



**ADMINISTRATION**

# Graduates to miss out

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UF will have no single event to celebrate the graduation of the class of 2005, after plans to bring a keynote speaker fell through.

UF invited a guest speaker, but the person could not come because of a scheduling conflict, said Lynne Collis, administrative services coordinator. She said she could not say whom UF invited.

Collis helped coordinate last year's convocation, which featured U.S. Sen. John McCain as the keynote speaker.

"By the time we received word of unavailability, the timing for planning had gone too late into the semester," Collis said.

The university does not invite more than one speaker at a time in case both accept, leaving UF in the embarrassing situation of having two speakers or having to turn one down, Collis said.

Since the convocation ceremony hinges on the keynote address, UF decided not to hold one this year.

"One of the integral components of the event was to have a speaker," Collis said.

Usually universities try to invite public officials because of their prominence and because they don't require a speaker's fee, Collis said. Last year, UF paid only for McCain's travel and lodging expenses, she said.

But prominent people have a lot of demands on their schedules, and coordinating them to speak at an event is time consuming.

UF has been decentralizing commencement ceremonies over the past few years as graduating classes have outgrown a single event.

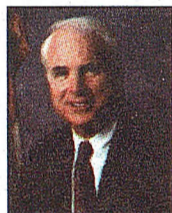
Last year's convocation was meant to bring the university's colleges together since their commencement ceremonies wouldn't.

It was the first and only event UF held, Collis said. McCain spoke about "Why Courage Matters," and the ceremony included musical performances, a fireworks display and a public reception.

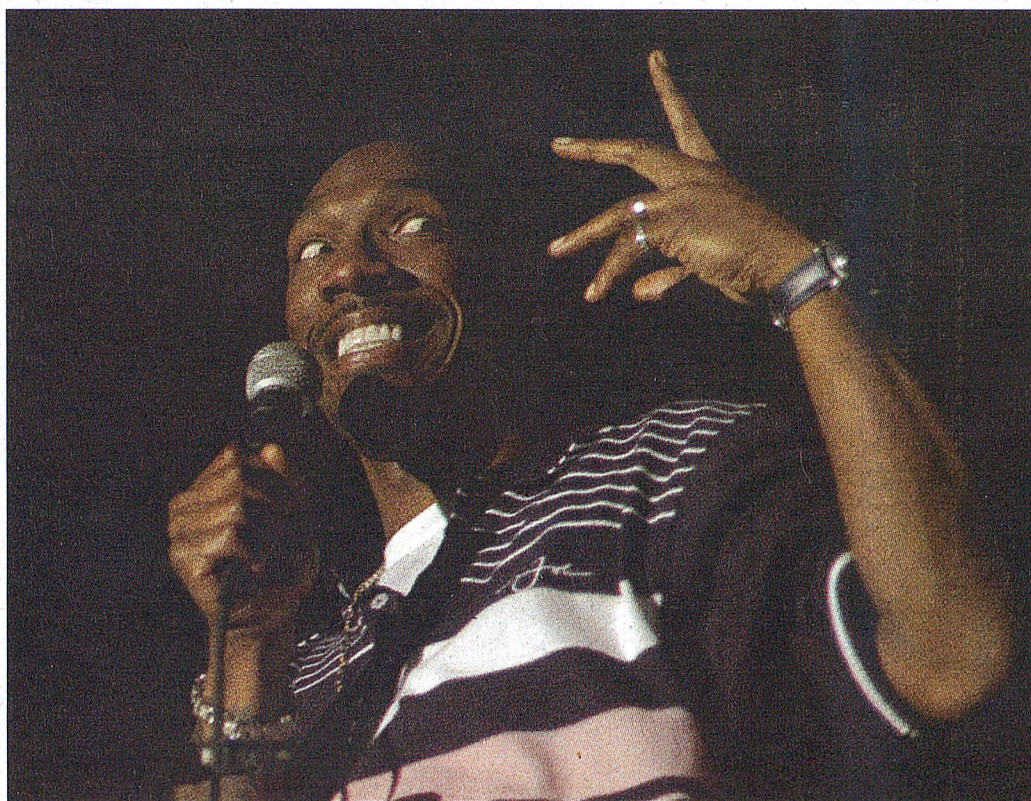
The changes to graduation have become necessary, as enrollment has reached about 50,000.

This year's ceremonies will take place over four days, from April 28 to May 1, and in four venues.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences even has had to split up its graduation ceremonies for bachelor's and master's degrees, and the registrar's office has run into a conflict where a small number of students are scheduled for exams at the time of their commencement.



