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Machen reflects on first year

New president stands up to college crises

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When UF President Bernie Machen rolled into town a year ago, he had little idea of what he was in for.

Today marks Machen's first anniversary as the 11th president of UF, and contrary to his original plans, it's hardly been a getting-to-know-you year. UF students confronted him with protests over Library West's closing, the state of Florida met him with four hurricanes, and three key administrators greeted him with their resignations.

Yet he's managed to meet the expectations of many of his colleagues.

"He's virtually unflappable," said Dianna Morgan, who serves on the 13-member body that hired Machen, the Board of Trustees. "He's faced a lot of challenges this year, but he never lost his warmth, his personable manner."

Cool in a crisis

Though many of the year's events have been out of his hands, such as the hurricane

that scaled back his inauguration, Machen has done much of the shifting himself.

Just three months into his term, he overhauled Tigert Hall's administrative structure, and in the Fall he announced the creation of a new vice-president position in human resources to ease relations with university faculty and staff.

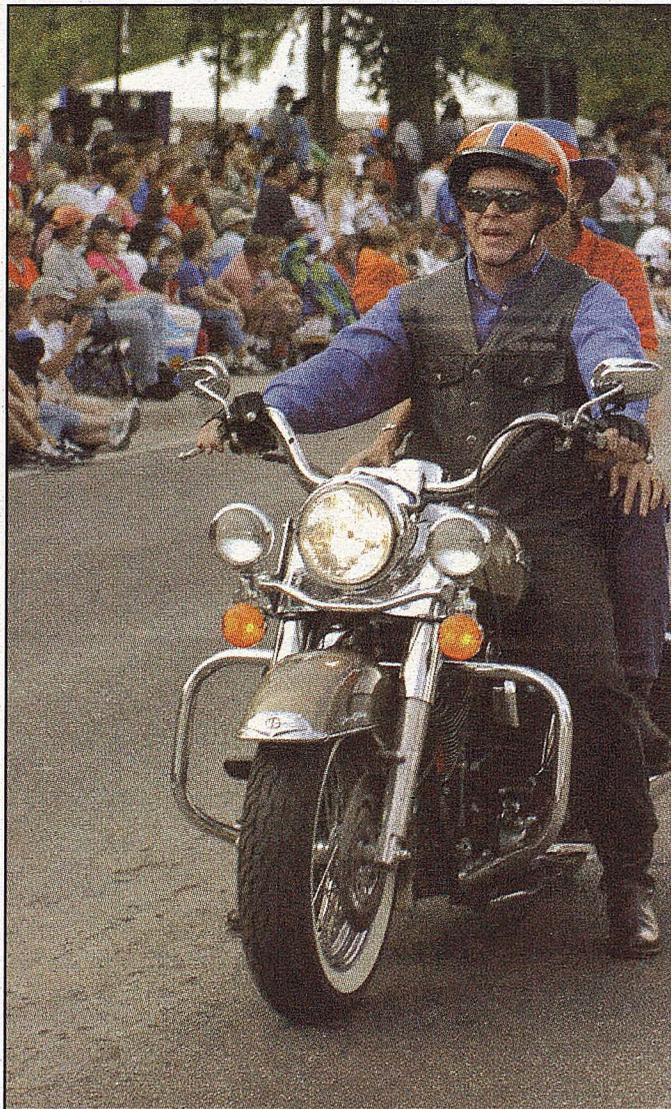
As the president of the University of Utah, Machen took three years to get his team in place, he said. At UF, most of it was finished in three months.

"I just made up my mind I wanted to go faster," Machen said. "It became clear what I needed to do."

The professor problem

Machen commissioned a survey of the faculty, which "opened the lens on the camera," he said. Many were disgruntled with their pay and status at the university. Seventy-one percent felt there was too much focus on athletics at UF, Machen said, a sentiment that only got worse as

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UF President Bernie Machen rides his Harley-Davidson motorcycle down University Avenue during the UF Homecoming parade.

ISIS system now thwarts class saving

By **STEPHANIE GARRY**
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Students trying to register for high-demand classes face a new obstacle this semester, as university officials have made it harder for

students to reserve classes for others.

Until registration for this semester, students could sign up for a class they didn't need and save it for a friend, but since the registrar's office put a delay between when a class is dropped and when it again becomes available, it's been a little more difficult. When students drop a class, the empty seat goes into a pool and randomly appears on ISIS about 20 minutes later. That way, students cannot guarantee the dropped class will be available for their friend.

"We really want to make sure that everybody gets a fair crack at

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Matheny

Road construction temporarily detours RTS routes

■ **SIX ROUTES WERE DIVERTED OFF CENTER DRIVE.**

By **ELIZABETH PRANN**
Alligator Writer

Students who depend on Regional Transit System bus services for their traveling needs may have to find some alterna-

tive routes after six of them were modified due to road construction Monday.

Southbound RTS routes 1, 8, 35, 36, 43 and Park-and-Ride 2 have been changed temporarily because of construction on Center Drive between Mowry Road and Museum Road.

Scott Fox, interim director of

UF Transportation and Parking Services, said the repaving project is a much-needed and necessary improvement that will be completed in four phases.

The first two phases were completed in December, when only northbound traffic was open, affecting routes 1, 35, 36, 43 and Park-and-Ride 2.

As of Monday the next phase began with the closing of northbound traffic lanes.

In addition to the same routes affected in December, Route 8 now has been altered.

In both cases RTS needed to re-evaluate their normal nine routes.

RTS marketing director Theresa

Harrison said RTS initially was notified of the construction on Center Drive on December 27.

Planning usually falls into the hands of the operational manager, who then begins to plan for the appropriate changes immediately.

"When we were choosing ser-

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■ **Urban Meyer celebrates** after his former team, Utah, won the Fiesta Bowl. Meyer ushered in his tenure with the Gators with a team meeting at 7 a.m. Tuesday. From the looks of things, there will be some changes. See story, pg. 18.



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■ **Seven Alachua County officials** elected on Nov. 2 were sworn in Tuesday. The ceremony moved the county's newest constitutional officer to tears. See story, pg. 4.

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Chris Ferrante is a member of Sigma Pi fraternity. We reported otherwise in Tuesday's Alligator. We regret the error.

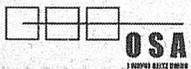
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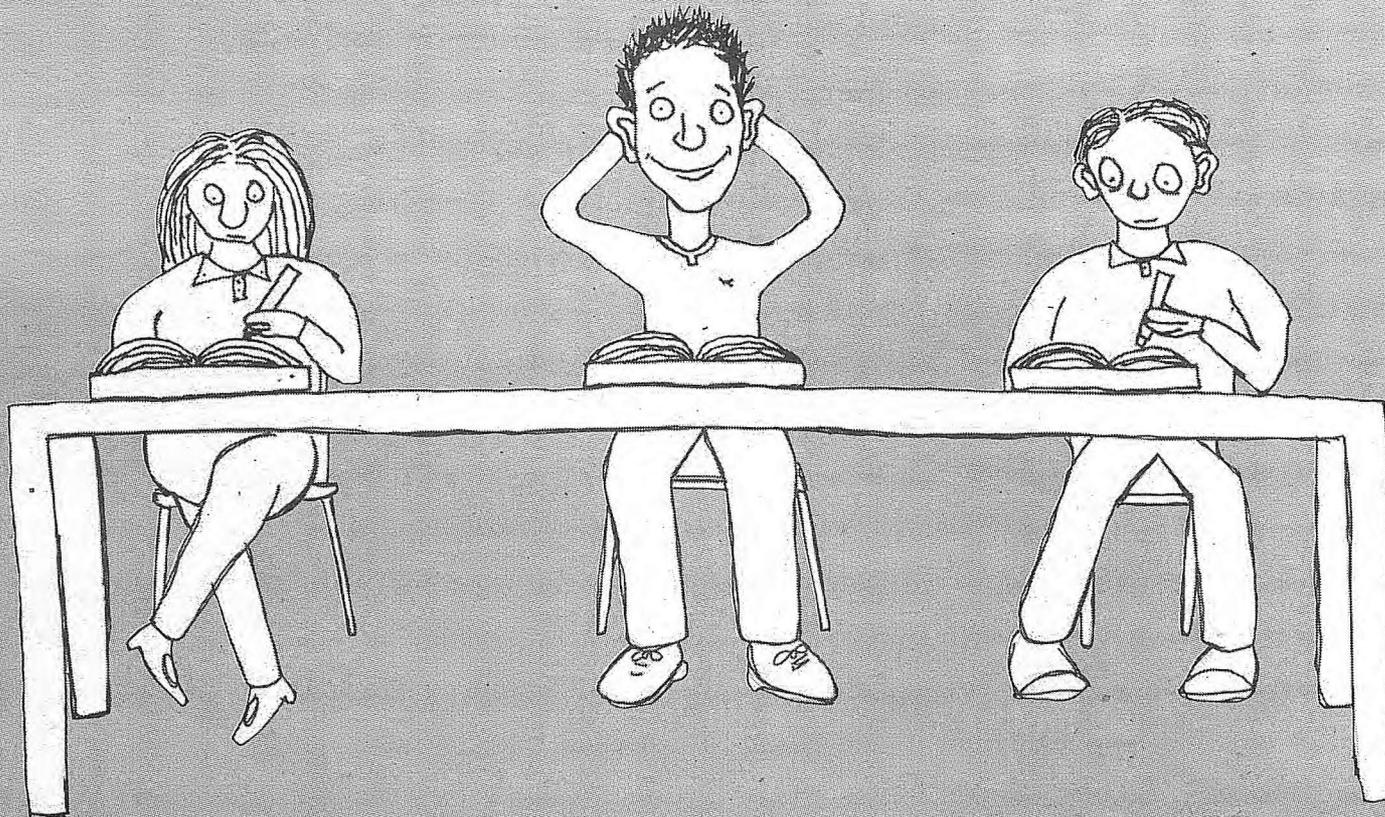
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Officers old and new swear in at county ceremony

