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UF staff union vies for raises

■ NOT MUCH PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE SO FAR.

By EMILY YEHLER

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Four months and five meetings into negotiations, UF officials and a workers' union are not much closer to agreeing on salary increases than they were on day one.

At this rate, approximately 1,000 UF workers won't see any salary changes for the current fiscal year until negotiations end.

But their union, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, are insisting on a 6 percent across-the-board raise and were not deterred Thursday by its estimated cost of \$1.4 million.



Whelan

UF can afford the raise, said Marc Brody, the union's chief negotiator. The \$356,000 UF has set aside for merit raises is "no money at all" for the university's budget, he said.

"Now, we know the amount that we're asking for," he said. "We believe they have the ability to pay."

At a meeting Thursday, Michael Whelan, UF's attorney for negotiations, told the union that the university would not consider anything but merit raises, since that's what UF offered the rest of the university.

"I think it's important that people understand that 6 percent across-the-board is just way out in left field," Whelan said. "It's outrageous. We're not interested in that."

And AFSCME negotiators said they wouldn't accept a merit raise as the only salary

increase this year.

Thus far, this deadlock has cost the university 100 working hours for UF staff involved in the negotiations, which does not include the cost of the university's chief negotiator. On Thursday, UF officials promised to pay for 60 more hours of the workers' time, or about two more meetings.

After that, negotiations may have to occur after working hours or without worker compensation.

As for the rest of the contract, five meetings have produced agreements on 11 of 26 articles.

This contract is the first AFSCME and UF have negotiated together.

Before 2003, the union had an agreement with the state for all 11 public universities. When the state government reorganized the governance of state universities in 2002, the Board of Trustees, UF's highest governing power, refused to continue AFSCME's contract.

Since then, the union has been re-established, and negotiators are using the old contract as a template.

During the previous reign of the union, electrician Sohn Moon said he received a raise every year. Since 2003, he said his pay has been frozen and the cost of his insurance has increased. The union is only asking for the status quo, he added.

"We didn't change the rules of the game," he said. "They came and changed the entire game."

UF officials want to change more in the contract than AFSCME representatives do, in an effort to "start fresh."

Whelan said his associates are simply doing "housekeeping" on the old contract.

"We didn't just take a chainsaw to it," he said. "We took a scalpel."



Andy Apicella / Alligator Staff

Fiddle me this

Despite the rain Thursday, UF students Cori Matthews, Amber Northcutt and Larry Kirk dance to Irish melodies fiddled by friend Libby O'Neill in celebration of St. Patrick's Day.

Insurance coverage issues arise

Officials blame electronic mixup

By JEFF SIRMONS

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A UF faculty member went to the doctor's office for a routine check-up, only to discover she was uninsured, despite having proof of insurance.

"All records show I have it," said the professor, who wished to remain anonymous because of her nontenured status. "It's appalling that people have lost health insurance and have no way of knowing until they go see a doctor."

Like her, some UF faculty and other state employees may have temporarily lost or altered health insurance plans

because of a January transfer of files to People First, an updated Human Resources software program, a Department of Management Services spokesman said.

John Kuczanski estimated that less than 3 percent of the 200,000 files, each representing a state employee, have been lost or altered.

"As a percentage, it's relatively low; however, it's completely unacceptable when any people's insurance is being robbed," Kuczanski said. "More still, 3 percent of 200,000 is a lot of people."

To respond to the problems, the department has a team specifically trained to work on insurance coverage problems, and Convergys, which

developed People First, has developed a team working to find any flaws in the system.

The team has yet to find a problem in the system, despite having worked since New Years Day.

The transfer was an "undertaking unlike any other done before in the public offices," referring to its size.

UF Administration

Kuczanski said the transfer was desperately needed, however, because the old system, which was 20 years old, was not compatible with many new software programs.

The new program cost the state between \$60 and \$95 million to imple-

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■ RTS will be using nine new buses on city streets and on the UF campus.

The gleaming new vehicles were presented during RTS's 30th anniversary celebration Thursday. See story, pg. 5.



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SGP & Caribsa's "Sunsplash"
Bandshell
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Crusade Concert 2005
University Auditorium
8 p.m.
"Shakespeare And Love"
Acrosstown Repertory Theatre
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Kappa Alpha Psi Step Show
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City hopeful looks to create solutions for residents

Editor's note: This is the final article in a series taking a closer look at candidates for the Gainesville City Commission District 3 seat.

By BRIAN HAGEN
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"Ask," Jack Donovan said. "You probably don't have a clue to what people need. So ask."

The experts are the people in the community — in Gainesville, veterans groups, healthcare providers, women's organizations and churches know their community's needs, he said.

If elected, Donovan said he plans to ask for more than information; he plans to ask community groups, "Can you lead us in solving this problem?"

Donovan explained his view of students over coffee at Grandy's Restaurant, saying they're one of Gainesville's neglected resources.

"I think our neighborhoods are somewhat afraid of students," he said. "We need to invite [students] in."

The four years students spend in Gainesville are an opportunity to learn to live in a community and cherish it, Donovan said.

"Students come with a high level of education, tremendous energy and talents to offer to our community," he said. "We have an

opportunity and a responsibility to tap into that."

Donovan proposed a series of invitations to students, recruiting them for volunteer committees that would pool their expertise with efforts to build Gainesville as an economic and cultural center.

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Jack Donovan
Candidate for City Commission

A student commissioner, as proposed by various other candidates, would be a good thing, Donovan said, building a more formal relationship between the city and the university.

Donovan's experience in public service included going to Pacific Micronesia with the Peace Corps, Alachua's Community Coalition Against Poverty and Gainesville's Affiliated Congregations to Improve our Neighborhoods.

Donovan served for 17 years as a minister for the Unitarian Universalist Association, a faith that welcomes members of all beliefs and affiliations to its services.

"As Dwight Eisenhower said, 'I don't care what your faith is, so long

as you have one,'" Donovan said.

Donovan works as chaplain for Hospice of North Central Florida in Chiefland, visiting patients and their families throughout the area.

While he canvassed Gainesville's west and southwest neighborhoods, District 3 voters told Donovan of their worries — absentee landlords neglecting their neighborhoods, traffic, the environmental impact of the proposed Gainesville Regional Utilities power plant and how to preserve the natural beauty of Gainesville all concern them, Donovan said.

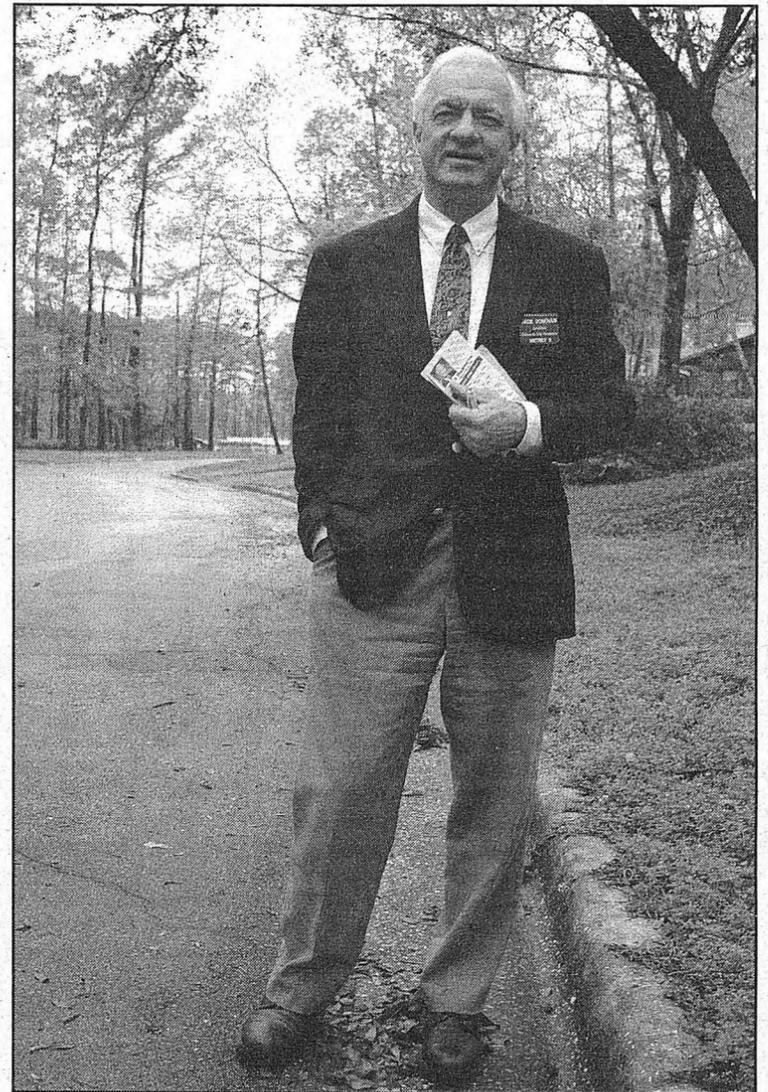
"It's a great way to find out the concerns of the community," he said of his door-to-door visits. "I'm committed to doing this every year, not just election year."

Donovan's favorite film is "Groundhog Day," the Bill Murray comedy in which a foul-tempered weatherman is forced to relive a single day again and again.

"First of all, it's very funny," Donovan said, but more than that, "It's a great depiction of the spiritual journey through mindfulness. You can remedy your flaws through kindness, concern for others and love."

Donovan's hobby is exercise, including kayaking, hiking, walking on the prairie and jogging with his dog.

If fame knocked, Donovan said "I'd like to be famous for really enjoying being alive, taking the opportunity to make discoveries about life — the beauty of the earth, the human capacity for growth."



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Jack Donovan, a hospice chaplain, is running for city commissioner for District 3, which represents much of the area west and southwest of UF's main campus.

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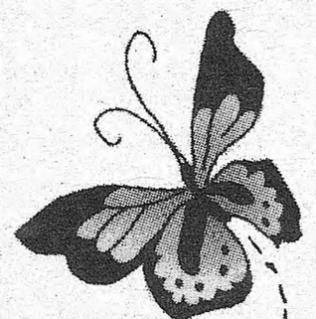
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Jury decision in third Hudson trial expected today

■ JURIES COULD NOT REACH A VERDICT IN THE FIRST TWO MURDER TRIALS.

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The jury deliberated for five hours Thursday afternoon before court was called back to order and a deputy sheriff handed Judge Mary Day Coker a slip of paper.

"We will not come to a decision tonight!!" the note from the jury foreman said, requesting that they be allowed to reconvene Friday.

Prosecutor Geoffrey Fleck pressed his palm to his forehead as a number of exasperated exhales resounded in the courtroom.

Delays in the double murder trial of Willie James Hudson, 30, have almost become an expected standard. Twice, in December and February, a jury was unable to reach a verdict as to Hudson's guilt in the July 2003 shootings of Gainesville residents John Adkins and Kevin Harris.

Round three began Tuesday, and both sides rested their cases by Thursday morning.

Fleck contended the evidence proves Hudson shot both Adkins and Harris during a drug deal that took place in Hudson's car, presenting DNA evidence linking Hudson and both of the victims on a towel Hudson is alleged to have used after the shootings.

"These are the facts that are,"

Fleck said. "They don't depend on inferences."

However, defense attorney Stephen Bernstein refuted these arguments during his closing statements, saying the state's scenarios were speculative.

"The burden of proof is on the state," he said, adding that there are conflicts in the evidence that suggest a different series of events unfolded the evening of July 2.

He asked that if the motive of the murder was to steal the approximately \$8,000 Harris allegedly had with him to conduct a drug transaction with Adkins, then why was Hudson "penniless" following the shootings?

He proposed that another man, Gainesville resident Anthony Anderson, 19, could have been the murderer with an opportune hide-out at the Martin Luther King Jr. Center located off Waldo Road.

