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Crash claims two

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The number of Gainesville traffic fatalities in the last week equal that of all of last year following a Thursday-morning accident on North Main Street.

Candace Johnson, 22, began to turn left from North Main Street onto Northeast 53rd Avenue when she drove her Ford Probe into the side of a Chevrolet S-10 pickup truck holding two men, Gainesville Police spokesman Keith Kameg said.

According to reports, McArthur Burke, 82, and his friend Travis Lee Mulberry, 51, were driving east on Northeast 53rd Avenue when their vehicle was struck by Johnson at approximately 11 a.m.

"It didn't take much," Kameg said. "She hit the rear of his vehicle and pushed into a sideways skid."

The truck skidded then rolled

several times before landing upside-down.

Both were ejected during the crash from Burke's Chevrolet, an older, smaller model of the pickup truck.

Neither man was wearing his seatbelt, Kameg said.

Mulberry was killed instantly, and Burke died within an hour of being taken to Shands at UF from injuries sustained during the accident, according to reports.

Investigators believe Johnson wasn't driving very fast when she turned her vehicle and struck the pickup truck.

"She was pulling out, but we don't know her speed," Kameg said. "We believe she was coming from a stop."

This marks the third traffic-related fatality this year, equaling the total fatalities for all of

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OFF THE AVENUE

Snoop tickets fizzle

By **KEELEY MCCARTY**
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Plenty of seats still are available for tonight's Snoop Dogg concert at the Stephen C. O'Connell center, but students hoping to get discounted tickets no longer can.

On Thursday, approximately half of the seats for the 8 p.m. show remained unsold, O'Connell Center officials said.

The O'Dome can house up to 7,500 people for the event, and of the 3,750 tickets already sold, only 2,600 were to UF students, said Darius Dunn, associate director for the center.

"I'm hoping that a lot of tickets will be sold walk-up on Friday," said Jeff Yeatman, chair-

man of Student Government Productions, which is primarily funding the show. But, \$15 student tickets will no longer be available for those buying walk-up tickets. The price now is \$25 for everyone.

"It's a great price to see a top-notch artist," Dunn said.

SGP shelled out approximately \$147,000 for the event, including Snoop's \$100,000 performer's fee, more than \$3,500 in advertising, \$1,930 in food for the backstage spread and \$116 on a requested Xbox rental from Blockbuster Video, according to SG Finance documents.



Snoop Dogg

FOOTBALL



Courtesy of UF Sports Information

Former Gators running back Emmitt Smith announced his retirement from the NFL on Thursday. Smith retired as the NFL's leading rusher.

Revered rusher retires

NFL great ends career with tears

By **ANDREW ABRAMSON**
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There's nothing left for the overachiever to achieve.

Emmitt Smith, who seemingly overachieved at every level of his football career, retired on Thursday as the NFL's all-time leader in rushing yards and rushing touchdowns.

"I've given everything I can possible to the game, on and off the field," said Smith, who was in Jacksonville for the Super Bowl festivities.

Although Smith was a highly sought recruit out of Pensacola, many skeptics questioned his

apparent lack of height and speed, doubting he would star at UF.

It took just three games for Smith to silence the critics.

In 1987, Smith saw limited action in a season-opening loss to Miami, but in week three against No. 11 Alabama, he broke out for a UF freshman record 224 rushing yards in the Gators' surprising 23-14 road victory.

Smith never looked back, finishing the season with a Southeastern Conference-best 1,341 yards en route to 3,928 rushing yards and 36 touchdowns in just three seasons in Gainesville.

He holds UF's single-game rushing record of 316 yards against New Mexico in 1989.

"It was an amazing sight to be able to hand the ball off to him and see the way he ran the football and the natural instincts he was blessed with," said Kerwin Bell, UF's quarterback in

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■ UF's Bernice Mosby buries her head toward the end of a 91-82 overtime loss to No. 5 Tennessee. Mosby sent Tennessee to the line near the end of regulation, allowing the Vols to tie. See story, pg. 20.

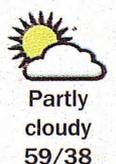


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■ University Police filed a sworn complaint with the State Attorney's Office in the alleged sexual assault of a minor by a Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity member last Fall. See story, pg. 9.

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to 1:30 pm.

There will be step dancing, interpretive dance and drama at the session.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Today

- 4 p.m. Down 'n Dirty (flag football)
- Pi Beta Phi sorority house
- 7:30 p.m. Amici Forever Phillips Center for the Performing Arts
- 8 p.m. "One Act Play" Auditorium E — SFCC Theatre Santa Fe
- 8 p.m. Snoop Dogg (concert) O'Connell Center
- 9 p.m. UF Super Bowl Madden Tournament
- Lambda Alpha Upsilon fraternity house

Saturday

- 9 a.m. Demand Liberation Conference Reitz Union Animal Activists of Alachua
- 10 a.m. Aikido seminar with Richard Wagener Florida Gym
- 7 p.m. Chinese New Year Festival Reitz Union Grand Ballroom Chinese American Student Association

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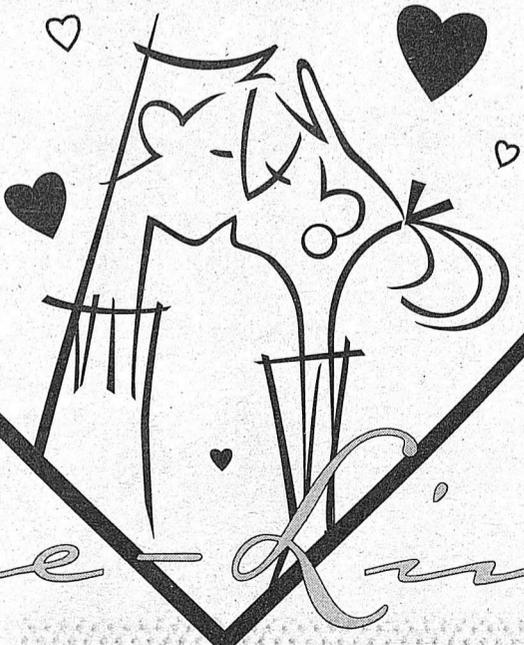


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STUDENT LIFE

Students distribute Honor Code cards on campus

By **MEGAN SEERY**
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In a bid to boost academic integrity among UF students, discount cards complete with the university Honor Code soon will be distributed on campus.

The cards, which can be used at area businesses, such as Pita Pit and Casino's Pizza, are a result of a project by the Bateman Team, a UF public relations team.

"Hopefully, the card will be a daily reminder because students will see the Honor Code every time they use it," team member Ashley Zandy said. "They'll think of it when they have an opportunity to do something dishonest."

Of 815 students surveyed, 74 percent said they had an average or below average under-

standing of UF's Honor Code.

And 24 percent of those surveyed said they had cheated while at UF.

"We sampled large classes from several colleges," Zandy said. "It was a non-random sample, so our results cannot be generalized for the entire university."

The team was given a challenge to promote academic integrity among students for this year's Bateman Team contest, she said.

It's difficult to compare the number of UF cheaters to those at peer institutions because many schools are not obligated to provide the information to the public, team member Jeremy Katzman said.

Florida's public records laws could have made available the survey results if it had been conducted by the university.

Now that the team's results are in, it's important for students to create awareness,

he said.

"Do you want to be competing against someone who is cheating?" Katzman asked. "It cheapens your degree."

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Jeremy Katzman

Bateman Team member

The team, which has to submit its completed project in March, is working on a way to evaluate the program's success.

"We'll see how many cards get passed out," Katzman said, noting they are not valid until students sign them. "Businesses will tell us if students are using the cards."

The Dean of Students Office and Tutoring Zone, which are co-sponsoring the project, paid for 15,000 cards as part of the pilot program. The dean's office may continue the program if it is successful, Zandy said.

About 5,000 cards will be passed out to students at special events and in some classrooms, and the rest will be distributed during Dean of Students Office programs like Preview.

Student Body President Jamal Sowell and Vice President Jennifer Puckett signed the first cards in a symbolic gesture Thursday afternoon on Turlington Plaza.

And although he couldn't comment on incidences of academic dishonesty at UF, Sowell said ethics in the classroom are becoming a major student issue.

"Cheating is common at universities nationwide," he said. "It's time that students stop and evaluate actions such as these."

Volunteer program helps handicapped get in shape

■ THE PROGRAM IS HELD TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS.

By **MEAGAN PARRADO**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Some walk faster than others, some say hello clearer than the next, but all the students from the Sidney Lanier Center can smile.

Professor Christine Stopka of the UF department of health education and behavior takes the smiles to heart.

Stopka provides UF students with the opportunity to help mentally handicapped students from the center with their fitness program. Every Tuesday and Thursday at the Living Well Faculty and Staff Fitness Center, volunteers are paired with a handicapped student to assist with a warm-up, workout and an organized game.

"This program is a vital part of their transition into society," she said.

The Sidney Lanier Center students, ages 13 to 22, have a future in vocational employment. Without the Sidney Lanier Fitness/Research Program, they wouldn't be able to physically handle the workload, Stopka said.

"When the program was created, the scientific community thought there was no way you could look at adolescents with mental retardation



Alonzo Lewis and Danielle Wallach high five after completing an exercise at the Living Well Faculty and Staff Fitness Center.

