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Gainesville march pays King tribute

■ ABOUT HALF THE 2,000 MARCHERS WERE STUDENTS.

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The words "I have a dream" resonated across the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Garden, where 2,000 people were preparing for a commemorative march down East University Avenue.

They came to honor King's birthday by taking part in the 20th march put on by the Martin Luther King Jr. Commission of Florida in Gainesville.

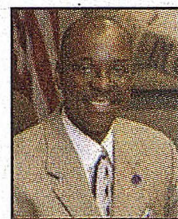
Approximately half of the participants study at UF. Several prominent black fraternities and sororities were present, including Alpha Phi Alpha, the fraternity

King was a member of at Boston University.

"We're just trying to build on his dream; that's been our theme all along," said Adebola Akoni, president of UF's chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha.

UF student Schevon Salmon highlighted the significance of the march.

"It makes us refocus — it brings us back to the fact that America has a troubled past," Salmon said. "It makes African Americans more appreciative of what they have and reminds them of the sacrifices of those who went through hell for them."



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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

SG statutes probed

Future elections may be affected

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Student Government statutes soon will be subject to a third-party review by a committee of faculty and students formed to examine the rules in light of controversial party name-claiming.

Although the committee cannot reverse the approval of already registered parties, it could change how future campus elections play out if existing SG statutes are found to be obsolete.

The committee has no deadline for completing the review.

Shortly after a student senator's

request for help was made, top UF administrators agreed to help establish the committee to examine the procedures for students registering parties in SG elections.

Sen. Christian Duque, Voice Party president, e-mailed UF President Bernie Machen Wednesday asking for an investigation into a case of "identity theft" following Florida Blue Key member Michael Shine's registration of the Access Party name.

Shine has no affiliation with the current SG-dominating Access Party, which now is called the Phoenix Party.

"I was determined to make sure that [Machen] knew," Duque said.

Duque said he spoke with Dean of Students Eugene Zdziarski, who said he and Vice President

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Casey Anderson / Alligator Staff

The University Gospel Choir performs "Brighter Day" in honor of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in a worship service at the Reitz Union Monday night.

King tradition reinstated at UF

■ THE REITZ UNION EVENT WAS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN 10 YEARS.

By **STEPHANIE GARRY**
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About 215 admirers honored the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. with song, sermons and a round of applause Sunday night, bringing an end to a decade-long hiatus of the UF tradition.

Featuring the University Gospel Choir and UF President Bernie Machen, the multifaith service was the first of its kind in about 10 years, said Larry Reimer, pastor at the United Church of Gainesville. For about five years, UF commemorated the holiday on the steps of Tigert Hall with a sermon and free food from the Hare Krishna Student Center before the practice petered out.

"We're happy to have it happening again in a new setting," Reimer said, adding that the service proved "we have more in common than in conflict."

The choir first sang the traditional "Let My People Go" and later the rollicking "Brighter Day" before asking audience members to join them for a final hymn. Students practicing multiple religions read from King's sermons, speeches and writings.

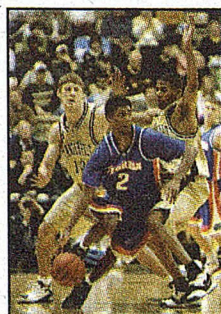
Machen told the audience about the personal impact King had on his life, both as a child in Montgomery, Ala. during the bus boycott and as a young adult when King was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn.

"It is a great pleasure for me to be a part of this service and celebration tonight," Machen said.

Machen called 12 clergy members, present

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■ UF's Corey Brewer finds his path blocked by Vanderbilt's Dawid Przybyszewski and Shan Foster, right, in the first half of the Gators' 82-65 win in Nashville, Tenn. See story, pg. 24.



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■ The Plaza Ice Palace on the Downtown Community Plaza closed Monday after about two months of operation, having been patronized by students and visitors from around the world. It was the second year for the skating rink and perhaps its last. See story, pg. 9.

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approved to work on cruise lines, where some priests' suspended in the wake of the clergy sexual abuse scandal have recently sought employment — and some Catholics have complained to the bishops that priests on their ships were incompetent.

Celebrity and Holland America lines are working with priests approved by the Apostleship of the Sea, while other cruise lines are still striking private deals with priests, use talent agencies or hire clergy through Rent-A-Priest, a group that provides former, now-married priests who are no longer authorized to conduct Mass.

Eventually, the bishops hope all cruise lines will adopt a thorough screening for clergy.

"It wasn't being regulated by the bishops' conference, and they weren't doing background checks on these guys," said the Rev. Sinclair Oubre, president of the AOS-USA, a chaplains' organization affiliated with the Apostleship of the Sea. "Since we started this, some of the cruise lines have become more alert."

Priests who apply for the program must have their bishops' approval and are subject to yearly review, said Doreen Badeaux, secretary general of the Apostleship. All dioceses conduct their own background checks on priests, Badeaux said.

Lee Breyer of Manatee County left the priesthood when he married a former nun in 1969, yet has been conducting Mass on cruise ships with Rent-A-Priest

since 2002. He doesn't announce beforehand to Mass attendees that he's married, and Catholic leaders believe that's simply deceptive.

"For them to represent themselves as being connected with the Catholic Church in this country would be disingenuous at best," said Mary Ann Walsh, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. "They have left the ministerial priesthood, so they should not be ministering."

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Writing on the Wall Project
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10 a.m.
Student Organization Fair
Reitz Union North Lawn

10:30 a.m.
Dance Marathon Registration
Turlington Plaza

7 p.m.
Gil White (lecture)
Reitz Union Auditorium

8 p.m.
The Dream Alive Program, reenactment of MLK Jr. speeches
Rion Ballroom

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STATE

Cruise-ship priests to undergo screening process

PORT EVERGLADES — The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has started screening those celebrating Mass on cruise ships, a plan geared toward preventing former, rental and even fraudulent priests from ministering to Catholic passengers.

More than 650 priests have been

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CaribSA talent showcased

Song and dance honor heritage

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Dozens of students "brought it" to the Reitz Union Ballroom stage Friday, using contemporary song and dance to honor their Caribbean heritage.

Members of 10 student groups kept energetic crowd members dancing in their seats with their performances at the Caribbean Student Association's annual Fashion Talent Show.

The University of Central Florida's Club Kreyol, the only non-UF group to perform, took home the \$250 grand prize.

In costumes that featured painted faces and feathers, the group's dance differed from the others by incorporating more traditional elements while keeping a contemporary feel.

The group's lone male performer also drew cheers from the crowd with his animated demeanor and exaggerated facial expressions.

"UCF — they just brought it," said the event's host, Chello from Black Entertainment Television's "Comic View," once the group exited the stage.

"Right now, they're winning," he added, "just 'cause they got a man to put on tights."

UF groups Apocalypse and Shades of Unity took second and third places in the competition judged by Student Government leaders Jamal Sowell, Jennifer Puckett, Crystal Caesar and Cesar Morel.

Attendees hoping to catch the show stood

two- and three-deep against the back wall once the room's 1,000 seats filled.

Nicolas Appllyrs, the show's first male director, estimated total attendance at about 1,300.

"I think the response was great," he said, noting he was happy people stayed until the end despite a delayed start.

The show also featured a performance of the Black National Anthem and a slide show commemorating the accomplishments of both Caribbean heroes and Martin Luther King Jr. Between performances, students showed off fashions from retailers Underground Station, Blink and Gadzooks.

BET's Chello kept the audience laughing between acts, poking fun at the show's judges, himself and the performers.

"You can't really give a gospel choir a bad score," he joked as the UF Gospel Choir left the stage. "You're going to hell if you do."

During Apocalypse's performance, the noise was deafening as students got to their feet to scream and cheer.

"UCF — they just brought it. Right now they're winning just 'cause they got a man to put on tights."

Chello

Host of Caribsa's Fashion Talent Show

Later, when UCF's Club Kreyol was announced the winner, much of the audience went quiet, their faces showing surprise or disappointment. However, others commended the group's performance.

"I think [Club Kreyol] deserved it," Appllyrs said, noting he felt the judges were fair in their decision.



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Performers enjoy a night of talent and fashion at CaribSA's Fashion/Talent Show Friday in the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom.

TALLAHASSEE

FSU chiropractic plan still alive

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TALLAHASSEE — The embattled plan to build a chiropractic school at FSU is still on life support after the school's Board of Trustees passed the buck to the state Board of Governors.

The Board of Trustees voted 11-2 Friday to ask the Board of Governors for permission "to investigate a chiropractic program in accordance with existing university policies." If the governors approve the proposal at their Jan. 27 meeting in Gainesville, it would go through a review by the FSU faculty, then the trustees, and maybe the Board of Governors again.

Not even the trustees at the meeting knew, since this is the first time the Governors have vetted a new program in their two-year existence.

The proposed chiropractic school has touched off a furor at FSU, with opponents warning it would make the university a laughing stock and proponents charging professional bigotry against chiropractors. The struggle over the plan has also ignited a political battle over who controls the state's universities: the legislature, local boards of trustees or the state Board of Governors.

Created by a constitutional amendment in 2002, the Board of Governors has 16 members who are appointed by the governor and are charged with overseeing the entire state university system, including UF.

They have full-time jobs outside their duties, have no staff, and the extent of their authority is unclear.

As for now, however, there is little consensus on how the Board should exercise its power. The confusion was heightened last week when Board of Governors chairwoman Carolyn Roberts wrote a letter to FSU trustees chairman John Thrasher, telling him she wanted the university to decide whether to approve the proposed school before it is brought to the Board of Governors.



Roberts

"Any other interpretation," she stated in the letter, "is an inappropriate precedent for the way universities will do business with the Board of Governors."

Thrasher dodged that directive at the Friday meeting. "I'm not voting to approve the chiropractic school," he said, explaining his resolution that nevertheless let the school limp along the road to possible approval.

In an interview after the meeting, FSU Trustee Stanley Marshall, one of two who voted against the resolution, said he thought Roberts' letter was a request for an FSU recommendation on whether the governors should approve or reject the proposal.

But while no formal recommendation was made, one fact was clear at the meeting: Several trustees signaled

their opposition to the chiropractic school — including three of those who voted for the resolution — and none said they supported it.