■ SIX OF THE SEVEN OFFICIALS WERE RE-ELECTED TO THEIR POSITIONS.

By **RENAUD LAJOIE**
Alligator Writer

A tear was shed as Alachua County's seven constitutional officers were sworn in Tuesday.

Pam Carpenter, one of the seven elected officials sworn in and the only newcomer, became the county's new supervisor of elections.

She replaces retiring supervisor Beverly Hill, who worked in the county for 12 years in elections, and before that as a Gainesville city commissioner and mayor.

Carpenter worked under Hill for 12 years as an assistant.

"I shed a tear when my good friend of 30 years walked in," Carpenter said. "I was not expecting her."

"This is very special to me because I had four of my generations here: my mother, daughter and grandson," said Carpenter. "We used my family Bible for the swearing-in process."

Carpenter also chose Circuit Judge Martha A. Lott to administer her oath because of their close friendship.



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J.K. "Buddy" Irby, Alachua County clerk of the circuit court congratulates the county constitutional officers after being sworn in for his new term Tuesday morning.

Circuit Judge Frederick D. Smith stood in for Chief Judge Stan Morris, who was out of town, to administer the oath of

office to the rest of the officials. With the ceremony Alachua County Sheriff Steve Oelrich officially began his fourth term.

"This morning I re-affirmed my commitment," Oelrich said during a telephone interview.

He said students are part of

what make the county function on an everyday basis.

"We try to be as student-friendly as we can," Oelrich said.

Rick Parker was sworn to his sixth term as public defender.

"For me it was significant," Parker said, referring to the ceremony.

"The last five years I ran unopposed. This time I was challenged."

He said he campaigned with his family, including his son, a sophomore studying history at UF.

J.K. "Buddy" Irby also began his fourth term as county clerk and said his ongoing challenge is to bring more access of public records on the Internet through e-government.

Von Fraser, serving his second term as county tax collector, ran unopposed.

"I'm out in the community seven days a week," he said. "I love my job. If hard work ever killed anybody, I would be dead."

Ed Crapo, who ran unopposed, began his seventh term as county property appraiser while Bill Cervone is on his second as state attorney.

All county constitutional officers are elected to office for four-year terms.

SANTA FE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

President sets school's goals

By **ELIZABETH PRANN**
Alligator Writer

When SFCC staff, faculty and advisers shuffled into the gymnasium early Tuesday morning for the school's Spring Convocation Day, they were greeted by pristinely set tables with centerpieces of plastic blue school lunchboxes filled with fruit.

The back-to-basics event featured SFCC President Jackson Sasser addressing the school's goals for the coming year in front of almost 300 faculty members.

Sasser at one point abandoned his podium to illustrate his goal of motivating teachers and staff members to approach the new semester with vigor, using words like innovation, freedom and respect.

"Let's begin this year with a lot of enthusiasm," Sasser said.

Sasser's State of the College address was followed by the acknowledgment of two outstanding faculty members.

Van Dubolsky of the physical science department received the Guertin/McRae Master Teacher Award from fellow faculty and staff members Azza Guertin and Stuart

McRae.

The former Olympian racquetball coach is thought of by his peers as kind, modest, unassuming and innovative.

"There's none like him," Guertin said.

Associate Vice President of SFCC Bennye Alligood said the award is an opportunity for faculty members to recognize a fellow co-worker for his or her outstanding performance with a plaque and \$1,000.

Differing from this award was the second presented, which was the Allen J. Roberson Medallion Award. Named after the second president of the university, this award can be received by any faculty or staff member.

Alligood said the award is given out by a nominating committee to reward innovative past service.

This year the coordinator of adult education, Julie Falt, was the recipient.

Falt graciously accepted, attributing her success to her work environment and peers.

Keynote speaker Mark Milliron took the stage after Falt's award and quickly captivated his audience with a constructive outline for a successful future.

Milliron courted his audience when he stepped off the podium and mingled with the crowd, listing the challenges of the future in academia and the obstacles older generations have with technology.

He focused on the road ahead, asking the audience to bridge difference gaps and adapt to new times, bringing up increasing community-college attendance.

He said students of all backgrounds will be flocking to community colleges like SFCC "because we're good, and we're cost-effective."

"This is where the action is," Milliron said. "I applaud you for being in this type of business and doing this type of work."

Sasser also addressed the obstacles during Fall, including the hurricanes, and how students can learn from those challenges.

"We can take what we learned from a trying fall," Sasser said. "Catapult that into creative learning."



Sasser

Professor tackles trivia

By **LINDSAY TAULBEE**
Alligator Writer

He's usually the one doling out the quizzes, but one UF professor recently got a dose of his own medicine — from Alex Trebek, no less.

Lyle Brenner flaunted his knowledge as a contestant on the long-running game show "Jeopardy!"

The two episodes, which were taped in September, aired during Winter Break on Dec. 20 and 21.

"I was excited," said the Cornell and Stanford-educated Brenner, 35, about his experience.

After winning \$8,800 the first night, Brenner came back to take second place and an additional \$2,000, the standard No. 2 prize, the following night.

The self-proclaimed trivia buff auditioned more than a year ago, when he visited Los Angeles, where the show is filmed, on other business.

After completing an audition process involving a 50-question test and a mock "Jeopardy!" game, Brenner was one of less than 20 chosen to be a potential contestant from a room of between 100 and 150 people, he said.

He and the other remaining game-show hopefuls were told that if chosen to play in an actual show, they would be contacted within one year.

After that year they must audition again to be reconsidered.

Brenner was surprised when he finally did receive a call inviting him to compete on the show almost a year later, after thinking his window of opportunity had passed.

After the initial surprise wore off, Brenner said he was nervous he would play against then-champion Ken Jennings, who eventually broke "Jeopardy!" records with a total of 74 wins.

"It kind of went by really fast. You don't have time to be nervous."

Lyle Brenner
Jeopardy! contestant

Brenner said he was relieved when learning of rumors Jennings' reign had ended.