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and pretest them, train them and then post-test them," Stopka said. "They said they wouldn't understand what you were talking about

and that it just wasn't possible." Yet, according to research studies by Stopka and others from the department of health education

and behavior, the program vastly improves the Sidney Lanier Center students' stamina and strength.

Ann Goodman, a teacher at the

Sidney Lanier Center, helped Stopka create the program in 1987 when several employers complained that the students were not physically fit to handle their jobs.

"I haven't received one complaint since then," Goodman said.

Not only do the students improve physically, they grow socially.

"This program is so meaningful to my students," Goodman said. "They consider the volunteers their peers and friends."

The program appears to benefit everyone involved, Stopka said.

"I often see more change in my volunteers than I do in the Sidney kids," Stopka said. "I think they are surprised by the friendships formed and how much they actually have in common with the kids."

UF senior Taisha Richardson began volunteering last Fall to receive service hours.

"The program changed the way I looked at a lot of things. It became hanging out with friends and not just getting hours," Richardson said, adding that she recommends it to other UF students.

"It's one of the most exhilarating, liberating things — you don't know what to expect," Richardson said. "And then the kids come put a smile on your face."

The program is held every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. at Living Well and always welcomes new volunteers.

Extravaganza showcases talent, celebrates black history

■ THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1991 THAT THE EVENT TOOK THE FORM OF A PLAY.

By **LINDSAY TAULBEE**
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Students in the University Auditorium on Thursday were witness to two weddings, a birth and a graduation — all in one night.

The Black Male Extravaganza, hosted by Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity as part of Black History Month, aimed to showcase student talent.

Students rapped, danced, sang, played the piano and recited poetry, all in the context of a play chronicling the events in the life of one young man.

The play, entitled "His Journey: The Life, Longing and Love of a Black Man," showed how success can be defined differently from different perspectives, extravaganza co-director

Travis Lester said.

"It's just basically talking about how there are different paths for black men," he said.

This year marked the first time the event took the form of a play since the extravaganza was created in 1991.

"We implemented the various areas of talent on campus throughout the play," he said.

Student performers from all corners of university life performed, and event co-director Andre Samuels wrote the original script.

"Everyone's part fit them perfectly," Lester said.

He noted the approximately 150 people in the audience visibly reacted to the onstage events.

"People were really into the play," he said.

The story began before the main character was born, with the wedding of his parents.



Commemorate Black History Month

After his father's death, the story focuses on the main character, Walter Johnson, as he graduates high school and goes to college. The story ended with Johnson's own wedding.

Woven into the play were performances by students who sang, recited poetry, and danced, including a dance performance by Apocalypse Dance Troupe. Students in the audience sang along with the music and danced in their seats while hearing the fictional Johnson's life story.

His parents' wedding scene drew "awws" from the mostly female crowd.

"I expected a little bit bigger turnout, but I think the people who were here really enjoyed themselves," Lester said.

Ronald Diltz, a UF theatre student who has been acting for eight years, played the role of Johnson.

"They were interested in me playing the lead role," he said. "I took the challenge."

Diltz said he felt everyone involved came together to put on a good show.

"I was really happy with the cast, and being able to pull it off," he said.

Mr. UF Pageant shocks, delights for a good cause

■ UF ATHLETES BRANDON SILER, CARSON BASSETT AND JUSTIN TORDI WERE JUDGES.

By IVETTE MENDEZ
Alligator Contributing Writer

Screams broke out Thursday night at Alpha Omicron Pi sorority's charity event as one of the contestants appeared on stage wearing nothing but shaving cream.

It seemed embarrassment was not an issue for contestants as they went to any lengths to win the title of Mr. UF.

One even rode a unicycle while wearing a blue Speedo.

But it was a Justin Timberlake impression that won judges over at the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom.

Beta Theta Pi fraternity member Chris Hart won the competition.

He beat out representatives from 20 other fraternities to be crowned Mr. UF.

Co-chairwomen Lauren Regan and Annette Taylor, both members of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority, are using half of the \$10,000 raised this year to support national arthritis research.

"Benefiting arthritis is very important to us, especially because one of our sisters who graduated last year

suffers from arthritis," sorority member Kitty Riggs said.

The other half of the funds will go toward a scholarship created in honor of sorority sister Lauren Weiss.

Weiss passed away in a car accident three years ago.

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Kitty Riggs
Alpha Omicron Pi sorority member

What is special about this year's event is that the sorority will finally be able to complete Weiss' scholarship, Riggs, a marketing sophomore, said.

The winner will receive a limousine ride, dinner at Emiliano's and a three-month membership at Orion Gym, along with a variety of other prizes donated by local businesses.

The money raised during the event came from the 1,000 tickets sold, entry fees and raffle tickets the audience had the option of buying.

The four judges, three of whom were UF athletes, had to duck as articles of clothing from the contestants flew through the air during the

show.

Local band Cadence also lent its talents to the charity event by playing during intermission.

"I heard about this event because I'm friends with one of the guys in the band," UF freshman Danielle Vitale said.

She said it provided something out of the ordinary to do during the week.

Courtney Tie, a first-year English major, attended the event because, she said, "it is always good to fund-raise and see hot men at the same time."

The contests were presided over by three UF athletes, according to a press release.

Brandon Siler, one of Thursday's judges, is a freshman linebacker on the football team.

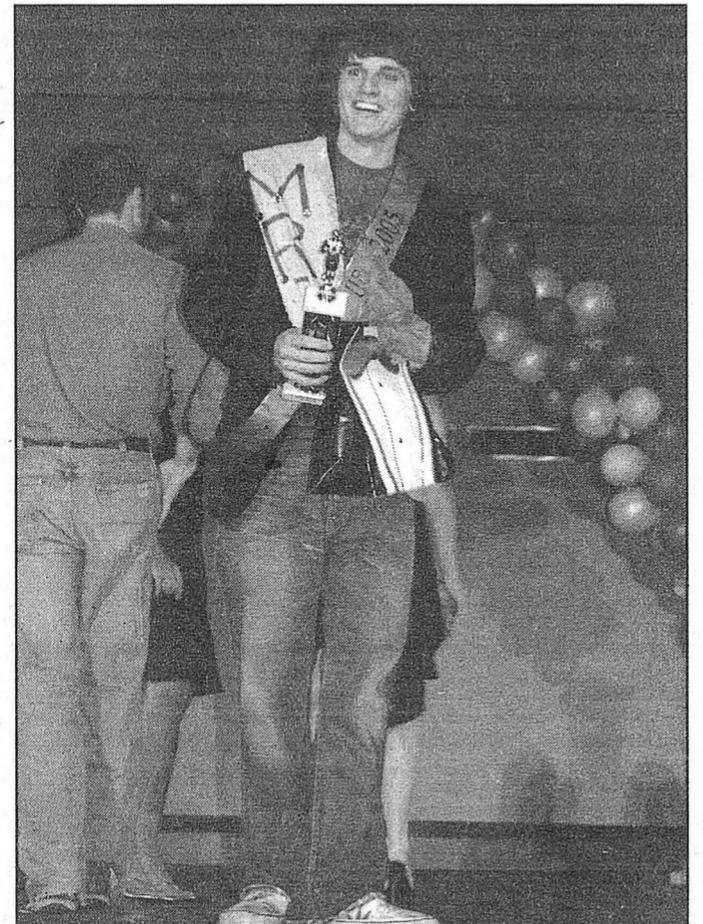
He started as a linebacker after Channing Crowder suffered a foot injury last year.

Justin Tordi is a junior infielder for the baseball team.

The Orlando native started as a shortstop last year.

Carson Bassett also plays on the baseball team as a catcher.

Kevin Quinn, a local radio personality for KISS 105.3 FM, was the master of ceremonies, the release stated.



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Chris Hart of Beta Theta Pi is announced as the winner of the Mr. UF Pageant, put on by Alpha Omicron Pi sorority.

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FREE ADMISSION!

Editorial

There comes a time in all students' lives when they have to take responsibility for themselves.

For some, this means going off to college to live on their own and learn how to pick out their own clothes.

For others, it means leaving school, getting a job and starting a family — or at least a mortgage.

Here at the Department of Darts & Laurels, however, it means finally agreeing to pay for your share of the pizza.

Whatever the defining moment happens to be for you, make sure you're ready to step up and be a man (or woman).

So cut your hair, put on your grown-up clothes and get out the door early to beat the morning traffic on your way to this week's edition of...

Darts & Laurels

Because we're suckers for stories about estranged parents choosing to take responsibility for their children, we kick things off by extending a maybe-they-really-do-care-after-all LAUREL to the Florida Legislature, the State University System's favorite deadbeat dads, for giving UF \$39 million to partially make up for three or four years of endowment support payments they were behind in making.

The payments, which are intended to match private donations, still are a year behind. On the bright side, the Legislature's recommitment makes UF hopeful it may see money more often from now on.

Moving on to an example of people taking credit for other peoples' actions, we toss a somebody-thought-man-I've-got-to-get-in-on-that-action DART to Iraqi insurgent group the Green Brigade, who in a questionable-sounding video sent to Al-Jazeera claimed responsibility for the crash of the British military plane on the day of the Iraqi elections.

