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**UCF PD solves few reported cases in 2007**

Of 666 reported crimes, police made 11 arrests

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**JENNA NEW**

Gardening

The UCF Police Department solved 2.1 percent of reported crimes in 2007, making 2006 the only year the department was not behind the national average.

Out of 666 Part I crimes reported, only 57 have been cleared, according to a report released by the department on Monday, April 11, with seven still under investigation.

The report was not yet finalized for release at the time of reporting.

Two of the reported cases were for murder. In neither case was there an arrest, nor were arrests made for the 23 reports of motor vehicle theft. Of 67 reported thefts, UCF police made only one arrest.

"We can't provide the coverage that we would like because there are not enough police officers," said Capt. James Roop, community relations officer for the UCF PD. "We are only able to respond to only those incidents and crimes that are deemed important or high priority.

UCF now employs 60 police officers.

The Uniform Crime Report submitted voluntarily to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement reviewed crimes at the main campus, Rosen campus, the Expo Center, Pappas Point and Pegasus Landing but not on the

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**AROUND CAMPUS, A2**

**BLOOD MOBILE IN FRONT OF THE STUDENT UNION TODAY AT 10 A.M.**

The blood mobile will be parked in front of the Student Union from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in a bi-match for the blood donation. Students who donate will receive a free T-shirt and some juice and cookies.

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**LOCAL & STATE, A2**

**WYDERS WANDER UPON SKELETON WHILE PLAYING ON THE BEACH**

The school newspaper recently began covering the story of the skeleton found during the beach excavation.

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**NATION & WORLD, A4**

**VISITS IRAQ TO SPEAK**

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**EYES ON THE STARS, MUSIC ON THE GROUND**

**FUTURE, A2**

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**NORML founder advocates pot use**

Katie Boes

Katie Boes, founder of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, visited UCF Wednesday night to encourage more students to join together and push for the legalization of marijuana.

Boes spoke in front of the Student Union Union by saying, "I smoke pot, and I like it a lot." She said that one of the main barriers to getting marijuana legalized is the negative stereotyping of marijuana smokers.

"We are not criminals, and we need to stand up and make that point," Boes said. "I think smoking marijuana is a personal choice for those who do smoke to do so in a responsible and safe manner. We need to stand up and make that point."
Around Campus
News and notices for the UCF community.

Global mobile in face of union
The mobile board will be parked in front of Student Union today from 30 am. to 4 pm.

In exchange for the standard donation of bread, the donor will receive a white T-shirt and some cookies.

According to the Florida Blood Centers, each donation will save three lives in the Central Florida Hospital.

Get answers to health questions
A registered dietician and family doctor will be hosting an open session today between 1 pm and 3 pm.

Miguel Van Camp with Health Services will answer questions regarding the "bad food," how to stay healthy in school.

The session will take place in the Wellness Center room 11.

Free food at chili-themed party
The Campus Activities Board is hosting "Salsa Kitchen" today in the Cape Florida Room in the Student Union from 7 pm to 9 pm.

There will be prize and giveaways, as well as food from Qdoba.

For more information, call 407-823-2954.

Local & State
Keep local with health news you may have missed.

Youth suffer from skin allergies during the change
PORT ORANGE — Authori­ties say a group of kids playing ball on a beach discovered an adult male without a hand while he was backed against a board near Port Orange.

Pineapple's office in Volusia County says Saturday's fluke of a day was caused by a skin problem.

The person had been backed for a few minutes, but it's not clear if the remains belonged to a man or woman.

The group of children, ages 7 to 10, said they had been on the large yard of the oceancook. The friends had been playing in the water and discovered the body.

The sheriff's office is telling the parents of the boy.

Port Orange is miles south of Daytona.

Loghead sea turtle nests are decreasing from beachfront developments
The nesting beaches in Sky Harbor's beach lost a substantial amount of loghead turtle nests in 2007, giving the state its lowest nest count for the last 4 years, according to the wildlife officials report.

Researchers found 45,074 nests for the threatened turtles, close to a 10 percent drop from the 51,722 nests counted in 2006, according to newly released, statistics.