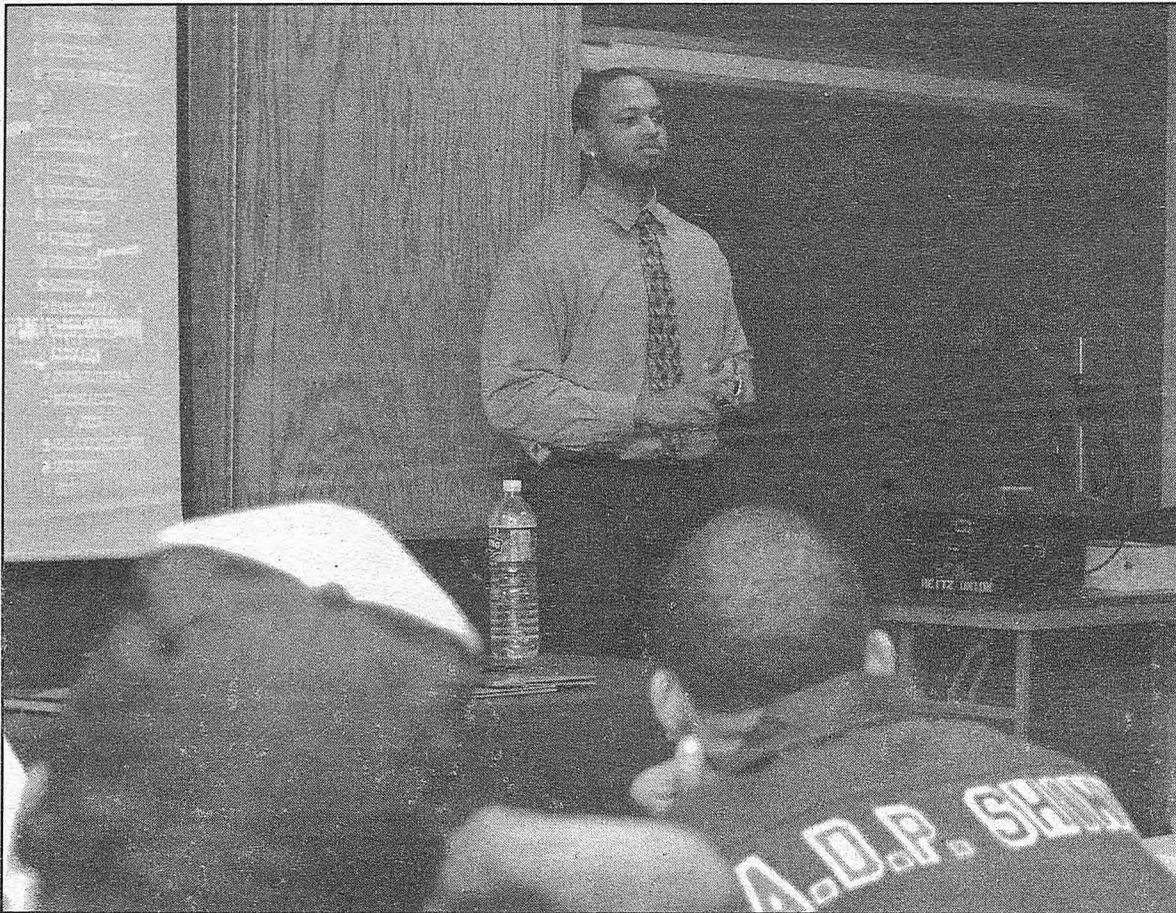
Once Brenner knew he would be a contestant, the assistant professor of marketing said he studied a little, brushing up on subjects like geography and history. Then it was off to California.

"It kind of went by really fast," he said, noting that before he knew it, the game was over. "You don't have time to be nervous," he said.

In two days, Brenner faced more than 100 questions.

"I'd encourage people to try it," he said. "It was really a lot of fun."

Aid questions explained at fraternity financial forum



Tricia Coyne / Alligator Staff

Vernon Wright, a UF alumna and Student Financial Affairs representative, offers tips to members of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity on how to remain financially stable through college.

■ A COLLEGE SPOKESMAN EMPHASIZED DEADLINES.

By KYLIE CRAIG
Alligator Writer

UF students were taught "How to Pimp the System" and efficiently seek financial aid in a forum Tuesday hosted by Phi Beta Sigma. The forum was part of the fraternity's Founder's Week and was designed to help students better understand financial aid and money management.

Chris Johnson, a former vice president of Phi Beta Sigma, said the fraternity's forums mostly are educational and this one was geared to encourage students to take advantage of financial aid.

Vernon Wright, a spokesman from UF's Office for Student Financial Affairs was there to explain the details of different scholarships, as well as common mistakes students make when applying for financial aid. Wright said one of the main problems students have is not knowing important deadlines and eligibility requirements.

"The biggest thing to do is ask questions," Wright said. "We're employed to give the answers."

Wright emphasized the deadline

for submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA. The March 15 deadline falls one week after Spring Break. He said many students wait until after the break to fill out the form, unaware that it takes anywhere from two to six weeks to process.

Wright also suggested different ways to find scholarships, such as a method he calls the "corporate scholarship bull's-eye," where students find businesses that relate to their career aspirations, then go to the individual businesses and ask about scholarship opportunities.

"You may not get a scholarship, but they might offer you a co-op or an internship," Wright said.

Students already receiving financial aid were warned about abusing the aid money they receive at the beginning of the Spring and Fall semesters.

Wright told students to focus on "satisfying your needs before your wants," when it comes to spending the aid money on things other than books, housing and meals.

UF student Oliver Straw, 20, said he attended the forum to learn the details of financial aid.

"You hear information from all different people so it was good to hear it from someone who actually works in financial aid," Straw said.

PUBLIC SAFETY

FHP holiday operations try to curtail traffic violations

By MEGAN V. WINSLOW
Alligator Writer

This holiday season some drivers found themselves on the Florida Highway Patrol's naughty list, but instead of the traditional lump of coal, many of these mischievous motorists received hefty traffic fines.

Armed with speedy new Mercury Marauders, FHP set up statewide checkpoints to curtail the influx of traffic violations. Entitled Operation Safe Ride and Operation Street Sweeper, both programs took place during the winter holidays.

"We felt that if we predicated the holiday with these operations with high visibility that the word would spread and that we could reduce the amount of serious injury or fatal crashes that are occurring in the state of Florida," FHP spokesman Mike Burroughs said.

"A lot of drivers have forgotten how to share the roadway and how to drive with common courtesy and respect."

Mike Burroughs
FHP spokesman

Despite the fact that such traffic programs must be publicized by federal mandate in local newspapers before they take place, the number of citations issued during these operations always tends to be high, Burroughs said.

Four thousand citations were issued during the 48-hour period of Operation Safe Ride, which took place Dec. 22 and 23 across Florida's highways. Of 25 fatalities occurring during the Christmas holiday, only one took place in Alachua County.

Road rage is another top issue — one out of every 10 speed-

ing arrests involves aggressive driving, Burroughs said.

"We are seeing a direct reflection of the way in which our society has changed into a fast-paced, technological, give-me-what-I-want-right-away society that is now being mirrored by the driver on the roadway," he said. "They don't want to be held up in traffic, they don't want to be delayed at all."

As a result of the ever-growing problem, FHP has been forced to resort to the aggressive pursuit of violators.

"A lot of drivers have forgotten how to share the roadway and how to drive with common courtesy and respect," Burroughs said. "As a result, what we used to call the old-time fist fight that would occur on the side of the road, now involves guns and knives and, in some cases, people being run over with cars. So we're having to address it in a multitude of avenues to change the thought pattern of the modern-day driver ... to the degree that we have declared war, basically."

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Editorial

Rebuilding

Drive to aid tsunami victims needs your help

Now is one of those times when our obligations to the global community cannot be ignored.

In the aftermath of the Dec. 26 tsunami that devastated entire communities in Asia and Africa, millions of people have had their lives irrevocably altered in one stroke. More than 155,000 are dead, and millions have been left hungry and without homes.

It is our duty to help them to the best of our individual abilities.

The governments of the world are already taking steps to provide aid, as more than \$2 billion has been raised to date.

Independent and multinational bodies, such as the International Olympic Committee, have come forward to use their influence to raise funds.

Celebrities are rushing to help out, and this is one case in which we should actually listen to what they have to say. Some are dipping into their own pocketbooks to further the relief efforts—such as Formula One legend Michael Schumacher, who donated \$10 million, and actress Sandra Bullock, who donated \$1 million.

NBC and its sister networks, which include USA, Bravo and Sci-Fi, have announced a simulcast benefit special to be aired Jan. 15, featuring as-yet-unnamed celebrities and musical performances.

Even Saudi Arabia has committed to hosting a fundraising telethon.

With all these high figures being thrown around, it may seem one person's contribution would go unnoticed. But in a disaster of this magnitude, every little bit could make a difference.

The \$350 million our government has pledged sounds like an enormous amount of money, but that figure could be doubled if every person in the country donated a little more than a dollar.

True, things are tight around Gainesville at this time of year: There are tuition and books to be paid for, apartment leases to be renewed and Snoop Dogg tickets to be bought.

And yes, purse strings are going to be tightened in anticipation of the looming threat of block tuition.

But even considering all of that, surely we can find some way to give up a few measly dollars to help out people whose homes have been destroyed by massive walls of water.

Luckily, we have a convenient opportunity right here at home for us to show our compassion.

The Interfraternity Council will have volunteers collecting donations on Turlington Plaza through Thursday, and the Panhellenic Council will be doing the same at the Reitz Union Colonnade—so you won't have to go out of your way to be able to help out. Once student donations from these two locations are added up, the IFC and the Panhellenic Council have promised to match those funds with a donation of their own.

And if you don't make it to Turlington or the Reitz Union by Thursday, a coalition of campus groups known as Gators for Tsunami Relief are planning a candlelight vigil later in the month. They also will be accepting donations on the Reitz Union Colonnade in the next two weeks, and there will be a chance to donate at the vigil as well.

Give what you can. If your financial situation really is tenuous, all kidding aside, no one will hold it against you if you can't afford much. But even a dollar or two can go a long way.

It's time for the Gators to show their compassion. People are in need, and it will not cost us too dearly to help them.

And if everyone pitches in, we might just be able to pull off something special.