Also on Friday, 30 FSU professors, including two Nobel laureates, took out a full-page ad in the Tallahassee Democrat opposing the school.

FSU Trustee Manny Garcia, the other dissenting vote, asked repeatedly at the meeting how many other universities had chiropractic programs. The answer was none.

"Why should we be the guinea pig?" he asked.

By failing to take a stand, the FSU trustees ducked political responsibility for killing the school, which was not requested by the university but instead foisted onto it by legislators last year. The plan was spearheaded by chiropractor and state Sen. Dennis Jones (R-Treasure Island), an ally of former Senate President Jim King (R-Jacksonville).

Dr. Ray Bellamy, an orthopedic surgeon and FSU medical professor who is an outspoken critic of the proposed school, called the board's decision "cowardly" after the meeting. "Isn't it their job to be stewards of our university?"

Trustee Garcia said he also was unhappy. He was asked in an interview whether the school now would simply die a slow death.

"Too slow," he said. "I think the Board of Governors will kill this, and I think we should have killed it right here."

UF athletes will keep peace in Jax

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Nearly 100 UF club sports athletes will be enhancing their clubs' pocketbooks while keeping the masses safe during Super Bowl XXXIX in Jacksonville on Feb. 6.

On Jan. 8 and 9, participating athletes underwent a security training session by Contemporary Services Corporation at the Reitz Union. Participants learned how to write reports and describe potential assailants. They also received training in fire-safety and legal issues.

"I am very excited," said Courtney Whitehurst, president of the UF Sailing Club. "A lot of people don't have the chance to go to the Super Bowl because tickets are outrageously expensive."

The club will use the money earned for travel and supply expenses, Whitehurst said. They plan to purchase used Flying Junior sailboats to practice on for future meets.

UF ROTC, synchronized swimming, water polo, equestrian and lacrosse teams also will participate. Clubs will earn \$8 per person per hour.

"UF won first pick for a number of reasons," said Dane Dodd, an event manager for CSC, "including the fact that [CSC works] in Gainesville at the football games."

Dodd also noted that UF is closer to Jacksonville than most other schools.

Students have the opportunity to work 24-hour shifts during a three-week period prior to and during the Super Bowl. Students without any club affiliation also were allowed to participate.

Student Life

Avalanche rescue goes on

Seven already dead this winter

Rescue workers are still searching for survivors in the aftermath of a massive avalanche that struck a ski resort in Colorado on Sunday. Seven people were killed in the disaster, and more than 100 were injured. The avalanche occurred in the early morning hours, catching many skiers and snowboarders off guard. The rescue operation is ongoing, with teams working to clear the debris and search for any remaining survivors. The cause of the avalanche is still under investigation.

The avalanche was one of the deadliest in the resort's history. It occurred on a steep slope that had been partially cleared of snow. The force of the snow was so great that it crushed several buildings and buried others under a thick layer of snow. The rescue teams are working in difficult conditions, with limited visibility and hazardous terrain. The families of the victims are being supported by local organizations and the community.



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MULTICULTURAL

Korean group celebrates new year with dancing, skits

■ MONDAY'S EVENT WAS THE FIRST AT UF IN YEARS.

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As students chatted quietly in the Reitz Union Rion Ballroom, a loud sobbing suddenly grabbed their attention, bringing a hush to the crowd.

Before a crowd of about 150 students, the sobbing subsided

and UF student Catherine Yoon, dressed in flowing white, began a graceful dance, accompanied by the singing of fellow student Grace Kim.

Their performance, a traditional Korean mourning dance, marked the beginning of a celebration honoring the Korean New Year, hosted Sunday by the Korean Undergraduate Student Association, or KUSA.

Students sang, danced and acted out skits to demonstrate different Korean traditions, some

of which are associated with the New Year.

Other traditions represented onstage revolved around marriage, birth or mourning the death of a loved one, as in Yoon and Kim's performance.

In the past few years, KUSA has not hosted an event to commemorate the Korean New Year, said Yoon, KUSA's president.

"We needed something of our own," she said.

The celebration marked the first of what KUSA leaders hope will be

an annual event.

Yoon said she hoped the event would educate students of all backgrounds about Korean culture.

"It's kind of a reminder of our traditions," Yoon said.

Although Yoon is Korean American, she said that through coordinating the event, she learned about Korean traditions she had not known of before and hoped the presentation would also teach others.


Yoshi Murasaki, a UF political science student and former KUSA

member, attended the event because he knew people who were performing.

"This is probably one of the bigger productions they've had lately," he said, noting the event was a "testament to (KUSA's) leadership."

"It was great," he said.

The Korean New Year, also known as Sul Nal or the Lunar New Year, is calculated by the lunar calendar and thus falls on a different date every year. The holiday officially will be celebrated Jan. 21 through 23.



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Grad students exhibit Florida feelings through art

By **ARLYN HERNANDEZ**
Avenue Writer

The haunting howls of a coyote blend with the hum of the bright lights focused on each of the distinct pieces. Whimsical sculptures, photographs of Florida panthers and a curious display of splattered love bugs line the walls of The Real Florida exhibit.

The Real Florida was imagined by six UF graduate students. Oddly enough, the exhibit, which opened Dec. 16, is comprised of artists not native to the state. Joy Drury Cox, Katherine Huala, Lisa Iglesias, Robyn Mericle, Erika Kymia Nawabi and Nikki Schiwal all wanted to display their work as a collaborative unit.

"This exhibit is a loose association of our own feelings for Florida," said Mericle, a 30-year-old from Tucson, Ariz.

Mericle, whose pieces range from a two-minute clip of a red fox to personal encounters with coyotes in her home state, found her inspiration from relating to both the rapidly disappearing red fox and the clever, malicious coyote.

Off the Avenue "My work shows how wild-life and animals function in my psyche," she said. "The coyote is not an animal you would typically see in Florida, like the red fox. But more and more, the fox is disappearing, and the coyote is appearing."

Unlike the video images of Florida's animals, one of the artists showed more of a personal, autobiographical sense of the state.

"My sculptures are derivative of my experiences since I've been in Florida," said Nawabi, a 24-year-old with a shy smile.

One of her pieces, "Dumb little Dodo, is that all you know?" is a sculpture displayed at the front of the exhibit. A small, beaked girl is lying down among a pile of scattered books.

"That sculpture represents my inadequacies that I felt when I first moved to Florida," the North Carolina native said.

Alongside Nawabi and Mericle, Cox and Iglesias share one of their pieces in the exhibit. A design of color swatches adorns one of the walls, which, to both artists, represents particular natural scenes or animals.

"Interior designers chose these colors and associate them with certain things," Cox said. "For example, certain hues of



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Erika Kymia Nawabi's "Dumb little Dodo, is that all you know?" is part of The Real Florida exhibit at the Focus Gallery. The exhibit features paintings, photography and other art reflecting the students' feelings for Florida.

yellow may be named sand or whatnot."

As for whether these colors represent anything native to Florida, both Cox and Iglesias agreed each color in the design evokes a sense of natural Florida, ranging from the yellow sands, to the green marshes of the state.

Apart from the other "artsy" pieces in the exhibit, is the display of scientifically charted splatters of bug remains on a car's bumper.

Huala, who was inspired by a book about North American insects, sought to test a theory on knowing an insect type by the splatter it makes.

"I chose the love bug, because most people wouldn't associate it automatically with Florida," the 26-year-old New Yorker said. "In New York, you don't see love bugs, so it's very Florida to me."

While Huala chose love bugs, Schiwal displayed her view of Florida with pho-

tographs of drawings done on the cement columns in underpasses and random street-side murals.

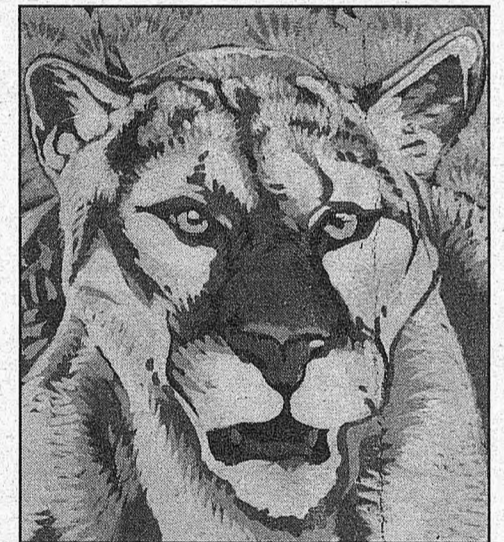
"She wanted to show the side of Florida most tourists don't see," said Mericle, speaking for Schiwal.

Like Schiwal, the other girls wanted to break the stereotype of Florida — theme parks and palm trees — and exude the real culture they encountered when they first moved south for graduate school.

The good friends plan on relocating to a more artistic, diverse place, such as New York, to continue on their dynamic group.

"It would be nice to stick together," Nawabi said.

The Real Florida closes on Jan. 21. There will be a reception from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Focus Gallery in Fine Arts C, and Mericle said she hopes more people will come to see the cultural identity that Florida represents to her and her collaborating artists.



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Nikki Schiwal's painting of a panther is part of her wall exhibit "Native Land" at the Focus Gallery.

STUDENT LIFE

Dance Marathon registration opens, capped at 650

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On Oct. 8, 1983, David Kanarek was born in Vero Beach with Hirschsprung's disease, an ailment that no area doctor was aware of at that time. Near death, he was airlifted to Shands Children's Hospital at UF, where doctors performed back-to-back surgeries, quelling the rare gastrointestinal disease and saving the infant's life.

Shands deemed Kanarek a "Miracle Child" for surviving against near-insurmountable odds. Without the help of Children's Miracle Network, which has raised more than \$2.5 billion for children's hospitals around the country, these surgeries might not have happened.

To pay back Children's Miracle Network, he dances.

"Dancing's a lot of fun, but it's better when it's for a good cause," Kanarek, a UF junior, said.

He is one of potentially 650 UF student dancers to per-

"Looking back on it, Dance Marathon is something that's very rewarding. Being awake 32 hours seems like a lot, but it's not that bad when you consider how great the cause is."

David Kanarek
UF student

form at Dance Marathon, a non-stop, 32-hour fundraiser for Children's Miracle Network. Registration for the April 2 and 3 event begins today.