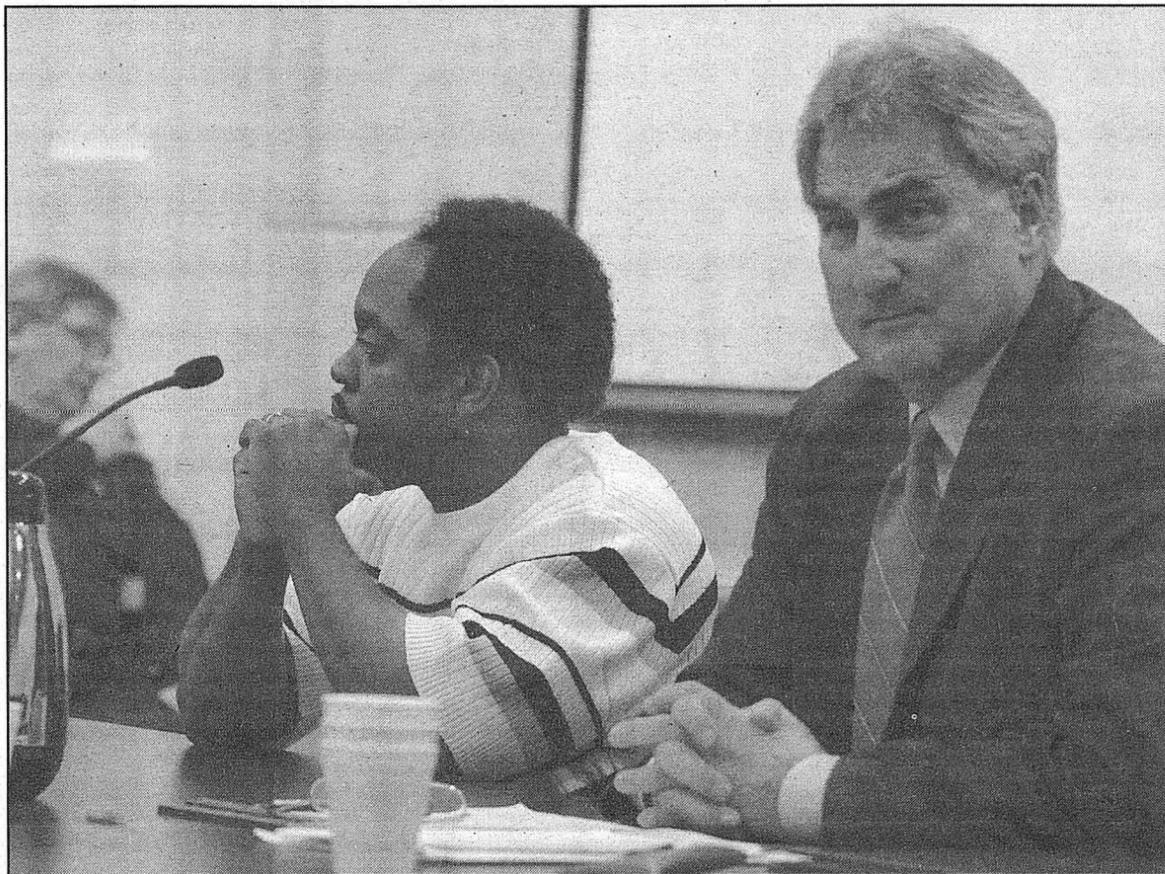
Anderson, a Center employee, could have showered there after the shootings to remove any evidence of the crime, Bernstein alleged.

"There are too many blanks," he said.

The prosecution said Anderson gave Hudson a ride after being flagged down, but no DNA or fingerprints of Hudson's were recovered from Anderson's vehicle, according to expert testimony.

Just after 5:30 p.m., the jury shuffled out of the courtroom and will reconvene today.

When questioned about whether



Megan V. Winslow / Alligator Staff

Willie James Hudson, left, and his attorney, Stephen N. Bernstein, listen as Judge Mary Day Coker dismisses the jury for the evening Thursday. Jury deliberation is scheduled to continue through today.

or not the state would continue to prosecute Hudson should another mistrial occur, Fleck's answer was quick and adamant.

"We won't end," he said. "I will try this case until it ends. I will try it 100 times if I have to."

But Bernstein said that a third hung jury might be as significant as a verdict.

"I would seriously question the cost of funds to continue trying a case that has the weaknesses that this one has," he said.

Outside, the rain had stopped, and a small cluster of Hudson's friends and family made their way across the parking lot.

The jury is scheduled to return for yet another round of deliberations today.

ON CAMPUS

Forum hits on pregnancy

By **CASSIDY MILLS**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Women faced with an unplanned pregnancy, which involves one of the most difficult decisions they make, were the focus of the "Making Choices: How to Live Without Regret" symposium in Flint Hall on Thursday night.

Students gathered to hear Women's Resource Center Director Dottie Rathel relate her own experience — she had to make just such a decision when she was a teenager.

Speaking on the emotional and physical effects of having an abortion, Rathel addressed how that experience now helps her counsel young women facing the same scenario.

Education is key to making any decision, Rathel said.

"I was 15 years old and really thought I was mature enough to decide," she said, "but I wish that I had access to the type of information the center offers when I made that decision."

The Women's Resource Center offers free pregnancy tests and counseling to local women, as well as educating them on all of their available options. Rathel became involved with the center after she was counseled there, she said.

Part of the education includes fetal models that represent life stages in the womb and business cards featuring pictures of infants.

"A baby can be only 12 weeks old, but it's still a human, just a different form," said Corrie DiSalvo, a first-year health science education major and volunteer at the center.

Counselors at the center help women with the emotional and physical effects of an abortion, including nightmares and the possible resulting infertility.

"Every decision we make on a day-to-day basis affects the rest of our lives," Rathel said. "Abortions have consequences."

The event was hosted by Pro-life Alliance as part of Women's History Month. The organization's president, Betsy Hansen, also attended.

"Young college students see abortion as the only option, but they don't realize all of the resources available to them," said Hansen in an interview before the event. "We just want everyone to know that if they need help or counseling before or after an abortion, we have counselors and referrals available."

Alachua County has the highest rate of abortions to live births in the state, Rathel said.

Pro-life Alliance member and health science education sophomore Kate Keeley said having a woman who has gone through the experience speak about it shows the realities of a difficult decision.

"Through stories like these, we can understand how to reach women with similar histories," Keeley said.

Schlavo's fate up in air

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AROUND GAINESVILLE

RTS celebrates 30th with renovations, new busesBy **IVETTE MENDEZ**Alligator Writer
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Gainesville residents were treated to music, entertainment and refreshments to celebrate Regional Transit System's 30th anniversary of operation in front of City Hall on Thursday.

RTS celebrated the milestone anniversary at the Downtown Community Plaza and unveiled one of its nine new, recently purchased buses, each costing \$300,000, and allowed residents to tour the buses. The new buses include security cameras, bike rack sensors and automated announcements of bus stops.

At the event, Student Government Parking and Transportation Cabinet Director Zachery Jacobson noted that 75 percent of RTS riders are UF students and faculty.

Due to the RTS facility's accommodation restrictions, a series of renovations are underway to better maintain its current fleet.

"Every year RTS buys at least eight buses," Jacobson said. "This year we had enough funds to buy new buses."

RTS Transit Director Jeffrey

Logan briefly spoke at the celebration about the renovations, admitting that the addition of the new buses put a squeeze on RTS property capacity.

"We really had to find a place for everyone to park," Logan said.

The project's next phase will begin in May, during which the administrative and operations facility will be rebuilt. The final phase will expand bus maintenance facilities.

Once completed, the number of buses being serviced at one time will increase substantially, Logan said.

"We expect the plan to pass as early as Memorial Day, and construction will begin immediately after that," Logan said, adding that \$14 million have been allocated to the project.

UF contributes money that comes from the Transportation Access Fee, part of the \$87.30 Activity & Service Fee UF undergraduate students taking 15 credits pay as part of their tuition every semester, to the bus routes, Jacobson said.

The funds are being used to help the student body by adding a Student Nighttime Auxiliary Patrol van and putting more money into routes, Jacobson said.



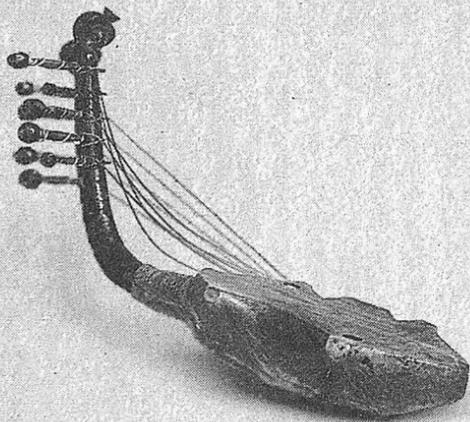
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The Gainesville Regional Transit System will soon use nine new buses presented as part of its 30th anniversary celebration Thursday.

RTS expects the renovations to improve service to the east side of Gainesville.

Our first priority is helping the underserved east side, especially with the upcoming UF training cen-

ter, Logan said, adding that once RTS is able to properly maintain its fleet, other services can be expanded.

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Editorial

Despite what you may believe from reading the Alligator over the past month or so, there actually has been more going on in the world than just the Student Government races.

From the ups and downs of the popular trial-trio of Peterson, Blake & Jackson to the never-ending drama of the Terri Schiavo right-to-die case, headlines across the nation have been rife with crazy, non-electoral madness that has gone uncovered here.

What really makes us wish we could drop our SG addiction cold-turkey, however, is that our ranting and raving over the antics of those silly politico-lites caused us to forget about cooking up a fresh batch of Darts & Laurels for that most important of recent news events: the 77th annual Academy Awards.

Unfortunately, we can't roll back the clock a few weeks to a time when we weren't completely jaded by the fact that snooze-fests "The Aviator" and "Million Dollar Baby" won just about every single Oscar. Instead, we're going to make up for it by bestowing our own particular brand of awards on the unsuspecting perpetrators of the news events of today.

So prepare your acceptance speech, put on your most expensive clothes and grab a B-list-or-better date as we stroll down the red-carpet-lined path into this week's edition of...

Darts & Laurels

In the big surprise of our awards show, former baseball player Jose Canseco wasn't nominated for his performance as a juiced-up-baseball-player-turned-stool-pigeon. His story did, however, inspire us to toss a Best-Egregious-Waste-of-Government-Resources **DART** to the **House of Representatives** for thinking that performance-enhancing drugs in sports is such a problem that it warrants the attention of a House Committee.

Picking up a Best-Supporting-Moron nomination for this same event was committee chair Rep. Thomas M. Davis III (R-Va.), who created an advisory panel that elicited the Washington Post to write the dumbest phrase that has ever graced its pages: "Boston Red Sox pitcher Curt Schilling and Chicago White Sox slugger Frank Thomas, would serve as co-chairmen." In case you missed it, that is two still-active baseball players serving as co-chairmen of a panel that is advising the federal government.

Because everyone loves it when the underdogs win — especially close to home — we bestow a Best-Triumphant-Sports-Movie-Out-of-the-Five-Hundred-That-Seem-to-Come-Out-Every-Year **LAUREL** to the **UF men's basketball team** for defeating the Kentucky Wildcats twice in a row and winning the SEC Tournament for the first time in school history.

If the team can ride their wave of momentum to a victory in the NCAA Tournament, "Hoosiers" will have nothing on us.

For the fifth year in a row, we throw the coveted Best-Villain-in-an-Educational-Film **DART** to **Florida legislators** for proposing bills that would bring them one step closer to their goal of making the State University System the worst in the United States. One of these, which thankfully was amended, would have cut off state funding to college students who already had taken more than 115 percent of the credit hours required to graduate. The other, which remains a real danger, would have made international students ineligible to receive state aid.

Rounding out our awards coverage with an issue that has no relevance whatsoever to the SG elections at all—and, of course, is no reason for students to ask for more representation and access to shady, private meetings—we give a Best-Achievement-in-the-Advancement-of-Fascist-Policy **DART** to the **UF administration** for announcing that they will require students to use only their GatorLink e-mail accounts for university business.

The administration must be held accountable for denying students their unalienable right to lose their registration and financial messages whenever AOL's e-mail has a hissy fit.

Now that our program and the Oscars are over, you're probably wondering what you're going to do to kill the time until this time rolls around next year.

Well, there's always the runoff election next week.

What's wrong with a few addictions now and then, anyway?

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Guest column

Students take democracy for granted

With the swell of democracy that has surged in the world over the last few months, there's plenty of reason to celebrate.

Starting with a young woman in Afghanistan, continuing through the inked fingers of brave Iraqis and now manifesting itself in Lebanon and Palestine, the notion of democratic choice is much less an idea and much more a reality throughout the globe.

Historians note "waves" of democracy that come from the American and French revolutions, the post-World War II reconstruction and the end of the Cold War. There is no doubt that this exciting time will go down in the history books as the fourth wave, in which the oppressed in the Middle East had their first tastes of a freedom we in the United States take for granted.

As students in Gainesville, however, we take our right to vote for granted perhaps more so than ever. Coverage of Student Government elections, fraught with speculation, accusations and all manner of other nonsense, often leaves students feeling as though they have no true allies up on the third floor of the Reitz Union — only resume builders.

Vague election code statutes and little campaign finance regulation only have contributed to events that have worsened the perception that SG is a corrupt tool for corrupt students.

Additionally, students often do not realize that the local officials they choose not to vote for dramatically impact many local taxes and regulations.

I've been away from Gainesville on an internship this semester but, as someone who has worked with SG and local political issues in the past, I've been reading the Alligator online to keep tabs on what is going on back in town. I can say two things without reservation: The

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student body is extremely fortunate to have the field of SG and local candidates to choose from that they do, and it will be an enormous shame if we can't muster even the

same voter-turnout percentage as a nation where those going to vote risked life and limb to do so.

Sure, you may not think SG or the City of Gainesville does a lot for you. Maybe you aren't even sure that any of the candidates running this time around will change that. But perhaps you are a member of a student organization, perhaps you ride an RTS bus to class in the mornings, perhaps you have gone to Gator Nights or taken a crowded Later Gator home after a 2 a.m. bar closing — and all of this has more than a little to do with your right to vote.

While none of these examples are on the same level as establishing a representative government in a war-torn nation, if every student took the three minutes out of their day it requires to cast a vote, how much more accountable would our politicians be?

Moreover, how much less influence would special-interest groups have over policy, and how much more influence would the student body have as a whole?

The prospects for a bright future are amazing, but only if each Gator takes a part in shaping it. Next week, there will be runoff elections for SG executives, and the end of March will bring a wave of local elections.

On those voting days, skip the daily crossword puzzle and invest those free minutes into exercising your right to shape Gainesville's and UF's futures.

It's nice to know the only danger you'll face is the threat of being attacked with campaign fliers.

Kristen Soltis is a political science senior.

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

Reader response

Today's question: Do you have any interest at all in the local elections?