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conser­vation Commission Florida accounts for 90 percent of the nation's nesting beaches, which have decreased by near­by half since 1996, when the state reported 85,080 nests.

Environmental experts discuss climate changes
Callie Roon

"Global warming is not coming, it is here. It's happening right now," said Subrato Chandra, the program director for the Climate Change Research Division at UCF.

Chandra said that buildings are a large part of the problem because they use 73 percent of the overall electric power.

"We are getting warmer, and we need to be aware of what we are doing," Chandra said.

"We are warmer, and we are seeing all the diseases, the super­climatic effect of human diseases," said Chandra.

"We are getting all the diseases, and we don't want the full-on movie."

Dr. Karen Sherin, director of the Division of Occupational and Environmental Health, said today at the Coastal Florida Student Union that the 2002 Greenpeace point person with the indian River County School Board, which worked with local commun­ities, businesses and industries to the reduction of global warming, said Pascanudo's speech was an impos­sible.

"I don't want to have more trees, better trees," said Chandra.

"We want less problems with our health in the future."

Chandra shared his own views on the causes and effects of global warming.

"It's getting hot in here."

"We are getting warmer, and we need to be aware of what we are doing."
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The U.S. Forest Service Wardens found two men thrown from their 23-foot boat when it was tossed from their vessel off Clearwater Pass in the Gulf of Mexico.

Kentucky suspends loans to first-time borrowers on May 1 until it can secure additional money for new loans right after the Kentucky Higher Education is scheduled to raise tuition for next school year. The Kentucky Higher Education is scheduled to bring law and order to the state is in Israel's interests, though he wants to retain some of the areas in the West Bank claimed by the Palestinians.

Palestinians in the West Bank trust to pay between fines of up to $5,610 and loss of customers if they have any doubt about their age. Failures in the recent day of their American Center and pleading with God to bring “peace to our land and peace to the region” and accomplishing her tasks with her bil-lion-dollar fund.

West Bankers who are 9 to 13 years of age or more are being told that until they settle up they are to do so as a result in fines of up to $188 and a license to operate. The experts warn that if the drinking age generally lowers around 18 or 19, they're just 12 years old.

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Finding the right roommate

ABOUT ROOMBUG

WHAT IS ROOMBUG?

Roombug is an online matching application that pairs students who are looking for a roommate. The new application is designed to make finding a roommate easier through matching criteria.

WHAT IS MATCHING?

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Roombug, a new application on Facebook, may be able to help students find the perfect roommate.

Rob Castellucci, chief marketing officer of U-Match, a roommate matching service, came up with the idea in June 2008. Having worked for a large apartment complex in Gainesville, Castellucci witnessed the difficulty of randomly matching groups of people.

“Our phones would be off the hook with people complaining that they got their roommates, checked them on Facebook, and didn’t like them and asked for a new roommate,” Castellucci said.

The development of Roombug was simply a way for individuals who meet potential roommates prior to assignment and to make the move-in process easier for both the resident and the staff.

Work on Roombug began in August and was completed in January.

In order to get started, users update their housing information in an application. This involves filling out a profile that includes a residence, move-in date, total number of roommates and how many more the individual is looking to add as roommates.

Once the user enters the student identification number to verify that the user is in fact who they say they are.

Roombug was initially implemented at the University of Florida, and after only three weeks, it was launched at both Florida State University and UCF.

“UCF has over 600 users at this time,” Castellucci said.

This application can be used by both the students and the apartment complex staff members. Roombug sends out a weekly report to the apartment complexes, notifying them of any match-ups in the system. Now, time that was once spent sorting our paper questionnaires and surveys can be spent placing current residents and working on future plans to maintain convenience in the community.

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Roombug has been constrained by universities and apartment complexes to adapt this application and put it to use. The vast majority of college students have Facebook accounts and take part in the wide variety of applications currently offered.

The opinions about this application vary. “Roombug has some kinks in it, but it just started so I think it will improve,” said James Owen, a student at UCF. “It would be nice if they listed people that match what you are looking for instead of just having to sort through everyone, but definitely helps when you're looking for a roommate. They have a good system set up that will only get better.”

Ollie Addinol, an incoming freshman at UCF, said she didn’t benefit from the application.

