistant Vice President. Gloria began her career at UCF in 1988 as a Clerk Typist in Student Health Services. As a result of Gloria's excellent experience and outstanding performance at Student Health Services, she was hired as an Office Assistant in what was then Multicultural Student Services (MSS)! In 1998, based upon her demonstrated loyalty, performance, and effectiveness, Gloria was elevated to Administrative Assistant in the new Division of Student Development and Enrollment Services! When Gloria is not at work, she enjoys music, cooking, traveling, and being a proud parent of three adult children, two of whom are male twins and a daughter. Gloria also has a granddaughter, whom she really enjoys spending time with. Gloria is expecting a new grandchild from her daughter and son-in-law in May. This segment of "Above and Beyond" takes special pride and pleasure in citing Gloria Jimenez as the Unit of Special Programs outstanding staff member for this month! Let us hear it for Gloria! Congratulations! -Submitted by A.J. Range

Associate University Registrar, **Dr. Paige Borden**, has announced her pending transition from that post to Computer Services, where she will serve as the Functional Analyst for the Student Records Module. In this position Dr. Borden's new focus will be on the continued conversion of student records data, system testing and ensuring the full documentation of the new business processes and set-up tables. She will be missed by her many friends in the Registrar's Office who all wish her the best in her new position.

Christine Hanlon, Academic Support Services Coordinator in Counseling and Testing, published "*Communicating Quotes*," "*Effective Versus Ineffective Presentational Aids*," and "*Getting Sticky about Brainstorming Effective/Ineffective Speaking Skills*" in Teaching Ideas for the Basic Communication Course, Volume Five.

Career Resource Center



Thomas Barr, Assistant Director and Liaison to the College of Health and Public Affairs and College of Education, was the Keynote Speaker for the ROTC Awards Banquet. He spoke on the critical topic of leadership and building academic and career skills for the future. This topic exemplifies the Career Resource Center's career planning focus for all UCF students. Thomas is an example of leadership for the students he advises and his constituents.

UKnighted Articles

Please submit your June newsletter articles to jpardo@mail.ucf.edu by May 15th. Thank you.





Points of Pride...

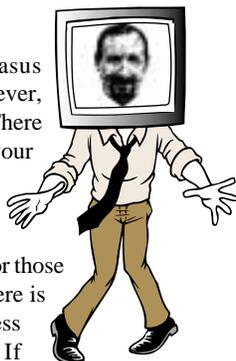
Class Advantage 2001

With the conclusion of Class Advantage Program, the Academic Support and Advising Programs and Multicultural Academic and Support Services' Office advised and registered 415 high academically, achieving incoming summer and fall 2001 freshmen. The Admissions Office invited 1,400 students to participate in the Class Advantage Program, 437 students responded that they would like to participate in the program and 415 were advised through phone appointments on-campus advising sessions. Of these 415 students, approximately 40 are also participating in the LEAD Scholars Program and 200 are estimated participating in the Honors College. First Year Advising and Information Services would like to thank all the advisors and supporting offices that helped make the 2001 program successful.



Pegasus Accounts

Many UCF staff members use their Pegasus account to dial-in to UCF. It is not easy, however, when you need to change your password. There is now an easy to use web page for changing your Pegasus password! You can now go to: <https://pegasus.cc.ucf.edu/secure-bin/pw.cgi>. Simply enter your information, click on "change password" and you're good to go. For those that use Pegasus for their personal email, there is now a web based application. The web address is: <https://pegasus.cc.ucf.edu/webmail/>. If you've been using Pine to read your email, you'll truly appreciate this new option. Please pass this information on to both co-workers and students. -Submitted by Mike Pinn



Partnership with Knight's Crossing/Knight's Court will impact students UCF experience

The unique affiliation with the College Park properties brings many opportunities as well as challenges to UCF. The Department of Housing and Residence Life is rising to the challenge and has hired 60 RAs and is currently recruiting for the new Area Coordinators that will coordinate the residential life program for the Knight's Crossing as well as the Knight's Court communities. The residence life program, which will be operational in the fall 2001, will be similar in scope to the current program that our on-campus students enjoy. This will mean that members of the UCF residence life team will be available 24 hours a day to students in need. Social and educational programs, for all residents, will be provided as well. The UCF residence life team will be actively involved with both of these communities in all facets of the residential living, thereby enhancing the students UCF experience.



Student Government (SG)

The votes have been tallied and this year there is no reason for a recount (not even once let alone 3-4 times) in the spring presidential elections. Thanks to all those who voted and to those who encouraged students to voice their vote on-line-- SG had roughly 2,800 students vote in the primaries and 2,300 for the run-offs. Congratulations to the winning ticket -- **Marco Pena** (Student Body President), **Katie**

Campbell (Student Body Vice President) and **Tommy Shavers** (Executive Vice President). SG is expecting good things from the new SG officers! Also, to the current SG administration of **Dennis Sprenkle** (Student Body President), **Christine Kurle** (Executive VP), **Marco Pena** (Student Body VP) and their cabinet members...thank you for your efforts this last year!!

SG's executive branch organized a **UCF Nite at Wet 'n Wild** that was FREE to all UCF students with identification. Over 3,500 tickets were distributed in advance of the event and SG had a 77% rate of attendance by UCF students. *Good job, SG!*



Health Center Scores in Fun Run and Walk

Ten staff members from the Student Health Center participated in the annual 5K Fun Run and Walk on April 6th. Not only did they participate, but they placed first among the staff and faculty teams! Beginning at the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity house, several hundred students, staff and faculty members set out on a 3 1/2 mile run and walk to promote wellness and healthy lifestyles. The event was sponsored by Campus Wellness and STRIKE, the new student-led tobacco awareness campaign. Five members of the Health Center staff received medals. The team, in addition to a trophy, won enough Kelsey's coupons to put on a mega-pizza party back at the clinic!