Much like an old B-rated war movie, the video opens with a finger pressing a button on a box with wires coming out of it and then cuts to the launch of a pair of missiles or rockets. The video does not show any impact, however, instead ending with footage of people walking through the wreckage of a plane.

Yep, sounds like compelling evidence to us.

Then, wondering if maybe there are some things you just shouldn't take responsibility for, we throw a how-about-a-porn-and-lingerie-subsidy-next-time DART to the crazy people in charge of Medicare for developing a new program that will cover prescriptions for Viagra and other sexual-performance drugs.

But the image of senior citizens being federally funded to get jiggy won't be the only thing disturbing taxpayers, as the extended program is expected to cost more than \$500 billion over the next decade.

To put this in perspective, Anthony Cordesman of the Center for Strategic and International Studies estimated the war in Iraq cost the United States \$128 billion up to the end of 2004 — about a quarter of the 10-year figure for the new prescription coverage.

Finally, we give a now-this-is-how-you-spread-peace-and-freedom LAUREL to the leaders of Egypt, Jordan, Israel and Palestine for planning a summit to discuss methods of decreasing tension in the Middle East.

The summit — which will focus on the reduction of violence between Israelis and Palestinians — should be a success, because it's hard to imagine any ill-will surviving the luxurious assault of Egypt's opulent Red Sea resort Sharm el Sheik, where it will be held.

Hey, even the most responsible parents should be allowed to take a vacation every now and then.

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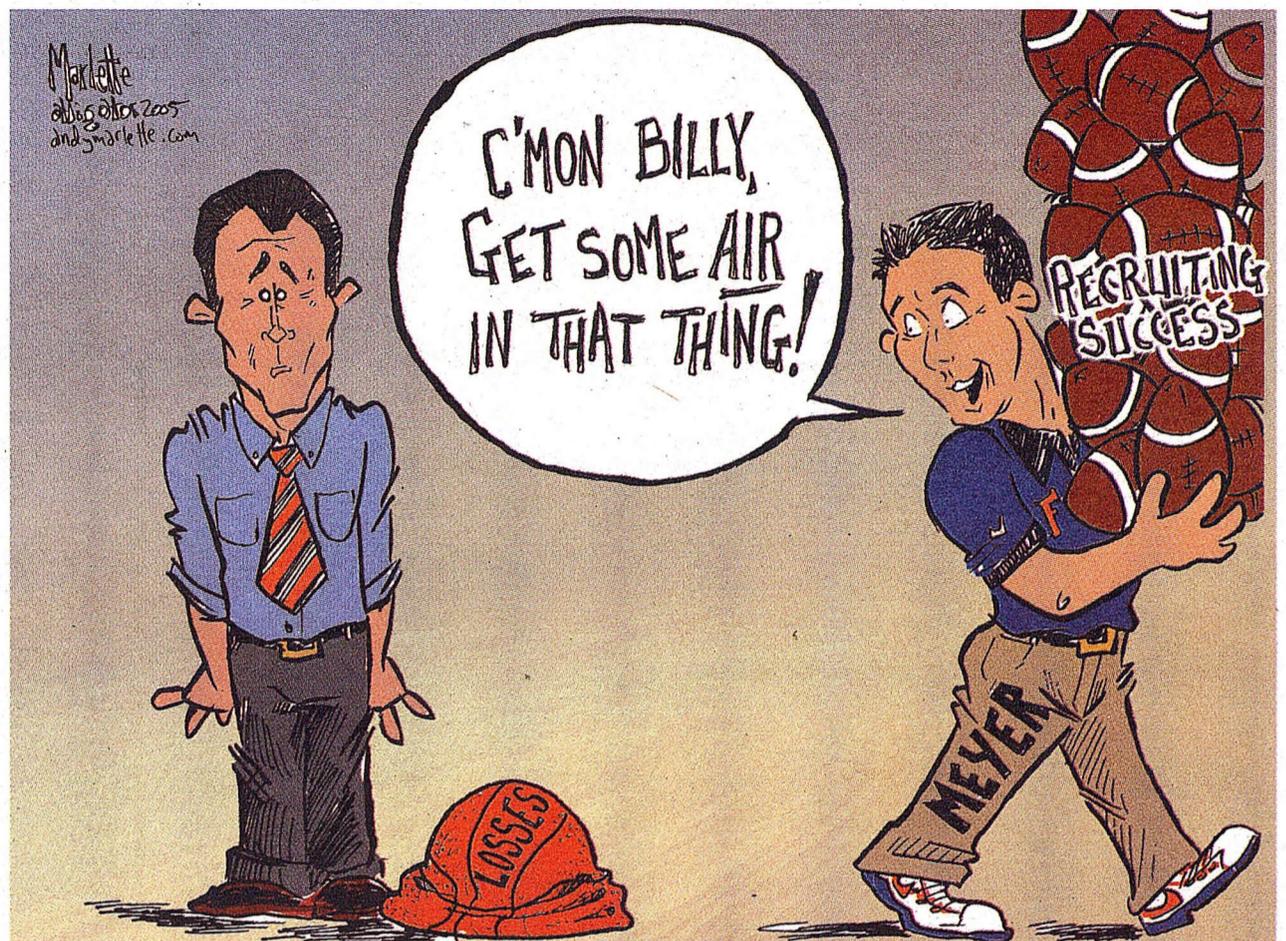
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Column

Address was full of lies, contradictions

Sickening. Watching George W. Bush take the podium Wednesday night can be described as nothing else. Nevertheless, I stomached the entire State of the Union address and observed something I already knew: W can't go five seconds without contradicting himself or just plain lying. Here are a few excerpts from his speech:

"We are working with European allies to make clear to the Iranian regime that it must give up its uranium enrichment program and any plutonium reprocessing."

Reality: England, France and Germany are negotiating with Iran over these issues. Yet, despite the European Union's urgings, the administration is steering clear of these discussions altogether. If the United States does not step in as Bush claims we have, Iran will become a nuclear power.

"We are working closely with governments in Asia to convince North Korea to abandon its nuclear ambitions."

Again, this is false. The six-party talks involving the United States, Russia, China, Japan, South Korea and North Korea are in suspension. Bush has rejected diplomacy in this instance, saying it would "reward bad behavior." North Korea resumed reprocessing two years ago and most likely has built a couple nukes since.

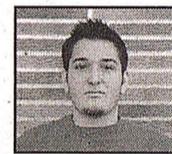
"There are still regimes seeking weapons of mass destruction — but no longer without attention and without consequence."

That's a strange thing to say when we apparently are ignoring both Iran and North Korea. It's funny Bush was so concerned about WMDs a couple of years ago, but now most of our military is committed to the one "Axis of Evil" country without any.

"America will stand with the allies of freedom to support democratic movements in the Middle East and beyond, with the ultimate goal of ending tyranny in our world."

Does this mean W will take action against China and Saudi Arabia? They aren't exactly "democratic." And what if the citizens of a tyrannical Middle Eastern government revolted right now? Would Bush send troops to help out?

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



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"Judges have a duty to ensure all citizens' rights."

That is, unless they're homosexual ("I support a constitutional amendment to protect the institution of marriage.")

"I will send you a budget that holds the growth of discretionary spending below inflation, makes tax relief permanent and stays on track to cut the deficit in half by 2009."

How exactly does Bush plan to make tax relief permanent and cut the deficit in half at the same time? Aren't those mutually exclusive goals? If the government has less tax money, what are they supposed to pay down the deficit with?

"I have a message for every American who is 55 or older: do not let anyone mislead you. For you, the Social Security system will not change in any way. For younger workers, the Social Security system has serious problems that will grow worse with time."

Bush was surprisingly frank here: it seems his plan for fixing Social Security is to screw the young. Everyone 55 and up — the powerful older voting bloc — gets to stay in the current system, while everybody else gets their benefits cut. Where Bush is misleading Americans is when he tries to tie in fixing the system with privatization. Personal accounts have nothing to do with fixing the solvency of Social Security. They merely are a devious method of reducing the Social Security system's progressivity. The rich will get to keep more of their own money than they do now, while the poor will have to make do with less. The problem for Bush will come if the people ever realize the benefit cuts necessary for fixing the system would be much smaller without personal accounts than with them.

Andrew Meyer is a journalism freshman. His column appears on Friday.

Reader response

Today's question: Is Howard Dean the best choice for Democratic National Committee chair?

Due to technical difficulties, the results of Thursday's poll will not be posted.

Vote or post a message at www.alligator.org

Letters to the Editor

Change shouldn't end with North-South

Editor: I noticed they finally put up the signs where North-South Drive used to be. I knew the name change was coming since football season when they announced they would honor Gale Lemerand, co-founder of Stonewood Tavern & Grill, who gave some money to UF. That smacks of ego gratification, but at least he's not a reputed racist like the namesake of our basketball arena.

Yes, in case you hadn't heard, Stephen C. O'Connell was a racist. He voted against integration as a state Supreme Court justice and all but ignored blacks on campus as president of UF, arousing hundreds of students to protest his policies by staging sit-ins and even mass withdrawals (see Dan Berger's column, "O'Connell's Real Legacy is Racism" from the

Nov. 17, 2000 issue of the Alligator).