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Guest column

Cuban citizens' situation no better on second anniversary

On this day in 2003, Cuban dictator Fidel Castro ordered the arrest of more than 75 journalists, labor union organizers, civic leaders, librarians and human rights activists and held them as political prisoners. Although some have been released for medical reasons, they remain subject to re-arrest at any time and other opposition leaders have been incarcerated as of late. Raúl Rivero Castañedo, poet and journalist, was sentenced to 20 years in prison for crimes of independent, free thought. His trial ended within a day of his arrest, and he is yet to hear parole. Atrocities like this only are part of a systematic clamping down on the basic rights guaranteed

to every human by conscience and by law.

Unfortunately, the international stance on Cuba has become complacency. One week ago, Congressman Bob Menendez (D-NJ) said, "I know I am not the only person in the room who is horrified to see Cuba as a member of the U.N. Commission on Human Rights." Last year, the U.N. Commission on Human Rights only managed to get a weak resolution passed by one vote at a time when Castro had committed his worst human rights abuses.

Recently, some rays of light have crept into this sea of dark indifference. Activists such as Spanish President Jose Maria Aznar and Czech political leaders helped to put together "The

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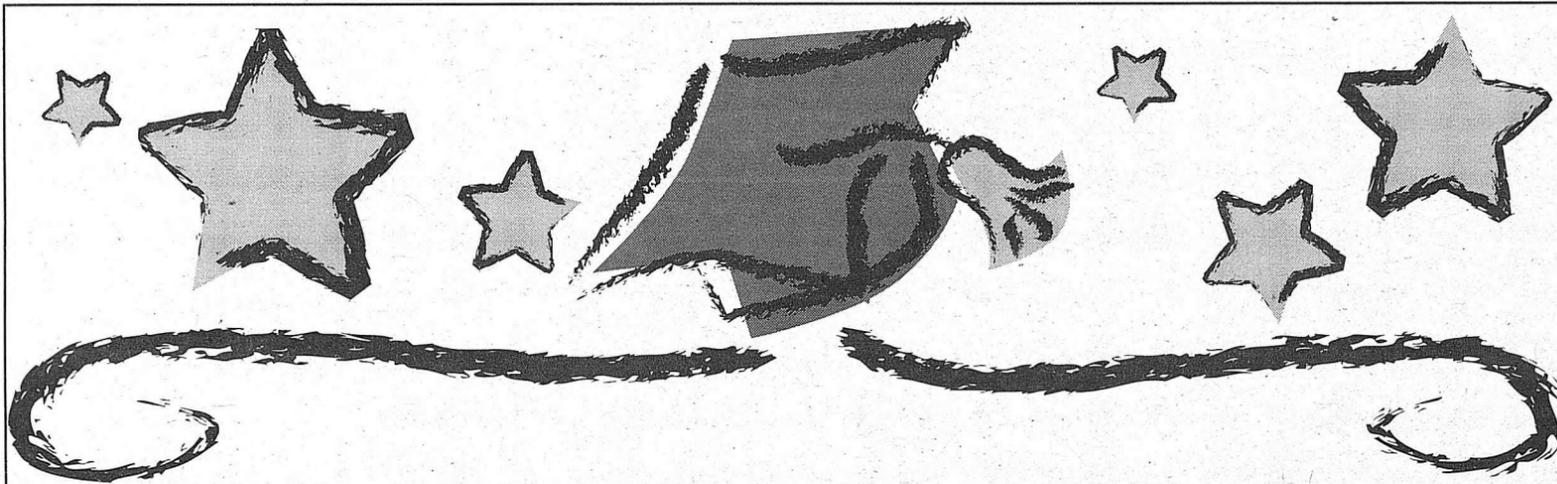
Prague Memorandum: Final Declaration and Working Plan," with the goal "to help create the conditions so that the Cuban people can bring about democracy through a nonviolent transition."

The Cuban people need our support in their fight for the freedom of speech and assembly, the right to live without fear, and the right to self-determination. We cannot give in.

It is regretful that we can think of nothing but remorse on this "anniversary." Today serves as but another milestone in a 45-year road of adversity that has pursued a genera-

tion of Cuban dissidents — a tribute to sorrow, marking what the U.S. State Department calls "the most despicable act of political repression in the Americas in a decade." In a time when apathy seems to have swept our younger generations, we must stand against torture, dictatorship and violence. We must stand for freedoms we hold so close to our hearts that we cannot fathom a life without them, especially one in a place just 90 miles away from where we live. It is time to remember and honor the patriot-prisoners jailed unjustly for standing up for democracy and human rights.

Chris Caraballo is president of the Cuban-American Student Association.



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UF officials look into tuition hike

By **STEPHANIE GARRY**
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The head of UF's top governing board presented a "road map" to the Faculty Senate on Thursday of how the university will prioritize if fundraising and tuition hikes bring a revenue windfall.

UF administrators have a lengthy wish list to make the university a Top 10 public research institution, including increased faculty salary and benefits, more student financial aid and smaller classes, but little hope of squeezing more money out of the Legislature, said Manny Fernandez, chairman emeritus of the UF Board of Trustees.

"At the end of the day, it's going to take a lot of money," Fernandez said. "The money has to come from devolution," which would give UF the ability to raise tuition. In past years the Legislature has capped the amount universities can increase tuition.

UF would have to increase tuition revenue by \$220 million to catch up to peer institutions. If it could raise tuition

that much, the university probably would dedicate the most money — approximately \$100 million — to faculty, by improving salary and benefits and hiring additional members, Fernandez said.

The board has identified faculty resources as the area where UF suffers the most in national rankings, such as the U.S. News and World Report.



Fernandez

One senator questioned how students would react to increased tuition, and Fernandez recognized that it "will always be an issue of contention."

But statistics show graduates of high-ranked institutions earn more than other college graduates, so students should view higher tuition as an investment that will reap better returns, the chairman said.

Though UF usually fares better than its peers across the country in state legislative appropriations, state funding alone probably won't cut it for UF's

lofty goals, the chairman said.

"It isn't going to be as much money as we need," Fernandez said.

The Legislature is now in session and UF President Bernie Machen, who attended the meeting, said he's been to Tallahassee two days this week.

"It's too soon to be either optimistic or pessimistic" about how UF will fare in appropriations this year, Machen said.

Fernandez expects the Legislature to begin granting local tuition control in the next month or so, but it won't be a complete hand-off, he said.

Two major obstacles stand in the way of the Legislature loosening its stranglehold on tuition levels — the Bright Futures Scholarship Program and the Florida Prepaid Tuition Program. Both are "cornerstones" of Florida government, but both are increasingly hard to fund, Fernandez said.

Lawmakers are loathe to touch the popular programs, and Student Government lobbyists are working to protect such programs and limit UF's ability to control its tuition.

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Searching for truth

■ UF GRAD MATTHEW BROWNSTEIN PRACTICES HYPNOTHERAPY IN TOWN.

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The exterior of Matthew Brownstein's office suite is unassuming. Nestled among travel agencies and doctors' clinics, its cookie-cutter front is easily overlooked by the casual passersby failing to read the letters on the glass: "Matthew Brownstein, Certified Hypnotherapist."

Using a variety of techniques, from simple meditation to programming methods that study the way a person thinks, Brownstein, 32, has been helping area residents understand and eliminate their physical and emotional problems for more than seven years.

To make his teachings more accessible to clients, the UF alumnus plans to expand his business by opening Anahat Meditation Center in July.



Brownstein

"I'm really not in this just to help people relieve symptoms or to get over certain limitations," Brownstein said. "I feel that

I am really here to help others actualize their full potential and to remove the underlying causes of their current problems."

Within his private practice, Brownstein teaches his clients that physical ailments such as ulcers and sinus infections are psychosomatic and can be cured by examining the belief system behind them.

"If you come in, and let's say you're overeating ... one emotion might be that you're feeling lonely or sad, and then I might say, 'Okay, that's the emotion - now what's the belief causing that?' and you state, 'Well, I feel unlovable and alone,'" Brownstein said.

"That belief, that you're unlovable and alone, is the cause of the problem."

Brownstein said he experienced his first glimpse of enlightenment on Jan. 13, 1992. The self-proclaimed former agnostic was laying on his bed in his parents' South Florida home when he experienced what he now refers to as a "spiritual awakening."

"Really, the best word for it was an 'invasion,' without ever asking to experience something bigger than my own ego and my own confidence as a human being," he said.

At the time of Brownstein's awakening, he was a student at

Broward Community College. He later transferred to UF to study world religion and specialize in Eastern mysticism.

"My major in college was really 'How do I get others to that state of profound peace, oneness, love and wisdom and health?'" Brownstein said.

After graduating from UF, Brownstein dabbled in acupuncture school. But still he desired to learn more about helping others end their suffering through enlightenment.

At age 23, Brownstein went to live in New York's Zen Mountain Monastery.

After waking each day at around 4 a.m., Brownstein typically would meditate within a group for about two hours before performing chants and studying scriptures.

"Monasteries are definitely not for the faint-hearted," Brownstein said, smiling. "You have to really want to be there; it's not a vacation."

Although Brownstein admits many people might view the monastic lifestyle as grueling, he said his daily routine there was comfortable and natural, as if he had experienced something similar to it before - just not in this lifetime.

Brownstein, who believes in reincarnation, said he has been able to view approximately 10 of his past lives through "past-life regression," a method utilized within a hypnotic state.

During one of his past lives, he lived as a Jewish rabbi in a monastic temple setting near the desert, he said.

"In that lifetime, I was really upset with God and human suffering, and I've definitely seen how that's played out in this lifetime into something that I've worked through," he said.

Brownstein's spiritual journey took him from New York to Massachusetts, where he started his first holistic teaching center, to New Mexico, where he attended hypnotherapy school, and then back to Florida.

Thirteen years after he first set out to discover his place in the world and help others reach their own form of self-actualization, Brownstein said he has found his calling.

Hypnotherapy, and the teachings and practices that accompany it, have managed to shine a light on what he once regarded as unattainable: practical ways to make people happy and free.

"I don't work to just change negative thinking to positive thinking," he said. "I think a person comes in with a false belief about who they are, but it's my job to help them discover their own truth."

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Greeks weather rain to donate 500 units of blood

■ A SPRING BREAK CRUISE TO HONDURAS LEFT SOME GREEKS OUT.

By KYLIE CRAIG
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The 26th annual Greek Blood Drive proved successful this year, despite a few bumps in the road.

The drive ended Tuesday, collecting enough blood donations to impact 1,500 lives, said Michelle Simmons, donor consultant for LifeSouth.

"I think we had some obstacles, but the overall enthusiasm is really there for this event," Simmons said.

LifeSouth buses visited different fratern-

ity and sorority houses throughout the weeklong drive, collecting donations from organization members as well as members of the Gainesville community.

The Greek organizations involved competed to see which house could collect the most donations.

Greek Life Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority and Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity won the respective competitions, taking home the famous Blood Bucket Trophy.

"It's a competition, but it's more than that," Simmons said. "I think it's fantastic."

Simmons, who expected to collect 700 units of blood by the end of the week, said rain and a recent cruise caused the number

donated to barely surpass 500 units.

Nearly 900 UF Greeks went on a spring break cruise to Honduras, which kept them from being able to donate, she said.

"The area they went was malarial," she said. "A lot of them were deterred. I can't even tell you how many got on the bus and tried to donate."

Greeks for Life, Tuesday's event signaling the end of the blood drive, was expected to increase the number of donations before being rained out after less than an hour.

Interfraternity Council Administrative Vice President Jeremy Martin said the rain didn't keep the blood drive as a whole from being a success.

"It was a success because we were able

to get a group of 1,500 people together and get them to give blood," said Martin, who worked with Simmons to plan the drive.

Simmons agreed, adding it became a success once one person got on the bus to donate blood.

IFC President John Dicks gave blood for the first time at Tuesday's event.

"I've never slept better in my whole life," Dicks said. "Part of it was giving blood and part of it was saving a life."

Next fall, UF Greeks will unite for a blood drive in competition with FSU students, rather than each other.

"It will be nice to beat them in something that has more purpose than just a football game," Martin said.

AROUND GAINESVILLE

Marathon conflicts with city

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Gainesville is about to see the first marathon on its streets in approximately 20 years, but which of two warring events will finish first is still open to debate.

Richard Brodsky, an HIV-positive, brain cancer-surviving, marathon-running father of two UF students, has tried to bring the World AIDS Marathon to the Gainesville-Hawthorne Trail for the past year.

He plans to donate 80 percent of the proceeds to the UF College of Medicine to go toward finding a cure for the disease, which Brodsky has battled for the last eight years.

"It is my hope that someday Gatorade will be remembered as the second greatest product to come out of U of F, the cure for AIDS being No. 1," Brodsky said.

However, the city of Gainesville has been planning its own Five Points of Life Marathon for February 2006. Brodsky was asked to merge his event with the city's, but he denied the proposition. He wants his race to take place near World AIDS Day, December 1.

"We've been planning [Five Points of Life] for two years, and we're not sure our event will come off the way we really want it to happen," said Jack Hughes, executive director of the Gainesville Sports Organizing Committee. "We're a small community. We're con-

cerned (that) two events in that same period of time would be difficult to support."

"We might be more interested were there a wider separation by dates," Hughes added. "Mr. Brodsky has not chosen to follow our advice. We wish him well, but we need to work on the event we have been working on for two years."

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Richard Brodsky
AIDS advocate

Brodsky is not happy.