“I had better luck going on the UCF first-year student housing pages,” Addinol said.

Roombug is available to all students, not just freshmen.

Castellucci said he has high hopes to expand the application to speak with apartment complexes complete over all Florida, but the main focus will remain in Gainesville, Orlando and Tallahassee.

If a residence community is planning to live in is not listed, that person can e-mail student@roombug.com and steps will be taken to get the application implemented in that community. The Facebook application is not listed in the application directory. To access it, go to https://apps.facebook.com/roombug.
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Associated Press

MOTEGI, Japan — Danica Patrick became the first female winner in IndyCar history Sunday, taking the Indy Japan 300 after the top contenders were forced to pit for fuel in the final laps.

Patrick finished 5:58.94 seconds ahead of pole-sitter Helio Castroneves on the 1.5-mile Twin Ring Motegi oval after leader Scott Dixon pitted with five laps left and Dan Wheldon and Vitor Kanaan came in later.

"It's a long time coming," Patrick said. "It was a fast strategy race, but my team called it perfectly for me. I knew I was on the same strategy as Helio, and when I passed him for the lead, I couldn't believe it. This is fabulous!"

The 30-year-old Patrick won in her 99th career IndyCar start, taking the lead from Castroneves on the 148th lap in the 300-lap race.

"I think Danica is such a fantastic person, and I'm thrilled for her that the monkey is finally off her back," said Michael Andretti, co-owner of Andretti Green Racing. "We have all believed in her, and she proved today that she is a winner. Frankly, I think this is the first of many."

Dixon took the lead from Castroneves on the 99th lap in the race pushed back to Sunday because of wet track conditions Saturday, but gave up the spot to pit for fuel.

"We led for a lot of laps but came up short," Dixon said. "But congratulations to Danica for her first victory."

Patrick, who started from the third row and made her final pit stop on lap 149, stayed close to the leaders throughout the race.

Patrick went from fourth to second on lap 197 after Wheldon and Kanaan went into the pit on lap 196. She was as low as eighth place on the 189th lap.

"I knew there was a good reason for coming to Japan," Patrick said. "I want to thank my team, the fans and everyone who supported me."

Dixon was third, 15.97 seconds behind Patrick. Wheldon and Kanaan finished fifth.

Castroneves, awarded the pole position after qualifying was rained out Friday, said Patrick ran a great race.

"With five laps to go, I was saving fuel," Castroneves said. "When Danica passed me, I realized she was the leader. She did a great job, passed me fair and square and that shows you how competitive our series is."

Patrick finished a career-best seventh in the season standings last year and was 0.26 seconds behind the leader.

At the 2005 Indy 500, she ran a lap of 333.03 miles per hour and became the first female driver to finish in the top 10, earning her the Ed Whitaker Award.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Democratic presidential rivals Hillary Rodham Clinton and Barack Obama are complaining about which lane is the biggest complainer.

The lane is their treatment in debates. Obama is objecting to the questions posed, and then blackened in ABC News. Many of the toughest questions were targeted at Obama, the frontrunner for the nomination, and he said too much time was spent on political divisions instead of questions that matter to Americans.

Clinton said Friday that if Obama thinks the debate was tough, it’s because in comparison to the pressures a president faces.

“I’m with Harry Truman when he got out of the kitchen,” she told voters while campaigning in Pennsylvania. “But speaking for myself, I’m very comfortable in the kitchen.”

But it wasn’t so long ago that Clinton was the front-runner and complaining about her treatment in debates. After a debate last fall, her campaign complained of being double-tipped in the debate, and called it the “Politics of the Pile on.”

In late February, Clinton complained that she always got asked the first question.

“Why? Because I always get asked the first question,” she said. “No matter where I go there is an expectation here is running,” responded Obama, the most prominent debate Wednesday night was the first watched of the election cycle and has generated some negative reviews for ABC.

Obama supporters have made some of the loudest objections, and the Obama campaign sent out a fundraising appeal off the debate titled “Finally.”

Obama said Thursday that the moderators were starting up controversy and they let playing gotcha games, getting tough questions is part of what happens in a debate.

Clinton said Friday that getting tough questions is part of what happens in a debate.