McCain



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**Darkness falls on UF**

"Chappelle's Show" star Charlie Murphy speaks to a capacity crowd in the Reitz Union Rion Ballroom on such topics as trickle-down economics and the true nature of his relationship with musician Rick James. The free event was sponsored by the Reitz Union Board. See story, pg. 5.

## House may toughen hit-and-run laws

■ LEAVING A DEADLY ACCIDENT SOON MAY MEAN A LIFE SENTENCE.

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An Ocala representative announced a bill Monday aimed at decreasing alcohol-related, hit-and-run accidents in Florida.

During a press conference, state Rep. Larry Cretul, R-Ocala, advocated a stricter punishment for people convicted of leaving the scene of an accident.

"Leaving the scene of an accident is not an accident," Cretul said.

The punishment for being convicted of driving under the influence, a first-degree felony, is stricter than that of a hit and run.

Cretul and other critics say that this penalty disparity leads some offenders to flee the scene of an accident, a second-degree felony, rather than risk a DUI conviction, which can mean a 30-year prison sentence. Fifteen years is the maximum

sentence for the former.

If amended, the penalty for leaving an accident scene if a death occurs would become the same as that for a DUI conviction.

**"There's no law that can stop people from doing the wrong thing."**

**Larry Cretul**  
 State representative

While the bill may not reduce DUI accidents, it may discourage drivers from leaving the scene of an accident, Cretul said.

"There's no law that can stop people from doing the wrong thing," Cretul said, referring to DUI incidences.

The hit-and-run death of 18-year-old Stephanie Whitler last year was the genesis of the bill.

"My husband and I have been working on this for several months," Stephanie

Whitler's mother, Beth, said, referring to their work in trying to pass legislation to make the punishment stricter.

Whitler does not necessarily want stricter punishments for offenders but she said she expects the legislation to encourage offenders to stay and help victims of the crime, instead of fleeing to avoid extra prison time.

"This person just took off, not knowing if she could be helped or not helped," Whitler said, referring to her daughter's accident.

The Whitlers have not spoken to anyone who is against the legislation to stiffen the penalty, she said.

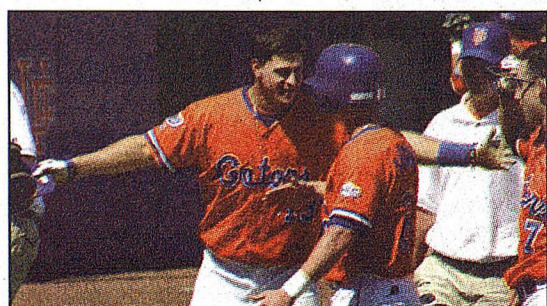
Cretul learned of the family's situation at Whitler's one-year memorial, he said.

Since then, he has been working with the legislature to amend the penalty.

"We've got four weeks of session left," Cretul said.

The Florida House of Representatives is moving the bill quickly through the committee process.

■ First baseman Matt LaPorta has his swing set on UF's single-season home run record. The sophomore has 12 home runs already. See story, pg. 21.



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■ The city of Gainesville may soon be keeping tabs on two schools' keg parties. Or at least their public transit. See story, pg. 4.

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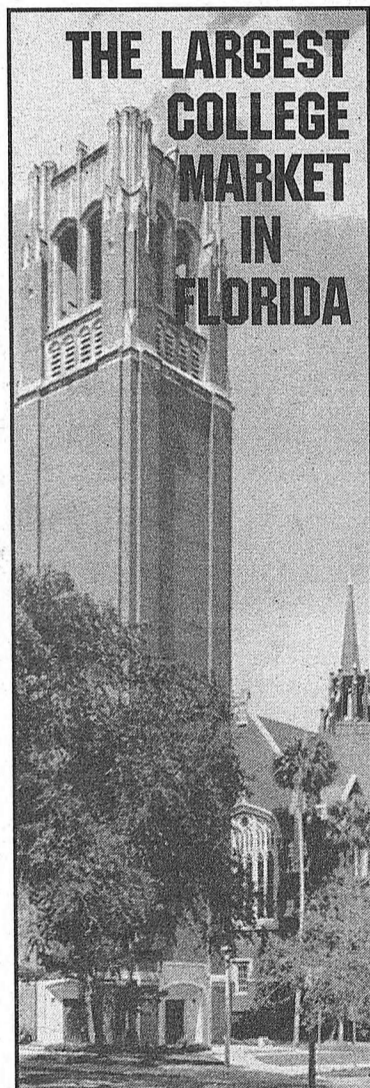
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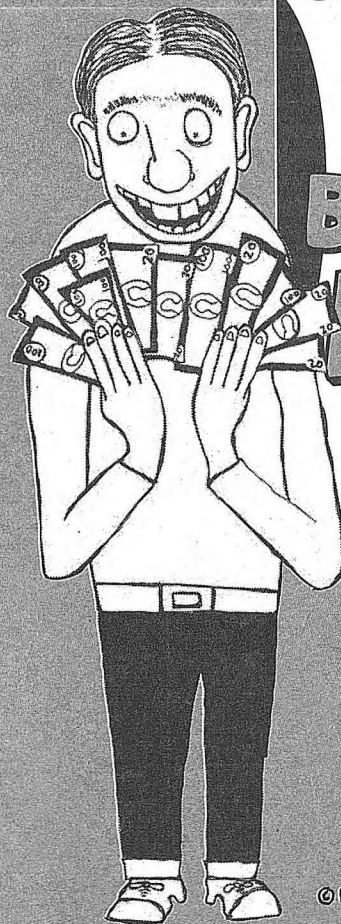
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# Fraternity faces sanctions for unregistered party