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Guest column

Conservatives fought sex, not terror

You know a new year is upon us when you can't turn on the TV or read a newspaper without encountering a new Top Ten list. After checking out the “Biggest Celebrity Breakups of 2004,” I took a peek at last year's “Biggest Newsmakers,” hoping to find that I had hallucinated George Bush's re-election. While my worst fears were confirmed with Election 2004 coming in at No. 2, No. 1 being last week's deadly tsunami, I was shocked at No. 7—Janet Jackson's boob.

Forget the war on terror: 2004 was the year of the war on sex.

In an election where moral values became the cornerstone of Bush's re-election, with the Christian Coalition now claiming to own the President, the right's attack on sex was clear and divisive. Starting with Monica-gate in the late 1990s, conservatives have managed to combine Christian fundamentalism and right-wing moralism into their larger message. They condemn premarital, extra-marital, oral and unmarried sex. They don't want men to have sex with other men or women with other women, even in the privacy of their own homes. They denounce music with sexually explicit lyrics and films with sexually explicit scenes. They don't want women to have abortions and, if that is not scary enough to the average college student, they disapprove of contraceptives.

In their minds, unrestrained sex threatens the social order and must be controlled. Conservatives believe that if they lose this fight, Western civilization will crumble. As with most other issues, they mistakenly embrace a simple solution to a one-size-fits-all problem when, of course, it doesn't.

It's true that men and women today can have sex more casually with much lower odds of pregnancy, but the idea of returning to 1950's “Leave It to Beaver” America is both impractical and misguided. Then again, maybe conservatives are nostalgic for the days of wire-hanger abortions and shotgun weddings.

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Craig Singleton
Speaking Out

If there is one thing college has taught me, it is that you can't stop teenagers from having sex. Back in December, a report was released showing that the federal government spent nearly \$50 million, or \$5 per teenager, urging teenagers not to have sex before marriage. If a reliable study exists that shows abstinence education

actually works, I can't find it. Instead, I would like a study to be commissioned to determine how many members of Congress actually “saved themselves” for marriage. Forgive me, but that sounds much more interesting to read than a fresh textbook.

As much as the Christian right would like to make everyone's sex life their business, premarital sex is not a public problem. Premarital sex doesn't have to result in unwanted pregnancies if young people are educated about sex and have easy access to contraception and affordable abortion options. In fact, the rate of teenage pregnancy has been dropping, with the rate of teenage births reaching its lowest levels since the government began tracking births in 1906. Sounds like those awkward 5th-grade sex-ed slide shows are starting to pay off.

It is one thing for Republicans to declare strong personal convictions about sex, but it is another to insist that everyone else share the same beliefs.

With the new Congress preparing to convene, I expect to see much more of this “with us or against us” mentality from Republicans.

As for me, I just wish the government would put that \$5 toward my next condom purchase.

Talk about making your tax dollars work for you.
Craig Singleton is a political science senior.

Guest Column

Scandals raise questions about U.N.

The United Nations must either be destroyed or radically reformed, because it is a corrupt, cowardly and weak organization. It has strayed far from its original aim of providing a forum for peace and humanitarian cooperation around the world. Hopefully — and probably — the United Nations' efforts to coordinate aid to the Asian tsunami victims will be the last time it gets its dirty hands on any significant amount of money or responsibility.

Although the United Nations and its friends are fighting back, it is poised for a fall. The crimes and scandals are being uncovered too fast for them to be covered up.

The oil-for-food scandal probably will destroy Secretary General Kofi Annan and could further hurt former President Clinton's already damaged legacy.

The United Nations established the oil-for-food program in 1996 with the intention of exchanging food and medicine for oil. The biggest "humanitarian" program in history, it was intended to help the poor Iraqis who were suffering under U.S. economic sanctions. Instead, it enriched the likes of Saddam, Kofi's son Kojo Annan, Clinton friend and contributor Mark Rich, and crooks in high places in France, Russia and other countries.

If that is not enough, the United Nations soon will have to deal with what should be known as the sex-for-food scandal. It seems some U.N. "peacekeepers" in the Congo have been bartering sex for food. Others have been raping women and girls or paying them a few

Jason Levitt
Speaking Out

dollars for sexual favors. These allegations again point to rampant abuse of power and resources in the United Nations.

Not only are U.N. members committing crimes, the organization has done nothing to stop the greatest crime against humanity: genocide.

Next month will mark 56 years since the U.N. signed the Genocide Convention, passed in the wake of the Holocaust. Under the Genocide Convention, the extermination of a race of people became a crime under international law. But the United Nations has failed to stop such a crime. The first time it failed was in 1994, when an estimated 800,000 people were killed in Rwanda. The organization's leadership was obviously too busy ripping off the poor Iraqis to help.

Genocide also is going on right now in Sudan and has claimed more than 10,000 lives. But, so far, the United Nations has refused even to vote on whether to send troops. Annan has apologized for the U.N.'s mistake in Rwanda, but it seems the lesson was not learned.

Not one more mistake, crime or scandal should be accepted from this corrupt and inept organization. The United Nations should be completely reorganized or destroyed in order to allow for a new organization that has the will and power to restore a true forum for peace and international cooperation.

Jason Levitt is a journalism and political science senior.

Letter to the Editor

Snoop a good fit for Black History Month event

I would like to start by saying that I am not a member of the Black Student Union, but I do agree with its choice of co-sponsoring a Snoop Dogg concert in honor of Black History Month.

Black History Month is not only about remembering the past and honoring the advocates of peace, but it is also about acknowledging those who give back to the community. No, Snoop Dogg might not be an "ambassador of rich black culture," but he is a representative of black culture in the entertainment field. Yes, Black History Month is a time to share your culture, and rap and hip-hop are essential elements of this culture. I am not saying that rap and hip-hop are all there is to being African-American; I'm saying that you cannot stifle that aspect of your culture for Black History Month but allow and endorse it for any other occasion.

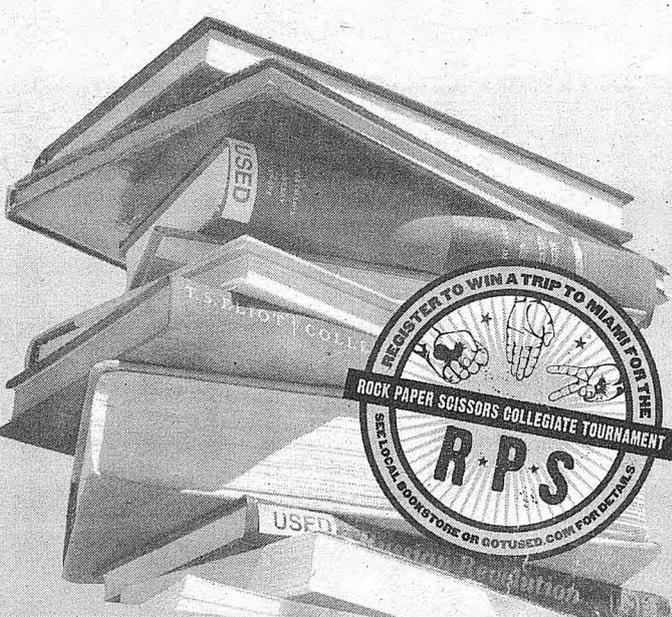
It is hypocritical to say that it is acceptable to bring Snoop and other rappers into our homes — by watching BET and MTV, buying his music at the local mall, and attending his concerts — but then say that he should not perform at a Black History Month event. One of the best ways of bringing people together is by using music, and his music will provide a good turnout at the BSU event. You have to get everyone together in the same room before you start your speech.

Cheryl Clarke
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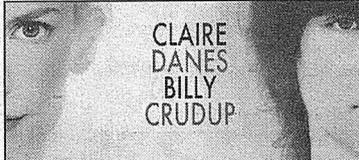


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By **LAURA FIGUEROA**
Alligator Writer

A \$179 investment in an Annual Preferred Pass to Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure bought UF junior Carolina Celis an escape from "boring Gainesville weekends," allowing her to enter the theme parks on any given day.

Now her pass also will save her money, as she and other pass holders will not be subject to the increase in ticket prices at the Orlando theme parks.

For the third time in a year, Universal Studios has increased ticket prices at the parks, this time by \$5, making the cost of a one-day, one-park ticket to \$59.75 — a 15 percent hike from January 2004.

"We adjusted the price of our one-day, one-park pass to what was happening in the overall marketplace," said Tom Schroder, spokesman for Universal Studios Orlando.

