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What to expect for today's Artemis II's homecoming



From left, mission specialist Christina Koch, mission specialist Jeremy Hansen, pilot Victor Glover and commander Reid Wiseman pause for a group photo inside the Orion spacecraft on their way home. They are headed back to Earth for a splashdown in the Pacific Ocean off the coast of California on April 10. PROVIDED BY NASA

Splashdown is tonight, if all goes well with craft

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USA TODAY NETWORK

After a 10-day mission of flying around the moon and venturing deeper into space than any humans in history, the Artemis II crew are set to return to Earth on April 10 — triggering a full-scale recovery operation that involves a U.S. Navy ship and four helicopters.

The Orion spacecraft is expected to descend under parachutes before a splashdown off the California coast near San Diego at approximately 8:07

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The Amentum recovery crew will work to recover the Orion spacecraft on April 10. PROVIDED BY AMENTUM/JASON ENDSLEY

OKALOOSA COUNTY

More than 500 spring break arrests logged so far

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The Destin Log
USA TODAY NETWORK

After 30 days of spring breakers invading the beaches of Okaloosa County, more than 500 have been arrested.

As of 6 a.m. on April 6, the Monday after Easter, 519 people had been arrested since the start of spring break, according to Capt. Jason Fulghum of the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office.

Spring break patrol for the OCSO began March 7 and will end April 17.

During spring break, OCSO doubles its workforce on the beaches along Destin and Okaloosa Island. The deputies patrol the beaches on ATVs and the neighborhoods that have a lot of spring break traffic, such as the Crystal Beach area in Destin.

Although OCSO has not broken all the numbers down as to where exactly the arrests were made, "historically the majority have been in Destin," Fulghum said.

And the biggest problem: underage drinking.

"By far, the biggest issue is underage drinking," Fulghum said.

In the past few weeks, college students from Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, North Carolina, Tennessee and even a few from Wisconsin have visited the Destin beaches.

In Florida, you must be 21 to drink alcohol, beer or wine. The legal age to consume alcohol in Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana is 21 as well, though Mississippi and Louisiana have a few exceptions.

"Since it's illegal where they are coming from, I'd say they just think they can get away with it," Fulghum said.

In the first couple of weeks of spring break, the OCSO assisted property managers in the evictions from three rental properties in the Destin area because of noise disturbances. Some arrests were made for underage possession of alcohol.

Since then, a few more have been evicted, but "nothing bad messed up"

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Ceasefire on shaky ground after Israel strikes Lebanon

Israel continues attacks on Lebanon

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President Donald Trump's ceasefire with Iran was on tenuous ground on April 9 after Israel launched its deadliest day of strikes on Lebanon yet and Tehran vowed not to desert its allies.

A day after announcing the Iran war ceasefire, Trump took to social media to warn the country that if the "REAL AGREEMENT" was not complied with, all U.S. military assets would remain in place ready for a military response.

He warned Iran to keep the Strait of Hormuz open and safe but did not address the strikes in Lebanon in the post.

"If for any reason it is not, which is highly unlikely, then the 'Shootin' Starts,' bigger, and better, and stronger than anyone has ever seen before," he wrote.

There has been a lot of confusion around what the 10-point ceasefire agreement entailed, with Iran saying the ceasefire was violated as Israel continued to bomb Lebanon. Vice President JD Vance chalked it up to a "legitimate misunderstanding" on the part of Iran, and clarified that the ceasefire did not include Lebanon.

The strikes on Lebanon, which

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Rescuers search through wreckage in Beirut on April 8 after Israeli strikes killed and injured hundreds. MOHAMED AZAKIR/REUTERS

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