## Officials have already accepted guilt

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Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity faces charges after allegedly holding an unregistered party last month.

University Police reports state the party had more than 300 people in attendance. However, partygoers are contesting those and other allegations.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has 105 active members, so numbers listed on the UPD reports assume that nearly two-thirds of the party's

attendance consisted of non-members.

Phone calls to UPD for comment were not returned.

Reports state, "A strong odor of alcohol was emanating from the second level of the house," and that 80 percent of those in attendance were females.

Those at the party ran into ten different rooms to hide from police, with between 25 to 30 people in each room, reports state.

According to reports, only two or three individuals in each room were older than 21, the legal drinking age, and 95 percent of those interviewed by investigating officers

were under the influence of alcohol.

Once police ordered those at the party to leave the bedrooms, they told all those who were not fraternity members to leave.

Some of the non-members raced out of the house, some jumping off balconies in efforts to flee yelling police officers, according to accounts of several party attendees.

The police reports also state that the Student Nighttime Auxiliary Patrol, or SNAP, was called in to offer safe travel for intoxicated partygoers.

However, a UF student there for the closing of the party who wishes to have her name withheld said SNAP did not arrive when students were ordered to leave.

"The police yelled at everyone to get out of the house, and when we ran outside there was no one there to give anyone a ride," she said.

### Greek Life

Representatives of the fraternity have already accepted guilt for the charges brought before them at a Judicial Affairs hearing last week.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon is expected to take part in a sanctioning hearing Wednesday to determine punishment for the charges.

"However, we're confident the truth will come out through the judicial process," said Tyler Parramore, a member of the fraternity's executive council.

## CITY COMMISSION

# SFCC leaders seek annexation for transit purposes

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The city of Gainesville may soon keep tabs on two schools' keg parties.

Or at least their public transit.

Following lobbying efforts toward allowing community colleges to negotiate contracts for bus service, SFCC student Daniel Jones asked for an evaluation of the benefits and consequences of annexing his school into Gainesville during the public-comment portion of Monday's City Commission meeting.

"We are here today to request an annexation referendum for Santa Fe Community College and the surrounding area," Jones, who was also named Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan's

intern in a contest last year, said.

Jones said that if annexed, SFCC could more easily demand changes in Regional Transit System services.

Spurred by dissatisfaction concerning SFCC's inability to negotiate a transportation access-fee contract with RTS, 10 students including Jones and SFCC President Jackson Sasser traveled to Tallahassee earlier this year to advocate for Transportation Bill 542.

The bill would allow community colleges to negotiate the kind of credit-hour-based contract UF has.

Though SFCC's main campus has an address within city limits, the actual facilities are located just outside Gainesville to the west. RTS' main operating hubs are UF's campus and downtown.

"The referendum tells us what the city and county differ on."

**Katharine Bucco**

SFCC Student Senate president

SFCC students now pay \$35 per semester for an unlimited ticket to ride RTS buses.

UF students pay \$4.10 per credit hour to ride for free when they present their Gator 1 cards to the driver. Thus, the average UF student who takes 15 credits pays \$61.50, nearly twice as much, to ride buses.

Jones and Katharine Bucco, president of the SFCC Student Senate, also presented a petition asking for the referendum signed by SFCC students and area residents.

"The referendum tells us what the city and county differ on," Bucco said. "As Senate president, I'd like to encourage everyone to consider this proposal."

She maintained the Senate does not advocate annexation.

**TOWING TÊTE À TÊTE:** The commission voted 4-3 not to change the \$76 room-towing rate despite pleas from one company to lower it to \$60.

"Everybody feels this is getting out of control," he said.