Universal is not the only theme

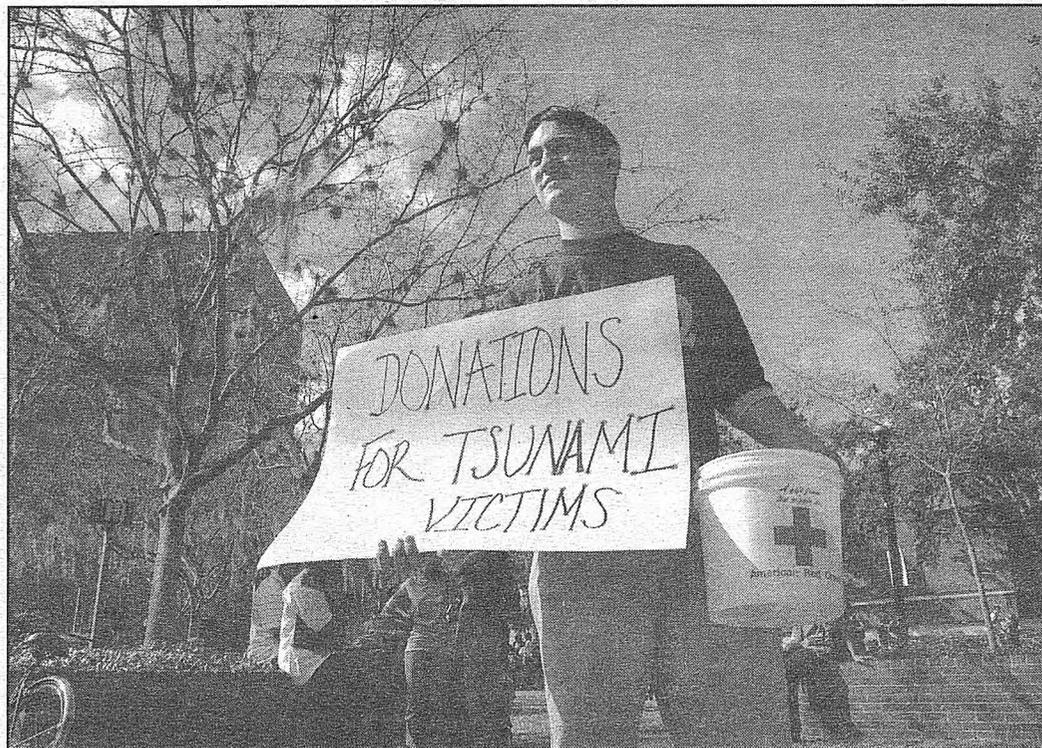
park to raise its rates. The company increased its ticket prices only two weeks after Disney World raised its admission by \$5 on Dec. 1. SeaWorld followed the trend, raising its admission price by almost \$4.

"It's really disappointing that all these theme parks are constantly raising their prices," Celis said. "Five dollars may not seem like a lot, but then when you look at the fact that you're paying \$60 to enter a park that used to cost you \$40 to enter a couple of years ago, it shows how drastic it really is."

Parks plan to soften the blow by offering reduced rates for package plans.

"I think what we find is that most of our guests are buying multiple-day tickets so when they come into the market, they really want to focus on that," Disney President Al Weiss said in a company press release.

Although the parks traditionally have raised prices at the beginning of each year, this year's increases come after a year in which Florida's tourism industry was affected by four hurricanes that swept through the state.



Jessica Crossfield / Alligator

Donating for disaster

Alpha Tau Omega fraternity member Brian Prokes collects donations Tuesday from passing students on Turlington Plaza. While several student groups are collecting donations for tsunami victims, the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils together have pledged to match donations they collect. The groups will continue fundraising through Thursday.

NATION

U.S. Postal Service hopes to revamp image, services

By **SKYLER SMITH**
Alligator Writer

Whether it's supporting a rock band or providing help to the romantically inept, the U.S. Postal Service is hoping to draw in a younger crowd.

The Postal Service is attempting to update its services and image to reach out to the under-30 crowd, a generation more interested in e-mail than "snail" mail.

Postmaster General John Potter outlined the Postal Service's plans in an interview with The Associated Press before Christmas.

One innovation is NetPost, an online service at www.usps.com through which customers can purchase greeting cards and gift certificates for a number of businesses, including Chili's, Starbucks, Barnes & Noble and others. The post office then ships it.

"It's really great because you can do it anytime," said Jason Knott, customer service representative for the Southwest 34th Street post office.

He said NetPost is known jokingly as the "husband helper" because customers can set up a calendar with birthdays, anniversaries and other special events, and the Postal Service will automatically send a card that day.

"It's really great because you can do it anytime."

Jason Knott

Southwest 34th Street post office

Another online offering allows people to print their own labels and arrange for a carrier to come pick up packages.

"You can click and ship," Potter said.

Potter also cited the band the Postal Service as an example of the new way the post office is targeting the younger demographic. The members of the group adopted the name because they used the post office to send song pieces to each other.

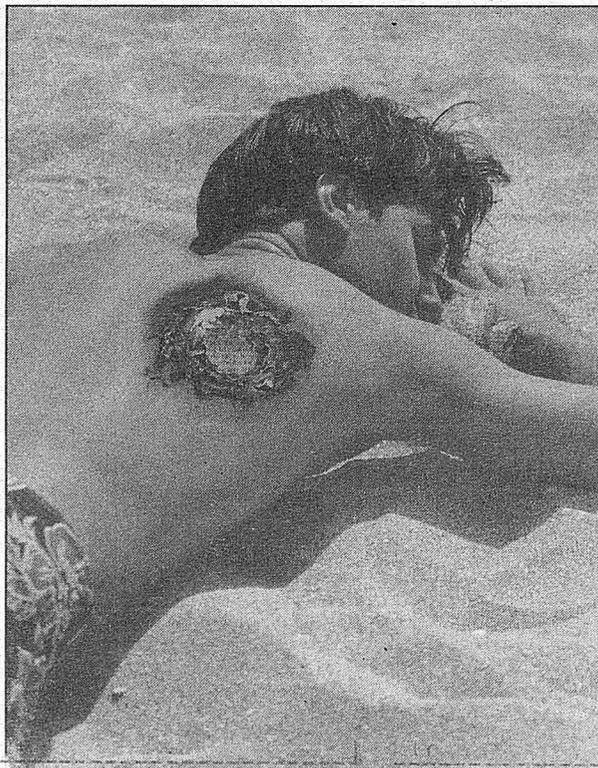
Potter said that in the past, the post office might have sued the band for use of the name. Now they see it as a beneficial bit of free advertising for the actual Postal Service, he said.

The post office might be closing smaller branch locations nationwide and also will begin installing sensors to detect anthrax and other biological agents, Potter added.

None of the five Gainesville post office stations have plans to close at this time, Knott said.

Knott also said that while the new biological sensors will eventually be installed in Gainesville, he doesn't have a timeline.

"When it happens, we'll be ready to go," he said. "This is happening on a national level."



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President laments unavailability to students, ongoing provost problems

MACHEN, from page 1

Fall brought football coach fanaticism.

"The quality of our academics should put us on the forefront on just that basis," he said.

Faculty Senate Chairman Pierre Ramond said he wished Machen had found a provost, who is the university's chief academic and financial officer, as quickly as he found a new football coach. Though then-Provost David Colburn announced in February that he would step down in December, the search for his replacement didn't begin until late October.

"I would have hoped the provost search would have been over by now," Ramond said. "Without a new provost we cannot have a brand new agenda. I'm a little bit impatient."

Since Colburn agreed to stay on for the year, Machen put the searches for the vice presidents for university relations and student affairs at the top of the list, he said. With so many searches underway, Machen had few colleagues to lead a provost search and had to wait until Doug Barrett, vice

president of health affairs, was available to chair the committee, he said.

"I will accept that the provost search tracked slower than some would have wanted it to," Machen said.

Nevertheless, Ramond said Machen's first year has brought mostly good signs for faculty. After gauging faculty morale, the president gave faculty merit-based raises this summer and launched a \$150-million-fundraising campaign directed at hiring and supporting faculty in the fall.

"It's a move in the right direction, but it's not the end all," Ramond said, noting increased participation in the Faculty Senate. "Our faculty are still pretty much underpaid compared to our peers."

Students take a back seat

While Machen found faculty morale in bad shape when he came in, the quality of the student body was even better than he expected, he said.

"Our students are not content with going to class and going home," Machen said, adding that students have suffered from his travels around the state to meet with alumni and legislators.

"My one real disappointment is the

inability to stay on campus as much as I'd hoped to," he said, adding he's tried to counter that by being more available through e-mail.

Student Body President Jamal Sowell, however, disagreed Machen was unavailable.

"My one real disappointment is the inability to stay on campus as much as I'd hoped to."

Bernie Machen
UF president

"He's been very visible to the student body," Sowell said, noting he has attended several student functions. "He's always very receptive to my input, and he always had an open door for me and for the students."

However, Machen has not opposed charging international students \$50 a semester to pay for a tracking system mandated by the federal government, a position which Sowell said "sends off a bad vibe."