"This man has been a nuisance from day one," he said of Hughes. "I have been telling UF about this marathon since last summer. They were really excited about it. Then all of a sudden [the Gainesville Sports Organizing Committee] wanted me to get involved with this other marathon. They are just giving me a hard time. This man does not want the marathon to happen."

Hughes insists that if the city could support Brodsky, it would.

"We want to help anybody bring something to town as long as it doesn't conflict with other activities," he said.

The man who has survived being HIV-positive and a brain tumor refuses to give up: "I'm going to make this thing happen," Brodsky said. Tom Stevens, president of the citizen support organization Friends of the Gainesville-Hawthorne Trail (Froghat), said Brodsky might be able to have the marathon without the city's approval, but forms need to be filed with the Florida Park Service.

"I think he can do it without the approval of the city because most of the trail is not the city," Stevens said. "It's not necessary for him to use the whole trail."

Froghat believes the Hawthorne trailhead would be the easiest starting point.

Brodsky said he wants to bring the World AIDS Marathon to Gainesville because he has been impressed by UF's breakthroughs in AIDS research, particularly those of Dr. Janet Yamamoto, a professor of pathobiology at the UF College of Veterinary Medicine. In July 2002, Yamamoto introduced a vaccine for the feline version of AIDS, which is very similar in composition to the human form of the virus.

Last year, Brodsky held the World AIDS Marathon in Kenya. He has appeared as a guest on national TV shows with Montel Williams, Howard Stern and Dick Clark.

"He's looking mortality in the face and he wants to do something before he dies," Stevens said of Brodsky. "He's sort of the inspiration, but he needs to do some of the perspiration, too."

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State works to correct problems within new employee insurance system

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The department anticipated there would be some problems and is now working to fix individual problems affecting approximately 6,000 state employees. Kuczanski said most problems can only be found because of complaints received.

Reimbursements for accidentally uninsured UF faculty members will be granted, said Ryan Ray, spokeswoman for the university's Division of Human Resources. Faculty mem-

bers should call their insurance providers to ensure their insurance is still intact.

"We're doing everything we can to fix every problem," Kuczanski said of state employees who were left insured as a result of the transition.

UF administrators also are pitching in to resolve the issue.

"Administrators of Human Resources and other administrators from Florida's 11 public universities have met with People First to help combat the problems specifically that faculty members are having," said Ed Poppell, vice president of Finance and Administration.

"We approached People First and asked them if we could help them solve the problems, and have since established direct contacts with them so when we have critical problems, we can fax, e-mail or call them for a rapid response," Poppell said. "That way, we become advocates for our employees."

Both UF and People First could not estimate when all the problems will be fixed, as most problems occurred in individual files. It is also unknown how many UF faculty members were affected by the transfer.

"Nothing is more important than keeping healthcare for our employees," Poppell said. "Fixing the problem is one of our biggest priorities."

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Wednesday Prayer 6:30pm

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 3BR/2BA charming historic house. Tile, hardwood floors, W/D, fenced yard, new appliances. No dogs. \$1260/mo Avail Aug. 871-8280 3-25-14-2

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★Sorority Row Area★
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 Huge 2BR/1BA apt. Best deal in town. Starting at \$550/mo 375-8256 4-20-30-2

★Sorority Row Area★
 Cute 2BR/1BA brick duplex behind Norman Hall. \$650/mo 375-8256 4-20-30-2

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★Sorority Row Area★
 Vintage stone 3BR/2BA duplex. Remodeled, hardwood floors, 2 story, W/D. \$1250/mo 375-8256 4-20-30-2

Work for rent. 2BR + study. Trailer home. New W/D, screened in porch, fenced yard. On 10 acre Whipperwhill Horse Farm, 10 min W of UF. Call 352-376-8792 4-5-20-2

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 1BRs & 2.5BRs. \$275-700/mo
 Progressive thinkers preferred. View at: **www.pleasantstreet.net 4-4-19-2**

3BR/2BA close to campus. Avail Aug 1st, new kitchen, cent A/C, lg fenced yard, \$1075/mo, drive by 3433 NW 1st Court. Call Marty 514-2855 3-31-17-2

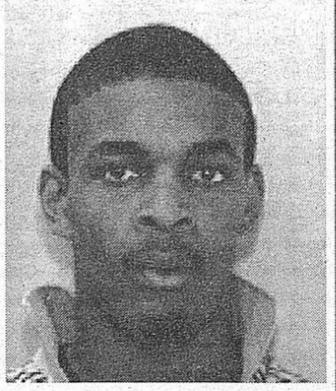
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 3BR/1BA, quiet peaceful setting, beautiful views, 5 miles to UF, no traffic, tile floors, new bathroom, W/D, big yard, deck, cute, clean, \$800/mo 871-8280 3-22-10-2

Historic Apartments. Ceiling fans, hardwood floors, high ceilings, some w/fireplaces. 1BR \$466 w/water, sewer. First, last, security. SE historic district. No dogs please. 378-3704 3-22-10-2

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AVAILABLE NOW Blocks from UF. Duplex, 2BR/1BA, fenced yard, \$675/mo HOUSE 3BR/2BA, W/D, \$1175/mo. (Pets OK) Call Carol @ 377-3852 3-22-10-2

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AVAILABLE NOW! NEW 3BR/2BA house 2 car garage in brand new subdivision close to UF & SFCC. All appliances \$1300/mo negotiable based on length of lease. Call 215-9987 4-20-30-2

3BR/1.5BA HOUSE Lg screen back pch, lg back yard, close to downtown, W/D, \$900/mo. Avail May 1st! Call (office) 377-1071 or (cell) 262-7174 ask for Brian 3-23-10-2

Cute 1 bedroom 1 bath vintage duplex, high ceilings, washer/dryer. 428 NW 10th Ave. \$445/mo. Green Tree Realty 317-4392 3-23-10-2

Clean 2 bedroom 1 bath with study, large laundry room, nice yard. \$675/mo. 310 NW 20th Ave. Green Tree Realty 317-4392 3-23-10-2

Large 1 bedroom with study, new kitchen \$495/mo 302 NW 19th Ave. Green Tree Realty 317-4392 3-23-10-2

Avail now 3BR/2BA HOUSE. 2120 NW 55th Terrace. Tile flrs, Berber carpet, all appliances incl. Privacy fenced-in yard. \$1050/mo. Call 215-9987 4-20-30-2

1BR 1BA 1Blk to UF!
 1218 SW 3rd Avenue
 Carpet, window A/C, \$385/mo
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2BR 2BA in WOODSIDE VILLAS 7200 SW 8th Avenue \$620/mo Pool, clubhouse etc. Call Merrill Management Inc. 372-1494 3-18-6-2

2BR 1BA Apt, 1 Block to UF Central H & Air, Tile Floors 1236 SW 1st Ave, \$585/mo Call Merrill Management Inc. 372-1494 3-18-6-2

2BR 1BA Apts 1 Block to UF New Carpet, Window A/C, Nat Gas Ht 216 SW 12th Street \$540/mo Call Merrill Management Inc. 372-1494 3-18-6-2

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5 Biks to UF! 840 Sq Ft
829 SW 5th Avenue, St. Croix Apts
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Fall 2005 2BR/2.5BA Luxury Condo end unit, clubhouse, pool, close to campus. \$825/mo. Call 352-332-8841 3-21-7-2

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2 For Rent unfurnished

2BR/1BA apt mins from campus, Shands. Spacious, repainted, new carpets & new appliances. Beautiful backyard. \$950/mo. Call Anthony 337-1330 3-22-8-2

Room w/pvt bath avail mins from UF, Shands, etc. Spacious luxury house has fireplace, pvt billiards room, hard wood floors throughout., new appliances. \$495/mo. Call Anthony 337-1330 3-22-8-2

Space & Value! 3 and 4 bedrooms
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Pets welcome, free of parking
Ceramic tile, dishwasher, pool
Open wknds, Call 376-4002

4-20-29-2

Avail May: Several units w/in .5 mi of UF campus or closer. Eff \$300-310, 1BR/1BA \$395-\$415, 2BR/2.5BA \$725, 2BR/1BA \$700. Sec dep, NS, no pets. Contact sor20@yahoo.com or lv mssg 352-870-7256 4-20-28-2

CEDAR CREEK CONDOS 2BR/2BA HOUSE w/garage, all appliances incl, W/D, \$900/mo 1st, last, dep. Pets are additional dep. 281-0561 or 472-5062 3-18-5-2

3BR/2BA house avail 8/1. Clean, quiet w/ DW, W/D, garage & enclosed porch. Close to UF & SFCC. No pets. \$1200/mo (727)514-7194 3-18-5-2

CONVENIENT 2 BR 1BA duplex, fenced yard, w/d hookups, \$475/rent 711 NW 19th Avenue.
Carl Turlington Real Estate, Inc. 372-9525
www.TurlingtonRealEstate.com 3-18-5-2

WALK TO CLASS! 2BR 1BA duplex, water included, \$375/rent. Avail May! 407-1 NW 13th Terrace.
Carl Turlington Real Estate, Inc. 372-9525
www.TurlingtonRealEstate.com 3-18-5-2

1BR/1BA for rent near campus. Pool. Laundry room. Quiet area. No deposit. \$419/month. Available in May. Call Matt at 692-4352 3-18-5-2

WE HAVE UPN

Sun Bay Apts 376-6720

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Studio Apt on 5 acre estate property near Paines Prairie. Wash/dryer, small pet ok. Just 15 min to UF. Private and safe. Quiet person only, 352-215-0396 3-28-5-2

2 For Rent unfurnished

2BR/2BA PENTHOUSE CONDO 2 mi to UF on bus line. Brand new construction. Charleston Place. Luxury in every detail. Pool, gazebo, lots of parking. \$950/mo. Call 215-3108 3-21-5-2

Beautifully redecored townhouse units. 2Br/1.5Ba Mill Runs Apts. Community room w/pool. \$350/mo per BR. Call 376-7801 or cell 871-7801 3-28-10-2

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2BR/1BA Haile Country Club House
2BR/1BA Brandywine Condo
Call Charlene 665-4106 for appt. 3-31-12-2

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behind Oaks Mall. 2 bdrms start at \$850/mo & 3bdrm at \$1200/mo w/move-in special of **up to 2 mo FREE rent!** Call 333-8643 today! 4-12-20-2

★★10 BLOCKS TO UF★★

1BR/1BA apt. in historic Victorian house w/fans, wood flrs, hi ceiling, AC/H. \$475/mo 225 SW 3rd Ave. Avail Aug 1st. Pets ok! Call 376-2184 3-23-5-2

3BR/3BA in 4BR/4BA Countryside Apt. Avail Aug 1. \$435/mo. includes everything! On bus route to UF. Great access to downtown and Archer Rec. Pool, gated, hi-spd internet/cable, W/D. Contact Nicole 352-328-4551 3-30-10-2

Beautiful townhouse for rent. 2BR/2.5BA, 2-story. Huge lvg rm & kitch. 5 min to campus. Rent 1BR or rent both. Lease term optional. Move in May. \$450/mo OBO 256-6734 3-23-5-2

Luxurious Victoria Station Twnhse. Walk to Butler. 2BR/2.5BA. W/D, alarm, pool, free ethernet. Bus rt in front every 15 min. \$850/mo NEGOTIABLE. Avail Aug 2005. Cell 222-4235 4-20-25-2

2 For Rent unfurnished

DOWNTOWN Avail immediately. **Month to month ok.** 2BR/1BA apt. Newly remodeled, quiet neighborhood, pets ok. **Close to Shands, UF & library.** \$650-715/mo. Call 262-1351 3-30-11-2

HOUSE 2BR/1BA \$695/mo. W/D, cent H/AC, 2.5 mi N of UF. Available April 1st. Call 352-214-1722 3-24-5-2

Downtown garage/studio apt on bus rtes, biking to campus walk to downtown off street parking include H2O. \$330/mth 1st, last, dep. Call 373-6551 leave message 3-29-8-2

Big, Bright and Beautiful! Very cute 1BR/1BA near Duckpond. No sec deposit unless you renew. \$460/mo. Call 352-262-1484 3-24-5-2

University Terrace West

4/4 Individual Leases
New Carpet & Paint
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W/D, Pool \$395/mo
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University Terrace Gainesville

4/4 Individual Leases
Completely Refurbished
Furnished Living Area
W/D, Pool \$405/mo
Union Properties 373-7578
4-20-24-2

Walking Distance to UF

1433 NW 3rd Avenue
2BR 1.5BA W/D h/up
3 units available in quad
\$775/mo
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Victoria Station

Off SW 35th Place
Like New Townhouse
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3 Subleases

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Now til Aug. Courtyards 352-328-6967 all included! 2-27-3-3

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Female roommate to sublease for summer in a 4BR/2BA. Less than \$400/mo for everything. Need May thru Aug. Aug FREE. Call Amy @ 352-262-3662 3-18-8-3

UNIVERSITY TERRACE 1BR/1BA, w/walk-in-closet in 4BR/4BA furn apt. All utils incl for \$315/mo May - July. NS pref. Bus stop in front, rts 12 \$ 35. Call 352-281-3092 3-22-10-3

Apt for summer A & B sublease 1BR in 4BR/2BA furn University Glades apt. \$370/mo (originally \$435) all utils incl. M/F for all female apt. Call 386-212-9042 3-22-10-3