"Looking back on it, Dance Marathon is something that's very rewarding," Kanarek, a returning dancer, said. "Being awake 32 hours seems like a lot, but it's not that bad when you consider how great the cause is."

Dance Marathon expects to raise at least as much money this year as last year, said David Gray, overall chair for

Dance Marathon.

"We had to set a cap at 650 last year because the O'Connell Center can't hold much more than that," Gray said.

The event raised more than \$250,000 in 2004. The proceeds contributed to the new Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Shands, which opened Jan. 3.

"I actually took a tour of the new NICU, which is much bigger and more family-oriented than the old one," Gray said. "It's a great feeling to directly experience what we've raised money for."

To participate in the 32-hour dance, students must pay a \$30 registration fee, and then raise \$250 in pledged donations, which go directly to Children's Miracle Network.

Dance Marathon has continued to grow over its 11-year existence, Gray said.

"We started out in the Reitz Union, and now we have too many students for the O'Connell Center," Gray said.

Editorial

Loss of funds

New federal student aid formula hurts students

Imagine you're a graduating high school senior who has just chosen which university to attend after months of careful consideration. Once you had added up grants, loans and scholarships, you decided to go to your dream school—even though you'd have to work two jobs to be able to afford it.

Because you knew the money situation would be tight, you had it all planned out in advance: your housing arrangements, how many classes you could afford to take, how many hours of work you could fit around your class schedule and what precious little might be left over for having some fun on the weekends.

Now, imagine one of the grants you were counting on suddenly is cut or taken away entirely.

This is just one possible situation in which changes to the formula that regulates federal Pell Grants will hurt students who depend on the funding to be able to stay in school.

By all accounts, the changes will have a pronounced effect on these students. More than a million grant recipients are expected to see their disbursements decrease by hundreds of dollars or more.

And those are the students who merely will receive less aid. An estimated 90,000 will receive no aid at all—many coming from families who make only \$30,000 to \$40,000 dollars a year, or less than the annual cost of some universities.

These changes are based upon the idea that the old formula, which is based on 1988 tax data, is giving \$300 million in aid to students who don't need it and disrupting the appropriate balance of funds among those who do.

However, the new formula will not be much more accurate, as the 2002 tax data that will be used is already years out of date. Congressmen who are fighting to postpone the bill, such as Rep. Tim Bishop and Rep. Rush Holt, say using the 2002 tax data even may be worse than using the old data.

There is no question that the formula needs to be updated, however. The Pell Grant system was meant to give aid to students based on an accurate evaluation of their needs, and up-to-date tax information is needed in order to do that. Because of the old data, students who have the most need may be receiving less aid than they should.

However, students already receiving grants should not be at the mercy of formula changes and should not be required to accept less aid when their financial situation is the same. Students should receive aid based on the formula that was in place when they first entered the system.

This way, grant recipients still would receive more or less aid depending on changes in their and their family's ability to pay, but they would not have to completely re-evaluate their funding situation because a formula change had stripped them of their aid.

Fortunately, we already have a method for funding this grandfathering-in process.

President Bush has proposed a 12-percent increase in Pell Grant funding over the next five years. The increase is to be paid for by making federal student loan programs "more effective and efficient," primarily by reducing both the government's costs in running these programs and "excessive subsidies" given to lenders.

This increase in funding would cost \$15 billion. Against a sum of that size, the \$300 million of predicted savings from the formula change is negligible.

Providing aid to those who need it most is the ultimate goal of the Pell Grant system, but it should not be at the expense of students who already are dependent on the grants.

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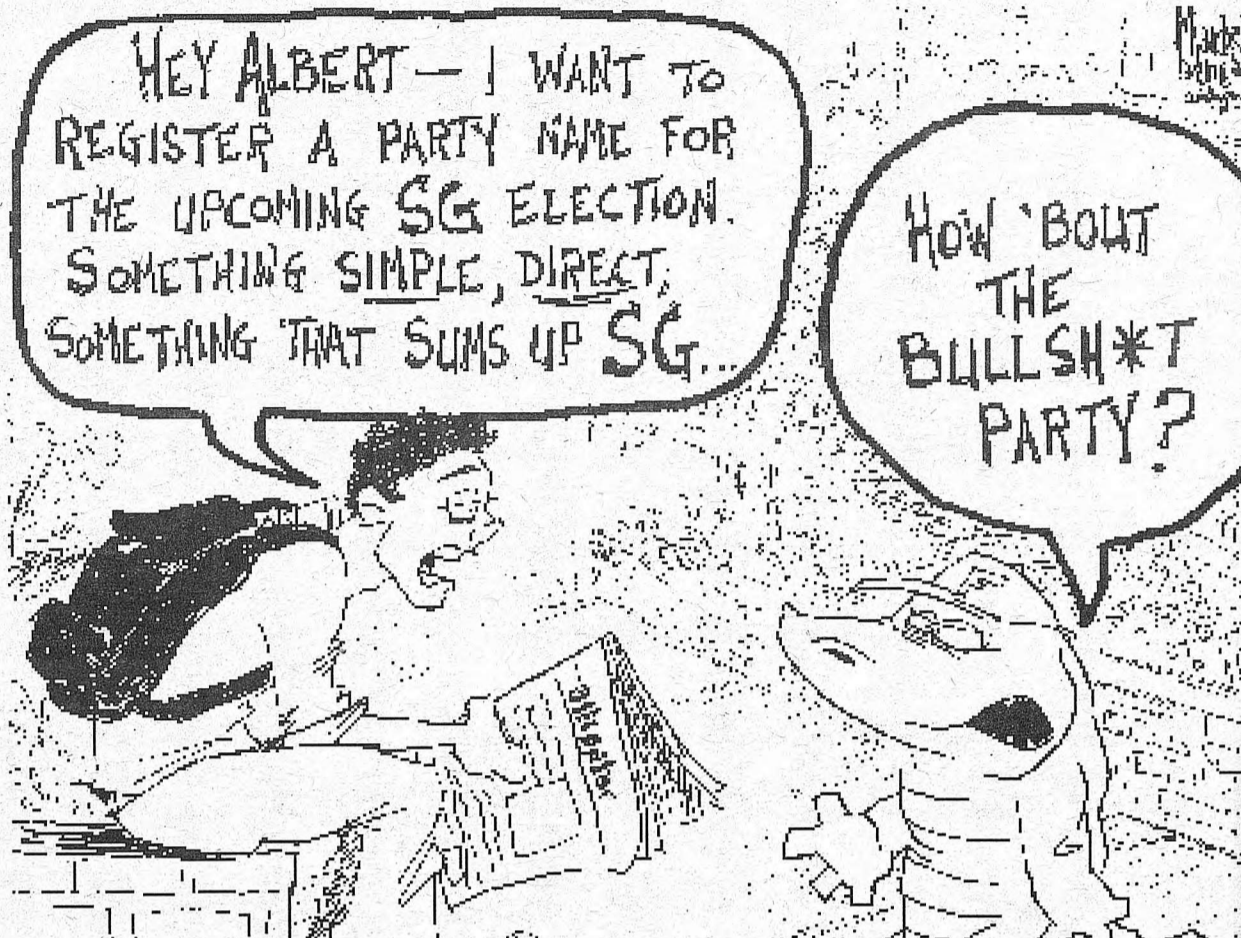
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Guest column

Politics a non-issue in disaster relief

While there's nothing I love more than a sound political argument, it's hard to see justice in the politicization of human tragedy.

We've done it countless times — when senseless death occurs, we return to the comfortable Republican vs. Democrat discourse rather than the uneasy discussion of our personal stake in the relief work that follows. The reaction to the tragic tsunami in Southeast Asia has been no different.

It's time for us to turn away from political debate and toward the reality of action.

It's clear America's role in the relief efforts will be huge. Gov. Jeb Bush, in personal diaries from his visit to affected areas, recounts the extreme devastation and the need for substantial aid. The initial pledge of \$350 million will go a long way, but it is the donations of American citizens that will define the scope of the relief efforts.

Now, almost a month after the Dec. 26 tragedy, we can clearly see the monumental task that lies ahead for people affected by the earthquake and the tsunami. While they rebuild their lives and mourn their dead, it is heartless of us to divide America along political lines.

The tsunami had no political agenda, so let us not dishonor the dead by assigning partisan politics to their tragedy.

As we examine our response, we must remember the first pledges were remarkably low. The United States and other global leaders could not have imagined the magnitude of the damage. Much in the same way, White House officials reminded us our \$350 million pledge "will continue to be revised as the full effects of this terrible tragedy become clearer."

Allison Cullin
Speaking Out

While we continue to pledge aid, we must not forget that the tsunami relief effort is not a bidding war. We must have a clear

assessment of the needs of the people ravaged by the deadly wave before we attempt to help. It would be irresponsible to assume the U.S. dollars pledged would be more effective than the help of U.S. military aircraft for the transportation of relief items. It would be absurd to assume the American government knows the needs of the affected from so many thousands of miles away.

To help the millions of people affected by the tsunami, we must first know their needs. Then we can act appropriately.

We are beginning to see the long-term picture. As the secretary of state and our governor return home after their tour of the affected region, we can begin to target aid to the places that need it most. We can attempt to help people rebuild their lives.

This issue isn't political. The aftermath of a global tragedy is never the time for politics. It's time to stop talking about the president's response and start planning your own. The contributions of individual American citizens will amount to far more than the government could ever pledge to the victims.

Stop blaming the government, and stop passing the buck. America will lead, as it always does, from the bottom up. Our contributions should not come just from an overarching governmental body, but also from the citizens who comprise the heart and soul of the nation. It's time for each of us to step up and do what's necessary.

Say a prayer, and send a check.

Allison Cullin is a political science and economics sophomore.

The views expressed here are not necessarily those of the Alligator.

Reader response

Today's question: Do you think the formula for federal student aid should be updated?

Due to technical difficulties, the results of Friday's poll will not be displayed.

Vote or post a message at www.alligator.org

Letters to the Editor

Adoption a part of the American family

Editor: In Friday's Alligator, a letter from Jessica DelBalzo, an anti-adoption activist, was printed. She praised taking a 3-year-old child from the only parents he has known—a stable, adoptive family—and giving him to his biological mother and father, whose actions showed they did not want to remain a couple.