Student Disability Services (SDS) is proud to announce that **Deborah Kamm**, Coordinator, has been awarded a stipend to attend the International Technology and Education of the Deaf Symposium – Supporting Learners K-College at the Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, NY on June 25-29th. The Post Secondary Education Consortium, a national technical assistance agency that serves students who are deaf or hard of hearing, announced grants for only three travel stipends for participants from Florida who will be attending this conference. UCF is part of the Florida distance Tech and Support Service Collaborative, which enables innovative technology to be implemented for the deaf and hard of hearing at post-secondary institutions. The Collaborative shares state-of-the-art technology among the schools that comprise the Collaborative. The agenda for the conference includes various topics including Using Technology to Support Learning, Measuring the Impact of Technology in the Teaching/Learning Process, Online and Distance Learning as well as various "hands-on" workshops to demonstrate the effective use of technology in the classroom for students with disabilities.

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In the world of financial aid the only thing constant is something will change. The Office of Student Financial Assistance has undertaken a change that will enhance student service and empower the office staff. A team approach is being adopted which pairs groups of students with a team of financial aid professionals; therefore, providing students with a consistent source of information and assistance throughout an academic career. In addition, staff will be able to take care of the student's financial aid concern from beginning to end. When the student comes in or calls, he or she will be referred to the team handling his portion of the alphabet. The alphabet will be broken down based on student last names. This team approach has been efficient and effective.





Student Health Services held a covered-dish luncheon in April honoring the graduating seniors who work in the Health Center, Wellness and REACH: Peer Education as well as all their hard-working OPS staff members. This has become an annual event and specifically singled out graduates: Barbara Camero, Kim Moss, Scott Jurgens, Elisa DiCarlo, Xavier Colo, Jackson Hie, Amanda Boyer, Jennifer Casals, Allyn Bridgewater, Brooke Williams, Nick Guittar, Tammy Bryant, Laura Willocks, Carrie Flanigan and Kristine Wruble.

HEALTH SERVICES HONORS GRADS AND OPS WORKERS

- The **International Student Association (ISA)** held its annual international fashion show "*Mode Internationale 2001*" at the Holiday Inn Select on April 12th. The show was a success with 400 in attendance. The Honorable Consul of France Brigitte Dagot was the moderator. Dr. Cornell from the College of Education was recognized for his contribution and his support of international students. Thank you to the international students for sharing their cultures with the campus community.
- **Ragda Kurdy**, Coordinator of International Student and Scholar Services, published an article, "*UCF's Focus on International Education*" in the March 2001 issue of *Association of International Educators (NAFSA) Newsletter*. The newsletter was distributed to more than 8000 people worldwide. The article describes UCF's celebration of the 'International Education Day' as part of the first-ever U.S. International Education Week, November 12-18, 2000, declared by President Clinton. The article stressed the three institutional goals dedicated to strengthen the international education on UCF's campus and the programs that set forth the challenges, the educational system and institutions face in preparing students to live and work in an increasingly global community. - Submitted by Ragda Kurdy

Students Honored... Undergraduate Admissions will be making special visits to area high schools this month to recognize and honor our newest class of first-year students. These students will be receiving UCF academic merit scholarships. Congratulations to our local students on their outstanding academic achievements!

The American Veterans Travelling Tribute

The Student Veterans Association sponsored the display of *The American Veterans Travelling Tribute (The Wall)* at UCF, April 19-23rd. UCF was honored to be the first university in Florida to display *The Wall*. The memorial is dedicated to the memory of the 58,220 men and women who lost their lives in the Vietnam War and to the missing in action and prisoners of war who were left behind in southeast Asia. For more information, visit the website: www.avtt.org.



Creative School for Children visit The Wall.



The Wall with space shuttle Endeavour in the sky.

F E R P A

Student Records Privacy Seminar

May 11, 2000

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Classroom Building 1, Room 104

Learn exactly what information you can disclose, to whom and under what circumstances.

RSVP: 407.823.5454

Presented by the Registrar's Office

Come join us!

FERPA Presentation draws standing room only crowd

Members from across the UCF community recently attended back-to-back training seminars, filling both meeting rooms in the Student Union to beyond capacity. Presented by **Dr. Douglas K. Burgess**, Associate University Registrar, and **Dale E. Shriver II**, Student Records Trainer, the hour-long multimedia presentation covered the interpretation and impacts of the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) legislation. Questions and answers fielded many common concerns for all those working with student records and served to further clarify the university's interpretation and compliance with FERPA provisions.



Student-Athletes Volunteer

On March 21-22, 17 student-athletes participated in UCF Reads through the C.H.A.M.P.S./Life Skills Program and Academic Services for Student-Athletes. The student-athletes read books to over 270 elementary students from grades 1-4. The participating schools were Grand Avenue Elementary and Waterford Elementary. Sports represented were cheerleaders, football, baseball, women's basketball, men's basketball and volleyball. The student-athletes had a great time sharing literature and representing the Golden Knights. Natasha Criss (Academic Advisor) and Kwani Woods (C.H.A.M.P.S./Life Skills graduate assistant) represented ASSA.



Football team back on campus! The **Department of Housing and Residence Life** is pleased to announce that the Academic Village will be home to approximately 40 of the UCF football team players for the 2001-2002 academic year. The department is excited to have them back on campus; it will bring an added dimension to campus life!

