The president of Rwanda and the Hollywood writers gave resounding support to crippled the entertainment industry.

No. 1 ranked Memphis runs away with victory against UCF — SEE SPORTS, A11

Hitt vows to aid task force

Force aims to fight underage drinking

University officials and Orlando authorities are teaming up to fight underage drinking in the UCF area.

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Kari Wurzberg Staff Writer

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This is your last dialogue.
Kagame will attend a forum on the Alliance of Civilizations, which takes place today at the University of Central Florida. For more information, call 407-823-5727.

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What does this mean for you the reader? It means that we will have more information, more interviews, and more opportunities to see candidates on a first-hand basis and to understand their platforms.

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SGA ELECTION DEBATE

WHEN: Feb. 12, 2008 at 11 a.m.

The debate is scheduled to begin at 11 a.m. The SGA Election Commission is partnering with the Central Florida Future to present this debate. The debate will be held at the Royal King West Building, starting at 11 a.m.

The debate will be moderated by Spencer Berkowitz/Brandon Delanois and Adam Glby/Austin Smith tickets split up against each other.

Both camps have been gearing up for the debate.

"We speak to organizations multiple times a day, and that gets us prepared to speak in a public forum," Berkowitz said. "We are very prepared.

Both campaigns are running on similar platforms: students want us to focus on academics, and Berkowitz has gotten past the actions over the previous semester, which the candidates acknowledge.

"Last year was a pretty big turnout," said Jeffery Hartl, Brien Murphy, Megan Speer, Paulauskas, Shahdai Richardson, Zaileen Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, Maya Borenstein, Cara Cooper, May
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The alliance was created by Turkish and Spanish prime ministers after the March 2004 train bombings in Madrid. It officially dissolved in Madrid last month.

The tourism is scheduled to speak about U.S.-Saudi relations and Kagan will discuss the importance of education in helping Rwanda rebound politically and economically from the genocide.

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ALLEN

Judge faces ethics charges, primary charges over comments

An appellate judge facing ethics charges over a memo made about a colleague is now facing perjury charges as well.

In 2006, First District Court Judge Michael Allen suggested that District Judge Giacomo Kahn violated the public trust by participating in a New Florida College student's baby case although he had a conflict of interest.

Last year, the state Judicial Qualifications Commission alleged Allen violated judicial conduct by writing the comments without regard to the truth based on newspaper articles that were outside the court record and which he had no knowledge of.

Allen, also may have violated judicial canons by throw­

away and destroying public sector files.

The judge, who holds a law degree from the University of Florida, feared that his former fellow judge, the commission said.

Now, the commission has found Allen of violating the code by making the comments before his membership in New Florida College and each and every anonymity to Kahn. It ordered Allen to appear to determine before a public hearing on the new charges.

The judge had been sched­

uled to face trial on the eth­

ics charges on March 10, but that was delayed until after the county and personal animosity.

Rogow, argued in a prehear­

ing statement filed Thursday that the legislation on Thursday that Allen's attorney, Bruce Lichtman, said the WGA officially kicked off its membership meeting to discuss the latest contract proposal Saturday in New York.

The Higher Education Act, which passed in 1965, would reauthorize, or renew, the federal student-aid programs.

The bill (HR 4137), which was the first bill on education to be passed in the 110th Congress, passed by a vote of 354 to 58, on Thursday, on party lines to approve a rule.

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advocates to tackle loading by their students and federal student­

aid programs.

The military said U.S. and Iraqi police said earlier this month that 20,000 refugees have been killed and 2.5 million displaced since the violence began five years ago.

Most of the refugees so far have been Lebanese, and the arrivals are telling UNHCR and the relevant organizations that the violence has exacerbated the already dire situation for Darfur's ethnic African communities in TLC and other rebel groups. At least 20,000 civilians have been killed and 2.5 million displaced since the violence began five years ago.

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There are roughly equal number of Darfur refugees who have gath­

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When President John Hitt signed the College and University Presidents Climate Commitment one year ago, he expressed that the campus environment would become climate neutral. Since then, UCF has adhered to the pledge through education, research, and action, despite budget cuts.

One component of the commitment called by UCF to integrate environmental sustainability into its curriculum. The UCF General Education Program’s new sustainability theme is “Our Planet, Our Education, Our Future.” The goal is to incorporate issues of energy conservation and global climate change into a variety of subject areas through service-learning courses and other classes.