1 BLOCK FROM SWAMP
2BR/1BA \$365 ea May thru July
Some furniture available
Call Sasha 305-479-1289 3-22-10-3

1BR in 3BR home. Flex lease terms. May, June &/or July. Opt to renew. Bike, walk or bus to UF. W/D, wood flr, screened porch, garage & carport. Furn avail Only \$315 + utils. 336-4126, 305-409-4414 3-22-10-3

EMERGENCY SUMMER SUBLEASE
2BR/2.5BA townhouse 2 blocks to UF. May - Aug \$900/mo OBO 352-266-8475 4-1-18-3

From May to Aug. 1BR/1BA in 3/3. Huge, furniture and W/D inc. \$380/mo, bus route, pool, tan bed at Greenwich Green. Call Katie 352-246-3743 kdobson@ufl.edu 3-23-10-3

3 Subleases

SUMMER SUBLEASE at Gainesville Place 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA \$480/mo. Price NEG. Everything incl. Female only. Call 727-643-9928 3-31-15-3

Summer sublease w/option to renew. Starts in June. F roommate needed for 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA. Cheap \$335/mo rent + 1/3 utils. COLONIAL VILLAGE. Aug rent FREE! Bus routes 9 & 35. W/D, internet. 375-7408 3-24-10-3

Studio with CAPTIVATING VIEW!!!
5 min walk to UF/sorority row, bus, F roommate. Avail May-July. ALL utils incl. Furn, ethernet, gym, pool. \$400/mo 786-246-3049 3-24-10-3

Homestead Apt Sublease. Now thru July 31st. 2BR/2BA W/D hook up, pool, gym, bus stops, laundromat, pets ok. \$679/mo. Call 378-2699 or 317-4507. Renewal optional. 3-18-5-3

SUMMER SUBLEASE
1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA. Pool, tennis, near BB, VB, 24-hr gym, tan beds, W/D. Cable, internet, furnished, util incl. Call 352-271-2147 3-18-5-3

Great furnished apt w/own bath
On campus
Perfect for summer
\$333/month + 1/3 utils & cable
Call (352) 222-8889 3-18-5-3

SUMMER Sublease at University Club. 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA apt. \$390/mo Incl util, cable, furn, ethernet, & more. Call Natalie 786-423-0445 3-18-5-3

\$350/mo SUMMER SUBLEASE 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA fully furn apt in University Club. Incl 50" TV, hi-spd internet, cable w/HBO, W/D. Call 561-703-3693. 3-25-10-3

\$490/mo - Amazing 1bed/1bath.
WALK TO CAMPUS - Available today.
14th St & 2nd Ave - Behind Chipotle
Call (352) 682-8282
Sublease til Aug 15 (Option to renew) 3-25-10-3

Extra large fully furn 1BR apt, 1/2 mile to UF campus, new furniture & carpet, move-in bonus. Avail from 5/1-8/31 371-9950 or cell 246-4112 3-18-5-3

Arlington Sq 1BR 4/1 - 8/1 \$0 down and \$565/mo OBO. Normally \$700. 239-218-8360 3-23-8-3

1BD 1BA, \$480/mth. Fully furnished, water included. Available May 1-July 31. Call 335-3649 3-18-5-3

SUBLEASE male space, Lexington Crossing. Room/bath in 4BR1BA apt. \$900 whole summer. Contact 386-846-8890 Valle 12452@yahoo.com 3-18-5-3

SUMMER sublease! 1Br in a 4Br Campus Club apt. \$400/mo incl maid svc, util, cbl, furn, ethernet & more NO FEES! May 1 - Aug 5. Female only. Please call 352-262-5995 3-21-5-3

SPACIOUS 1BR/1BA IN 3BR/3BA TOWNHOUSE. Avail now-Aug. \$300/mo + 1/3 utils & cable. Furn or unfurn. Incl 2 pools, tennis. Call 407-340-8814 3-22-6-3

MAY FREE! 1/1 apt in Aspen Ridge from 5/1 - 7/30 w/option to renew. Apt comes fully furnished & w/washer/dryer & alarm. \$610/mo. Call 352-377-7349 3-18-4-3

Large 2Br/1Ba over-sized apt @ Sun Bay Apts. 5 mins bus or 20 min wald to UF. DW, on-site laundry, free pet sitting. Begin May 10 thru July 31st. \$510/mo. Call 352-335-8694 ask for Daniel or Nicole. 3-28-5-3

4BLOCKS FROM UF
Summer sublease 1Br in 2BR/1BA. \$403/mo + 1/2 utils. Call Rebecca @ 317-8092 3-28-10-3

HIDDEN LAKE APTS 5/1 - 7/31 sublease. 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA \$425/mo + 1/3 util. New washer & dryer, spacious, free wireless, pool, tanning bed. Please call 352-871-1325 or email babeash@ufl.edu 3-28-10-3

PEBBLE CREEK 1BR/1BA in 2BR/2BA apt. Avail now to 6/30/05. W/D, DW, \$415/mo + 1/2 utils. Call 864-270-7544, email justcheckin05@yahoo.com 3-18-3-3

3 Subleases

1BR/1BA apt. Vaulted ceilings, W/D, DW. C. move in immediately. Rent NEGOTIABLE! Contact Mike at 850-526-9224, 850-526-7215 3-29-10-3

SUMMER SUBLEASE AT GAINESVILLE PLACE. \$465/mo rent all inclusive. 1BR/1 in 4BR/4BA. Female only. Call 352-359-10. 3-22-5-3

BR for rent in 4BR/4BA apt. Clean, furnished, friendly roommates, near po \$400/mo. Available now - Aug w/optic to renew. Call 703-930-4830 or em Fure2luz@yahoo.com 3-29-10-3

MARCH RENT FREE! 1/2 OFF APRIL! 2/1 from now - July 31st \$499/mo. C. renew. Beval Apts 2330 SW 35th Pl. C 256-0501 3-22-5-3

PERFECT 4 SUMMER!!!
Sublease avail in the Exchange May - Aug 1/1 in 4/4. Great amenities, close to campus. Price negot. Call Ashley at 374-484. 3-22-5-3

ROYAL VILLAGE APTS. For only \$305/month + 1/4 electric! 1BR in a 4BR/2BA. Females only. Available NOW! Call 561-234-9220 3-22-5-3

COOL 1 BR APTS

Downtown, in large Victorian house. Avail now. \$450/mo, rent negotiable. 333-6614 256-7598 3-22-5-3

SUMMER SUBLEASE from May 1 - Aug 1 \$349/mo, incl utils, cable, internet, water, p BA, 12 x 10 room. MELROSE ATPS. 40 484-3204 3-18-3-3

Magnolia Place sublease for 1BR in 3Br 2.5BA condo. All furniture & utils include W/D, ethernet, garage, cable. No depos Pets welcome. \$300/mo Avail now. Pleas call James @ 904-866-7539 3-18-3-3

University Commons Apt. March 20 - August 20. Need Male or Female to move into the complex. Rent \$335. Please call 352-514 2326 for more info. 3-23-5-3

1BR/1BA RIGHT ACROSS FROM UF. Avail May 1st w/opt to renew. \$469/mo. Call 813 624-2946 3-23-5-3

CAMPUS LODGE APT. \$100 OFF RENT! Start in May. Female needed for 1BR/1B. \$450/mo incl all + internet, W/D, furnished Near UF & SFCC. Call 954-691-8944 3-23-5-3

1 WEEK FREE

May 1st-Aug 7. 1BR/1BA WALK TO CLASS! Only \$529/mo OBO. Graduating, need 1 sublease 407-375-5240 3-23-5-3

\$240/mo SUMMER SUBLEASE + 1/3 util
3BR/2BA Boardwalk Apt.
Call PK 954-682-5979
or Call 904-705-1689 3-21-3-3

Gainesville Place sublease. Furn 1BR/1BA 4BR/4BA apt. Everything incl, w/W/D, po bus stop outside. May - Aug \$475 OBO C: Allison 352-514-3983 3-23-5-3

Very spacious 2BR/2BA townhome. Avail f sublease on May 1st - July 31st. 2-level hon in beautiful Lakewood Villas. incl loft BR study. Price neg. Call Kelly 561-644-59. 3-30-10-3

Sublease an awesome Countrysir Apartment. Avail NOW \$420 includes everything. On bus route to UF and close I-75 for SFCC. High spd internet/cable. Po and b-ball. Contact Nicole 352-328-45. 3-30-10-3

\$385/mo for summer sublet, unfurn. Renew available for next year. 1BR/1BA, 1 blk E Sorority Row. Call Joe at 352-371-67. 3-24-6-3

★ 5 min walk to Shands ★
Country Gardens Apt
2BR/2BA \$520/mo
Now thru July
Call 338-9103

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3 Subleases

1BR/1BA w/W/D hkups, avail 4/29/2005 \$525/mo, located in quiet condominium community of Rustic Springs. 1923 NW 23rd Blvd, Apt #122. Josh 317-8776 4-13-20-3

SUMMER SUBLEASE - 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA at Museum Walk Apts. \$413/mo incl pool, tanning, fitness ctr, W/D, internet, and pets. Call 850-819-0272 3-23-5-3

1BR in 2BR Sublet avail now to 7/31 and beyond \$212. Cable TV internet not furn laundry on site. Call Joe 561-685-4117 3-22-4-3

Sublease ♀, BEAUTIFUL HOUSE this summer. 2BR/1BA, W/D, hardwood floors, less than 1 block from campus. Avail 4/30 - 8/14. Call 256-6714 3-23-5-3

Gainesville Place poolside apt. w/balcony, 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA; avail May - July. ALL utilities included. Furnished \$399/mo or best offer. 514-4881 3-21-5-3

1 or both rooms in 2BR downtown apt. quiet neighborhood. Close to Shands, UF, & library. \$350/mo Pets ok. Call 262-1351 3-30-11-3

Oxford Manor sublease \$295/mo + 1/3 utils. 305-970-1619 3-23-5-3

Luxurious two-story poolside apt. 3BR/3BA, W/D, free tanning spa & gym, no parking decals \$1114/mo plus utilities Leave a message @ 262-8341 3-24-5-3

May thru Aug Lexington Crossing 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA lg rm, furn. All appliances. Cable. Incl all utils. 2 bus rts, tanning, pool, bball & vball cts, gym. \$400/mo. Contact Karen krabener@ufl.edu or 772-341-9415 3-24-5-3

Walk 2 class. Summer sublease huge 1BR/1BA, pool, W/D, walk in closet, cable internet @ Museum Walk. \$350/mo PRICE NEGOTIABLE. Call 941-238-7118 3-24-5-3

SUMMER SUBLEASE Avail May 1st - Aug 7th. 1BR/1BA in 2BR/2BA apt in The Exchange. W/D, utils, ethernet & cable incl in rent. \$545/mo. On 2 bus rts. Fully furn. Call 904-477-3894 3-23-4-3

4BR/2BA Avail 5/1 - 8/1. 1, 2, 3 or 4 BR @ \$415/ea Unfurn. 1 block from Criser. Please call Ashley 772-201-6158 4-7-15-3

THE LANDINGS summer sublease May - Aug 1st. 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA. Furniture available upon request. \$382/mo OBO. Call 407-719-9843 3-23-4-3

Campus Club summer sublease: 1 F in 3BR. \$375/mo includes all utilities, cable, ethernet, maid service, 1st stop on bus 12. Option to renew. Call 954-559-8470 ASAP 4-13-19-3

3 Blocks to UF, exc cond spacious 1BR NY style loft. Avail 4/1 & for fall. Exc mgmt. Quiet beautiful neighborhood. Free parking \$518/mo. 1824 NW 3rd Pl. #12. David 283-1516 3-24-5-3

★1BR/1BA in huge 3BR/3BA★ At The Gables. \$350/mo utils incl. Walk in closet, W/D, cable internet, garage. May thru July. Female only 352-514-5252 3-24-5-3

Now/Summer sublease 1/1 in 4/4 utilities + wash/dry + ethernet + cable + full furnish + pool view = DARN GREAT DEAL ONLY \$375/month 352-258-3542 3-31-10-3

Summer sublease 2BR/2BA avail in 4BR/4BA in The Exchange apts. Great location, price neg, utils incl. Females only, avail May-Aug. Call Elyse 954-461-8506 3-23-8-3

4 Roommates

Roommate Matching HERE
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The Landings 336-3838
The Laurels 335-4455
Cobblestone 377-2801
Hidden Lake 374-3866
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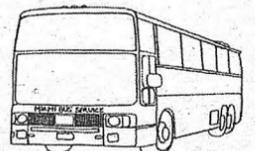
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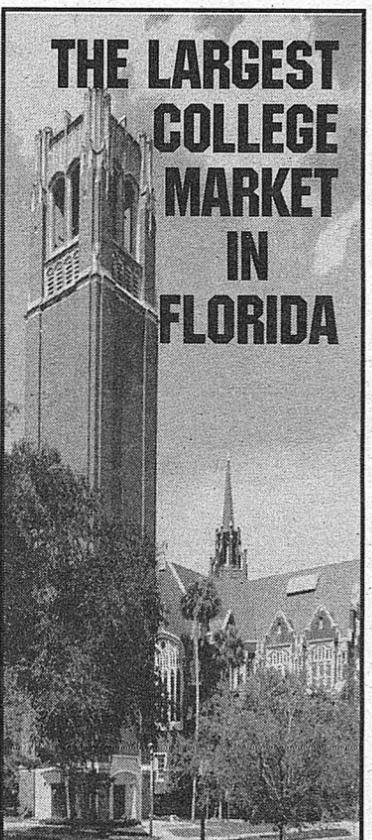
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Coach says players are 'starving' to win, though some still lack dedication

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Siler just wants as little resistance as possible. "When there is change, you would think everybody would resist, but he has the same goals as us,"

he said. "He wants to win and we want to win. Why resist?"

