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Maintenance incident leaves resident in stinky situation

Carpet repair anything but routine as student's food and personal items among casualties after act of vandalism and gross behavior by worker

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Staff Writer

When Evelyn Torres left carpet installers alone in her Pegasus Landing apartment Tuesday morning, she expected to come back to a brand new carpet. But upon returning home, she discovered the installers left more than just new carpet behind. The installers, blamed by Torres with Williams, arrived early to start working and began to annoy Torres and her roommate. The noise they made for themselves into the apartment without knocking first. They used a set of keys issued by Pegasus Landing, employees to enter and were not accompanied by any of the staff.

Entering without knocking, however, was only one offense committed by the installers, who Torres said also broke several pieces of furniture and helped themselves to Starbucks coffees and other food from the self-service area before leaving. Torres said one action will linger in her mind— and now, for years to come.

"Without first asking permission, one of the installers decided to use Torres' personal bathroom while she and her other roommates were moving furniture in another room. That decision ultimately cost the installers his job, according to a

Pegasus Landing statement, and Torres said his behavior from that point left her feeling violated and sick. Torres said she walked back to her room unawares she had a visitor in her bathroom, but knew something was wrong when an awful stench filled her apartment like a sick wall when I got close to my bathroom," According to Torres, the installers were supposed to leave her keys with her at the door when they left, but the stench was the only offense committed. She discovered the installers had broken into her apartment and took keys to Starbucks coffees and other food from the self-service area before leaving. Torres said one action will linger in her mind— and now, for years to come.

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Staff Writer

Nine UCF beauty queens head to Miami vying for the coveted title of Miss Florida

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students wishing to once again claim that Miss America attends UCF may have been wrong to walk, as a delegation of nine students will be representing UCF in the Miss Florida Pageant later this year.

UCF has a strong history of producing some of the nation's, and the world's, most skilled pageant competitors. Most notably was Erika Diakou, who recently finished her reign as Miss America 2004. May be also could be.Jegiit that UCF students and alumni hold the titles of Miss Vermont and Miss Philadelphia, America.

The delegation of students representing UCF is almost twice the size of those representing any other Florida school. Jennifer Harrist, who was crowned Miss UCF earlier this year, was enthusiastic that there were "a huge UCF presence" at the event, and that "every one of the girls have a wholesome" Lauren Meyers, who will be competing as Miss Wisconsin, agreed that the large number of UCF participants "shows we have a very talented and intelligent women."

Mayor's declaration of the rater and intelligence enabled by UCF women builds on a growing theme that scholarship programs such as the UCF Pageant, and the girls who participate in them, are about more than just a few hours. Miss Aguayo, Nicole McPherson believes that the winner may not always be the prettiest contestant, "but always the smartest." McPherson. Mayer's statement is evident in the candidates' academic backgrounds, which range from chemistry to psychology. The Academy also provides logistical support of the holistic UCF undergraduate research experiences.

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transfers benefit from lessons at academy

About 100 students take chance to learn advantages

ABEER HADALLAH
Staff Writer

The UCF Summer Research Academy (SRA) is only in its second year, but it is evident that the organizers are seasoned professionals. This year's academy ran for ten days on June 26-29, and was held on the Orlando campus.

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racial report card gives universities B-minus in sports

LILIA JABRISSON
Staff Writer

Sports fans across the nation often draw general assumptions about racial and gender issues in sports. They see the diversity among players and assume it must be the same in the athletic office. They see sports especially seen to play on a higher pedestal. Right?

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One of the workshop's primary goals is to help students articulate their personal values, experiences, and ambitions in a way that will resonate with their future employers.

The workshop will provide students with an opportunity to reflect on their experiences and aspirations, and to practice articulating their unique selling points in a professional manner.

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- Saturday, July 1, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.: Future Concert Viewing Party
- Sunday, July 2, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.: Live 8 Concert
- Monday, July 3, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.: Live Aid 2005 Concert

**College sports bested only by WNBA for gender**

College sports are often seen as a beacon of gender equality, but new data from the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) shows that the league is bested only by college sports in terms of overall success.

The WNBA has long been lauded for its commitment to gender equality, with many players advocating for the rights of women in sports. However, new data from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) show that college sports are often more successful than their professional counterparts.

The NCAA data, which was released earlier this year, showed that college football and basketball programs have a higher overall success rate than their professional counterparts. The success rates of college programs are measured by a variety of factors, including the number of championships won, the number of players drafted into the professional ranks, and the overall team performance.

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The state's student-loan agency is getting deluged with calls from Pennsylvanians who want to consolidate their loans and lower their interest rates now.

Penn State reported 1,272 phone calls on Friday, 1,000 the next day, and 1,400 on Wednesday, said Jim Bush, the agency's spokesman.

"There are 700,000 Penn State alumni, and some are realizing their loans are due to come due at once," he said. "A lot of them are calling us to lower their rates before they increase."

Bush said the agency is having trouble keeping up with the demand.

"We are upgrading our systems and staffing to meet the influx," he said. "But it is overwhelming right now."
EVELYN TORRES had stored in her bathroom tile while the car­pet was being cleaned, and provided compensation for the food and beverage consumed.

But so some of Torres’ most important questions still remain unanswered. After speaking with Pegasus Landing property manager Jay Peters, she is not yet satisfied that everything is being done to ensure her safety and thousands of others residing in UCF-affiliated housing like Pegasus Landing.

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"I got nervous and started running through things," Torres said. And after wondering for a moment why this man was summing her belongings upside down, Torres said she came to a realization in her roommate, and said, "Oh my God, I don't have any toilet paper!" Torres recalled, this said she had ran out earlier that morning.