Though Machen has supported block tuition, which the Student Senate has op-

posed, Machen changed the proposed policy to help some students, Sowell said. Machen suggested raising the cut off from nine credits to 11 to keep part-time students from paying the higher charge.

Still to come

Though Machen has handled much in his first year, Ramond said the true test will come in the 2005 legislative session, when Machen will try to gain more control over the university's tuition.

"Success with the legislature and the governor will be an acid test for his presidency," Ramond said, adding the school needs more control over its income. "We are running on fumes right now."

Machen also has sought money outside of the legislature, but control over tuition may not translate only to simple increases, he said. In UF's professional and graduate programs, out-of-state tuition is probably overpriced, he said.

Another possibility is tuition hikes would be applied only to incoming classes, so prospective students could consider a set, four-year tuition rate when they decide whether or not to attend UF.

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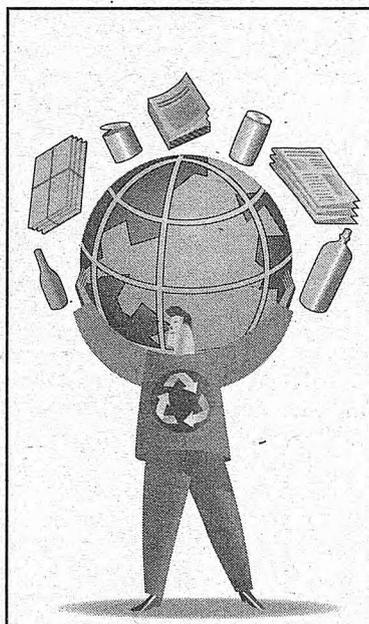
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New downtown garage greets returning students

By **RENAUD LAJOIE**
Alligator Writer

Students may be pleasantly surprised the next time they go out to enjoy Gainesville nightlife.

While students were out on Winter Break, downtown Gainesville received 850 new parking spaces, 4,900 square feet of retail space and 2,200 square feet of city office space in the form of a new parking garage.

The Southwest Downtown Parking Garage, located at the end of Southwest First Avenue and costing \$7.9 million to construct, officially opened Dec. 13 while most students were leaving town or taking finals. It is downtown's best-kept secret — for now.

"As we were opening, students were leaving," Parking Operations Supervisor Mac Cawley said.

He said people who came

by New Year's Eve said, "Hey, I didn't know you were open." Some students still are surprised to find there is a new parking garage, more than two weeks after its opening.

When asked if she would start parking at the garage, UF student Diana Castiov said, "Yeah, if I knew it existed."

While the garage officially is operational, all the kinks have not been worked out yet. It is expected to be fully operational with a pay station Feb. 1.

The pay station will accept cash, credit cards and monthly access cards. Customers also will be able to recharge their cards at the pay stations.

There will be 32 security cameras and a Gainesville Police substation office located next to the pay station.

"The parking lot is equipped

with plenty of handicap parking," said James Roberts, an attendant at the new garage. "Everything is ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act)-approved. Even motorcycle and bike spaces are available."

Parking fees are \$2 per entry Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and \$5 Thursday through Saturday from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. Parking will be free on Sundays.

For now all fees have to be paid in cash.

The entrance to the parking lot is located on Southwest Third Street with additional foot access from Southwest Second Street.

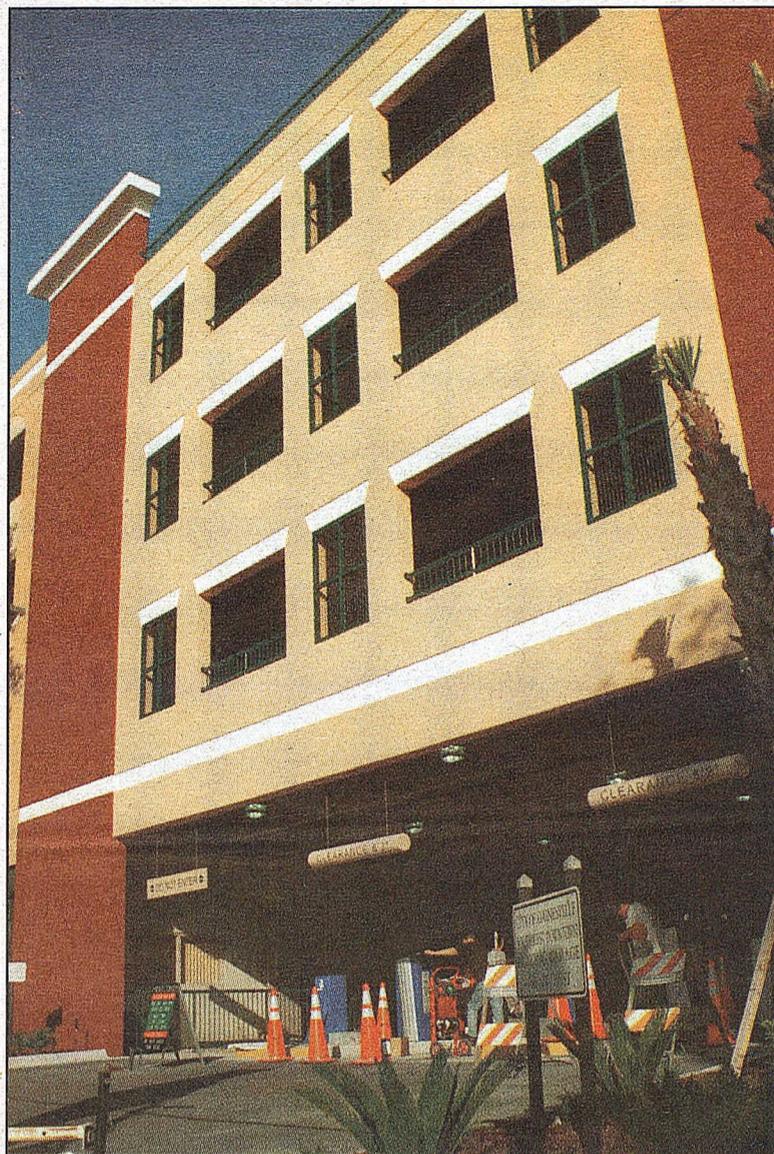
"It is still confusing to people, where the entrance is," said Cliff Nelson, owner of Paramount Grill on Southwest First Avenue. "They need a sign telling people to go around back."

Beginning Feb. 1, parking permits can be purchased for 24-hour access for several different lengths of time.

Permits can be purchased for a month at \$40, three months for \$114, six months for \$216 or a year for \$420.

But not everyone is happy about the new structure, which now blocks some local businesses.

"I don't know how it will affect business because we are kind of hidden now," said Wallace Raycain, an employee of Five Star Pizza. "It is 50/50. We will see."



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The City Commission is waiting to determine the success rate of the new parking garage that opened on Dec. 13.

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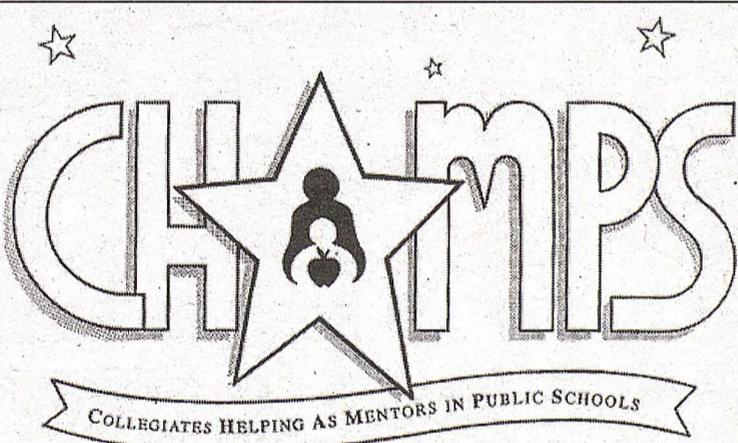
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Class hoarding called unethical by UF official

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getting the courses that they need," said Honors Program director Sheila Dickison. "What they can't specifically do is hoard it and then give it specifically to somebody else."

The longer students hold classes they don't need, the less likely another student is to enroll in the class, Dickison said. They get nervous about not being able to get into the course and then give up on it, she said.

The problem of students reserving classes came up before the Enrollment Management Council, a presidential committee that tries to meet enrollment targets and ensure that class availability meets student demand.

"We've got too many students, but we always have that problem," Academic Advising director Albert Matheny said. "It's very tight. We have a real crunch because we need to hire more instructors."

Holding classes for a friend is not explicitly against university rules, but it is unethical, which may break UF's Honor Code, Matheny said.

"It's not a rule; it's just an ethical issue," he said. "Not everybody has

a big brother or sister who can do that."