I propose that, in honor of Black History Month and in light of our current president's commitment to diversity, we rename the O'Connell Center after someone who gave more than money to UF and its students — someone such as Martin Luther King Jr. or Mary McLeod Bethune, whose lives and works signify more of what we aspire to be as a university in the 21st century.

Drew Melville
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Social Security too beneficial to gamble

Editor: As both my parents and grand-

parents retired to Florida, I'd like to relate the experiences of two generations of my family to the debate about Social Security.

I've seen firsthand how the Social Security system as it stands helped my parents and grandparents retire without fear of poverty.

My father lost a major part of his investments in mutual funds in the '70s, and then he watched them dwindle in the '90s before he was forced to jump that sinking ship again.

One set of my grandparents also lost their investments in the stock market crash of 1929, and my other grandfather lost a thriving business to the resulting Depression. Each time there has been a stock market "adjustment," small investors lost security for their senior years, but Social Security neither dwindled nor disappeared. It provided just that: security.

Now, my brother and I face our retirement years with President Bush willing to gamble that part of my security away, despite the history of regular downturns in the stock market and the examples of the disasters of similar privatization plans in Chile and Great Britain.

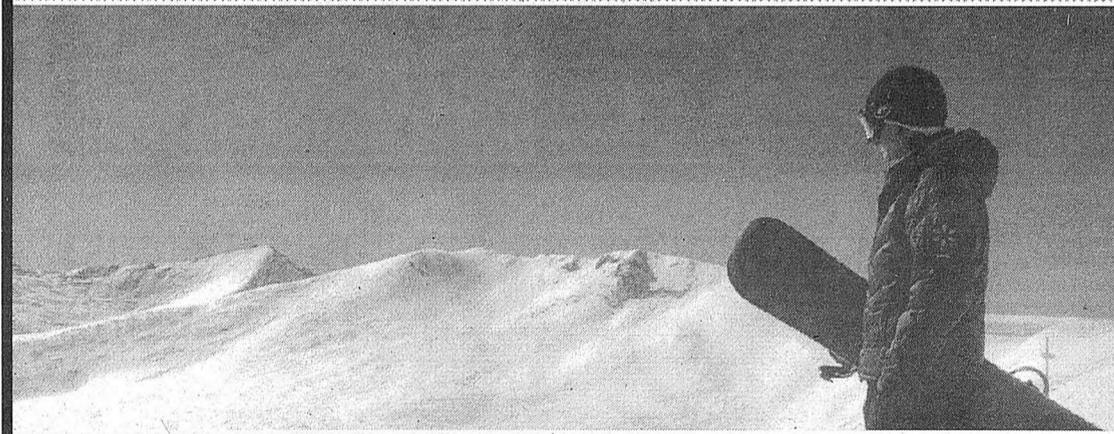
Before the safety net of Social Security, 50 percent of American seniors lived in poverty — even during the boom times of the '20s. Since the enactment of Social Security, only 10 percent live below the poverty line.

Bush may be willing to consign half of U.S. citizens to financial hardship as they age in order to boost Wall Street, but those of us who are aware of the realities of privatization are not.

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Financial aid goes digital

Changes made to cut costs

By **MEGAN SEERY**
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In an attempt to cut costs and response times, UF Student Financial Affairs will begin contacting all students receiving financial aid electronically next week.

"All correspondence will be sent electronically," said Ron Anderson, associate director for Student Financial Affairs. "Students will be notified about outstanding financial information via their GatorLink accounts."

Hard copies of the first e-mail, which will detail the new process, will be sent to students next week via the U.S. Postal Service, he said. All future newsletters will be sent electronically.

The e-mails will direct

students to a financial aid section on the Integrated Student Information System, or ISIS.

"We are going to shorten the response time from financial affairs to students, eliminate the possibility of lost mail and save monies in postage," Anderson said.

Incoming freshmen will receive hard copies of financial documents but will receive only e-mail notices after their first year.

More than 38,000 students receive financial assistance, Anderson said.

Students who submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, will be notified electronically about their award status in late March.

In the past, private e-mail

providers such as America Online have rejected or filtered university correspondence their systems erroneously reported as junk mail.

"We are going to shorten the response time from financial affairs to students, eliminate the possibility of lost mail and save monies in postage."

Ron Anderson
associate director for Student Financial Affairs

"Students need to keep their GatorLink addresses valid," he said, noting students should check their e-mail options if forwarding university messages to outside accounts. "They need to make sure they check their accounts on a regular basis."

PUBLIC HEALTH

Biomass use urged

By **BRIAN HAGEN**
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Any new power plant built to meet Gainesville's future energy needs should exclusively use trees, leaves and other locally available "biomass" materials instead of imported petroleum coke and coal, one UF professor said Thursday.

Donald Rockwood spoke to the Alachua County Environmental Protection Advisory Committee, which met to discuss alternatives to the coke- and coal-burning plant proposed by Gainesville Regional Utilities that also would utilize small portions of biomass.

Biomass and city waste could fuel a 300 megawatt power plant,

he said, citing a case in Orlando. Orlando put its wastewater, yard compost and mulch on inferior land. Quick growing trees, cottonwood and eucalyptus were planted and reached full-size in less than three years.

A power plant could be fueled with the 30 tons of wood per acre per year that the land produced.

"Everyone wins — energy producers, landowners, communities and the carbon balance," said Rockwood, a professor in the School of Forest Resources and Conservation.

Using biomass would keep money in the Gainesville area, he said. Cheaper foreign imports of paper and other pulpwood products destroyed the value of Florida pulpwood for tree farmers.

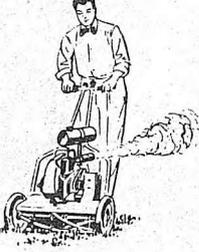
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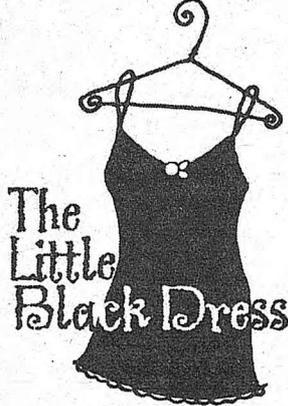
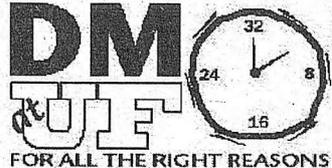

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Alleged Sigma Phi Epsilon assault in state's hands

By EVA KIS

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University Police filed a sworn complaint with the State Attorney's Office last week in the alleged sexual assault of a minor by a Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity member last Fall.

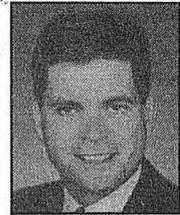
"Our role is to see if we have a prosecutable case," State Attorney's Office spokesman Spencer Mann said.

UPD has completed its investigation into an incident at a safari-themed party in the Sigma Phi Epsilon house, 5 Fraternity Row, on Sept. 25, UPD spokesman Joe Sharkey said.

The State Attorney's Office is reviewing the findings and will be scheduling sworn testimony with witnesses, reviewing forensic evidence and coordinating any necessary follow-up investigation, Mann said.

As interviewing begins, Mann

said other names not previously included as potential witnesses could come up and may be asked to provide sworn testimony.



Sharkey

"There's no timeline as to how long it will take us to complete the investigation," Mann said, adding that specific charges, if any, will

not be pursued until his office's investigation is completed.

The victim, then 17, drank alcoholic beverages made by her date as well as several other drinks during the course of the party, according to reports.

She reportedly said she did not remember what happened when she woke up naked in her date's bed with him the following morning. She filed a complaint after being treated at Shands at AGH.

The victim rescinded charges

soon thereafter but later asked the investigation be pursued.

Mann said the severity of possible charges will not depend on the victim's age.

"The issue we're dealing with is sexual battery, which is a pretty serious charge irregardless," Mann said.

Sigma Phi Epsilon has placed itself on voluntary social probation since the incident, but Sharkey said any further action against the fraternity is at UF's discretion.