Meyer said he was pleased overall with the Gators' intensity and attitude on the first day.

"I wish we were a little further ahead," Meyer said. "If this was our

third year in the same offense, it'd be bang, you're into the full offense."

Meyer said it would take about five practices to install the new offense.

"All these people coming out here waiting to see a good offense,

you ain't going to see one for awhile," he said.

But Meyer said that would change pretty soon.

"You'll see the intensity really pick up on Wednesdays and Saturdays because that's when

we have a winner and a loser," Meyer said. "Offense either wins or loses and the defense either wins or loses... I want to see who competes, who finishes. There's been an issue about finishing around here, and I want to see who's going to finish."

Peck: USF capitalized on mistakes

WOMEN'S from page 24

six seconds left. Her pass to Tashia Morehead crossed the half-court line, and the backcourt violation sealed USF's win.

"It was a play to come down across half-court and down; there would have been some screens to get some three looks," Peck said of the play. "But they were able to trap us by the time we got to half-court."

Struggle as they did late, UF never let up. Peck said she was proud of her players and that they did everything asked of them.

One such player was junior forward Brittany Davis, who was all over the court. The player who seems to have taken over most of the responsibilities left by suspended junior Bernice Mosby, Davis had eight points and eight rebounds in a team-leading 34 min-

utes. No other player played more than 26. Davis said that despite all the turbulence of this season, this was a close-knit group that now must adjust for next season.

"We just got to get back at it, be just as close as we were this year," Davis said. "And just be able to teach the incoming freshman how close we need to be...and how we need to get things done to get to the postseason."

Peck thanked her three seniors for "jumping in with both feet" when she first became coach three seasons ago. Gregory finished with six points, Morehead had 11 and seven boards, and Williams also had 11 points to complete her best season at UF.

Peck said it although the team's plans for the near future are not currently set, there is one guarantee for Friday.

"The one thing that we will do for sure tomorrow is work."

SHAF, from page 24

window of opportunity to capture his first national championship is closing.

North Carolina's Roy Williams: He has the most talented team in the tournament, he was brought in two years ago strictly to win championships and he still must fight the stigma as the coach with the most tournament wins without a championship.

Illinois' Bruce Weber: His team was ranked No. 1 throughout most of the year and is the No. 1 overall seed, he flirted with an undefeated season and he has no idea what his team will look like at the start of next season.

And while I understand the arguments for these great coaches, I say Donovan is facing the most pressure.

His team is also stacked with upper-class talent with the makeup of next year's squad in serious question. Perhaps no one's coaching stock has fallen more in the last five years (ok, except maybe Dave Bliss). And another early exit would certainly get Gator Nation rumbling.

A run to the Final Four might not be what he needs to silence the critics, but if Donovan doesn't reach the Sweet 16 he will continue to face questions about what happened to the up-and-comer the country fell in love with just five years ago.

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BASEBALL

Gators begin conference play

■ UF WILL HEAD TO OXFORD, MISS. FOR A THREE-GAME SERIES AGAINST MISSISSIPPI.

By **TIM CASEY**
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After playing 19 games at home to begin the season, the No. 6-ranked UF baseball team will play in Oxford, Miss. for tonight's Southeastern Conference opener. Part of the Gators' contingent that will take the field this weekend is pitcher Alan Horne, who pitched for No. 14-ranked Mississippi in the 2002 and 2003 seasons.

A torn ligament in his right elbow while throwing a curve ball in 2003 dealt a curve to the former first-round draft selection.

"I had it torn the weekend before conference play began my sophomore year," Horne said. "I just barely got a medical redshirt, since you can't play past the half-way point of the season."

Horne (1-1, 4.87 ERA) transferred to UF in January after recovering from Tommy John surgery in 2003. He pitched at Chipola Junior College and in the Cape Cod league in 2004 as part of his recovery.

"The rehab is long and strenuous," Horne said. "The first time I threw a curve ball since then, and my arm didn't pop, I knew it was ok to pitch again."

Horne was selected 27th overall by the Cleveland Indians in the 2001 draft. He turned down a \$1.6 million offer, opting to pitch at Mississippi and improve his position in the draft.

Ten years prior to Horne, 2004 World Series MVP Manny Ramirez was also a first-round draft pick for Cleveland in the 1991 draft.

Horne was chosen by the Anaheim Angels in the 30th round of the 2004 draft, but opted for a chance to showcase his talent at UF. Horne chose UF after pitching coach Ross Jones watched him in the Cape Cod league, saying they started on a good relationship.

While Jones was scouting the prized pitcher, Horne was doing research of his own.

Often plagued with injury, Horne studied the pitch counts of starting pitchers under Jones and head coach Pat McMahon. When Horne saw that UF's pitchers were healthy and throwing complete games in the last month of the season, he was sold.

"To be throwing well late in the year, I thought they must be doing something right," Horne said.

Horne struggled in his first year out of high school, after being drafted in the same class as current major leaguers Mark Prior, Mark Teixiera, Dewon Brazelton, Joe Mauer, Noah Lowry and Bobby Crosby.

Horne did not start until midway through his freshman year due to another injury.

"My first start came against Florida my freshman year," Horne said. "I didn't pitch much non-conference. I was hurt the whole time I was there."

"I had a stress fracture in my lower back from the fall and had to wear a back brace and sit out," Horne said. "It wasn't pretty that first start, they got me pretty good."

McMahon is excited for conference play to begin. The question looming this weekend is how Horne will perform against his former teammates.

"That's a maturity level that each individual has to handle," McMahon said. "That in essence becomes a challenge for him, to stay within himself and pitch and not just throw."

McMahon said Horne has fit in well with his new teammates since joining the team in January.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING

UF swims close races on day one

By **BRIAN STEELE**
Alligator Writer

Unfortunately for the Gators, two seconds don't add up to a first, at least not yet.

In Thursday's opening day of the 2005 NCAA Championships, the UF women's swim team finished with two second place finishes and is currently in fifth place with 96 points.

The 400-yard medley relay team, consisting of senior Maureen Farrell, junior Vipa Bernhardt, sophomore Candace Weiman and freshman Caroline Burckle, set the pool record

in the preliminaries that morning with a first place finish, the team didn't hold that record for long as Georgia broke it later in the day.

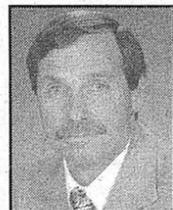
Coach Gregg Troy still feels good about the Gators' chances, but knows that second place finishes will not add up to UF winning its first national championship in almost

25 years. "We swam well, but I feel there are a couple of spots where we could've

been better," Troy said. "Our medley race was a close one. We let a few points slip away. We have to be a little bit better."

The 400-medley relay was not the only close race of the night. After coming out in the conference meet, freshmen Caroline Burckle wasn't able to come out on top, but still maintained an impressive composure for a freshman, coming in second in the 500 freestyle.

"Overall, it was a pretty good swim," Burckle said. "I felt like I gave it my all, but in my mind I still wanted to swim faster. It was a good race and I was happy with how I did."



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Softball hits SEC schedule

By **WILLIS JACOBSON**
Alligator Writer

The primary goal for the No. 16 UF softball team (21-6) this weekend will be to jump out to a quick start in Southeastern Conference play. Not coincidentally, one of the team's hottest players is an expert on the subject.



Stevens

As UF prepares to enter its SEC schedule this weekend with a trio of games against Arkansas (10-19, 0-6), sophomore leadoff hitter Shelley Stevens is in a groove of her own. Leading the team with a .351 batting average and second in steals, Stevens is confident that she and her teammates are ready to make a run

in the conference.

"We're really emphasizing going in there and taking three from them and not taking any mercy on them," Stevens said.

Although the Razorbacks are on an eight-game losing streak, with six of those losses coming in SEC play, and have given up a combined 36 runs in their last four games, Coach Karen Johns says it won't be a cakewalk for the Gators.

"They're obviously going to be pumped up to try and win a game," Johns said, noting that the Razorbacks have great team speed and power.

"They need to win to stay in the race to get to the [conference] tournament, and we'll be playing at their place, so we're going to have to match the emotional level that they'll be at."

Having said that, Johns is confident that the Razorbacks' penchant for giving up runs is something that the Gators will capitalize on.

"Hopefully that'll be something that we can take advantage of," she said.

Stevens is definitely excited about the chance to light up the scoreboard.

"I think it'll be fun," Stevens said. "I can't wait to see what [Lindsey] Cameron and the big kids come out and do with us little kids getting on for them."

Winning SEC games will be especially imperative for the team's seniors, who have yet to fulfill their goal of a championship.

"Coming in, you definitely want to win the conference championship," said senior captain Mandy Schuerman. "And seeing as it's my last year and we haven't done it yet, it's really important."

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GYMNASTICS

UF honors graduating gymnasts on Senior Night

By **DAN TREAT**
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A team that deflects individual attention will step back and honor four of its own Friday night.

The No. 6 Gators gymnastics team will take on Pittsburgh and Yale tonight at the O'Connell Center, but most of the attention will be fo-

cus on four departing seniors.

Erinn Dooley, Orley Szmuch, Kimberly Schatz and Kristen Stucky will be honored at the end of the meet.

"My family is in town, my old coach is here, and it's nice to have that support," Szmuch said. "That's just going to be some added emotional feelings, for sure."

Dooley, Szmuch and Stucky have a combined total of 11 All-America

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Orley Szmuch
UF gymnast

honors, and Stucky is the only Gator to ever score a 10 on the balance beam.

Stucky was planning on com-

ing back for her senior season, but retired from gymnastics after undergoing an eighth knee surgery after she tore her anterior cruciate ligament at the Southeastern Conference Championships in 2004.

The injury affliction has become common among this group late in their careers. Dooley has been limited by a stress fracture in her left foot her entire senior year, and Szmuch re-injured her right ankle

in February after rehabbing for over seven months in the off-season.

Faehn is grateful for the contributions that these four have made to her program.

"It'll obviously be so difficult to lose our seniors that have done so much for the program for so many years," Faehn said. "They've been almost like mothers to the team, and they each have different roles, but it's going to be hard."

Tired golfer to play two rounds on first day of tourney

■ BOTH THE WOMEN'S AND MEN'S TENNIS TEAMS PLAY THIS WEEKEND.

Win or lose, one UF team will escape March Madness this weekend.

The UF men's golf team completes a stretch of 108 holes over ten days on Sunday at the Schenkel E-Z-GO Invitational in Statesboro, Ga.

The Gators took third in last week's Southern Highlands Collegiate Championship in Las Vegas, Nev., and returned home Monday morning just a bit weary, junior Matt Every said.

"I've been pretty tired," Every said. "I know the rest of the guys are too. Hopefully, we'll all get to bed early, but I doubt it though."

Hitting the snooze could cost UF, ranked No. 7 according to Golfweek, its third victory of the spring.

A grueling start on Saturday with 36 holes might deter the Gators from repeating as champions in the event hosted by Georgia Southern.

Nobody knows that better than Every, who captured the Schenkel individual title in 2004, rallying from six shots back on the final day.

"It kind of weeds out the bad players and lets the good players rise to the top," said Every of the two rounds in one day format.

Though Every continues to recover, Coach Buddy Alexander believes all five of his golfers will be ready to play tomorrow.

"[They] got a little jet lag coming back from

Vegas," Alexander said. "But these guys are young, strong and sturdy and it'll be alright."

Another first-class field awaits the Gators at the Schenkel, including No. 3 Georgia and No. 8 Southern California.

"This field is awesome, but it's not quite as good as Vegas," Alexander said. "But that doesn't mean that we have a better chance to win. There are enough good teams at the Schenkel that you're going to have to play well to win."

Coming off a stellar individual fifth place in Las Vegas, Every expects another strong performance over the next two days.

"I played two good rounds in Vegas, started putting it well," he said. "The field's not going to be as strong as Vegas, so I like my chances."

Redshirt senior Richard Treis feels the same, even though his worst finish of the spring, a tie for 25th, came at Las Vegas.

"I think we'll be fine by Saturday," Treis said. "We've been going so long already this season and as long as you keep going continuously, you're fine. It's almost worse when you take long breaks and suddenly you have to start off with 36 holes."

If that's the case, then Treis may not want to look ahead on the schedule. After a couple weeks to catch up on shuteye, UF returns to action April 4 with 36 holes at the Morris Williams Intercollegiate.

— NICK ZACCARDI

With a 4-0 Southeastern Conference record, the No. 8 UF men's tennis team takes a break from league play this weekend in hopes to improve its overall record of 9-4 in back-to-back matches against Conference USA teams.

Today at 2 p.m. UF hosts 33rd-ranked Texas Christian, currently 5-5 overall.

Coach Andy Jackson said the focus of the weekend is to maintain momentum while improving and picking up two more victories.

TCU narrowly missed out on a win against fourth-ranked Duke on Wednesday, 4-3, which shows the team's capabilities.