The university tries to make classes available to everyone so students can graduate on time, said Dickison, a committee member.

"We do the best we can, but it's a very large university," Dickison said. "Courses are a little tight in some areas."

"I guess it's unfair in the respect that it's excluding other people from getting the class, but when the system is completely random and arbitrary in the first place, why is one student valued over the next? It's kind of every man for himself."

Gary Goldberg
UF finance junior

But that's exactly why finance junior Gary Goldberg doesn't object to students saving classes.

"I guess it's unfair in the respect that it's excluding other people from getting the class, but when the system is completely random and arbitrary in the first place, why is one student valued over

the next?" he said. "It's kind of every man for himself."

Students are given registration appointments based on how many credits they have, with priority given to those with more credits.

National Merit Scholars, regardless of classification, are among the first to register, which Dickison said is part of the benefit package UF offers them.

Still, National Merit Scholars make up a small percentage of the student body.

"For 99.9 percent of students at UF it goes by seniority," Matheny said. "It's a very strict process. Seniors do need certain courses to graduate, and they should be able to get what they need."

Nobody asked him to save a class this semester, but Goldberg said he has saved classes for friends before with no problem. As a sophomore, he used his earlier registration date to save a Spanish class for his friend, a freshman. When it came time for his friend to register, Goldberg dropped the class and his friend added it almost immediately.

"As soon as I logged off, he logged on and got into the class," Goldberg said. "It seems to be pretty common, because some classes are so cut-throat."

Resumption of bus schedule uncertain

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vice-modification routes, we tried to stay as original as possible and accurate to the regular bus schedule," she said.

Harrison also said regardless of any inconvenience this construction creates for RTS, the goal is for minimal impact on the riders.

"Anything we can do to improve traffic on the UF campus for the betterment of students, faculty and visitors," Harrison said.

Harrison could not give an accurate date on when the construction is scheduled to be completed.

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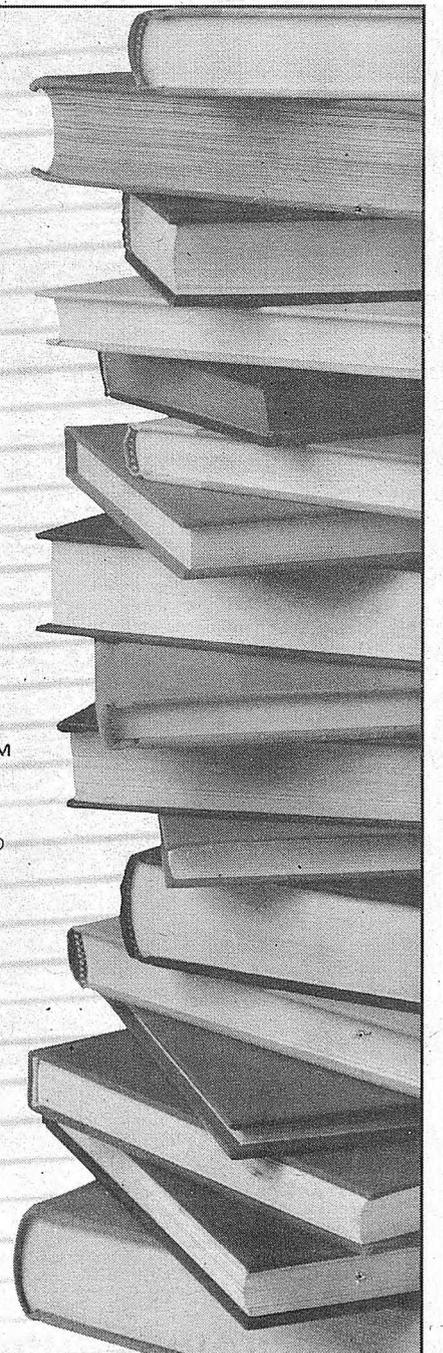
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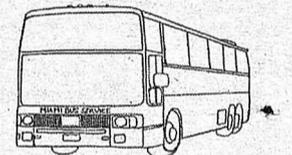
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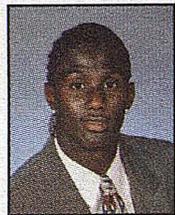
■ DALLAS BAKER SAID THE PLAYERS HAVE TO BE READY TO ACCEPT THE CHANGES.

By **ANDREW ABRAMSON** and **LOUIS ANASTASIS**
Alligator Staff Writers

The Urban Meyer era has officially begun at UF, and it didn't take long for the team to gain respect for its new coach. Meyer met with the players at 7 a.m. on Monday and laid out his philosophy.

"I liked him so far," sophomore receiver Chad Jackson said. "He's been a real down-to-earth guy. He's going to be a real good coach for us. He talked about discipline and the things we need to do to win a championship. He's a coach that wants to win."

Considering that the Gators are coming off a 27-10 Peach Bowl loss to rival Miami, the team is upbeat about having a Fiesta Bowl-champion coach heading a Gators team that has lost five games each of the last three seasons.



Jackson

"Everybody's mad about going out with a loss, but everybody's looking forward to next year," Jackson said. "There's a new coach coming in and the fans are looking forward to seeing the Florida Gators."

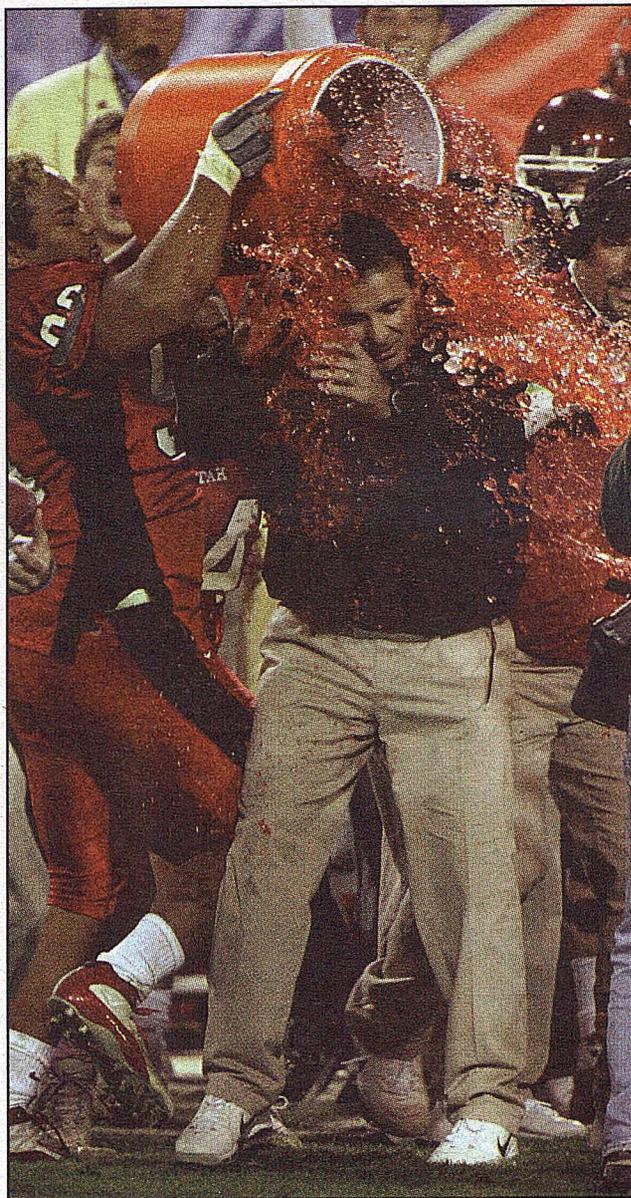
The players expect widespread changes, especially when it comes to team conduct. The team had numerous disciplinary issues under former coach Ron Zook, including player arrests at nightclubs and an incident at a fraternity house in which Zook showed up to mediate.

"He basically said, 'Stay out of trouble or you're off the team,'" junior receiver Dallas Baker said. "It's like any other school you go to. You make a mistake and nine times out of 10, you're going to get kicked off the team."

"You respect the coach or he'll send you home. I don't really have a problem with that."

Meyer was joined by several incoming assistant coaches, but Jackson noticed the absence of several trainers whose lockers were cleaned out. The players seemed to accept all of Meyer's changes in both discipline and personnel.

"The change has to start with the players," Baker said. "You have to be ready to accept his rules and everything. It's all about the players."



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Just three days after soaking in a Fiesta Bowl win and Utah's first perfect season since 1930, UF coach Urban Meyer was in Gainesville to address his new team.

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Prize winner 'Dodged'

Imagine being chosen for one of those "make a half-court shot and win a free car" kind of deals at the halftime of a college basketball game. Then imagine watching your half-court heave clip the bottom of the net after swishing through the basket.