Alachua County Judge Jaworski sworn into office

Friends, family fete promotion

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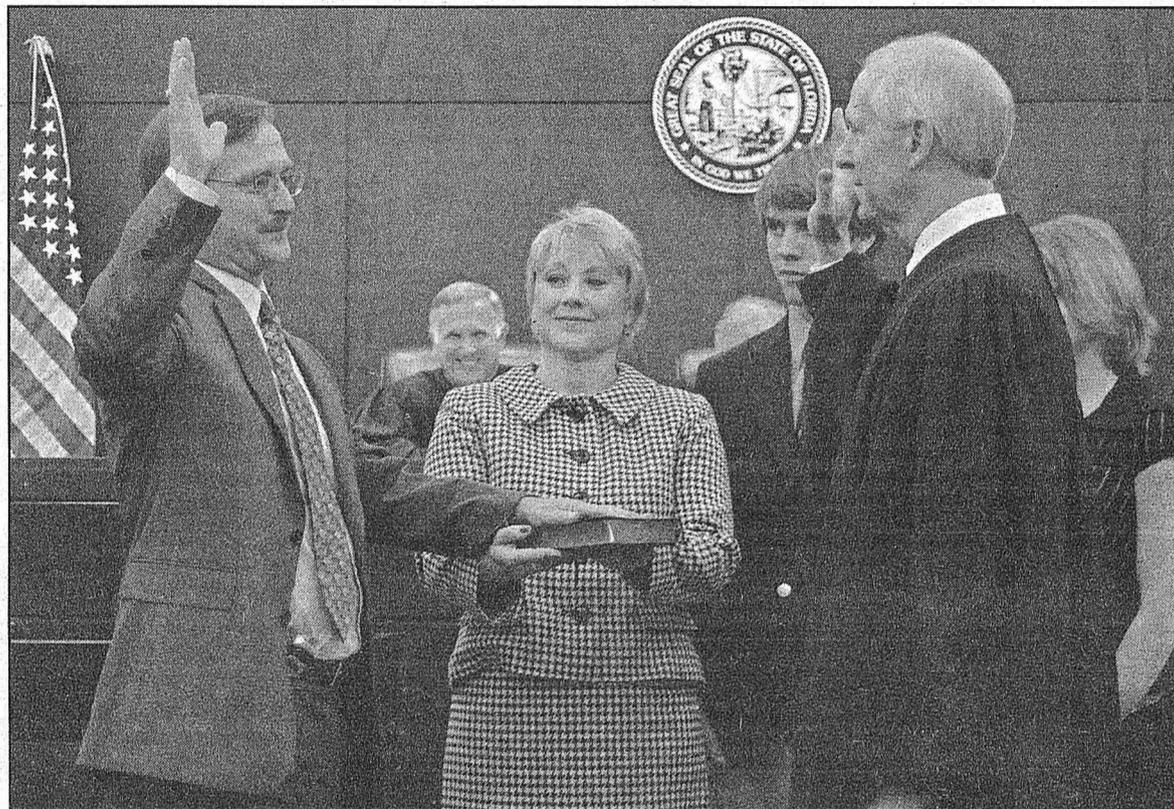
A former defense attorney as well as state prosecutor, Thomas M. Jaworski has argued on both sides of the courtroom.

On Thursday, however, Jaworski officially took his place on the bench with the other judges of the Eighth Judicial Circuit as he was sworn in as an Alachua County judge.

"It's just an honor and a privilege to serve the citizens of Alachua County," Jaworski said. "It is one of the noblest callings, being a judge, and I'm absolutely delighted following the ceremony."

Before a crowd that included Alachua County Clerk of the Court J.K. "Buddy" Irby and governor-hopeful Florida state Sen. Rod Smith, Alachua County Sheriff Steve Oelrich called "court" into session at around 4 p.m.

Following Alachua County



Megan V. Winslow / Alligator Staff

As his wife, Amy, and children Thomas and Emily look on, Thomas M. Jaworski is administered the oath of office for Alachua County Court Judge by Circuit Judge Toby Monaco.

Judge Aymer "Buck" Curtin's retirement in 2004, Jaworski beat Gainesville trial attorney Bruce

Smith for the County Judge 5 position in the Aug. 31 primary.

Smith, a former state attorney

when Jaworski served as a state prosecutor, congratulated his one-time employee.

"I was just so proud of Tom — he worked so hard to get here and he has such good qualities to make him a fine judge," Smith said following the ceremony. "It's wonderful for me recently — so many of my former staff members are now judges, and I hope I treated them well now because, as a practicing lawyer, I have to get in front of all these people that used to work for me."

Jaworski's mother and six siblings traveled from as far as Michigan to support him at the ceremony, which was dedicated to his late father, Theodore Thomas Jaworski.

"I always expected great things from him, I really did for some reason, and I can't express the feelings that I have of pride and joy for all my family to be here," Jaworski's mother said.

During his acceptance speech, Jaworski thanked his wife, Amy, and children Thomas and Emily for their dedication and patience during the campaign.

"I was just really excited that he got the opportunity to do this because he's wanted to be a judge for a really long time," Emily said.

Smith's stellar 15 seasons left legacy

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1987. "His durability over the year goes back to his desire that he had and really the type of person he is. A guy less motivated with his ability never would have been the player he was."

Smith played for the Gators during the program's transition years. UF was a nationally recognized program in the mid-'80s -- shortly before Smith's arrival -- reaching No. 1 for a week in 1985.

But the program would end up on probation for NCAA violations, weakening UF's national exposure.

Even with a loss of scholarships, UF would rise to No. 10 at one point during Smith's freshman season.

Smith entered the NFL Draft following his junior season, shortly after Steve Spurrier signed

a contract to coach UF.

His NFL career lasted 15 seasons, a lengthy tenure for a running back. His 18,355 rushing yards and 164 rushing touchdowns rank first all-time in the NFL, while his 179 total touchdowns rank second to Jerry Rice.

Smith would help lead a potent Dallas Cowboys offense to three Super Bowl victories, including a 1993 victory against the Buffalo Bills when Smith was named MVP.

The eight-time Pro Bowler finished his final two seasons with the Arizona Cardinals.

"We knew he was something special," Bell said. "[Of course] no one ever thought it would happen the way it did. But he played so many years, he was so durable and that's why he was able to break those records."

And while Smith's ability to succeed was initially questioned at

"He was not the fastest or biggest player, but he had an uncanny ability — with his desire to go with it — to [become] the greatest runner of all time. It's an honor that he played at UF the way he finished in the NFL."

Kerwin Bell

former UF quarterback

every level, there's hardly a question as to which UF player had the most success in the NFL.

"He was not the fastest or biggest player, but he had an uncanny ability — with his desire to go with it — to [become] the greatest runner of all time," Bell said. "It's an honor that he played at UF the way he finished in the NFL."

Year's traffic deaths high

CRASH, from page 1

2004.

Johnson, although "very shaken up," was not injured in the incident, Kameg said. At press time, it was not known whether she is a student at either UF or SFCC.

GPD is investigating the incident but there have been no charges filed, Kameg said, nor does he have a formal estimate of what any potential charges would be.

Northeast 53rd Avenue was closed to traffic from Main Street to Northeast 15th Street for approximately three hours.

The number of fatalities in the state of Florida out of 243,294 traffic crashes during 2003 was 3,179, according to the Florida Highway Patrol.

Programs such as Click It Or Ticket have been implemented statewide to enforce the mandatory seatbelt law for drivers and their passengers.

Florida's traffic laws require that all occupants of a vehicle wear seatbelts at all times while the vehicle is in motion, according to FHP.

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1&2 BR apt homes
starting @ \$429/mo
\$150 deposit. \$200 off 1st month rent
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2BR/2BA - Only \$680
Pool - bus route - alarm - tennis
Pet perfect- Free
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M-F, 8am - 4pm
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M - F, 8am - 6pm, Sat. 10am - 5pm

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Free cable, w/HBO & Showtime
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Free Extended Basic Cable! Pets Welcome!
1000 sq ft Split Floor Plan, W/D Hook-ups & DW, 1BR/1BA & 2BR/2BA Available. Call Now 372-9913 4-20-71-2

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Have Roommates?
3BR/2BA House \$950
Only You?
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Avail now, 2BR/1 & 2 BA apts.
\$400, \$450, \$695 Mitchell Realty
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1/2 PRICE APTS! Close to UF/Downtown.
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2 For Rent unfurnished

3BR across from UF
Avail Fall, From \$385 per BR.
Vaulted ceilings, laundry,
Breakfast bar, pets ok.
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WOOD FLOORS at UF
1&2 BRs avail Fall
Pets ok, some w/ W/D
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115 STEPS FROM CAMPUS!!!
Luxury - Opposite Library West!
Beautiful 2BR/2BA...all amenities
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Call 376-1111 or Come by
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All new carpet, W/D, DW, stove. No smk,
pets, 239-898-9317 1038 B off SW 6 St on
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6 MONTH LEASE! 2BR/1.5BA
Duplex, walk to UF, CH/AC,
\$495/rent, 805 NW 3rd Avenue
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DOWNTOWN LOCATION! 3BR/2BA
Wood floors, fireplace, living & dining rooms,
Den, \$625/rent, 223 SW 4th Avenue
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W/d hookups, CH/AC, dishwasher, \$475/mo
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Studio \$335/mo
1BR \$400/mo
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NEW kitchen, tile, carpet, pain
2BR-over 1100 sq ft ●● \$650/ mo
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Close to UF, beautiful, quiet
High-speed wireless internet
\$30 off deposit ● 376-2507
4-20-63-2

**** 3BR/4BR - LIKE A HOUSE ****
Huge townhouse, fireplace;
W/D hook-ups, patio,
New carpet & tile, fitness & basketball
high speed wireless internet
3BR/2.5BA only \$850
4BR/3BA only \$1099
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3BR/2BA HOUSE. Close to UF & Santa Fe.
Tile floors, Berber carpet, all appliances incl.
Privacy fenced-in yard. \$1050/mo. Call 215-9987 2-14-21-2

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Beautiful home. Quiet neighborhood. Great
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305-C NE 6th Street
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\$99 dep. Full size W/D,
Direct Campus Access,
Pool, Fitness Center!
Open M-F 8:30 - 5:30, Sat 11-4
Pebble Creek Apts 376-9607
4-20-59-2