“Having been in the White House for eight years and seeing what happens in terms of the pressures and the stress on a president, that was nothing,” she said.

Both Clinton and Obama were campaigning Friday in Pennsylvania, which holds its primary Tuesday, which is fact that while we have seen four of the five largest primaries, where participation is highest, Sen. Obama has done better in caucuses than we have,” Elleithee said.

“Clinton says she hopes she can win the nomination. One of Clinton’s supporters, New Jersey Gov. Jon Corzine, said Friday that Clinton needs a big win in Pennsylvania if she hopes to overtake Obama. A loss in the Keystone state would be “pretty much a doo, closer,” Corzine said.

The online Huffington Post reported Friday that Clinton criticized the liberal-organized MoveOn and accused it of general in a private gathering after the Super Tuesday primaries on Feb. 5. According to the Huffington Post, which posted an audio recording from the event on its Web site, Clinton said that her campaign had been less successful with caucuses because they bring out the “activist base” of the party.

Asked for comment on the report, Clinton campaign officials said they had not been aware of the “activist base” of the party.

“There have been well-documented instances of intimidation in the Nevada and the Texas caucuses, and it is a fact that while we have won four of the five largest primaries, where participation is highest, Sen. Obama has done better in caucuses than we have,” Elleithee said.
Not enough officers, police say

from A1
downtown campus or the new
Major Randy Mingos UCF police de-
assigned no longer patrolled the down-
Mingos told Orlando Police.
Mingos said the UCPD had a long-
everything, including mari-
despite the change, things will be
"Some of that report we take
Mingos said, "Each one is
"equally important."

Student wins 2nd place for news feature

from A1
personal experience in this field to see for the show since spring 2007. Students on the production track at UCF also contributed to the studio crew, making the entry seem more attractive to the judges.
"It's really much more than a course since, among other things students not only perform in our production facility and workshops all day but they also attend class until about 4 p.m. or so," Bagley said.
In addition to the news award, Dana Bosch, a broadcast journalism major at UCF, took second place for the "East Long Light Feature. Bosch's entry was submitted separately from the Knightly News, and she was one of only two students in Florida to receive a $500 scholarship. In the future, I want to be a reporter and eventually do long form features," Bosch said.
In future years, Bagley said he plans to place greater emphasis on this contest and enter the various news outlets he can. The only challenge, Bagley said, is watching the students grow in this field as much as they do in one semester and then having to say goodbye and start all over again. "It's like reinventing the wheel each term," Bagley said. "But it's still rewarding to see all of them progress and go on to great careers."

Speaker presses for marijuana rights

from A2
in the right circumstances can be beneficial," Shrop said.
Benjamin Ronald, president of NORML at UCF, said that more than 900,000 people per year are arrested for possession of marijuana everywhere. "I feel that marijuana is connected to many more serious issues, such as human rights and violence against women," Ronald said. "We are arresting many people who are choosing a safer alternative to alcohol and illegal drugs.
Marijuana is the third most popular recreational drug before alcohol and tobacco, but 50,000 people die per year from alcohol overdose and 430,000 die from hangovers and smoking tobacco, according to the NORML Web site.
"There is no record of anyone dying from marijuana overdose in the history of mankind," Ronald said. "We would have to track 1000 years of marijuana in one sitting. It's impossible.""Strongly" Shrop said, "marijuana has many economic and medical benefits."
"Marijuana ranks as the top crop in the world," Shrop said.
Shrop said that marijuana represented about $17 billion dollars last year, including tax sales.
"Americans have taken some victories," Shrop said.
"It is legal for medical marijuana for those whose doctors determine that it is good for their health."
The medical benefits range from treating glaucoma and arthritis to chemotherapy, in making the body immune to fewer colds. "You have to have a prescription to get marijuana," Ronald said.
He pointed out that Dr. Quincy [one of the executive-director of Oregon NORML] is currently treating medical marijuana patients. She suffers from glaucoma, which is a condition that causes loss of vision and eventual loss of sight. Because she uses medical marijuana, she has been kept out of medical marijuana absorbs the pressure in her eye, he said. Ronald and a team of students, student leaders and administrators created a referendum to lower the prohib-
the consequences would be up-
It's unfair to label those as alcohol.
"We are encouraging students to report the problem."
"We have the appropriate information entered into the national crime information database and the Florida crime information database," Ronald said. "People don't know their model and serial number for their property, so we don't know if we can't enter it into these databases."
UCF PD offers two ways to help prevent theft and increase property recovery rates. Students can take their property to the police depart-
With their driver's license, students can also register their property in a database at the UCPD Web site that will provide officers with the necessary information to recover stolen items. "It's a good community at UCF," said Mingos, but some people just aren't careful enough."