Just as Torres realized the situation was getting worse, she started hearing something that sounded like a newspaper being folded. As evidence would later show, the man apparently had purchased an issue of the Central Florida Future for toilet paper.

Torres said she returned home later that day to find a copy of the Future stuffed in a trash can and outlining a "trans­endent" odor of human feces throughout her apartment. She had also noticed a "squatter of disas­ters" on her toilet seat and some decorative pillows she had stored in her bathroom that were now exposed.

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Educatving transfer students
goal of two-day research event

The students were offered a unique glance at the prestigious labs in the UCF Research Park and Nicholson School of Communication. At Nicholson, the communication majors witnessed a taping of the Knightly News.

The highlight of the first day was the poster presentation and reception held by the 2006-07 research assistants, Jo-Gene, director of RAMP/UNIS was on hand to answer questions about the heart of the Academy, the RAMP and McNair Scholars.

The Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program, named after the late Ronald E. McNair, a federal TRIO program funded at 156 institutions across the United States and Puerto Rico by the US Department of Education, is designed to prepare undergraduate students for doctoral studies through involvement in research and other scholarly activities. McNair participants are either first-generation college students with financial need and/or members of a group that traditionally under-represented in graduate schools. For each academic year, UCF offers the research opportunity to 25 students who meet the criteria.

RAMP and RAMP-UP is the Research and Monitoring Program. The programs are designed to provide research experience to undergraduate students who work closely with a faculty mentor. Like McNair and RAMP-UP students increase their knowledge of research issues and graduate school options. RAMP-UP also have specific criteria for acceptance.

The second day was the most advantageous for Academic attendees. Led by their mentors, and Academy organizers, students were urged to reflect on lessons learned and alliances made. Each student left a four month timeline to focus their goals into a congruent game plan.

The mentors offered their brand of reality. "You are interested in research, but do not know in what capacity that you would highly recommend attending the Academy," Mendoza said during the final general session. "Even more, I think it would be great for others to serve as mentors, so they have an opportunity to give back."

Plans for next year's Academy are already underway. There is talk of expansion to let in a greater number of transfer students. Organizers say the structure will have to be reworked but the mission will remain the same. Whether the students make a connection for future research projects, or made lasting friends, one thing is certain — the knowledge gained from realizing their potential is truly wisdom well spent.
First-time dog owners face daunting task with finesses

RICK ZECHAR
Orlando Sentinel

To become UCF students, leaving behind their best compatriots from home is simply out of the question, especially when their friend has four legs and a undeniable showing of affection.

Students who live on campus traditionally had little time, otherwise than begging inconspicuous and taking care of their canine pals during the school year.

However, recently a few off-campus apartment complexes have perked their ears to the demands of dog owners and decided to open their gates to the four-legged. What has passed since the adoption of a pet-friendly policy at University House on Alafaya Trail, and the deceptive guidelines in regards to their furrier tenants, the pets are free to stay.

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New coaches add edge to basketball

Latest additions to help ease Knights' transition into Conference USA

ANDY VASQUEZ

Even though UCF's women's basketball season is still months away, UCF women's basketball Coach Gail Striegler has a lot to be excited about. The reason being that in the last month the Knights have announced the hiring of two highly-qualified assistant coaches, as the Knights are about to make the shift to Conference USA. These coaches are Justin McGee-Schweitzer and Becky Geyer. In early June, Striegler announced the hiring of McGee-Schweitzer as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator.

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Conference USA

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Weber's offense was once again leading the nation but it was her overall contributions that made her a candidate for the award and not just her batting average. She was the tournament's Most Outstanding Player after hitting .487 with a home run and seven RBIs.

Much to my surprise, the same trend had been going on for a long time. When it was announced that the Knights were moving to Conference USA, it created a whole set of new opportunities for the Knights.

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Weber's offense was once again leading the nation but it was her overall contributions that made her a candidate for the award and not just her batting average. She was the tournament's Most Outstanding Player after hitting .487 with a home run and seven RBIs.

Much to my surprise, the same trend had been going on for a long time. When it was announced that the Knights were moving to Conference USA, it created a whole set of new opportunities for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the Knights. A new TV deal for football and men's and women's basketball games and a higher level of competition that was sure to make an impact for the
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With the biggest stage in conference history, will the competitive balance be lessened? Coach Knight's key to staying on top is the ability for his team to adjust to a bigger stage. Coach Knight put a lot of weight into the Pan-Atlantic sports section, which will be a look at a bigger stage, and was also preparing his teams for the conference foes to have to offer. Texas will return six consistent from C-USA from last season.

Houston's team has the nation's highest average in terms of experience per season. Coach Knight is excited that Houston will look to be successful at a higher level. What I announced Thursday was a $600,000 immediate contribution to the team for a pair of All-American and league player of the year, while rugged Shelden for the second time in seven seasons despite suffering from a pair of All-American and league player of the year, while rugged Shelden, and was a remarkable success, a year ago we hit the Atlantic Coast Conference and could add up to another championship for the Blue Devils. We're not going to be a really good basketball team, but we've got a chance here anytime, anywhere. It's not know where we're going to be. That's why Coach K looks forward to the 2008-09 season now right. He has a pair of returning starters, and a top-15 recruiting class, which the Blue Devils won the Atlantic Coast Conference. That's why we're going to be another championship for the Blue Devils. It's quite a change from last year. It's going to be a different world, and the high point for the Knights in the conference. A three-year, four-year-old QB.
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