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lg open, good area \$580-610 ● 2/2, pation,
gate \$510-515 ● SW fancy 2BR near UF, lg
kit, sc pch, fenced, trees \$545-560 ● Share
2BR \$300-450 ● 373-8310 2-7-10-2

Historic Apartments. Ceiling fans, hardwood
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\$470 w/water & sewer. First, last, security.
SE historic district. No dogs please. 378-3704 2-8-10-2

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New 1700 sq ft 3BR/2BA home
Rent \$1250/mo or by indiv BR
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The Worship Guide

BAPTIST

Parkview Baptist
3403 NW 13th Street 352-378-2606
Worship: 8:30am & 11am, 6:00pm
Wednesday Prayer 6:30pm

CHRISTIAN STUDY CENTER

Christian Study Center of Gainesville
Come enjoy the coffee, reading groups,
classes, lectures and conversations.
Monday-Saturday
112 NW 16th St. 379-7375
www.christianstudycenter.org

EPISCOPAL

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
100 NE First Street
Sunday Services 8am: Holy Communion
9:15am. Education Hour 10:30am.
Holy Communion 6pm. Wednesday Service
12:15pm. Healing and Holy Communion

EVANGELICAL

Creekside Community Church
Sunday Adult Electives, 9:00 am. Sunday
Service, 10:30 am. Tuesday College Bible
Study, 7:30 pm. 2640 NW 39th Avenue;
352-378-1800 www.creeksidecc.org

JEWISH STUDENT CENTER

Lubavitch Jewish Student Center
Your home away from home. Friday
Night Live! Services & Shabbat Dinner
Fall and Spring. 7:30 pm. 352-336-5877;
LubavitchUF@aol.com www.LubavitchUF.com
2021 NW 5th Ave
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Free rides available to college students.
Call 352-332-6459 for more info. ext. 19
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PENECOSTAL

Williams Temple Church of God In Christ
628 NW 7th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601
(352)372-7726 Worship: 9:30am, 10:45am,
5:30pm, 7pm on Sundays
Tues, Thurs: 7pm Noon Prayer Daily

UNITARIAN

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Room for Different Beliefs. Yours.
Sunday worship & Sunday school: 11am
Monthly student meeting (see website)
UF lunch: 11:45am Thurs. Orange & Brew
4225 NW 34th St.
Information: 377-1669 or www.uuf.org

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

University United Methodist Church
Wesley Foundation Meeting @ University UMC
1320 W Univ. Ave
Sunday Worship 10:30
Thursday Coffee house @ 7pm
For more info: 372-8183 or myuumc.com

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

United Church of Gainesville
1624 NW 5th Ave- (352-378-3500) Worship
Services-9:30 & 11:00 am. Adult Seminars-
11am. College Groups 7pm. Food, Fun
& Fellowship. Call the Church Office for
details. Email: info@ucgainesville.org
Web page: www.ucgainesville.org

UNIVERSITY CITY CHURCH OF CHRIST

www.gatorsforchrist.org (map).
College Ministry at University City Church.
Bible Study Sunday at 9:30am
and Wednesday 7pm.

For more information regarding Worship Guide contact Hilary Jenkins at 376-4482

2 For Rent unfurnished

A cozy stone cottage. Bike to UF. 2BR/1BA w/office & large yard \$695/mo. Drive by 1st, 303 SE 8th St. then call 352-638-1310 2-4-2-2

AVAIL AUG 1 4bed/2bath house, wood floors, dishwasher, fireplace, wash/dry, fenced yard, all beds large. 1375/m 830 NW 16 Ave. Call 339-2342 Other houses avail. 2-9-10-2

AVAIL AUG 1. 3bed/1bath very nice house wood floors, garage, very private backyard, wash/dry 924 NW 9th Ave. Call 339-2342 for directions 1075/m. Other houses avail. 2-9-10-2

I'LL PAY YOU \$1000 to rent my 1 BR apt. Located in Frederick Gardens apt. complex. Very close to UF. You pay \$300, I'll pay \$150 monthly, thru August. Call Chris 620-687-1224 2-10-10-2

ABRACADABRA! Sorento Pool Club Comm. 3BR/2 BA, 2 car garage. \$1,100/mo. Call 352-318-3721 or 332-0602 2-10-10-2

3 BR/2 BA HOUSE

close to UF/Shands. Available now. \$950/mo 1st/last/sec.3309 NW 18th St 352-284-5119 2-10-10-2

DUCKPOND AREA Cute 3BR/1BA cent H/AC, fireplace, W/D hk-up, DW, tile & wood floors 731 NE 9th St \$850/mo 316-1637 2-25-20-2

BIKE TO SHANDS & VET SCHOOL!
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 ● 4BR 3BA, terrazzo floors, washer/dryer, fenced yard, \$1400/rent 3811 SW 20th Street.

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BIKE TO UF! 3BR 2BA, carport, Washer/dryer, porch, pets considered, Avail now! \$895/rent, 2222 SW 14th Street Carl Turlington Real Estate, Inc. 372-9525 www.TurlingtonRealEstate.com 2-4-5-2

CUTE NW HOUSE! 2BR 1BA, Ceramic tile, screen porch, w/d hookups, \$750/rent. 4234 NW 26th Drive Carl Turlington Real Estate, Inc. 372-9525 www.TurlingtonRealEstate.com 2-4-5-2

AVAIL AUG 1: 4bed/2bath house. Large house with large bedrooms, game room, wash/dry included, dishwasher, large living room. 2100 NW 8th Ct. Call for directions 339-2342 \$1325/m 2-9-8-2

AVAIL AUG 1: 4bed/2bath house, very private yard, fireplace, tile floors, wash/dryer included, dishwasher, \$1350/m 2606 NW 34 St. 339-2342 for directions 2-9-8-2

AVAIL AUG 1: 4bed/2bath house close to campus, wash/dryer, fireplace, wood floors, dishwasher, private back yard. \$1525/m 1105 NW 10th Ave. call 339-2342 Nice house. 2-9-8-2

AVAIL AUG 1: 3bed/2bath house close to bus line. Tile floors, pets ok, wash/dry, fenced yard on quiet road. 4100 NW 14 PL 339-2342 for directions. \$975/m 2-9-8-2

2 APTS AVAILABLE

2BR/1BA Tower Oaks. Wood floors, fenced yard, \$525/mo. Call 386-462-1010 2-14-10-2

1,2 & 3BR with GATED ENTRY!
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 FREE Alarm ★ FREE Tanning
 24-hour Gym ★ Quiet NW Area
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★★★CASABLANCA EAST★★★
 2BR/2.5BA Townhouse, close to UF, Student's dream: \$750/mo, low dep, W/D incl. Call Phil at 352-235-0600 2-15-10-2

Avail. Aug. 1: 4bed/2bath house. Ceramic tile floors, extra game room, fenced yard, pet ok, wash/dry provided, dishwasher. 1330 NW 39th St. 339-2342 for directions \$1275/mo 2-9-5-2

2 For Rent unfurnished

GREAT FOR STUDENTS! 3BR/2BA house, close to UF & Shands, on bus route, 1 car garage, tile flr, fireplace, 1450 sq ft, Avail now! \$975/mo, sec dep. Call Casey to move in 352-514-2936 2-25-17-2

Beautiful historic home, wood floors, high ceilings, 3-4 BR/2BA, large fenced yard \$1400/mo. Downtown location near UF. Call Tom at 262-6423 2-16-10-2

Quiet & Clean! 2BR/1BA \$525, quiet neighborhood, 1000 sq ft, tile flrs, spacious living/dining rm, W/D hook-ups, pvt patio in backyard, near UF, 1824 NW 10th St. 376-0080 2-9-5-2

House on Suwannee River w/ clear spring in backyard, Bell FL, 3BR/2.5BA, W/D hkups, scr porch, cent H/AC, quiet neighborhood, lg yard w/ trees, fenced. \$800/mo 376-0080 2-9-5-2

LARGE 2BR/2BA APT. Close to campus. Available Feb to Aug. \$550/mo. Call 386-871-7184 2-16-10-2

● 373-2505 ● 1BR ● 207 NE Blvd \$470
 ● 2BR ● 318 NE 2nd Ave \$600 ● 202 NW 12 Terr Cottage \$600 ● 3BR ● 1120 SW 1st Ave \$1100 ● 202 NW 12 Terr \$900 ● HOUSES ● 3BR ● 109 SW 24th St. \$1275 ● 2250 W. Univ Ave \$1500 ● 1616 NW 31 Pl 2BR \$700 ● P Mendoza Realty check for move in discounts 2-8-3-2

3BR/2BA, family room, fireplace, vaulted ceilings, screened porch, garage, 1.5 acres. Great country location. Min from Shands/Vet School. 7810 SW 100th Pl. 352-284-5119 \$950 w/disc. 1st/last/sec. 2-10-5-2

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3 Subleases

Apartments Sublets & Roommates
 All areas. Stu, 1 & 2 Bdrm; \$400-1500
 Short-Long & Furn-Unfurn
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BEST DEAL IN GAINESVILLE
 \$350 for 1BR in a 2BR/2BA apt. Call 352-318-5438 2-22-30-3