Superior Towing's David Idleman called for the city to investigate requests for roam-tow rate hikes by towing companies that cite insurance rates and operation-cost increases to justify their positions.

Kevin Whiteside of Ultimate

Towing disputed the question of legitimacy in rising business costs.

"I don't think there is one company in Gainesville whose prices have gone down for what they provide," Whiteside said.

Commissioner Tony Domenech, a member of the Public Safety Committee which hears towing concerns, said his group was "not persuaded by the argument at all" to raise rates.

Commissioner Rick Bryant noted that it is Superior Towing's prerogative to charge lower prices to compete, not request a mandate of the Commission that could force other local companies out of business.

"I'm saying God bless you, do it better and cheaper," he said. "Don't ask us to do your work."

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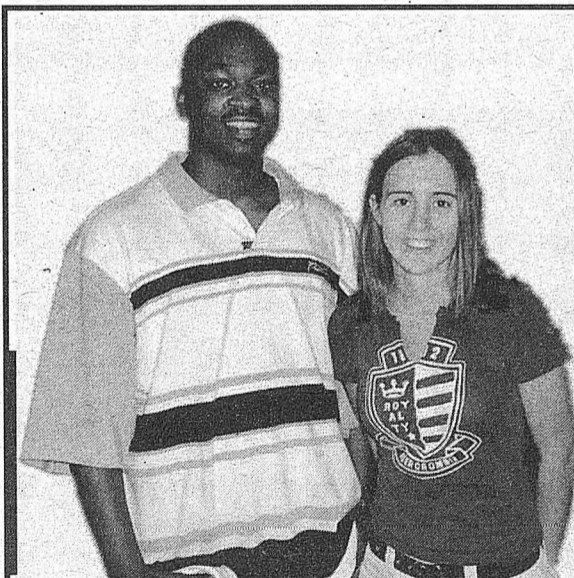
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## ON CAMPUS

# Murphy entertains packed house in comedy tour

## Chappelle fans give rave reviews

By LINDSAY TAULBEE

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After years of just being Eddie Murphy's brother, a frequent actor and writer on Comedy Central's hit TV show "Chappelle's Show" told a capacity crowd at UF on Monday, "I'm Charlie Murphy."

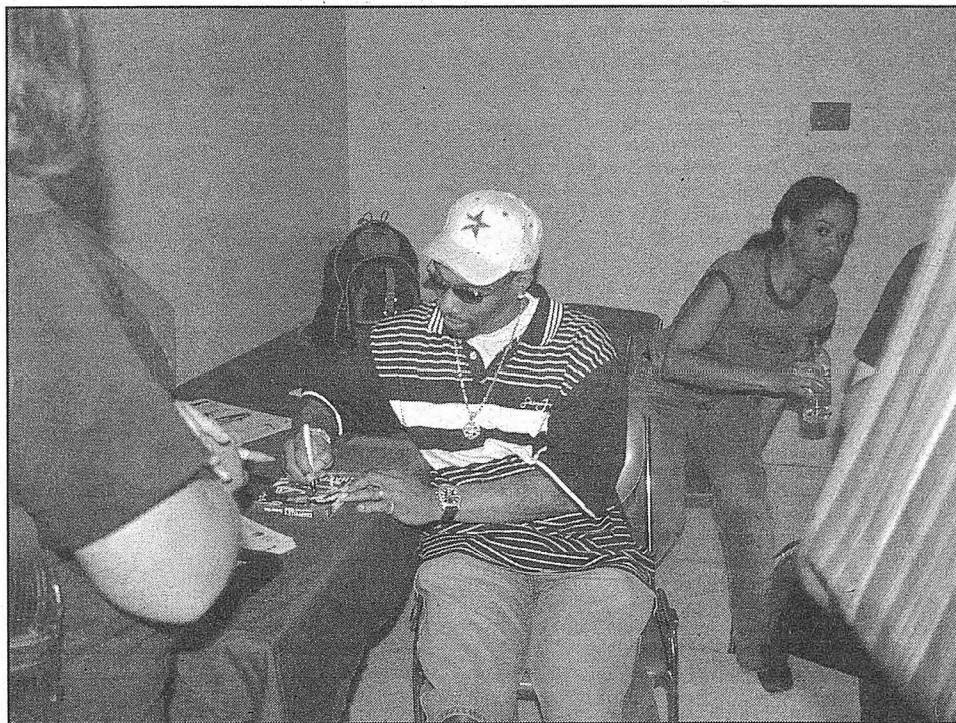
More than 800 students packed into the Reitz Union Rion Ballroom for the performance, part of the "I'm Rich Biatch" comedy tour, hosted by the Reitz Union Board.

