UF non-profit awards 1st scholarship

IT’S FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY OR DIAGNOSED WITH MS.

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A UF student plans to use his new scholarship to further his education and help others suffering with chronic illnesses.

UF’s chapter of Hopping 4 A Cure, a non-profit dedicated to raising money for multiple sclerosis research, awarded its first $1,500 scholarship Friday night to Michael Brown, a UF senior with multiple sclerosis.

Brown, a nutritional science student, said he was speechless when he received the award. He was one of the top three scholarship applicants invited to attend the organization’s banquet.

“I think (H4AC) makes a difference in that it gives people that are affected by it hope,” Brown said.

Cave Hunt

A diver descends into Devil’s Den before Scuba Monkey Dive Center’s third annual night underwater Easter egg hunt Saturday. Hidden in the springs were more than 300 dyed eggs and three golden eggs. Prizes included a Tusa Nitrox dive computer, a Big Blue 750 lumens LED light and an Epcot DiveQuest trip. See more photos on page 3.

Police: Former UF track and field star arrested for battery

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Gainesville Police arrested a former UF athlete early Sunday after he reportedly punched a bouncer at a downtown night club.

At about 1:20 a.m., Omar Dasean Craddock, 23, was denied entry to the club after he caused a disturbance, according to a police report.

After being denied entry, the former track and field star argued with the bouncer before punching him in the face and head, according to the report. The fight left the bouncer with a two-inch cut on his forehead, which was bleeding heavily and required stitches.

Officers arrested Craddock on one charge of felony battery and one charge of resisting an officer without violence. Police took him to the Alachua County Jail where he remained as of press time in lieu of a $17,500 bond.

“Without research, you wouldn’t be able to create new technology and new treatment for patients,” Davis said.

Davis said he hopes to put his degree to use after graduation by creating prosthetics, specifically for veterans.

“(Biomedical engineering) has always been something I’ve been interested in because it helps so many people,” Davis said. “We can see an actual change as a result of the work we do.”

UF wakeboarding club shreds its way to 2nd place in Red Bull competition

The competition was on Saturday, pg 8.

Club hockey team put on ice to raise funds

The group has made $745 so far with GoFundMe, pg 9.

Students shouldn’t be kept in dark for presidential searches

Read our editorial on a proposed Florida bill, pg 6.