Cheap & 2 min to UF
 Avail Now. \$350/mo incl utils. Call 514-5733. 2-11-20-3

1BR/1BA. Large BR w/walk-in closet. Free parking across from UF. Rent incl water, sewer, garbage, pest control. \$450/mo. Lease until 7/05. Please call 352-598-5481 2-16-20-3

ACROSS FROM NORMAN HALL
 Huge 2/1, wd flrs, cent, A/C sublet til end of Apr. \$900 dep - can work deal, \$695 month 352-264-3523 or 352-378-1387 2-7-11-3

COLLEGE STUDIOS Across from UF!
 Spring/Summer \$459/mo. Util incl. Call 561-329-5695 or kribi529@gmail.com 2-4-10-3

3 Subleases

WALK TO CLASS! \$250/mo
 Now til Aug. Courtyards 352-328-6967 all included! 2-27-3-3

MAGNOLIA PLACE APTS on NW 39th St. 1BR/2Ba, garage, luxury twonhome. Brand new. \$768/mo (\$950 original price) Call Linda 866-730-6152 or evenings 377-0289 2-7-10-3

Female sublease at Courtyards.
 1 bedroom in 4/2 townhouse
 furniture & util included; \$399/mo
 NO sec dep, 1st mo rent free
 514-6408 or murraymd@ufl.edu 2-7-10-3

Two bedroom/two full bath
 Sublease available immediately
 Seven month sublease
 Homestead Apartments.
 Call 338-1588/283-3885 add'l info 2-8-10-3

SUMMER sublease @ Campus Club!
 Everything incl: maid svc, all utils, cable, ethernet & more. NO FEES! \$400/mo. May 1-Aug 5. Female only. Please call 352-262-5995 2-8-10-3

SUBLEASING APT. I'm moving to NYC! 1 BR/1 BA in 3 BR/3 BA apt. Willing to give away living rm furniture to the sublessee. \$473mo utils incl. Completely furnished. 352-258-6775 2-10-10-3

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★★★HUGE APT★★★
 (2000 sq ft) 2BR/1BA avail now at Sun Bay. 5 min from UF, only \$486/mo was \$540/mo. Call 786-390-0431 hgonz@ufl.edu 2-4-5-3

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1 Bdrm in a 2/2.5 new townhouse, \$385/mo. Avail March 1, will work around date if needed. call Jessica 367-4053 2-14-10-3

1/1 in 3/3 Cobblestone TH. Avail thru July. Serious minded F student only. \$350/mo. 954-478-2724 2-7-5-3

1 BR avail 2/12 in University Commons furn 4 BR apt. \$385/mo incl elect. FEB RENT FREE! We pay all start up fees + give you \$200 CASH upon signing lease! Please call 540-785-9404 or email kampertwo@aol.com 2-9-5-3

WALK TO CLASS!
 1 BR in 4/2 Townhouse at Courtyards from May-Aug.
 352-264-7847
 \$399/mo all included! 2-7-3-3

1 BR apt, close to KashNkarry on 34th St. Take over lease 2/15 to 4/30, renewal option. \$409/mo. Feb rent, transfer fees paid by me. Keep sec dep. Pool, pets welcome. Call Erik 262-1551 2-11-7-3

Furnished 1 BR/BA avail Mar 1 in a 2/2. Kitchen, living room, W/D, @ The Exchange. \$480/mo 772-473-0560 2-8-5-3

University Glades Sublease!!
 SUMMER: May-Aug. \$440/mo. BR w/ personal bath in 3/3 apt. Incl all utils. Furniture avail. Call Stacey 352-336-1968 2-9-5-3

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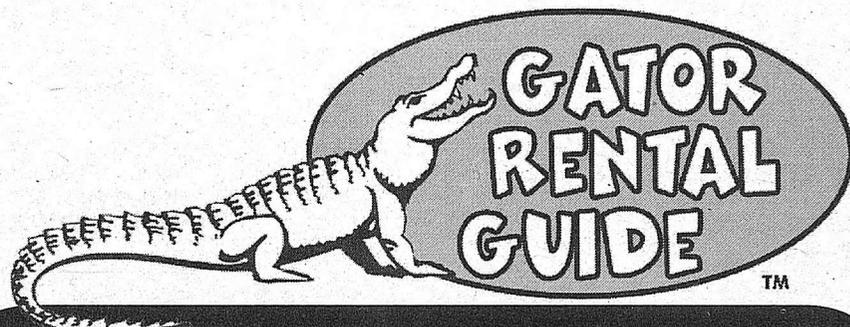
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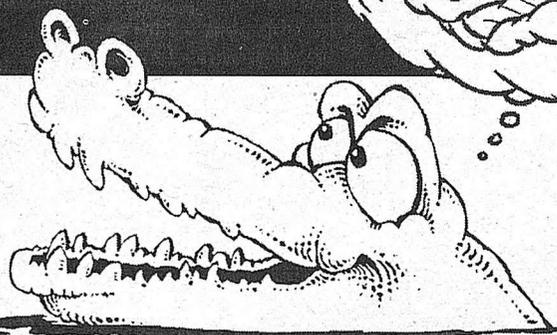
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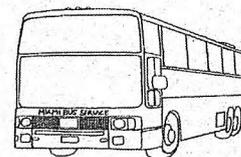
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Gators in dire need of impressive conference victory

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returning on Jan. 19.

Humphrey, who shot 48.4 percent and averaged 10.8 points per game while starting our games in Walsh's place, has averaged 4.8 since Walsh regained his starting spot against South Carolina on Saturday.

Donovan, however, believes Walsh's recent shooting woes have little to do with his physical condition and more to do with getting back into the flow of the game.

"I know, as a player, when you're out for

three weeks like he was, and you get thrown back into game situations, it's just different getting used to going again," Donovan said.

According to Lee, that moment may come soon for Walsh.

"I predict him carrying us in these next two games to a victory," Lee said.

Whether or not Walsh will reemerge, the Gators will have a tremendous task trying to control an Alabama team who trounced MSU 98-49 on Jan. 18.

Junior forward Kennedy Winston, averaging a league-third-best 17.8 points per game, and senior guard Earnest Shelton, with a

sixth-best 17.4 points, have led the Crimson Tide (17-3, 6-1 SEC) to an SEC-second-best 78.7 points per game.

"We all saw them kill Mississippi State," Humphrey said. "So we're going to have to take these next two days pretty serious."

And for Lee, getting serious pertains to not just himself, Walsh or leading scorer Anthony Roberson, but the entire team.

"We'll take [walk-ons] Jack [Berry] and Garrett [Tyler] coming off the bench, having 20 each — anyway we can get a victory at this point," Lee said. "We're looking to go 6-2. That's the biggest thing right now."

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he locker room doors if the Gators come up short on Saturday, the term better-win game might be more applicable.

After the Alabama game, five of UF's next seven games prior to the season finale against Kentucky are on the road. And even in a down year for the Southeastern Conference, road games in the SEC are never a given.

A loss against the Tide could send the Gators into a tailspin — an event that might eventually earn them a spot in the (gasp!) NIT. Given their recent Tournament track record and the growing swell of sup-

port for an increased amount of mid-major births, combined with the overall underachievement of the SEC, it's not all that far-fetched.

Now stiffen up that upper lip because here is the good news. A win on Saturday could be just what the Gators need to get back into contention in the SEC East.

They are still 5-2 in conference and have yet to play up to their ability. Donovan surely needs to fix some things in terms of execution. Matt Walsh needs to prove he did not let his oversized heart cure his ankle prematurely. And the freshmen need to show that they are ready for primetime game in and game out. All of which are distinct possibilities.

But it all starts with a must-win, I mean, better-win, game on Saturday.

Fouls costly

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Both teams were hampered by the officials, who called 62 fouls in the contest. Each team had three players foul out, including Mosby. Tennessee coach Pat Summitt said it was frustrating to watch a game with so many fouls.

With Tennessee shooting 40 of 46 from the free-throw line, compared to UF's 24 of 34, Peck said it was "almost like a game of horse" and free throws should not have determined the game.

"Our players don't have a clear understanding of how they're going to be allowed to play the game," Peck said. "We're trying to play a game. Basketball is more than just a game of free throws."

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Gators seek road win

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All athletes have to deal with hostile crowds. Screaming while an opponent shoots a free throw or stomping feet during a big drive have become traditions of rabid fans.

Imagine, however, having to do backflips on a four-inch-wide piece of plastic and rubber with 8,000 people barking at you.

This is just one of the many challenges facing the No. 5 Gators gymnastics team, which faces No. 7 Georgia tonight.

"It's hard; I'd be lying if I said it wasn't," Coach Rhonda Faehn said. "The good thing is that the majority of those in our lineup have experienced it and been through it before."

One of those experienced performers is senior Orley Szmuch, who will be competing in the all-around competition for the first time since the two teams met at the Super Six Challenge four weeks ago.

Szmuch has been hampered by a surgically repaired ankle that has plagued her for almost a year.

This meet will give UF a chance to prove it can handle the pressures of the road.

"I think it's big for our confidence," Szmuch said. "If we can go into this meet and get a good solid score and win, I think to walk away from that and to go to SECs and nationals would be a big confidence boost for us."