"I don't think we need easy matches, where there is a huge gap in the talent, in order for us to get better," Jackson said. "TCU is going to be a good match for us in that way; they're capable of beating anyone

in the top ten. We're expecting to be severely tested, but the more matches we play like this, the better we get."

Following the match against the Horned Frogs, the Gators will take on the South Florida Bulls on Saturday afternoon.

"It's a little unusual for us to play back-to-back days but in the NCAA, you play back-to-back matches," Jackson said. "We're looking at this weekend as preparation for understanding what is going happen in the

regionals."

While the Gators have not given the match against the No. 72 Bulls too much thought since they must first face the Horned Frogs, Jackson said the that USF has been known to push them. In the last four meetings with USF, three have ended in 4-3 victories.

— NATASHA WEINSTEIN

Last weekend went about as bad as it could have for the UF women's tennis team.

The No. 2 Gators lost for the first time this season, falling 4-3 to No. 5 Vanderbilt last Friday, ending an impressive run for the Gators. UF's last regular season loss was on March 16, 2003. And to make it worse, the Gators were defeated again on Sunday, falling to No. 6 Kentucky 5-2. The loss marked the first time the Gators have lost consecutive regular season matches since the 1985-86 season.

The dual-match play kicks off on Sunday March 20 at 1:00 p.m. at the Ring Tennis Pavilion against Thornqvist's alma mater, UNC, and he wasn't shy to say he's excited to take on his former school.

"I want to kick their butt," Thornqvist said. "That's just the bottom line. Obviously it's my alma mater and I coached there, but we need a win."

"We're going to practice hard and go out there and beat them as hard as we can."

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Gators show little resistance after regime change

UF STARTED ITS SPRING PRACTICES ON THURSDAY.

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On Urban Meyer's first spring practice with the UF football team, there were many noticeable differences from the Ron Zook era.

Fans were allowed to sit down again after Zook declared the practice field a "Work Area" and made them stand.

Under Zook, all the players wore jerseys with the word "team" where their names should've been. But linebacker Brandon Siler refused to speculate on how different spring practice is than it was with Zook.

"I'm not going to compare the two, but we had a lot of intensity," said Siler, who Meyer described as his favorite player. "[Meyer] makes a lot of things competitive; you don't even realize you're working as hard as you are."

The individual names on jerseys have returned under Meyer, but

Siler said the team has really come together during the off-season.

And it has shown, as there has been very little resistance to the new coaching regime, according to players and Meyer. Meyer isn't surprised that players have bought into his system, despite encountering some resistance at his previous schools.

"I think we have good, young guys here," Meyer said. "I don't think we have bad people. I also think they want to win; they're starving. They're tired of hearing other stuff. When you come to Florida, you come to win SEC championships. The feeling I get is that they'll do almost anything to get that done. That's why they came here. If you don't want to do that, you certainly shouldn't come to this school."

But everything hasn't been perfect. Meyer said he's not sure about some players' dedication.

"There's a few guys — still I question whether they want to win a championship," Meyer said. "Those kind of guys won't be here long."

Meyer wasn't joking, as he threatened one unknown player on the first day of practice.

"I don't even know who you are," Meyer yelled, "but if you run like that again, you're off the team."



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Linebacker Brandon Siler said he doesn't understand why anyone on the team would resist the coaching change. Coach Urban Meyer said Siler is his favorite player.

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Women's basketball finished

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TAMPA — Turn out the lights. The party is over. The UF women's basketball team was defeated by South Florida 61-56 in the first round of the Women's National Invitational Tournament Thursday night.

UF (14-15, 5-9 Southeastern Conference) had chances late, but as the Gators have done in too many games this season, they let a second-half lead slip away.

Coach Carolyn Peck said this game was not like others where UF played well for 35 of 40 minutes. "Basketball is a game of who makes the fewest mistakes," she said, and USF (21-10, 9-5 Conference USA) happened to be the one who capitalized on them.

"South Florida was able to get some shots to fall in the second half, and we didn't," she said. "We even created a lot of chaos defensively. All nine

players in uniform busted their tail."

With less than nine minutes left in the second half, the Gators seemed to have control with a 53-46 lead. But USF charged back, shooting 44 percent in the second frame.

"Basketball is a game of who makes the fewest mistakes."

Carolyn Peck

UF women's basketball coach

With the Bulls leading 56-54 inside of four minutes, UF's three seniors all stepped to the forefront. Tamia Williams tied the game, 56-56, at the 3:35 mark. Then, with 21 seconds left and a two-point deficit, Tishona Gregory's attempt at a tie was no good.

After USF made one free throw on the following foul, Gregory was in trouble at half-court with

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Donovan under pressure

As he finished cutting down what was left of the net after he and his team claimed the first Southeastern Conference tournament title in school history, I wonder what UF coach Billy Donovan was thinking.



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Surely, there were flashbacks to the 2000 national runner-up team and how close he came to the national championship.

On that night, Donovan had the college basketball world eating out of the palm of his hand. He was young, good looking, charismatic and the next hot coaching phenomenon. But that was five years ago. It may as well be another lifetime ago.

Since then, UF has suffered through a highly publicized stretch

of early-round exits. Second round, first round, second round and first round if you're scoring at home.

While the "expert" talking heads vary slightly on how they think UF will do in this tournament, the vast majority of them expect another Gators disappointment. One went so far as to call Billy's boys a joke. Ouch.

I hear your argument — peaking at the right time, one of the hottest teams in the tournament, took down Kentucky twice in a week — but the facts are the facts.

Typically, I subscribe to the idea that history is just one damned thing after another, but this is more like a disturbing trend.

A lot of the talk going into this tournament has swirled around which coach is under the most pressure. And here are the major candidates:

Oklahoma State's Eddie Sutton: He is almost 70 years old, his team is loaded with senior talent and his

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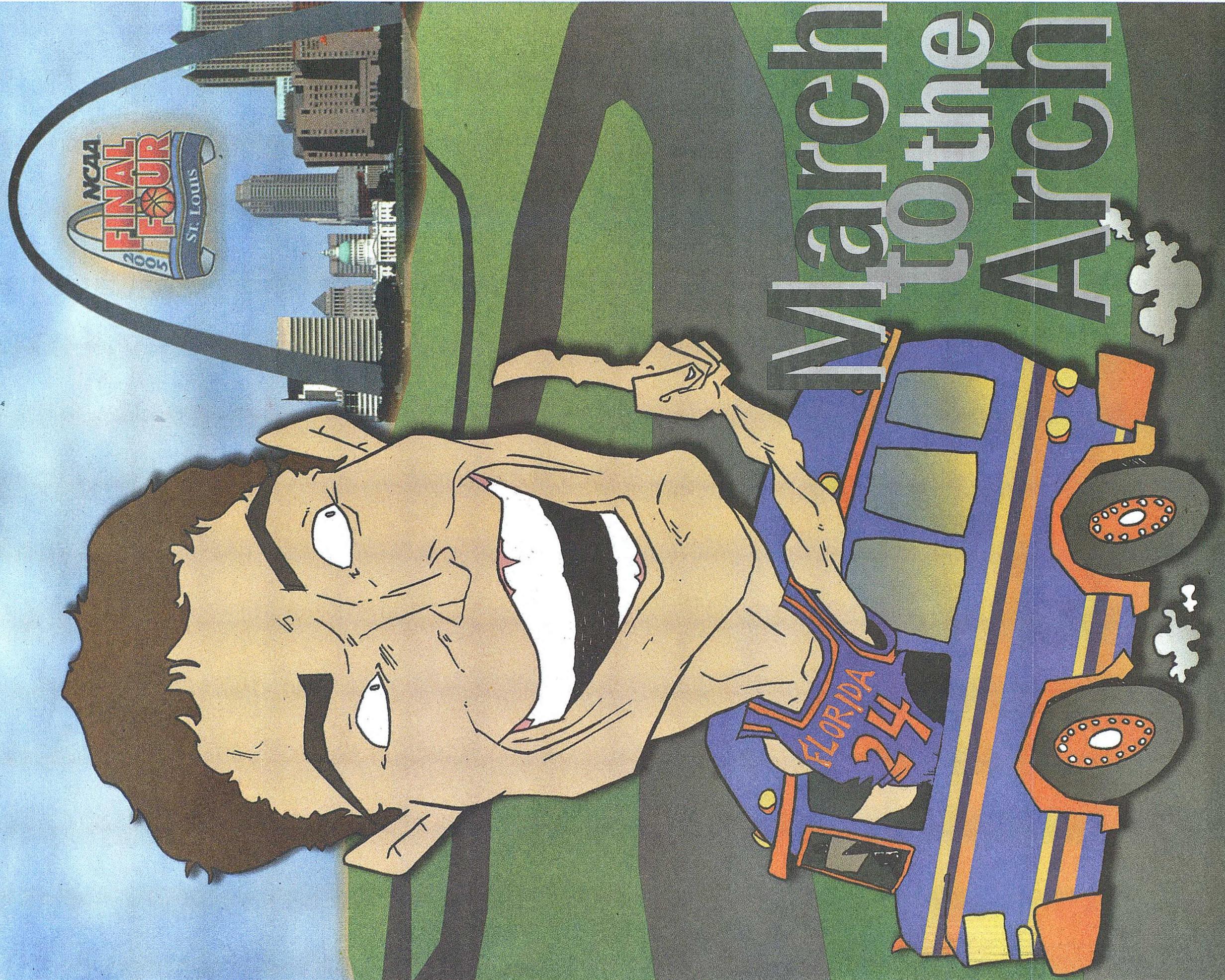
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You can find me in St. Louie

Gators prep for Lee's last dance

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As his bubbly teammates bounced around the Gators' locker room, David Lee just wanted to go home.

Some sang, while others danced in celebration of UF's first-ever Southeastern Conference championship.

Lee wanted to march to the Arch.

While still relishing in UF's conquest of Atlanta, Lee thought about expanding the Gators' empire to the Gateway to the West.

"St. Louis would be tremendous," Lee said.

Tremendous not just because only four teams survive the postseason to converge in the city for the national title. But tremendous because, if he's focused and a little lucky, the final destination of his long UF journey could be the very city from which he came to Gainesville nearly four years ago.

Sound like a movie script?

"There could be a plot there," Lee said with a grin, standing in the corner of a Georgia Dome locker room on Sunday.

Perhaps it goes something like this: during his homeward quest, Lee flexes his senior leadership to provide his Gators with the brain, the heart and the courage to overcome four seasons of NCAA Tourney disappointment.

If only it was as easy as clicking his Nikes together three times and making a wish.

Sixty-four other teams are also attempting a three-week scramble to Lee's hometown, and some have already been shown the door. Today, at 12:26 p.m., the Gators will tip off their mission against Ohio in Nashville, Tenn.

Riding a seven-game winning streak, including four consecutive wins against NCAA Tournament teams and a SEC Tournament title run, the Gators seem determined. As does Lee.

"It's going to be even more of a sense of urgency for me, because one loss and I'm done now," Lee said. "So you better believe we're going to go down swinging if we are going to go down."

It's that sense of urgency from the team's lone senior that many of his teammates say is spearheading UF's recent surge.

Lee has averaged 13.6 points and 12 rebounds per game during the Gators' largest winning streak of the season, culminating in a career-tying 17-rebound performance in the SEC title win against Kentucky.

But, according to his mother, Susan, the historical game wasn't even her son's favorite.

"I talked to David, and he said for the team, the win on Senior Day was even more exciting because they weren't sure they could beat Kentucky," said Susan, who hasn't missed a single UF game this season. "They went into the SEC Championship firmly believing they could beat Kentucky."

After UF snapped an eight-game losing streak to the Wildcats in Lee's final performance at the O'Connell Center, the Gators picked up a confidence that continued to reverberate throughout the Georgia Dome locker room.

"We don't work all year to win semifinal games," Lee said. "We've worked all year to win championships."

For Lee, it was four years in the making.

"It hasn't been as easy or as well as I'd hoped," Lee said of his career. "It's supposed to be one year, two years. Let's go to the NBA and



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Following an admittedly disappointing junior season, UF's David Lee has returned to the form that made him a highly decorated recruit in 2000.

own Udonis Haslem.

After coming off the bench for Haslem during an All-SEC freshman season, Lee followed up with a stellar sophomore year in which he shot 61.8 percent — the second best in UF his

Without Haslem or the recently-departed Matt Bonner, Lee became UF's primary post player.

After his sophomore year, Lee beefed up to fit the role. But the bulking-up slowed the



UF draws 'loose' Ohio team first

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If you're looking for one of the most miserable postseason resumes in NCAA basketball, take a look at David Lee's NCAA experience.

2002: Creighton's Terrell Taylor hits a 3-pointer with two tenths of a second left in double overtime to shock the Gators in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

2003: After the NCAA committee hands UF a gift-wrapped No. 2 seed in Tampa, the Gators are blown out of the second round by No. 10 Michigan State 68-46. Anthony Roberson finishes with 0 points.

2004: A team called Manhattan crushes one-time No. 1 UF in a disturbing 75-60 loss.

It's fair to say that Lee, UF's lone senior, is ready — and desperate — for a little postseason success.

"It's awful because March Madness is the best postseason tournament in any sport," Lee said. "To only be a part of it for a short time, then have to sit there and watch the team that beat you play, and you're not able to be a part of it, it really hurts."

UF and postseason failure have almost become synonymous terms. It got so bad in 2004 that nearly every expert predicted a Manhattan victory.