Meet Mike Bowden, a 20-year-old diehard Gators fan who, during the halftime of a women's basketball game against Central Florida on Nov. 30, made a layup, free throw, three-pointer and half-court shot in 25 seconds to win a Dodge Magnum.

Awesome, huh? Sure, if he would have ever received the car.

First, the prize was withheld to see whether his foot was on the line. It wasn't, but he had another problem. You see, Mike was one of those weird kids that played basketball in high school. And because high school ball devotes so much

of its training to half-court shots, the University Athletic Association and its insurance company had issued a clause for the contest saying that no one less than five years removed



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from high school ball could win the car. Mike fell into that ever-so-rare

demographic. Yes, he had done the dirty deed. And instead of keeping quiet and taking the car, he admitted playing ball to the UAA.

Still, Mike pleaded his case politely to the UAA's assistant director of marketing, Lauren Perkins. And just as politely, Perkins conceded. She gave Mike two UF shirts and a hat.

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Was it Socrates, or Vince Lombardi who said, "All good things come to those who wait?"

For those of you who logged on to AlligatorSports.org, the most in-depth Gators Web site worldwide, you probably noticed that annoying "under construction" message.

Rome wasn't built in a day. Luckily, AlligatorSports.org is already built, but due to technical jargon we'd rather not bore you with, for a short time you'll have to visit Alligator.org and click on

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the "sports" link to get to our new Web site.

In case you didn't hear, we've taken our daily sports stories, added exclusive online features, free of charge, and combined it with interactive features for fans. The Web site also includes photos from the UF sports world, message boards

where you can debate controversial topics in college sports, sections for every sport at UF and pages on each team around the SEC.

The site is still in its infancy, so check back daily and watch it grow. Remember, just go to Alligator.org, click on sports, and we'll inform you as soon as the new link is up.

I DID NOT KNOW THAT

■ UF linebacker Brandon Siler was named to the fourth annual Freshman All-American team by the Football Writers Association of America and Scripps Tuesday.

ONLINE

■ After losing to Florida State, the UF basketball team did not receive any AP votes. Now they might be without Matt Walsh for the SEC opener. Log on to alligator.org/sports for the complete story.

TODAY IN UF SPORTS HISTORY

■ 1927: Subdued by the road crowd in Ohio, the UF men's basketball team was blasted by the Cincinnati YMCA 60-26. The Gators finished the 1926-27 season 6-20. Two of the wins came against Ralph's Cleaners in back-to-back games.

UP NEXT

■ The UF women's basketball team will start its SEC campaign Thursday night, while the men start on Saturday. For a complete SEC basketball preview, be sure to check out Thursday's Alligator.

Commitments shaping up transitional recruiting

■ **TWO OFFENSIVE LINEMEN HAVE ALREADY ENROLLED.**

By **ERIC ESTEBAN**
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The past few years have been highlighted by heavy recruiting hauls by former UF coach Ron Zook and his staff. From Chris Leak to Channing Crowder, the once-bare cupboard that Steve Spurrier left has been stockpiled with young talent that will leave Urban Meyer looking to reload, rather than regroup, this recruiting season.

When coaching situations are in flux, recruiting normally takes a hit. UF's situation is no different.

"When you go through something like a firing, you are going to get hammered because recruiting is all about building relationships," said Jamie Newberg, Scout.com's national recruiting analyst.

Meyer, who arrived in Gainesville yesterday, has hit the ground running. A day after leading Utah to a Fiesta Bowl victory, Meyer was in California watching football with recruit Josh Portis.

Portis, ranked the No. 8 quarterback in the country by Scout.com, switched his verbal commitment from the Utes to Gators after visiting Gainesville at Meyer's urging.

"Josh is 6-4, 200 pounds. There is probably not a more athletic quarterback in high school than Josh

in the United States," said his high school coach, Troy Starr. "He has an excellent arm, tremendous skills and a great upside."

Offensive linemen Ronnie Wilson and Eddie Haupt have already graduated and enrolled at UF, making them eligible for spring practice. Haupt, who announced his decision on Sunshine Network's Countdown to Signing Day, will likely play center or tackle for the Gators.

"I am thinking that the Gators are right there to win a national championship," said Haupt upon committing. "I want to be a part of that as much as I can."

Perhaps the most glaring area of need for the Gators will be at the linebacker position. With the

possible departure of sophomore Channing Crowder, the Gators may have just four linebackers.

Kalvin Baker, a 6-foot-1, 228-pound linebacker from Georgia, is ranked No. 39 nationally at his position. He recorded 29 sacks his junior year, leading the state of Georgia in all classifications, and should provide some much needed speed.

Linebacker Gerald Williams, ranked No. 20 in the country, committed to UF as part of a package deal with defensive lineman Vladimir Richard. Williams finished a stellar senior campaign with 135 tackles, 15 tackles for loss, nine sacks and three interceptions, while Richard will add depth to the defensive line that will need to be

replenished with the departure of senior Kenny Parker.

Offensively, receivers Louis Murphy and Derrick McPhearson round out the current list of UF's verbal commitments. Murphy chose UF over Iowa, Louisville and Maryland. At 6-foot-3, he should add a big target to Leak's arsenal in 2005. McPhearson, originally part of the 2004 recruiting class, re-committed after a year at prep school.

With a month left in the recruiting season, Meyer will be hitting the recruiting trail hard to get potential recruits to sign on the dotted line.

Oral commitments are non-binding until a national letter of intent is signed on National Signing Day on Feb. 5.

BASEBALL

Gators grab hurler Horne

STAFF REPORT

The UF baseball team lost an ace pitcher to the Cleveland Indians in the second round of the 2004 draft but welcomed a former first-round selection of the Indians to campus.

Alan Horne began classes Tuesday, just in time to celebrate his 22nd birthday today with the baseball team during four-on-one practices.

Horne was a 2001 first-round draft pick of the Cleveland Indians out of Marianna High.

"We are extremely excited about the addition of Alan to our program," Coach Pat McMahon said. "He will bring a level of experience and determination that will help take our team to the next level. He is a first-class young man and a top pitcher."

The highly touted right-hander could fill the vacancy at the top of the pitching rotation left by the departure of Justin Hoyman.

Hoyman led the 2004 pitching staff with an 11-2 record, a 2.71 ERA and 89 strikeouts. The Cleveland Indians selected Hoyman in the second round of the 2004 draft with the 47th overall pick.

Hoyman was given a \$725,000 signing bonus and assigned to the Mahoning Valley Scrappers of the Class A New York-Penn League.

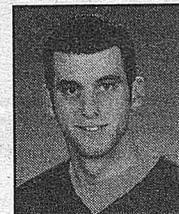
Horne began his collegiate career at Mississippi and was an honorable mention Freshman All-American. Horne was ranked sixth on Baseball America's list of the nation's top 50 sophomores prior to the 2003 season.

He was also rated as the Southeastern Conference's No. 2 prospect for the 2004 MLB Draft before suffering a season-ending arm injury during his sophomore season and having Tommy John surgery.

Horne was chosen in the 30th round of the 2004 draft by the Anaheim Angels after playing at Chipola Junior College in Marianna, Fla., last spring.

Horne struck out 45 batters in 34 innings for the Wareham Gatemen of the Cape Cod League during the summer of 2004.

His choice to attend UF is interesting, as both of his parents went to Florida State.



Horne

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Never mind that in his room Mike already had 20 hats and shirts galore. Never mind that last season Mike advanced four rounds to the finals of UF's tuition giveaway, but left empty-handed while the winner scored tuition and a laptop.

And if you think he couldn't use some tuition money, consider that Mike worked 50-60 hours of construction with his father weekly during the summer so he could afford the 2004-05 school year.

And never mind that Mike starts waiting outside the O'Connell Center around 9:30 a.m. to get the best seat for every weekday men's hoops home game.

But does Mike even need a car? His white '95 Grand Am sparkles through years of suffering. It has no heat, no AC and no power steering. His window literally takes 15 minutes to operate because the glass tends to run into the door frame. Oh, and the car blew its engine a while back too.

Dodge feels the breeze and Mike's

pain.

"We love giving away vehicles," said Todd Brown of Gainesville Dodge. "We've given away tons of vehicles. But this is through the UAA."

Perkins said there's no way to get Mike the car because the high school basketball clause had been agreed to with the insurance company. I inquired Perkins about the company's name, but she wouldn't say.

"This makes us look bad, but there's nothing we can do," Perkins said.

So I asked her if the UAA would consider compensating Mike with something of lesser value.

"That's something we might consider," she said.

But the only thing considered was the pound of cotton needed to make two shirts and a hat.

"I would just like to know that they put some effort into it," Mike said. "Not just grab a couple of t-shirts out of a bag and say, 'Here you go.'"

Mike has almost given up hope of a fair shake. At least he doesn't have to shop for clothes anytime soon.

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