As the adoptive father of two wonderful boys, I must object to this error. I do not sympathize with the biological father who claims his rights were being denied. In Arizona, where we lived at the time of our second adoption, the law is clear and logical. If a man has sex with a woman, that is sufficient notice that a child may be conceived. By his action, he claims to be an adult, so he needs to take responsibility as one. He failed, in that responsibility.

The American family is in jeopardy, and the most immediate threat does not alarm most Americans. We take this amazing power, the power to create life, and make light of it, destroy its fruit, practice parodies of it and gorge on it without regard to the consequences. The delicious feast of procreation has been turned into a junk food orgy of the sexually obese.

There is great wisdom in a man and woman forming a family and bringing children into that family. The rewards and responsibilities last a lifetime, and the consequences

span generations and continents. Let's do a better job at it, please.

Ron Portz
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Court's decision was not best for child

Editor: Will Evan be happier with his "natural" parents, as stated by Jessica DelBalzo, founder of the organization Adoption: Legalized Lies? I think not.

DelBalzo, who is neither an adoptee nor an adoptive mother, wrote this letter to promote her anti-adoption agenda. DelBalzo describes adoption as an industry that is child abuse, slavery and rape all rolled into one package.

At 3 years old, Evan is being taken away from the only family he has ever known—the parents who have raised him since birth. His 21-year-old birth mother willingly placed him with the Scotts after she moved to Jacksonville to escape the abuse of Evan's biological father. This father, who did not marry Evan's mother, filed for custody the month before the adoption was to be finalized. His birth mother then changed her mind and was awarded custody after a long legal battle. The father, who has a criminal history, will have visitation rights.

Evan is too young to understand why he must suddenly leave his family in Jacksonville to go live with strangers in Illinois. As an adoptive mother, I can't begin to imagine

being ordered to send my children into a potentially unsafe situation such as the one Evan is facing. My heart goes out to Evan and his adoptive parents. This legal decision is clearly not in Evan's best interests.

Jan Swanbeck
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Cartoons should not rely on stereotypes

Editor: I am writing to complain about Andy Marlette's cartoons and to cite as an example the recent illustration in Jan. 10's Alligator about the morning-after pill conspiracy's protest in Rockville, Md.

While I feel the content of this cartoon made no sense—was he trying to be critical of us or just belittling civil disobedience in general?—what I really take issue with is the way he constantly draws women. Both in his editorial cartoons and Detours illustrations, he has rarely missed an opportunity to draw Barbie doll women with enormous breasts in tiny skirts. If this weren't bad enough, most times he draws women cross-eyed—like he thinks all women are stupid. This is sexist and should stop immediately. I'm fairly certain he's encountered real women before, and I'm greatly insulted that he continues to portray us as "stupid bimbo" types. What I have found throughout my feminist activism is that wom-

en are actually really smart, interesting people. He is doing us a great disservice.

While I recognize that it is sometimes necessary to use symbols, markers and physical exaggerations in cartooning in order to identify specific groups, there is no such justification with his portrayal of women.

Claiming that his cartoons are merely an exaggeration of real life insinuates that, while not all women are brainless sex objects, most of us are—or that all of us are actually brainless sex objects but just to a lesser degree.

Furthermore, some stereotypes should not ever be used, because they perpetuate discriminatory attitudes toward a particular group of people. For example, it would be wrong, inappropriate and harmful to draw black women as "mammy" characters. Why? Because this is racist and promotes a racist view of black women.

Similarly, portraying women as dim-witted playthings perpetuates the attitude that women exist solely for men's pleasure. I am not OK with this, and I'm pretty sure other women aren't OK with it either.

While I'm sure it is certainly easier to rely on these stereotypes, I hope that he will stop drawing us in this fashion. He is a good artist, and I'm confident he can come up with a creative solution that is not offensive to women.

Kelly Mangan
President, UF Campus NOW

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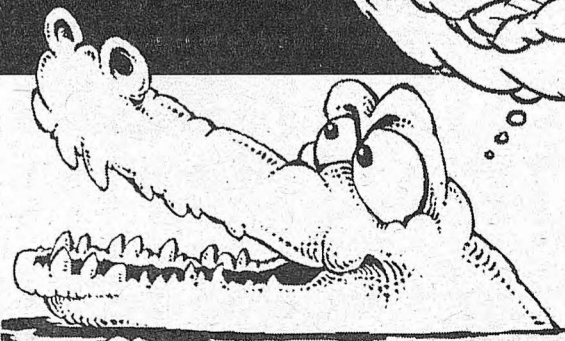
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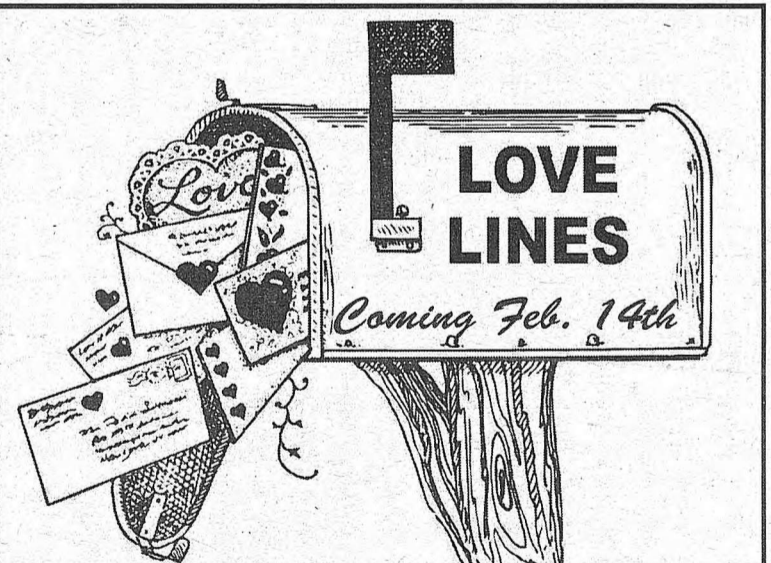
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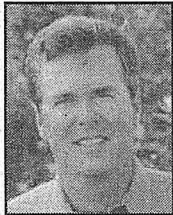
Bush touts reform at King luncheon

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ORLANDO, Fla. — Gov. Jeb Bush used a Martin Luther King Jr. Day luncheon Monday to tout education reforms that emphasize standardized testing, saying they provide equal access to education for all students regardless of race or income.

"There are more African Americans attending our universities, more graduating and more better qualified to go on to get a higher education," Bush told reporters at a luncheon sponsored by the Florida African American Education Alliance. "We're doing so in a way where there's true equality. Dr. King would appreciate that."

The Florida African American Education Alliance was formed to lend support to the governor's education reforms and "One Florida" plan, which eliminated racial and gender preferences in university admissions and in the awarding of state contracts.



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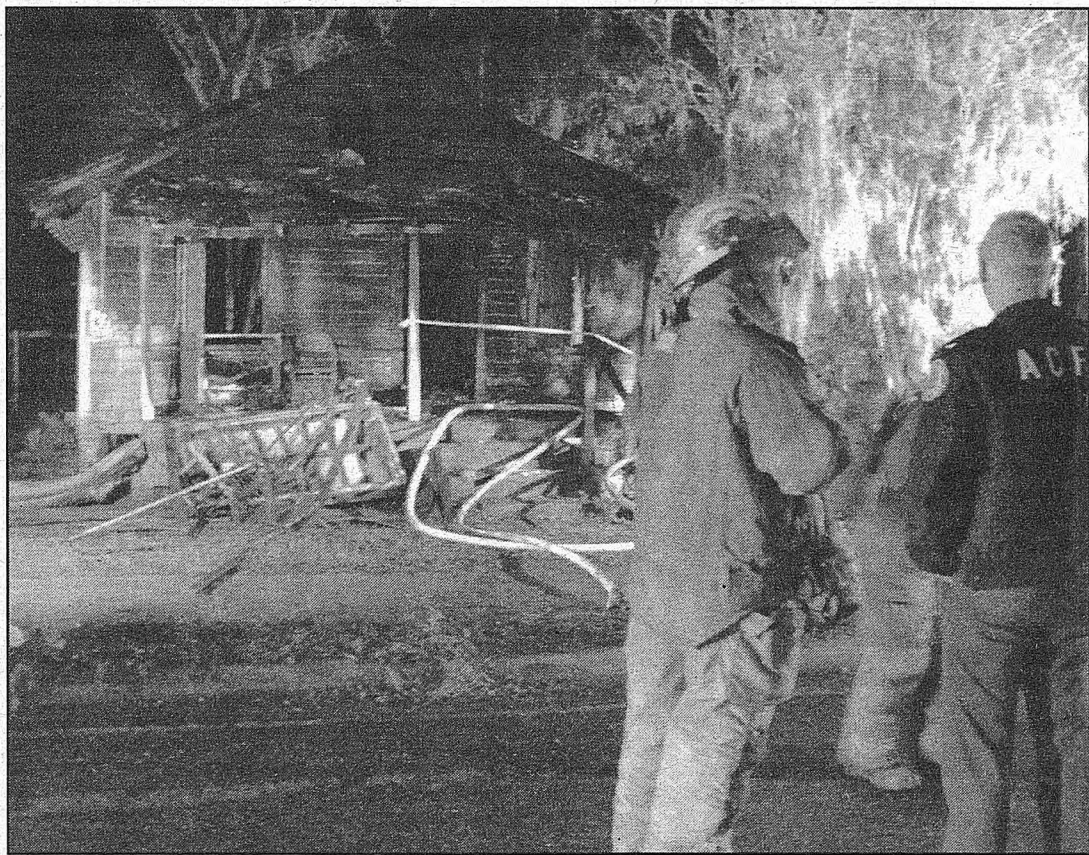
Bush's education reforms have rankled some teachers by emphasizing standardized testing for students, state grading of schools based on test performance and letting students at failing public schools use vouchers to attend private schools. The voucher initiative is being challenged in court, and the Florida Supreme Court is expected to schedule oral arguments this spring.