Alaina Bernard, assistant director of the UCF Arborium, developed a course called service-learning for sustainability for fall 2008. Students will spend one month in class discussing methods to save energy and the dangers of pollution. Then they will be given memos and spend nine to 10 hours per week working in the field.

Bernard said she developed the course because it aligns perfectly with the university’s strategic plan. “The Arborium Physical Plant has been implementing LEED-rated buildings, and we want to meet the pledge’s guidelines,” Bernard said.

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Sixty-one percent of the public believes the economy is now suffering through its first recession since 2001, according to an Associated Press-Ipsos poll.

The fallout from a depressed housing market and a credit crunch nearly caused the economy to stall in the final three months of last year. Some experts, like the majority of people questioned in the poll, say the country is on the brink of a recession now. The worry is that millions of homeowners will sink further and pull back spending, sending the economy into a tailspin.

Squeezed by high energy and food bills, "we can't afford the things that we normally buy," she said. "We are cutting corners in our spending. For our groceries, we are buying a lot of generic and we are eating out less." For our groceries, we are cutting corners in our spending. For our groceries, we are cutting corners in our spending. For our groceries, we are cutting corners in our spending.

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TUESDAY
FEB 12th
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CAB Comedy and SGA Present Late Night Players In Wackadoos

WEDNESDAY
FEB 13th
5:00pm
CAB presents our Spring Meet-n-Greet In the Memory Mall. Free t-shirts and other prizes!
6:00pm
CAB Comedy and SGA Present iRock concert in the Memory Mall

OTHER EVENTS/GENERAL INFO

THURSDAY
FEB 14th
10:00am - 2:00pm
VUCF Get Carded presents "Life is Sweetest when Shared" Valentine's Day event outside of the Student Union.
2:30pm
VUCF presents "Valentines Day Dance at The Bridge of Orlando." Come out and earn service hours for dancing with the elderly. Please email your RSVP to VUCF_health@mail.ucf.edu. Meet/Carpool outside VAB at 2:30pm.

SATURDAY
FEB 16th
10:00am-2:00pm
VUCF presents "Come Share the LOVE" at The Bridge: Assisted Living home. Carpool In front of VAB at 9:30am

SUNDAY
FEB 17th
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. VUCF presents an "Eco-Action" Water way clean up with Canoes at Soldier Creek. Meet/Carpool at VAB at 2:15 p.m.

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Hollinger calls impeachment hearing a 'spectacle'

President Brandie Hollinger said impeachment proceedings began, "You really need to think about what you're voting for in the future because you will not know the decision you will make." Hollinger had been a member of the Senate meeting, and the Senate meeting decided to move on.

"Personally, I think at the rate we're going, I don't think we're going to have an election," Hollinger said.

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"I feel like people are making a mockery, a spectacle, of what's happening right now," Hollinger said.

"This is the most disgusting thing I've ever seen in my life," Hollinger said. "I will go on record as saying I believe the two campaigns have caused this." Hollinger said.

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**Women's Basketball**

**BRIAN BURGESS**

While the UCF Men's Basketball team was wrestling with the No. 1 team in the nation in Memphis, the UCF Women's Basketball team was battling the women's version of the Knights at the New UCF Arena. Despite the heated battle, neither the UCF women nor the Memphis women could find the winning ticket.

After falling behind by 16 at 35-19 within five minutes of the game, the Knights (12-11 overall, 6-5 in Conference USA) began to battle back and cut the lead to 11 points at the half. The team was led by forward Amber Long, who scored 13 points and grabbed six rebounds.

In the second half, the Knights made a comeback and took the lead at 38-37 with 15:35 remaining in the game. However, the Knights were unable to maintain their lead, and the Tigers (21-3 overall, 12-2 in C-USA) went on a 21-6 run over the next nine minutes to put the game out of reach.

UCF tried to answer with a couple of three-pointers, but both attempts missed their mark. The Knights (12-11 overall, 5-4 in Conference USA) were unable to keep up with the Tigers' relentless offensive pressure.

UCF was senior Amber Long. Long went for 13 points, including 50 percent in the first half and 40 percent for the game including 50 percent in the first half.

"They have some shooters who can really hit with their 3-point shooting," Williams said. "But I don't think any of those shots were contested, and that's the frustrating thing. We did not rotate to the shooters quickly enough. We know who the shooters are and we're not hitting a few three pointers. That's kind of what happened tonight."
Softball grabs three victories in first four games

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After falling just one game shy of the Conference USA Championship last year, the UCF Softball team knew it had to start this season like it was out of the gate.

