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Getting Cozy

Pitching coach takes over the team in place of deposed Bergman— **SEE SPORTS, A7**



ROCK ON!

Fla. Music Festival will make you blue in the face with glee — **SEE VARIETY, A9**



RELIGION

A GOOD OLD FASHION CHURCH TACKLIN'

A Massachusetts man would have gotten away with stealing a collection box from a church service, but the church parishioners tackled him, ripping off his mask and taking back the box. Clyde Bridges rushed into the church with a cigarette lighter shaped like a gun. He is now being held on \$200,000 bail.



PARENTHOOD

BEER: IT'S AUSTRALIAN FOR NEGLECT

An Australian man has been fined after he was pulled over in the city of Alice Springs. The police officer discovered that the man had buckled in a 30-can case of beer with a seat belt, but had left his 5-year-old child sitting in the floorboard of the back seat. The officer said he had never before seen a case where beer took the priority over a child.



AROUND CAMPUS, A2

GAPS TO BE BRIDGED BETWEEN CHRISTIANITY AND HOMOSEXUALITY

The Office of Diversity Initiatives is hosting a workshop of discussions to bridge the gap between modern Christian denominations and those who are homosexual. The meeting will be today at 1:30 p.m. in Classroom 1.

LOCAL & STATE, A2

ARREST MADE IN PALM BAY ARSON CASE AS FIRES BLAZE NEARBY

Police say they've arrested a man who was seen sparking a small blaze in a town on Florida's Atlantic coast where wildfires have already gutted homes. Police say a man threw a glass bottle containing an accelerant into the woods early Wednesday.

NATION & WORLD, A4

DAMAGE TO CRUCIAL DAM COULD STOP EARTHQUAKE AID

Thousands of Chinese soldiers rushed on Wednesday to repair a dam badly cracked by the country's massive earthquake, while rescuers arrived for the first time in the epicenter of the disaster. Nearly 15,000 have already died in the earthquake.

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Colbourn burglarized on exam week

Students' personal information among stolen items

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The UCF Police Department is investigating two burglaries, both involving grand thefts in Colbourn Hall, occurring between April 24 and 28.

Faculty and staff said that laptops, flash drives with students' Social Security num-

bers, a projector and several sets of keys were stolen.

"One of the items taken was a flash drive that contained student information, including Social Security numbers for about 50 students," said Chad Binette, assistant director of UCF News and Information. "All of the students were notified of the incident, and police

are not aware of any of the data being used inappropriately."

Departments across the fourth floor and fifth floor of Colbourn Hall were broken into, including history, English, women's studies and African American studies.

All of the students whose information was on the drive stolen from the history

department were graduate students.

Andrew Kinsell, a graduate history student and graduate assistant, said he did not receive the e-mail from the graduate history department until days after the thefts were reported.

"I'm upset that it took them four days to tell me that my Social Security number was stolen," Kinsell said.

The e-mail, sent May 1, encouraged students to

"change your passwords of your e-mail accounts, as well as your bank passwords."

Binette also said that students should monitor their credit reports regularly, and that the university will be sending them a follow-up e-mail about how to protect themselves from identity theft.

Anjella Warnshuis, program assistant for African

PLEASE SEE **UCF** ON A5

OUR ROOTS GROW DEEP

A Colorado forest will bear the UCF name

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UCF will be named in association with a forest of 100,000 trees, thanks to the sales of used textbooks.

UCF was awarded the privilege in April after students submitted the most votes during a contest as part of the "Buy a Book, Build a Forest" campaign sponsored by College Book & Supply in conjunction with the Arbor Day Foundation.

On April 25, Alaina Bernard, assistant director of the UCF Arboretum, accepted a check for \$100,000 from the Nebraska Book Company, the parent company of CB&S, on behalf of the Arbor Day Foundation, the organization planting the forest.

"I was accepting it on behalf of Mother Earth," Bernard said. Martin Quigley, director of the UCF Arboretum, said \$100,000 is a significant amount of money for a tree planting effort.

"Tree seedlings are cheap," Quigley said. "It costs pennies per pine seedling to actually produce the tree, which means you could spend a lot of money on other things that have to be done that are less tangible than the trees themselves."

Quigley said a thorough planting effort involves land preparation, machine rentals, fertilizing and weeding expenses in order to be restorative to the natural habitat.