Mark Pudlow, a spokesman for the Florida Education Association, said Monday that while the union appreciates Bush's push for higher standards, "we just wished he would put a little bit more money in it." The union represents more than 250,000 teachers and educational staff and has opposed Bush on many issues.

"We've raised the bar on standards," Pudlow said. "Unfortunately, we haven't raised the bar on funding."

Pudlow attributed any increases of minority enrollment at the state's universities not to the One Florida plan, but to an increase in blacks and Hispanics as a portion of the state's population.

"The One Florida plan hasn't set the world on fire," he said.



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After the fire

Firefighters examine a burned house at 505 SE 15th St. after putting out the fire and rescuing an elderly man Monday. Gainesville Fire Rescue and Police Department were responding to a call across the street when a resident of the burning house told officers about the fire.

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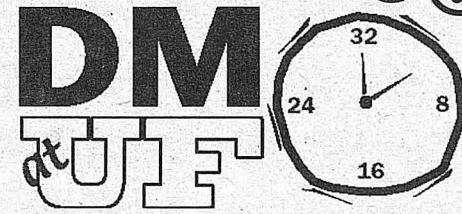
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Downtown rink turns in its skates for the season

Future of community skating uncertain

By **EVA KIS**

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Bundled to her chin in a cow-print fleece jacket, Phoebe Martin clung to her father with one hand

and the red-topped barrier of the Plaza Ice Palace with the other Sunday.

Putting one skate in front of the other in small, careful steps, she tried to walk rather than glide on the rink's slick surface.

"It's her first time skating," Calvin Martin said.

It was more than an hour past 3-and-one-half-year-old Phoebe's bedtime, but Martin said he wanted his daughter to experience the ice rink.

The Martins' trip was well timed — the Plaza Ice Palace ended its second season Monday.

The 90-by-60-foot outdoor rink has been set up at the Gainesville Downtown Community Plaza since Nov. 14 and closed two weeks later than last year.

Sunday's brisk weather, with evening temperatures in the low fifties, pleased rink co-manager Ed Armstrong.

"This weather is fabulous for making ice," Armstrong said.

It was also fabulous for getting people into the ice-skating mood. With a candy cane-wielding snowman waving to passing skaters and Christmas lights strung all around the rink's canopy, the Ice Palace is a seasonal affair.

Attendance was down from last year, Armstrong said, citing the novelty of the rink had worn off.

But novelty wasn't what brought Campus Crusade for Christ member Sarah Schneider out Sunday night.

"The guys' Bible study is taking the girls out," she said.

Schneider, a UF anthropology junior, said her group bid to go on the date idea they liked most proposed by a guys' study group in a charity date auction. The gents paid for the evening out of their own pockets.

"We've had a lot of people express their appreciation in the last few days," Armstrong said. "They've been bringing groups in."

Come one, come all

Despite being smaller than a regular rink, the Ice Palace has attracted some aficionados.

Armstrong said a group of about six skaters come by every other day, but that while "a number of people who have skated" have come by, it's mostly beginners. Other skaters are those who have been away from the sport for a while, like Gainesville resident Rebecca Crowder, who hasn't been on the ice in 25 years.

"I was out for three hours until I could at least make it around the rink without hugging the wall," she said.

Crowder, 46, came equipped with wristguards and kneepads, after learning from the two times she had come to the Ice Palace earlier that week.

"I knew I was gonna get out there and bust my [butt], which I did," Crowder said. "And now I'm kicking myself because I didn't start coming sooner."

Armstrong said the rink was popular among local college students but drew the occasional FSU visitor. He counts a Boston-based lawyer and a Jacksonville hockey player among his attendees.

But that's not as far out of town as the rink's visitors get.

Saul Cordero, a Puerto Rico native, was in Gainesville to visit his sister and her family. He came to the Ice Palace with them and his mother, and though none of them have ice skated before, Cordero was excited.

"I want to try. I want to see what it's like," he said.

Armstrong said a local carpenter named Mike came to skate because he claimed it made his lower back feel good.

According to the U.S. Figure Skating Association, a grow-

ing number of adults take up ice skating not just for pleasure but for fitness. Many ice-skating rinks offer classes in the basics.

Same time next year?

Armstrong said it's up to the city of Gainesville as to whether the rink will come to town again.

"That's a city decision," he said. "It's their decision as to what to bring in."

Laural DeWild, Plaza events coordinator for Gainesville's Cultural Affairs Department which brought the Ice Palace, said the idea sounded "awesome" when it was brought to her two years ago. She cited the success of a similar venture in Ocala as part of the decision by then-City Manager Wayne Bowers.

DeWild said the city provided the site and electricity, but that the company that set up the rink is responsible for running it.

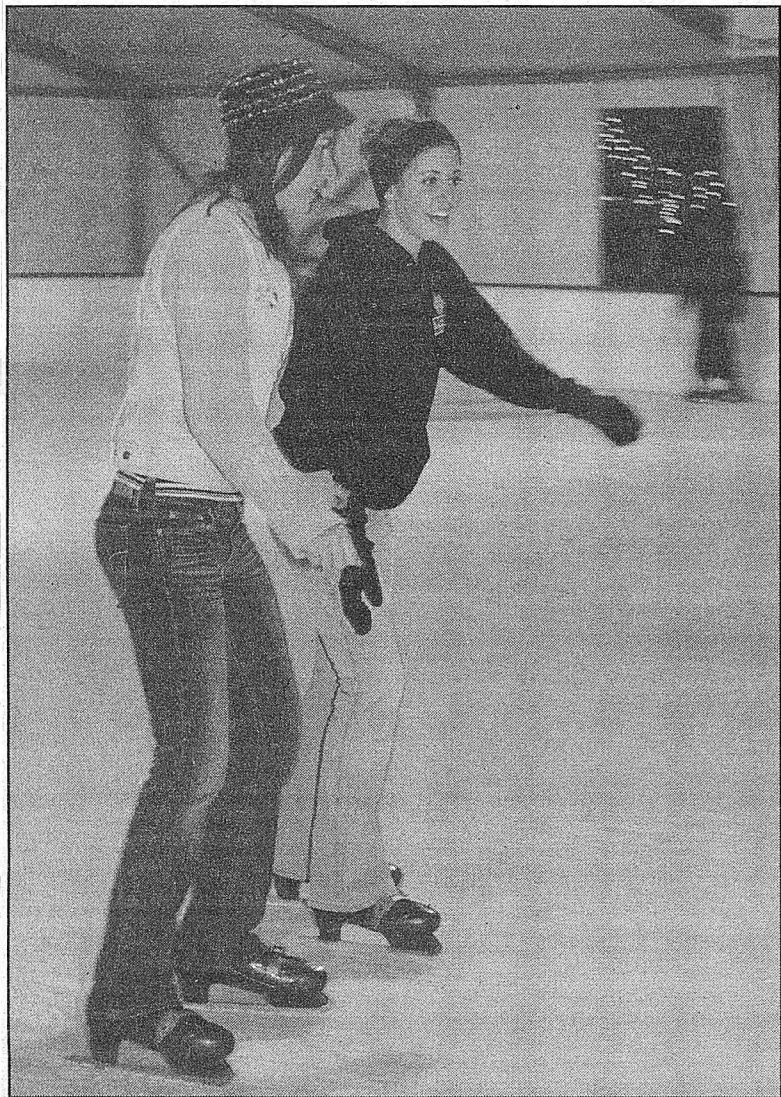
As for next year, until the city has a chance to examine the rink's revenue reports, DeWild can't say whether her department will elect to bring it to Gainesville again, she said.

But as far as she's concerned, "Yes, I would like to do it again," she said.

By 10 p.m., still holding her father's hand, Phoebe left the barrier as she made her way to the rink's exit. Cheeks flushed and hair askew from beneath her cow-eared hood, she was smiling.

Similarly pleased, Crowder said she wasn't unstrapping her skates for good, adding she would return for Monday's final sessions.

"I'm going to enjoy it for the last two days that it's here," she said.



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Linzi Sheppard and Lauren Branin enjoy themselves as they skate for the last time at the Plaza Ice Palace's outdoor skating rink in downtown Gainesville.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Unexplained shootout leaves two men hospitalized

Two Gainesville men began their Sunday morning with an argument that escalated into gunfire, authorities said.

According to reports, Keith Donnell Mathis, 30, of Archer, was taken to Shands at UF after he was found lying in the road at 521 Railroad Lane with a gunshot wound to his abdomen at 12:45 a.m. Mathis claimed he was shot by Willie James Foster, 41.

Alachua County Sheriff's Office spokesman Jim Troiano said reasons the altercation began and how many people were involved are unknown.

Mathis gave authorities a description of a vehicle matching a car reported speeding eastbound on Archer Road, according to reports.

Authorities pulled over the vehicle and found Foster in the driver's seat, also with a gunshot wound.

Troiano was not sure where Foster's wound was located. He said Foster was transported to Shands at UF for treatment and detectives are investigating the argument and circumstances of the aftermath.

"There are still a lot of things we still can't go into," Troiano said.

Troiano said the vehicle was listed as stolen; however, he could not verify if ASO had received any information

regarding it prior to this incident.

Both men are reportedly in stable condition. They will be taken into custody upon discharge for respective arrest warrants on charges unrelated to the shootings, involving violation of parole for Mathis and Foster for grand theft, according to reports.

WOMAN STABBED DURING DISPUTE: A woman was stabbed during an argument between three Gainesville residents early Sunday morning, according to police reports.

A skateboard and bicycle also were thrown. James Webb was at his home, 3662 NW Seventh Ave., when Treniss Evans, who lives at the same residence, and her companion, Jasper Bridges, of 3643 SW 20th Ave., arrived. They were angry about an earlier argument involving Evans and Webb, according to reports.

Webb answered the door with a knife in his hand. Evans threw a skateboard and a bicycle at Webb, but he was not injured, reports state. Webb then allegedly stabbed Evans several times in the back.

Evans underwent surgery and is reported to be in stable condition.

FIRE BURNS 10 ACRES: A fire broke out Monday in Southwest Alachua County, burning approximately 10 acres, authorities say.

Alachua County Fire Rescue public information officer Mark Hughes said the fire was reported around 2 p.m. in a field near a pine-tree forest.

Hughes confirmed there were people in the field at that time surveying the area for possible development but that he does not suspect foul play.