Wins on the road against the Bulldogs have been hard to come by for the Gators. UF has not defeated Georgia in Athens since the 1985 NCAA Southeast Regional championships.

The Gators haven't won a dual meet of any kind against Georgia since 1990, but they did defeat the Bulldogs at both the Super Six Challenge and NCAA

Qualifying Meet in 2004.

UF will enter four gymnasts in the all-around competition for the first time this season. Breanne King is the only Gator to be in the all-around every meet this season, and she will be joined by Katie Rue and Ashley Reed, who returns after being held off floor exercise in last week's win against Alabama.

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Orley Szmuch
UF gymnast

One performer who is unlikely to compete this week is Tracey Rai. She has been suffering from shin splints and Faehn does not want to cause a stress fracture. The key to the meet, however, will come from the Gators' ability to battle the hostile environment that the team has come to expect in Athens.

"At SECs last year, our last event, we were on balance beam and Georgia was on floor," Faehn said. "There were about 8,000 fans that were barking while we were up on beam."

"You couldn't hear anything. You could feel the floor vibrating, that's how loud it was."

While UF's freshmen may have only had a small taste of road hostility against LSU three weeks ago, co-captain Erinn Dooley feels that they'll be ready.

"Each meet that we go against an SEC school, they learn more and more," she said. "They're ready for whatever comes their way, and they're getting that experience."

UF places in SEC ranks

STAFF REPORT

The UF baseball team has been selected to finish third in the Southeastern Conference's Eastern Division in a vote by SEC coaches released on Thursday. UF coach Pat McMahon returns 18 letterwinners and six position starters to a squad that finished 43-22 overall and advanced to NCAA Super Regionals in 2004. The Gators will open their season on Feb. 11 in a home game against Charleston Southern.

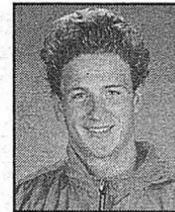
Louisiana State was chosen to finish first in the SEC.

HOME RUNS FOR CHARITY: The Gators baseball team will hold its Fourth Annual Children's Miracle Network Home Run Derby at noon this Saturday. All proceeds from the event held at McKethan Stadium will benefit the Children's Miracle Network

at Shands Children's Hospital.

Fans may pledge a certain amount of money to the Children's Miracle Network for each home run hit by the Gators during the day. Interested fans can call the Children's Miracle Network at (352) 265-7953.

LOCHE HONORED BY SEC: UF men's swimmer Ryan Lochte was honored as the men's Swimmer of the Week by the SEC after earning three individual event wins and a relay victory during the past week.



Lochte

Lochte nabbed top honors in the 400-yard medley relay, 1,000-yard freestyle, 500-yard freestyle and the 200-yard breaststroke.

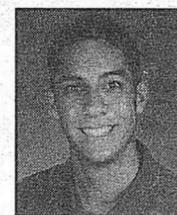
MEN'S TENNIS

State dominance at stake

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This weekend is all about in-state rivalries for the UF men's tennis team, which will host Miami today and then travel to Tallahassee for a match against Florida State on Sunday.



Mirzadeh

UF has unfinished business with No. 47 Miami. Last year, the teams were vying for the lead when the match was interrupted by rain and canceled.

"We almost lost to them last year; we're ready to go. It's an in-state opponent and we hate the Hurricanes," Hamid Mirzadeh said. "We're pumped for it."

Despite Miami's rank, which is much lower than UF's No. 3 ranking, Coach

Andy Jackson said the Hurricanes are still a tough team.

"We'll have to bring our 'A' game. Last year we were ranked much higher, but they were still winning when the rain came," he said. "We've had two good-quality practices and things are going pretty well, but we don't know how well because we haven't really had a sustained number of matches, which is about to start."

Because last Sunday's Duke match was called off due to an ice storm, this is the first weekend in which the Gators will play two matches.

Sunday's match against the Seminoles will be the Gators' first on the road. UF has beaten FSU in their last eight meetings, but Jackson said he feels FSU is under-ranked and that the match is going to be the most severe test for the Gators thus far.

"[Florida State] probably is a top-25 team and they're only ranked 40," he said. "So they've got a chip on their shoulder and we've got something they want."

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Gators falter in overtime after pacing Tennessee

By MICHAEL MAURINO

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For 40 minutes they hung with one of the best teams in the land. They did everything necessary to win: they shot for a better percentage and won the rebounding battle.

When it came to overtime, however, the scoreboard had the visitors on top.

Giving tremendous effort, the UF women's basketball team lost an overtime heartbreaker to No.

Basketball	5 Tennessee, 91-82.	UF fell to 3-5 in Southeastern Conference play (12-9 overall), while
UF	82	
Tennessee	91	

Tennessee. (17-3, 7-0 SEC) has now won nine consecutive games.

Coach Carolyn Peck said that her team has nothing "to hang their heads about" and Thursday proves that UF is better than people think.

"Our record doesn't indicate how good of a team we are," Peck said. "We played against Tennessee, who is ranked No. 5, and we take them to overtime. I think that means we're pretty dog-gone good."

With the score tied at 69, UF



Nick West / Alligator Staff

UF's Bernice Mosby buries her head near the end of a 91-82 overtime loss to No. 5 Tennessee. Mosby sent Tennessee to the line with less than a minute left in regulation, allowing the Volunteers to tie.

seemed to have grasped overtime's momentum despite junior Bernice Mosby's missed off-balance jumper at the end of regulation. Instead,

Tennessee rebounded and controlled the last five minutes, taking the lead 12 seconds in and never looking back.

Mosby could have been the game's best performer. Adding five rebounds to her 28 points on 9 of 18 shooting, she was there when UF

needed a big score. When it came to the last 21 seconds in regulation, Mosby had the ball in her hands.

"I saw an opening and I just took it," Mosby said of the regulation's final shot. "It didn't go in, but it's just a thing that happens in basketball."

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Carolyn Peck

UF women's basketball coach

While Mosby played well, senior Tashia Morehead was just as good. Her three-pointer with 1:33 left in the second half brought UF to within 1 at 67-66. Morehead said that when she took her shot, she was thinking about nothing else.

"When you shoot, your mind is blank," she said. "You can't think about nothing else."

Peck said that Mosby and Morehead, who was 4 of 6 for 13 points and seven rebounds, played like All-Americans Thursday.

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UF anticipates tough match

■ GATORS FACE HIGHEST-RANKED TEAM TO DATE.

By BRYAN APP

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Sophomore Lee Humphrey remembers the last time he faced Alabama. How could he forget?

The reserve-turned-starting two-guard hit a 17-foot buzzer beater from the baseline to give UF a 75-73 overtime win against Alabama in the 2004 Southeastern Conference quarterfinals.

"Oh, that's probably the best single play of my career so far — high school, any level," said Humphrey with a humble grin.

The shot earned Humphrey,

who contemplated redshirting his freshman season, celebrity status and jump-started the Gators to their first SEC Tournament championship game since 1994.

Now, the Gators hope they can recapture that sharp shooting when they face No. 11 Alabama at the O'Connell Center on Saturday.

Following a loss to Mississippi State and with the attention of many influential members of the sports media just to the north in Jacksonville, UF will attempt to garner some national attention in the second of a tough three-game stretch that concludes at Kentucky on Tuesday.

"It's one of those things you can't worry about while you're playing," said senior forward

David Lee. "But as you look back, I'm sure these are the games people will be watching. And Alabama is another Tournament-quality team, like we are."

The SEC's top-scoring Gators were held to a season-low 57 points, while shooting a season-worst 38.5 percent in the loss to the Bulldogs, as UF again appeared to be adjusting to the reintegration of guard Matt Walsh.

Walsh was 1 for 5 against MSU, as his team suffered a 9 for 29 second-half shooting slump.

While Coach Billy Donovan cautioned that Walsh wouldn't immediately become his former self following a three-week hiatus due to a severe ankle sprain, the junior has shot 25.9 percent since

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Win could turn the tide

After getting thumped at The Hump, the UF basketball team returns to the O'Dome on Saturday with a bruised ego and that familiar air of skepticism filling its lungs.

Say what you want about statement games and how important they are in the marathon that is a college basketball season, but Tuesday night against Mississippi State was an opportunity lost.

Luckily for the Gators, Saturday's game against Alabama presents another chance to prove to the conference that they are more than just paper champions. Defeating a team that dismantled Mississippi State by 49 points earlier this season would go a long way in proving that Tuesday night was nothing more than a bump in the road — an aberration and not a trend.

Now, I could sit here and dissect this matchup by telling you that Kennedy Winston, Earnest Shelton and Chuck Davis will



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prove to be 40 minutes of headache for Billy Donovan and his Big Three. But you can just read the advance for all of that juicy stuff.

This game is about more than UF's opponent. It's about a coaching staff that was exposed its last time out, a home-court advantage that has been called into question after three early season losses and a team that teeters on the edge of schizophrenia.

Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun said that he doesn't believe in must-win games, because nothing happens if you don't win them. And while I agree that the firing squad won't be standing at

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TODAY IN UF SPORTS HISTORY

■ 1970: "Pistol" Pete Maravich scores 52 points in Florida Gym as he leads Louisiana State to a 97-75 win against the Gators. The output was two more than Maravich's 50 points against UF in 1969.