But after two victories this season against Kentucky and a SEC Tournament championship, the national media and fans alike are jumping on the Gator bandwagon. And for once, it appears the Gators have put it all together just at the right time.

"I think it comes back to the chemistry of this team," Lee said. "We've seen a lot

Tournament's opening weekend since its run to the national championship game in 2000, maybe the Gators should be chanting, "There's no place like the Sweet 16."

No. The road the highly-recruited St. Louis standout would tread resembled less the super-highway of Syracuse's Carmelo Anthony and appeared to be more like country road of UF's

Lee was poised for a breakout junior year. But, as he described, it never materialized. "Quite frankly, last year I thought I played poorly," Lee said. "I say that very honestly."



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St. Louis native David Lee has become the leader of the Gators vocally and physically and has his team poised to make a run at the Final Four, also in St. Louis.

tained flashes of his youthful 6-foot-2 guard-playing days. Lee's bigger body caused him to suffer from fatigue and recurring leg cramps. He felt uncomfortable and disappointed in his performance.

"I mean, basketball really is my life," Lee said. "I love the game of basketball. I love playing it. I really let myself down last year. I really was not happy."

Lee averaged 13.3 points and 6.8 rebounds per game during his junior season but didn't meet the expectations of his critics, which Coach Billy Donovan said were likely too high considering Lee's adjustment to his new role.

"When you come in with a guy like David and his reputation, there are a lot of expectations," Donovan said. "People wanted so much out of David. It takes some time, maturing-wise, to understand, accept and deliver on that role. And I think David has delivered, this year, on that role."

And, while he endured further criticism about being inconsistent following a 4-point, two-rebound performance at Florida State on Jan. 2, Lee became the Gators' backbone, posting 10 double-doubles in the 19 games since. He's also just one of two players that averaged a double-double in SEC play.

"I think overall it's been a strange road, but I'm liking the fact that my best year has been this year," Lee said. "And I think my best ball can come this postseason."

Apparently, he's not the only one. After a season-long attention drought, the Gators seem to be the hot postseason pick. ESPN's Digger Phelps even picked UF to defeat North Carolina to win the Syracuse region and beat Duke to reach the NCAA finals.

"David thinks this team is very special," Susan said. "And it's exciting to know other people have figured that out."

Now, if David could only figure out how to get home.

sity and instead of heading south, we rose above of all those problems and peaked at the right time."

But will UF's sudden resurrection equal postseason victories?

Not everyone is sold on the Gators.

Two of ESPN.com's seven experts picked Ohio as the top upset team of the first round.

Ohio, picked to finish last in the Mid-American Conference before the season, won eight of its final nine games and shocked Buffalo by storming back from a 19-point deficit to win the MAC championship.

The Bobcats — an athletic, fast-breaking team led by freshman sensation Leon Williams — are looking for a Cinderella-like run at the Gators' expense.

"This time of year, Ohio University is probably very excited to be [in the Tournament]," UF coach Billy Donovan said. "I imagine they'll come out and play loose and confident. They've got a lot of pieces to their puzzle."

Don't expect to find an Ohio upset on UF guard Matt Walsh's bracket.

Walsh said on his bracket — which he quickly pointed out was for entertainment purposes only — UF was crowned national champions.

But Walsh hasn't forgotten the miseries from his first two seasons at UF and he is letting UF's young players know exactly what's at stake.

"We'll tell these guys we're playing for the whole university, and we don't want an embarrassment like last year," Walsh said. "But it's not something we're going to dwell on. We're a totally different team this year than we were last year, and we have a totally different identity."

From national title to Sweet 16, columnists differ on the Gators' 2005 postseason fate

Digger Phelps says Final Four. Andy Katz says first round exit to Ohio.

Basically, nobody knows what to think of the UF resurrection.

I think the Gators are for real and finally living up to their potential.

Ohio will be a breeze — no need for late minute heroics and black flips here.



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I'm picking a New Mexico upset against Villanova and the Gators to squeak by New Mexico in a tight game.

Then come the Tar Heels. I want to pick the Gators, I really do. But I'm going with North Carolina in a 1-point, quadruple-overtime victory.

If UF can get past the Tar Heels, they have real Final Four potential.

My Final Four pick? Syracuse over North Carolina and Illinois over Wake Forest.

Illinois wins a convincing championship, defeating Syracuse in the Finals.

If you've kept track during the last few years (and chances are you haven't, because you actually have a life,) I have consistently picked the Gators to fail to move on past the first town they play in at the NCAA Tournament.

Whether it's a first or second round bow-out, the result is the same — disappointment on the faces of Gators fans everywhere.



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But as you have seen these past few weeks, the winds of change are a-blowin'.

So to keep up with the change, UF deserves an upgrade in this prediction column. The difference this year is the Gators enter the Tourney hot, confident and healthy.

Given the last few years of falling short, however, I'm not going to go Digger Phelps on ya — I expect an appearance in the Sweet 16, not the Final Four.

Can they make it to St. Louis? Maybe — they were a No. 5 seed in 2000, a No. 4 seed this year.

That's why you have to watch to find out during the most exciting elimination tournament in sports.

Ah, March. The best time of the year. Except for the Gators the past few years.

Well, this year is different. There definitely won't be a first-round exit. Andy Katz is crazy for taking Ohio. This team defeated Kentucky twice in eight days; did he miss that?

Villanova may be a tough second-round opponent. But no problem for the Gators.



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Not this year. The Gators will ride their momentum into the third round for a showdown with North Carolina.

UF will once again be sweet in the round of 16.

But let me repeat: North Carolina.

While I do think the Tar Heels are overrated, I also think they're a better team than UF.

The Gators will be able to hang with Carolina for most of the game but will lose by less than 10 points.

Maybe next year.

Don't touch Matt Walsh or you might fry. Tell Peep he's not the SEC's best player, and he'll drill a 3-ball in your eye. Try telling David Lee he's soft and he'll dunk on you on one end, then rebound your misses — every one of them — on the other end.

The Gators are hot. Crazy hot. Sizzling hot. If you think I'm on some bandwagon,



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tell that to my two colleagues who plugged their ears when I told them the Gators would meet Kentucky in the SEC Tournament final, then beat the Wildcats. I told them this last Tuesday.

Now, in the NCAAs, it boils down to this: can UF upset North Carolina? And seeing

how Georgia Tech nipped the Tar Heels while shooting just 37 percent, I'd have to say yes. Look for the impossible to become possible: Gators over Wake Forest in the title game.

Breaking down the bracket

(1) North Carolina (27-4, 14-2 ACC): Analysts have dubbed the Tar Heels the most talented Tournament team, if not the best. Looking at their starting five, it would be difficult to disagree. From the beast that is Sean May to the terrific Raymond Felton, the lineup screams NBA. North Carolina only has two concerns: is Rashad McCants fully healthy and is chemistry a full-go? The Gators will be watching closely.



(2) Connecticut (22-7, 13-3 Big East): Don't look now, but the Huskies are back. Minus college superstars Emeka Okafor and Ben Gordon, UConn has won seven consecutive games, save a 67-63 conference tourney loss to Syracuse. Josh Boone and Charlie Villanueva will kill you inside. Rashad Anderson, Rudy Gay and Co. will make you pay from the perimeter. The Syracuse bracket favors a Jayhawks-Huskies Sweet 16 meeting. Don't bet against UConn.



(3) Kansas (23-6, 12-4 Big 12): One man stands between Kansas and a possible Final Four return: swingman Keith Langford. Langford continues battling the flu and, more importantly, a bum left ankle. With Langford, the Jayhawks are rocking Georgia Tech, Kentucky, Texas and Oklahoma State. Without him, Kansas is chalking up wins to Missouri and Oklahoma State. Keep a cautious approach when penciling in this team on the bracket.



(4) Florida (23-7, 12-4 SEC): What do you do with the Gators? They haven't displayed one weakness in the past two weeks. From jaw-dropping shooting to suffocating defense to clutch play, UF has done everything you'd expect from a championship-caliber team. The scary part is that Anthony Roberson hasn't even had to do much recently. The Gators appear like a lock for the Sweet 16, but only 40 minutes against a North Carolina or Kansas will tell how UF fares against the elite.



(5) Villanova (22-7, 11-5 Big East): Gator Nation is already circling the 'Nova-UF matchup on their Mar. 20 calendar slot. If that comes to fruition, the Gators may want to analyze Villanova's win log. The Wildcats defeated (rankings are dated to the game) No. 23 West Virginia, No. 2 Kansas, No. 15 Pittsburgh and No. 3 Boston College. 'Nova won eight consecutive games before stumbling to West Virginia in the Big East tourney by 2 points. Villanova's 206 3-pointers rival UF's 230. Don't assume the Wildcats are a pushover.



(6) Wisconsin (22-8, 11-5 Big Ten): The Badgers beat every team they were supposed to and barely lost to the teams that were better. So you can expect a thrashing of Northern Iowa in the first round and a closely-contested loss to Kansas in the round of 32. Wisconsin is all about its two-headed monster of forwards Alondo Tucker (14.9 ppg, 6.4 rpg) and Mike Wilkinson (14.3 ppg and 7.3 rpg). Look for sound Badgers basketball in the Tournament.



(7) Charlotte (21-7, 12-4 C-USA): Ah, the Charlotte Gators. Charlotte eerily mirrors UF's 2004 and 2003 teams. The 49ers soared in the rankings earlier in the season, defeating teams like Cincinnati and Marquette, but have since crumbled in three losses, including one against South Florida. Like previous UF teams, Charlotte relies on 3-pointers (224) and can't play defense (12th in Conference USA). Charlotte's Big Three of Curtis Withers, Eddie Basden and Brendan Plavich must be reckoned with, however.



(8) Minnesota (21-10, 10-6 Big Ten): The Golden Gophers have overachieved all season. Now, with Iowa State on the radar, Minnesota will have to do more of the same. The Gophers won five straight before losing to Illinois. Still, Minnesota has lost to every top-25 opponent it faced except Wisconsin. Junior-college transfer Vincent Grier does it all, averaging 18.1 points, 5.5 rebounds and 1.9 steals a game, but he'll need help. Gophers-Cyclones will be one of the more competitive first-round games.



(9) Iowa State (18-11, 9-7 Big 12): The Cyclones can dance with the big boys. Iowa State has tackled Oklahoma, Texas, Texas Tech and Kansas this season. But wait, there's more. The Cyclones have also lost to Northern Iowa, Colorado and Kansas State. If Iowa State wants to arrive in Charlotte as Mr. Hyde instead of Dr. Jekyll, they'll have to rely on defense. Iowa State-Minnesota could give you a bracket headache.



(10) North Carolina State (19-13, 7-9 ACC): Need a No. 10 sleeper? North Carolina State is it. Despite a loss to Duke in its previous game, the Wolfpack qualifies as a hot team with recent wins against Florida State and Wake Forest. Familiar stud Julius Hodge has plenty to do with the revival. The 2003-04 ACC Player of the Year, Hodge is averaging a balanced 17 points, 6.8 rebounds and 4.6 assists per game this season.



(11) Northern Iowa (21-10, 11-7 MVC): To put it bluntly, the Panthers are looking at a quick flight back home after their Friday game against Wisconsin. Northern Iowa has competed well against several opponents, but its poor strength of schedule and poorer losses are more telling. Evansville, Creighton (twice), Bradley and Wichita State have all taken turns battering the Panthers this season.



(12) New Mexico (26-6, 10-4 MWC): The Lobos have perfected a Pacific state of mind en route to the NCAA Tournament: schedule bad teams and win nearly every game. New Mexico lost to Wake Forest in its only game against a top-10 opponent, but has defeated Utah, a ranked team, twice. Keep your eyes on New Mexico stud Danny Granger, who's averaging 19 points, 8.8 rebounds, 2.1 steals and 2 blocks per game.



(13) Ohio (21-10, 11-7 MAC): Ohio, as in not Ohio State. It's Ohio, as in the laughingstock of the state most years. But 2005 is different: the Bobcats are rolling with their first NCAA ticket in 11 years. Ohio excels in an up-and-down, run-you-ragged, boast-the-athleticism-type offense. Sound familiar? The only thing more exciting than Ohio's tempo is point guard Jeremy Fears. The former gymnast occasionally does cartwheels and backflips to his bench.



(14) Bucknell (22-9, 10-4 Patriot): Beware of the Bison – if you're competing for a job, that is. The school of 3,419 students averages an SAT score of 1302. Don't be quick to give Bucknell a failing grade on the court, though. The Patriot League beasts have beaten then-No. 7 Pittsburgh, along with Holy Cross, a team that just defeated Notre Dame on Tuesday. Don't be surprised if Bucknell hangs with Kansas early.



(15) Central Florida (24-8, 13-7 A-Sun): Remember last March? Orlando was about to declare a one-day holiday before Central Florida lost to Pittsburgh in the first round of the Tourney. The Golden Knights' faithful will have to delay the party for one more year, as UCF doesn't pack much of a punch in 2005. UCF has lost to Gardner Webb, Georgia State, Mercer, Belmont, Lipscomb... you get the point.



(16) Oakland (13-18, 7-9 Mid-Con): If there's one heartwarming story in the NCAA Tournament, it's the Oakland Golden Grizzlies – and not California ones either. Oakland squares off with North Carolina having lost 18 games and winning 13. But, oh those wins. There's a 3-pointer to edge Oral Roberts and an win against Alabama A&M. Still, as their coach admits, it'll take a miracle to beat the Tar Heels.



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