"There is nothing we can really determine," Hughes said. "It doesn't appear to be suspicious."

No one was harmed, and no structural damage was reported, he said.

However, Hughes expressed concern due to cold weather.

"The ground debris is very dry," he said. "We are concerned with hurricane debris. Especially in the rural areas, there is a lot of fuel that can be burned."

The fire was contained by Alachua County Fire Rescue and the Division of Forestry.

— ELIZABETH PRANN



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Stevenson Charlot, a UF freshman, marches down Waldo Road Monday afternoon to honor the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr.

Commemoration flourishes in new setting

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from Campus Ministry Cooperative and wearing different religious robes, onto the stage of the Reitz Union Ballroom "the most heartwarming sight I've seen in the 13 months I've been in Gainesville."

He also told the audience that the King holiday brings to mind those who still are excluded from

the civil-rights activist's "dream" because of oppression.

The Rev. John Davidson, who helped organize the service, said he was "blown away" by the turnout and hopes to see more student involvement next year. He hoped to improve the divisions between faith groups on campus in homage to King's memory, he said, adding that all religions share the same vision of peace and justice.

The Dean of Students Office and the Campus Ministry Cooperative sponsored the service.

ON CAMPUS

Speaker brings new light to King message

By **CHELSEA DONALDSON**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Writer, activist and former "Real World" cast member Kevin Powell brought Martin Luther King Jr.'s decades-old message of tolerance into a modern-day perspective at the Black Graduate Student Organization's 19th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Saturday night.

Speaking to a crowd of about 90 at Emerson Alumni Hall, Powell discussed King's life and work and how it applies not only to racial divisions but also to serious issues within and beyond the black community.

"Many people will celebrate [King] year after year with knowing little to nothing about him," Powell said. "He had a dream, but what was that dream?"

Powell related King's work to issues young black people face today, such as erasing color lines and self-hatred and continuing toward true unity among races. Powell stressed that people in the black community need to stop calling each other degrading names or equating negative things with being "ghetto."

"You can't just say, 'Kevin Powell's ghetto' because he's late

for the program.

"I'm not ghetto, I'm just late," he said.

Powell also touched on the subject of accepting those who choose alternative lifestyles.

"Last time I checked, I'm not God and am in no position to judge," he said, adding he believes it is wrong for Christians to condemn gay people.



Powell

The event, titled "Lifting As We Climb: The Last Steep Ascent," was presented by the Black Graduate Student Organization and Accent.

Lori Spicer, BGSO's Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration chairwoman, organized this year's event hoping to educate attendees about King's legacy and his various accomplishments for the black community.

"People are not aware of everything he did," she said, adding that she hoped people would leave with greater knowledge.

The celebration also included dinner, speeches, award presentations and live music by BGSSoul, a vocal quintet comprised of BGSO members.

UF students participate in celebratory march on King holiday

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Salmon reminisced about a much smaller march in his hometown of Sebring, Fla.

"It was a nice gathering. It was cool for people to come and revisit something from the past," Salmon said.

At 1 p.m. the crowd began to shuffle forward on their one-and-one-half mile trek east on University Avenue, then north on Waldo Road.

County Commissioner Rodney Long, who started marching in 1982 and is president of the Martin Luther King Jr. Commission, was pleased with the event but urged people to

slow down.

"They are walking so fast; I don't think they realize they have an entire 45 minutes," Long said.

In the end, it did take the crowd of supporters approximately 45 minutes, with people trailing for a mile, before arriving at the Martin Luther King Jr. Multipurpose Center,

where community leaders spoke about this year's theme, "Empowerment for the Next Decade."

Long made closing remarks urging citizens to help others.

"What will you do to help empower someone?" he asked. "What can you do to empower someone — to improve their life forever?"

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Committee cannot reverse previously approved names

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for Student Affairs Patricia Telles-Irvin would spur the creation of an informal review committee. The committee's leaders have yet to be chosen.

“When it's an administrative committee, usually things are gonna get done,” Duque said.

Regardless, members of the former Access Party will not be able to retain their old name, since no laws or statutes were broken when Shine registered the Access name, Telles-Irvin said.

A statute likely to be examined is No. 744.0, which states that political parties may not select a name that is so similar to a previously registered party running in the present election that it would confuse a reasonable voter.

“We may discover that it's working just fine,” Telles-Irvin said of the statutes.

She added that it was prudent to review the university's policies occasionally to meet the needs of students.

Original Access Party officers could not be reached for comment Monday.

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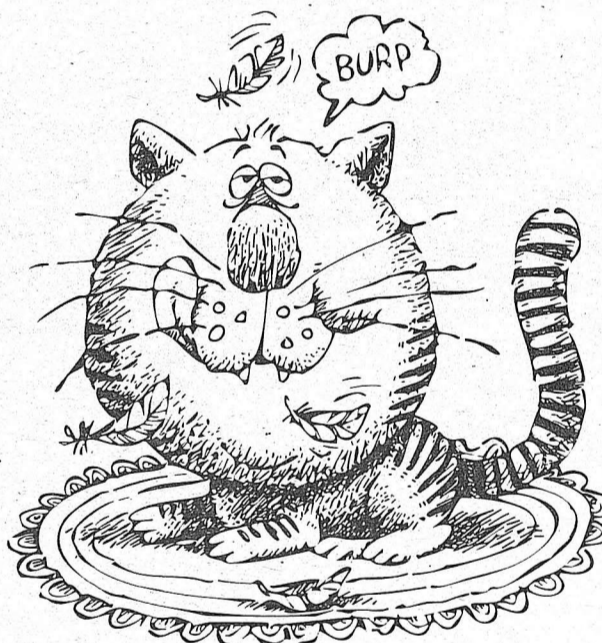
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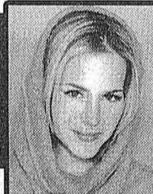
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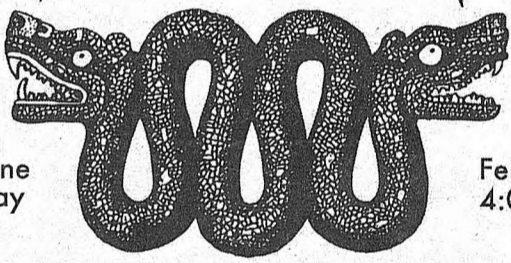
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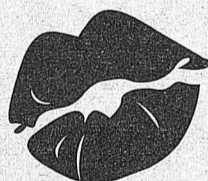
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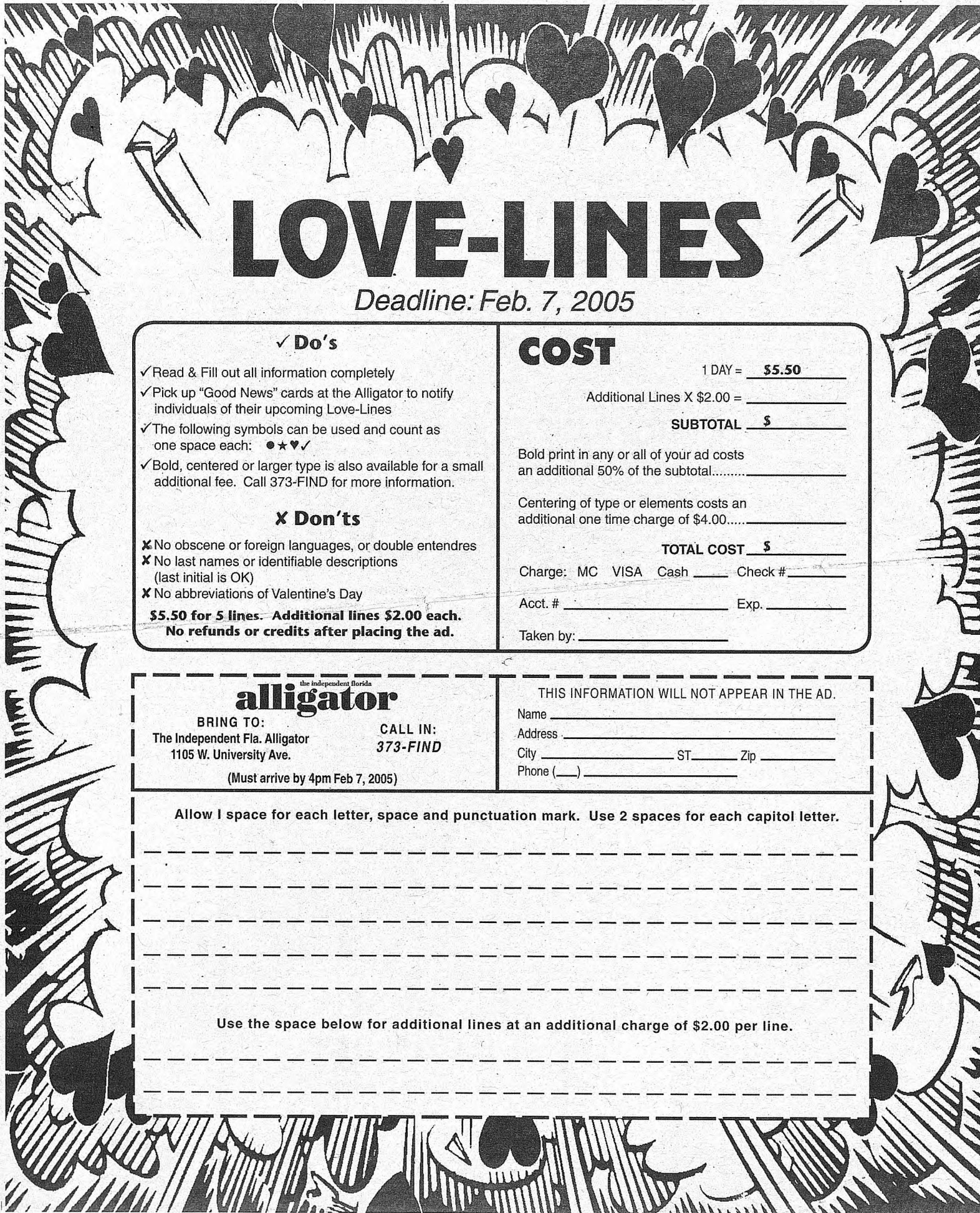
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By **BRYAN APP**
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NASHVILLE — The smile on freshman Corey Brewer's face could not have been any bigger.