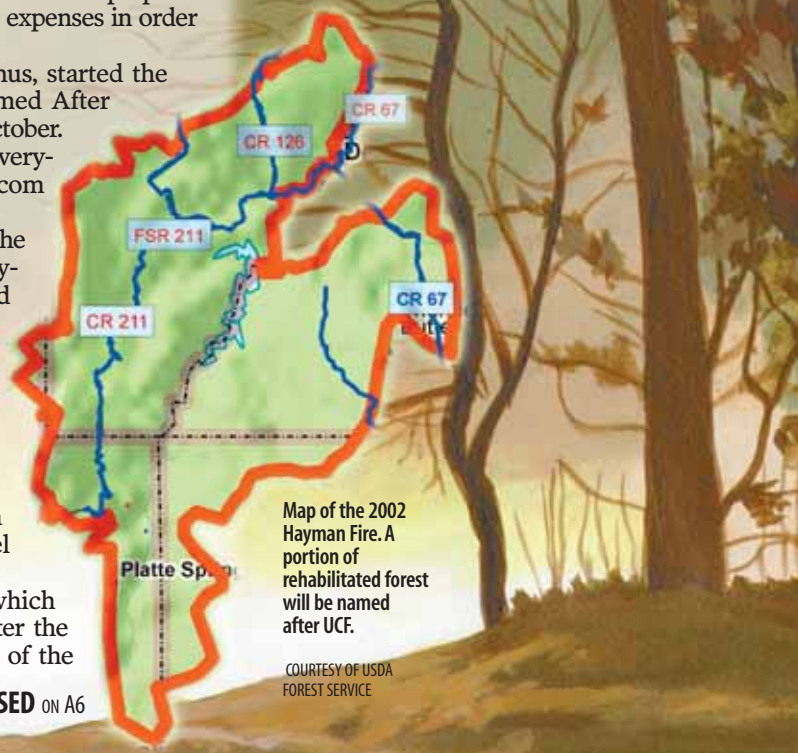
Last fall, Michael Garmon, a UCF alumnus, started the Facebook group "UCF Needs a Forest Named After Them" when the voting contest began last October. Everybody in the group rallying anyone and everyone to vote for UCF on www.buildaforest.com made it possible, he said.

"When we started out we weren't even in the top 10," Garmon said. "A week later, after everybody voting ... we caught up pretty quick and ended up with a couple hundred thousand votes, so we were pretty far ahead of everybody else."

During the contest, UCF, along with other schools across the country, voted to plant the new trees in one of three national forests: Flathead National Forest in Northwest Montana, Huron-Manistee National Forest in Northern Michigan or Pike and San Isabel National Forest in Central Colorado.

Pike and San Isabel National Forest, which needs more than 130,000 acres replanted after the Hayman Fire of 2002, won with 52 percent of the

PLEASE SEE **USED** ON A6



Medical school makes history

Full scholarships offered to students

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The UCF College of Medicine made history this year — each of the 40 students in its inaugural class will receive full scholarships for their medical school career.

"It gives them tremendous options to practice areas and specialties that they might not have if they had the debt," said Chip Roberts, vice president of development for the College of Medicine.

The past year has been a busy one for the College of Medicine — from gaining preliminary accreditation from the Liaison Committee of Medical Education to finding donors to support its entire first class.

Dean Deborah German has led the way, breaking ground on many new projects with the medical school.

Each student in the first class will receive a scholarship that entitles them to \$40,000 per year — \$20,000 for tuition and \$20,000 for living expenses — for four years.

The first major task, earning preliminary accreditation, was accomplished in February, which allowed the medical school to move forward with all of its plans.

"I am totally and completely delighted by our success," German said in February. "Last month, we were building a medical school. This month, we are a medical school."

The success was celebrated at a themed party, where all who attended toasted to the

PLEASE SEE **DONORS** ON A6

Looking to wrap UCF up

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Despite relatively low numbers in a small pilot study conducted by the National College Health Association on the health and habits of UCF students, university health professionals said that they still have a long way to go in regards to sexual health among students.

Low numbers aside, UCF health officials are planning on using the results of the pilot study to implement larger sexual health changes and policies at UCF. Peter Mas-

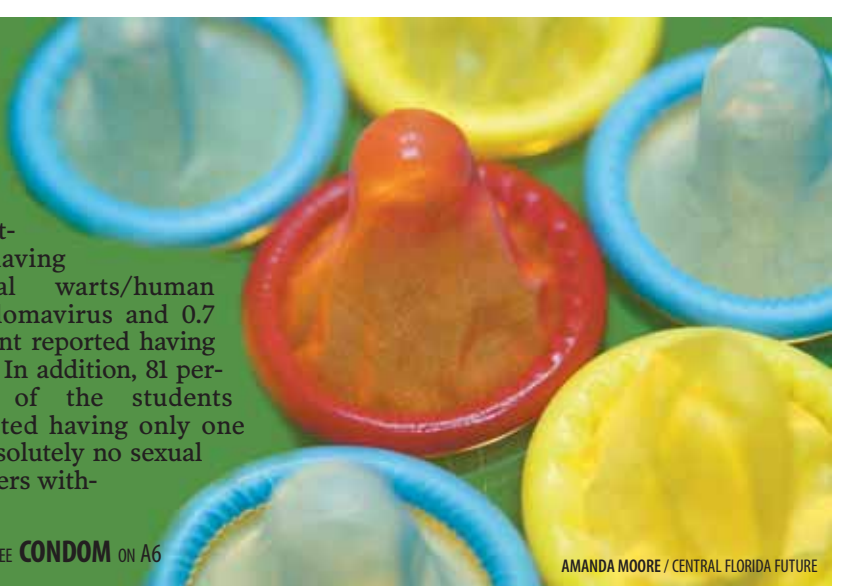
troanni, assistant director for health promotion at the Wellness Center, hopes to use the results of this preliminary study as the basis for a much larger, university-wide study along the same criteria.

"Until then," Mastroianni said, "I think we can use the results we have now to help us focus on some of the broad, general concerns regarding students' sexual practices."

The pilot study found that only 1 percent of students reported having chlamydia, under 1 percent reported having gonorrhoea, 5.1

percent reported having genital warts/human papillomavirus and 0.7 percent reported having HIV. In addition, 81 percent of the students reported having only one or absolutely no sexual partners with-

PLEASE SEE **CONDOM** ON A6



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