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"We are encouraging students to report the
"We have the appropriate information
"Getting this referendum passed is one small step in changing the perception of marijuana," Ronald said.

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Road trip ends with 3 more losses

BRIAN MURPHY

The UCF Baseball team welcomed the presence of Kiko Vazquez to its lineup for the first time this season Saturday at Marshall, but frankly offense wasn't the problem for the Knights this weekend in Huntington, W. Va., as the Thundering Herd compiled a three-game sweep by scores of 20-9, 15-4, and 12-10.

It was Marshall's first three-game series victory against UCF and it dropped the Knights' record to 26-16 overall.

The Knights had 45 hits in the series, but as much as they were able to score, they couldn't keep the Herd off the scoreboard.

In Sunday's finale, the Knights knocked out 15 hits and got two more runs from Chris Duffy, but starting pitcher Carmen Giardino gave up 10 runs in 4.1 innings and picked up the loss.

As an area college sports staff writer and a long-time Herd fan, I could argue for days about the quality of the Thundering Herd pitching, but the numbers speak for themselves.

The Herd (19-19-1, 7-7-1) didn't allow more than one run in any inning of the three games.

The Knights added two runs in the ninth. But it was too little, too late for UCF. Vazquez made the final out both of those innings.

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Marshall starting pitcher Steve Ellis didn't have a very pretty line, but he lasted seven innings and picked up the win. He allowed 10 hits and five runs, but also had seven strikeouts.

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The UCF Women’s Tennis team was riding a three-match winning streak heading into the Conference USA Championship, and while the Knights were able to add one more to the streak, their dreams of a conference title ended in the second round.

UCF lost 4-2 to the second-seeded Marshall Thundering Herd in the quarterfinals Friday and ended its season with a 12-9 record in doubles.

In doubles, even though Ethics Serena and Jennifer Carati were able to secure a win, the Thundering Herd won the other two matches and the point.

Marshall and UCF split singles matches, with each team grabbing three victories.

Along with her doubles victory, Serena was also a winner in her singles match, beating Jannah Schmutterer 6-4, 6-2.

Kerri Bubala and Anna Yakimchenkova also won their singles matches, but it was not enough to hold off the Herd.

The score was locked up 4-4 with just one match yet to be finished. Kyle McNicol versus Karatula Soor at the third spot.

McNicol won the first set 6-2, but Soor came back and won the final two sets to take the match 6-4, 6-2.

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Duffy tried to make up for his mistake in the field when he led off the fourth inning with his fourth home run of the season. A base on balls and a single by Tiffany Lane put the Owls up 3-0. But the Knights went on to score five runs in the bottom of the inning on just two hits. She added nine strikeouts.

The Knights were set to finish the three-game series Sunday, but results weren’t available at press time. Check Wednesday’s issue of the press release.

The Knights bided their time and took the lead in the sixth inning with five runs of their own. They tied the game at 9-9 on a couple of field singles but with the bases loaded and one out, Kallstrom stroked a pitch into the right-center field gap to give the Herd what would be a decisive 12-9 lead.

With the lead, the Knights added 2.2 innings for the Knights and didn’t permit a run, as Allen had been UCF’s Friday night starter for past few weeks, but the team’s coaches decided to give Allen the start so that the team should have home-field advantage on their side, the going won’t get any easier this weekend for the Knights. They’ll have to play a three-game series against No. 6 Rice (29-10, 11-6).

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6. A type of food (5)
7. A type of bird (5)
8. A type of dessert (5)
9. A type of drink (5)
10. A type of animal (5)

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