It explained everything. It politely related his pride in his team and himself. And it reciprocated the pride his nearby hometown of Portland, Tenn., had in him.

In front of a personal cheering section comprised of friends and family members, Brewer finished with 7 points, seven rebounds and two steals in a 82-65 win against Vanderbilt on Saturday, helping UF mount a 3-0 start early in its Southeastern Conference season.

"It felt great," said a beaming Brewer through his typical ear-to-ear smile. "We knew the crowd was going to be loud. It was a great environment, and we came out and got a great win."

While his numbers may not scream MVP, his hustle provided some inspiring plays that set the tone for UF's early domination.

Less than two minutes into the game, junior guard Anthony Roberson collected a steal, pushed up the court and dished to Brewer, who threw down a fast-break dunk. Brewer, fouled on the play and made the ensuing free throw for a 3-point play.

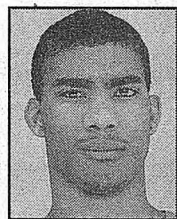
Later, Brewer returned the favor, stealing the ball and passing to Roberson for a fast-break layup during a 12-0 half-ending UF run.

"I was just telling the guys, and Roberson was telling us, 'Let's go. Let's go. We've got to take it to them,'" Brewer said. "And we kept taking it. Then we got up by

20 and knew it was over."

About 200 friends and family members made the 45-minute drive south to catch a glimpse of the freshman. When Brewer exited the Memorial Gym, he caught a glimpse of them.

As Brewer and Co. made their way toward the team bus, a mob of cheering Gators fans bran-



Brewer

dished pens and programs with hopes of collecting autographs.

But amid the sea of orange and blue, a peculiar purple-clad crowd

from Brewer's former Portland High team received some personal attention.

Brewer signed autographs and took pictures with his former teammates and others before enjoying applause as he boarded the bus.

While Brewer may have relished the post-game veneration, as indicated by his giant grin, he said his posse's cheers weren't a distraction during the game.

For Coach Billy Donovan, who expressed concern regarding the pressure Brewer would face in his homecoming, the freshman's composure was refreshing.

"I told Corey before the game, I don't know when you're a freshman and come back home to play what you can say as a coach to get you focused," Donovan said. "Corey ... kind of gets lost in the game. There was a lot of pressure on him. But I thought he handled it pretty well."

Size disadvantage no problem for UF

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center Dawid Przybyszewski, the Gators outrebounded Vanderbilt 45-25.

Vanderbilt was able to assemble an 11-2 run in the second

half with three consecutive three-point shots. With 2:59 remaining, Vanderbilt's Shan Foster, who finished with a team-high 18 points, hit a three-pointer to cut UF's lead to 12.

The Gators effectively contained the Commodores' perimeter offense, however, limiting

the SEC's second-best three-point shooter, Mario Moore, to 10 points and 2 of 9 shooting from beyond the arc.

"They're going to get threes up regardless of how you play them," UF coach Billy Donovan said. "I thought our kids just hung in there and battled."

Gators may grab more prospects this week

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senior year due to a broken left ankle suffered during the preseason.

He finished his junior season with 38 catches, 787 yards and 12 touchdowns.

With several targets on the UF recruiting board participated during the game, Boateng made sure to do his part to sway them toward Gainesville.

"I've been putting Florida in the ears of plenty of guys all week," Boateng said. "David Nelson, Chris Scott and Jerome Hayes — I feel like we've got a good shot at them."

The West team defeated the East due to a decisive advantage at quarterback. Mark Sanchez, the nation's top quarterback and a Southern California commit, and Ryan Perrilloux, the No. 2 prospect, lit up the Alamo Dome thanks in part to a strong receiving corps.

Blue-chip prospect Desean Jackson, the game's MVP who finished with seven catches for 141

yards, is considering the Gators.

However, the Long Beach, Calif., native has said it will be hard to pull him from the West Coast.

"I've been putting Florida in the ears of plenty of guys all week. David Nelson, Chris Scott and Jerome Hayes — I feel like we've got a good shot at them."

Nyan Boateng
UF oral commitment

Nelson, another West wide receiver, has narrowed his choices down to the UF, Notre Dame and Iowa.

The 6-foot-6, 200-pound receiver will visit Gainesville this Friday and announce his decision next week.

Oral commitments are non-binding until a national letter-of-intent is signed on National Signing Day on Feb. 2.

CONTROL, from page 24

ment that replay is coming to a SEC school near you, the problem is not entirely solved.

Instant replay has already been implemented in the Big Ten, and is coming to the SEC.

But what about the rest of the conferences throughout college football?

What happens when UF plays Florida State and the ACC referees

make the call? Or what happens when the Gators, along with the SEC refs, travel to Tallahassee?

The replay equipment likely won't be set up on the road, making it impossible to use the new system in a non-SEC stadium.

Human judgment can be flawed, and there's no reason why the NCAA shouldn't implement instant replay across the board. Even if it makes the already dreadfully-long college football games last a few more minutes.

My biggest complaint about the new system is that, unlike in the NFL, coaches can't order a replay — the call must come from a neutral observer in the booth. I foresee fans complaining about discrepancies regarding which calls are reviewed.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Gators survive first-half barrage

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The final score was no different from any other. However, the game was unlike any this season.

Sunday afternoon, the UF women's basketball team defeated South Carolina, 67-57.

Despite the victory and sizeable lead in the final two minutes, the Gators (12-5, 3-1 Southeastern Conference) struggled throughout the game.

Though shooting 41.7 percent in the first half, UF trailed 35-27 to start the second. The Gamecocks (6-11, 1-3 SEC) were even better from the field, shooting 48 percent, and were the recipients of 13 UF turnovers in the first 20 minutes.

The second half looked like more of the same as South Carolina pushed the lead as high as 12.

Saying that in the SEC, "you have to respect all and fear none," including lowly teams like South Carolina, Coach Carolyn Peck said that the Gators' lack of focus was the reason for the poor play.

"That's what I think we lacked in the first half," Peck said. "But they got our respect early in that first half, and then our attention definitely got where it needed to be."

"When they start believing, and knowing how good they are, that's when they're going to be really good all the time."

Carolyn Peck

UF women's basketball coach

After the Gamecocks took a 46-34 lead at the 15-minute mark, the Gators began their winning rally.

Junior Bernice Mosby, who had only two field goals in Thursday's loss to Louisiana State, scored two consecutive layups that cut the lead to 8. She would finish with 17 points and 12 rebounds, her sixth double-double this season.

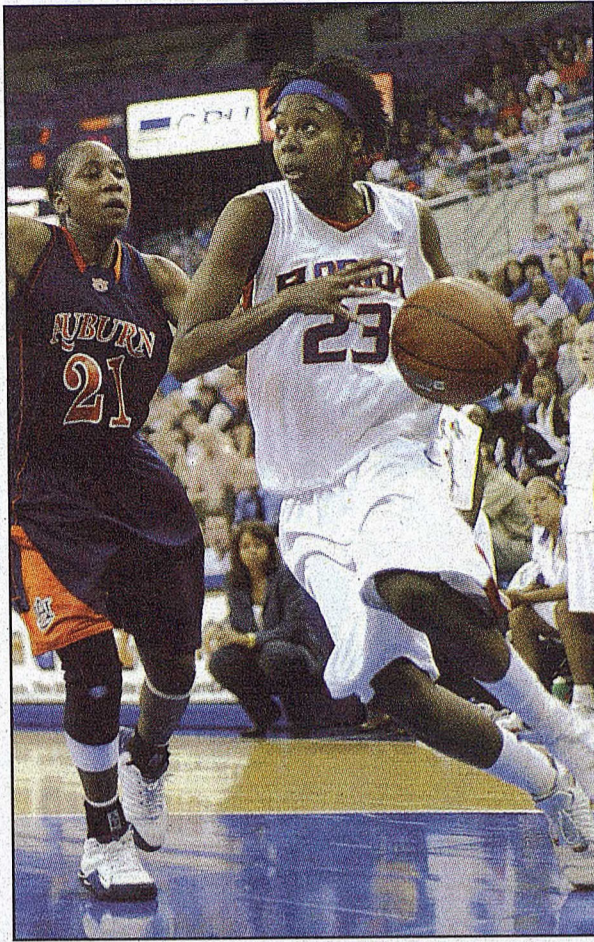
Senior Tashia Morehead then hit a three-pointer, appearing recovered from a strained quad and sprained ankle that slowed her play earlier this season. Morehead scored 16 points Sunday, including 4 of 6 from behind the arc.

"I was glad to see Tashia Morehead come to play," Peck said. "She stepped it up big. Her focus was on good leadership on the floor and she made a lot of good things happen."

The Gators concluded their six-minute, 16-2 run with two free throws from senior Tamia Williams, putting UF ahead 50-48.

Williams finished with 21 points, including five three-pointers.

Turnovers and defense were the difference in the second half. In the first, UF struggled with ball-handling, just as it had against LSU. After recording 24 turnovers



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Senior guard Tamia Williams followed her 15-point performance against Louisiana State with 21 points in a South Carolina win.

against the Tigers, the Gators had 13 to start against the Gamecocks.

Peck said she reminded her players of the LSU game, where they "threw the ball all over the gym." She said good decisions led to just three turnovers in the final 20 minutes.

Responding to the Gamecocks' high-percentage shooting in the first half, UF clamped down, yielding just 26 percent in the second.

"In the first half our defensive intensity was nowhere close to where it's been," Peck said. "There was no intensity, no pressure on the ball to make things happen."

Peck said she is happy with the fact that UF has won two SEC road games, a difficult feat. She added that the best is still ahead.

"When they start believing, and knowing how good they are, that's when they're going to be really good all the time," she said.

Radio broadcasts contributed to this report

Bars fall costly:
LSU downs UF

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With an increased emphasis on points and routine difficulty this season, one might expect the No. 12 UF gymnastics team to start the season with lower scoring performances.

While the Gators' score did increase by more than a full point from the season-opening Super Six Challenge, the jump was not enough to overtake Louisiana State on Friday night, as the No. 20 Tigers defeated UF 195.625-195.55 in Baton Rouge, La.