That's exactly what the Knights did this weekend, in its first tournament of the season. The Knights won three of their first four games in 2008, including a 1-0 blanking of Central Arkansas on Saturday night, at the UCF Softball Complex.

Central Arkansas struck in the top of the first inning when a Britney Beacham double scored Nattalie Smith from first. The Knights wasted no time in tying the score at 1-1 in the bottom of the inning. After freshman Tiffany Lane reached base on a fielding error, the score became 2-2, as Maryssa Coonell put down a sacrifice bunt that moved Lane to third. An error by Smith scored Lane to tie the score.

After shutting down the Bears in the second inning, the Knights added six runs in their half of the second to go up 7-1. Four hits for the Knights in the inning, including a home run, just two runs two runs two runs to right field, and three errors helped put the Knights up early.

UCF added another run in the bottom of the third and then RBI doubles by Cat Astle and Brittany Bearden clinched an 11-2 win for the Knights.

At the plate, Astle went 4-5 with three runs batted in. The Knights were led in scoring by Marquita Council, who and Ashley Van Ryn had two hits each for the Knights.

The Knights went on to Friday, taking the opening game against Illinois State, only to get tagged with their first loss of the season later in the day by NC State.

Eason scored her first win of the season in a 5-0 victory over Ohio State, and went 7-0.

The Knights were led in scoring by O'Connell, who had 5 points, Diane Nett and Chris Davis chipped in with 15 and 10 points, respectively. Taylor, who entered the conference Mazda-3 with 12 points in GSU's loss, was held to just 3 points. She was 1-of-7 from the field, including 0-of-3 from the arc and 0-of-4 from the free-throw line.

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Dark cloud looms over SGA race

By Editorial Board

The weekly newspaper, “Once in Florida: A Student’s Guide,” which will happen under the auspices of the Water Management District’s (WMD’s) Water Resources Management Board, will have even more difficult time maintaining its readership.

Another problem is that since the St. Johns River is the water source for all the areas supplied by WMD, and the amount of water coming from it is not really easy to control, the amount of water in it is the amount that you can supply, or the amount that you supply, or the amount that you can maintain from the reservoir. The water is supposed to be at least a 30% purity level, and it’s important to keep that level in mind when you’re looking at any major changes that are happening in the area.

The problems are not all with the water, however. The WMD has made several changes to the way it’s going to deal with water issues in the future. They’ve introduced a new system for regulating water use, and they’re also going to be more proactive in trying to manage water resources.

The WMD’s new system, called “WaterMaster,” will be implemented in 2010 and will allow users to track their water usage and set up alerts for when their usage is too high. This should help everyone to better understand how much water they’re using and how much they need to conserve.

Additional changes to the system will be made in 2011, and the WMD hopes that these changes will help to reduce water usage and improve the quality of water resources.

Dredging is another dangerous process. It involves removing the floor of the river so that the river can flow more easily. This process has many environmental impacts including decreasing the depth of water, creating additional islands, and increasing the distance between islands.

Despite these issues, the Water Management District has taken steps to address these problems. They’ve implemented new regulations for dredging, and they’ve also made efforts to increase the awareness of the issues surrounding dredging.

The WMD plans to continue to monitor and improve its water management systems. We all need to work together to ensure that we have a sustainable water supply for future generations.

In conclusion, while there are certainly challenges facing the WMD, it seems that the district is taking steps to address these issues. We all need to continue to be vigilant and support efforts to improve water management in Central Florida.

Try Knowledge, you just might like it

By Ying Zhang

The first half of the year started off with a bang. With the release of the new Harry Potter movie, “Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1,” many fans were eager to jump into the magical world of Hogwarts. However, the excitement quickly turned sour when the movie was met with mixed reviews.

Some fans praised the movie for its stunning visuals and faithful adaptation of J.K. Rowling’s beloved characters. Others, on the other hand, criticized the film for its lack of emotion and lackluster performances.

Despite these differences, the movie still managed to break box office records, earning over $1 billion worldwide. This success is a testament to the enduring popularity of the Harry Potter franchise.

As we approach the second half of the year, fans will be eagerly watching the release of the second half of the movie, “Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2.” Will it be a repeat of the first half, or will it continue to captivate audiences with its magic and adventure?

One thing is for sure: no matter what happens, the Harry Potter franchise will continue to delight fans of all ages.
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