"We definitely hung together, and there were some great bright spots," Coach Rhonda Faehn said. "They weren't as sharp as we were the week before at the Super Six."

The Gators entered the final rotation with a 0.325 lead, but LSU's 49.125 on floor exercise outpaced UF's 48.75 on balance beam.

Sophomore Breanne King won her first collegiate all-around title with a score of 39.275.



Faehn

"I was really excited to have won," King said. "I would have loved to have won team as well, but I think everyone went out and did their job."

King also won the balance beam for the second meet in a row, tallying a 9.85, just ahead of teammate Katie Rue's 9.80.

Rue also won the third collegiate vault title of her career with a score of 9.90.

"Katie did a wonderful job for us," Faehn said. "She came in on floor and did a great routine and ended up winning vault. She also did an exhibition on bars and did an unbelievable job which got a score of 9.8, which we really could have used."

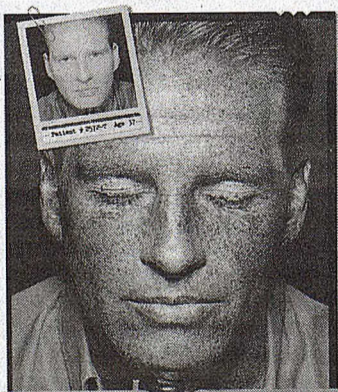
Freshmen Tiffany Murry and Tracey Rai tied for second on vault with scores of 9.85.

Murry also won her first career event title, garnering a 9.925 on floor exercise.

The Gators, however, continued to struggle on the uneven bars and were forced to count a fall for the second consecutive meet. Their score of 48.4 was their lowest of the night.

"I think that obviously we were very disappointed with our performance on bars," Faehn said. "Again, our mistakes were by freshmen, who I'm sure are frustrated, but that's easy to fix."

"We're just going to make some line-up changes for this week."



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Roberson collects 30 in rout of Vandy

■ THE GUARD HIT A BUZZER BEATER AND SAYS HE KNEW IT WAS GOING IN.

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NASHVILLE — The half-time horn sounded. The twine swished. And with a deflated Vanderbilt crowd watching its

Men's Basketball	team limp
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toward the locker room, the only signs of life came from

the Gators' jubilant fist-pumping sprint off the Memorial Gym floor.

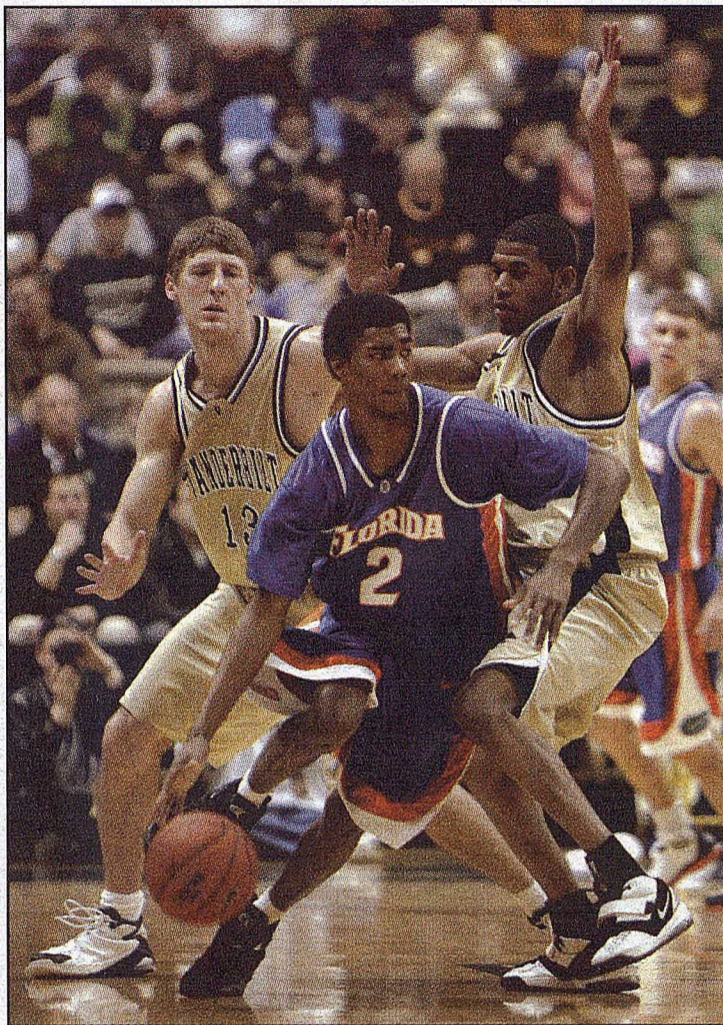
Seconds earlier, UF guard Anthony Roberson hit a buzzer-beating, backbreaking three-pointer, giving his team a 43-27 lead. And the Commodores, who handed the Gators (11-3, 3-1 Southeastern Conference) their first SEC loss here last season, couldn't recover, falling 82-65.

"I knew when it left my hand it was going in," Roberson said of the shot. "And I saw the light behind the basket go off, so I knew it was going to count."

The three-pointer capped a 19-4 half-ending UF run that Roberson said destroyed the home team's morale.

While the shot may have been his most dramatic of the game, it was just a sample.

Roberson made 6 of 10 from



Mark Humphrey / AP Photo

UF's Corey Brewer finds his path blocked by Vanderbilt's Dawid Przybyszewski and Shan Foster, right, during the Gators' win.

beyond the arc, accounting for most of his game-high 30 points. And in the absence of teammate

Matt Walsh, who's out with an severe ankle sprain and didn't

make the trip due to an ear infection, Roberson again shouldered UF's offensive burden.

After scoring 34 against Auburn on Wednesday, Roberson

became the first Gators player with at least 30 points in consecutive games since Andrew Moten in 1986, earning him SEC Player of the Week honors for the first time since his freshman season.

"I think the biggest thing is that we're 3-0 in our conference," Roberson said. "Tennessee is going to be at home [on Wednesday]. We've got to get that one. But it will feel good to be 4-0, 5-0 in this conference."

Along with the shooting of Roberson and sophomore guard Lee Humphrey, who finished with 10 points, the Gators set a physical tone early with rebounding and defense.

Forward David Lee, who collected a game- and career-high 17 rebounds along with 11 points, played a leadership role in the Gators' attack-the-ball style.

Less than two minutes into the game, Lee drove through a foul and converted a layup. After missing the resulting foul shot, Lee grabbed his own rebound. After missing the ensuing attempt, he grabbed another rebound and was fouled on a put-back attempt.

"Tonight is the last night I'll get to play in Nashville," said Lee, UF's lone senior. "I just wanted to come out here and lead my team."

Despite the Commodores having a 5-2 advantage in players taller than 6-foot-8, including 7-foot-2

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Replay will modernize conference

Who said the Southeastern Conference wasn't progressive?

Nevermind. That was me.

Lo and behold, my ears were in disbelief last week when I heard the news — the SEC is likely

instating an instant replay system for 2005.

I'd expect such a radical announcement in the Pac-10, where football



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is played in Oregon and Washington — you know, those weird free-loving, John-Kerry-supporting states.

But not in the SEC. Not in the conference where games are still hosted in Starkville, Miss.

I, for one, have been to Starkville. Cold beer is not sold at gas stations. College students roam the streets toting coolers with wheels. It's a *strange* scene.

Starkville aside, I can no longer joke about the SEC's 19th-century habits, because the Good Ole Conference just made its best decision in years.

Replay, stupid. It's the most logical decision, and I can't fathom why every conference doesn't use video replay after controversial referee calls.

Sure, it's expensive to install, and there are other issues to consider. But games can be saved.

Imagine if the referees had the option to review the whole Dallas Baker debacle at Tennessee.

Or imagine if the referees were able to review Ron Zook on the sidelines throughout his three seasons at UF. Certainly one of the zebras would have recognized the Zooker as a fraud and replaced him with a more capable coach.

Despite the grand announce-

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RECRUITING

WR prospect pledges to Gators at game

By **ERIC ESTEBAN**

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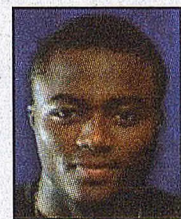
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SAN ANTONIO — The Southwest played host to America's best high-schoolers Saturday in the U.S. Army All-American Bowl.

While the West routed the East, 35-3, UF coach Urban Meyer had reason to celebrate during the game.

A host of potential Gators played in the game, while one, wide receiver Nyan Boateng, announced his oral commitment to UF during the second quarter.

Boateng, ranked the No. 14 receiver in the nation by Scout.com, chose the Gators over Nebraska, Michigan, Penn State and defending national champions Southern California.



Boateng

Boateng showcased his speed throughout

"I'm going to UF, because I want to win a national championship and I know I can do that there," Boateng said. "Coach Meyer's offense is made for receivers, and I can't wait to get to Gainesville to show what I can do."

much of the game, accelerating for more than 20 yards after the catch on the two short passes thrown his way. The 6-foot-3, 190-pound target from Brooklyn, N.Y., was adamant that Meyer was his primary reason for committing to the Gators.

"We got everything in place at UF with Coach Meyer," Boateng said. "Chris Leak is the best quarterback in the nation, the Swamp is the toughest place to play in the nation and the Gators provided the best situation for me."

The big-play receiver didn't compete his

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I DID NOT KNOW THAT

■ UF guard Anthony Roberson received SEC Player of the Week honors after posting back-to-back 30-point efforts. Roberson scored 34 against Auburn and 30 against Vanderbilt.

TODAY IN UF SPORTS HISTORY

■ 1975: The UF women's basketball team won its first game, a 51-47 victory against Rollins College. The game sparked a seven-game winning streak for the Gators.

WHO'S HOT

■ UF senior All-American Candice Scott, who shattered her own collegiate record in the weight throw Saturday. It was the fourth time Scott broke an NCAA mark in the event.

ONLINE

■ The men's and women's track and field teams had their first indoor meet of the season and the men's swimming and diving team was in action too. Log on to alligator.org/sports for stories. Also check out completely new pages for every Southeastern Conference team.