About another 100 were turned away, Reitz Union officials estimated.

Probably best known for playing opposite Dave Chappelle in comedy skits parodying famed "Superfreak" musician Rick James, Murphy caused the crowd to erupt in cheers with just one word — "darkness."

To Chappelle fans, it was a reference to a James joke that Eddie and Charlie Murphy were the two darkest people in Hollywood before Wesley Snipes.

In addition to professional athletes' steroid use and the Michael Jackson trial,



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After bringing down the house in the Reitz Union Rion Ballroom, Charlie Murphy takes time backstage to sign a few autographs for fans.

Murphy spoke of his experiences with the show and his newfound fame.

"I've got fans in kindergarten," he said.

He'll be somewhere and see a small

child notice him, and he can tell the child is waiting for his or her parents to stop paying attention.

"So they can do this," he said before reenacting the scenario.

The small child looks up at him, tugging on his shirt before whispering, "I'm Rick James, bitch."

Reitz Union Board comedians chairman Vincson Harris said Murphy's would be the organization's last show of the semester.

"We wanted to end the year very big. We wanted to pull someone who already had a following," he said.

Comedian Marina Franklin, who has performed on "Showtime at the Apollo" and "Last Comic Standing," as well as "Chappelle's Show," opened Monday night for Murphy.

She joked about cats in heat, growing up in a mostly white suburb of Chicago and dating.

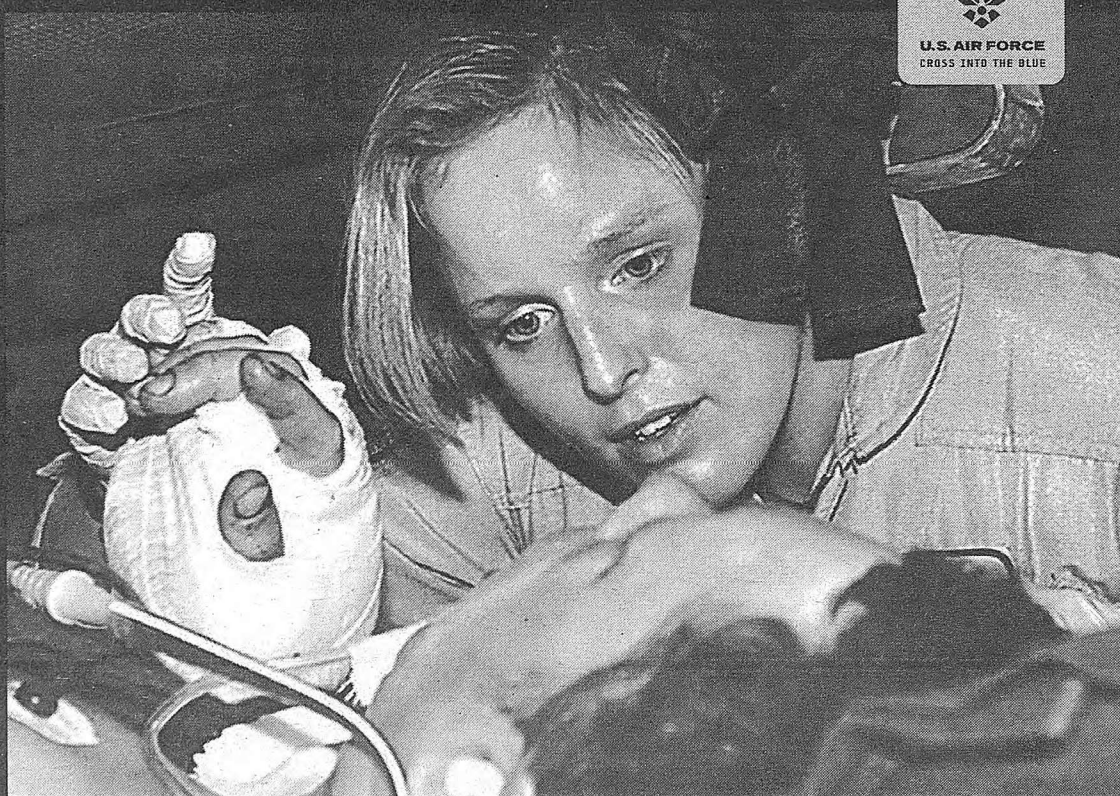
"You don't leave a man when you don't have a job," she said. "I actually go on dates now just so I can eat."

UF students Chad Murray and James Chaknis said they attended the event after hearing about it through word of mouth. Asked why they wanted to attend, both simultaneously replied, "It's Charlie Murphy!"

"I made them let me off work early so I could get here," Murray said.

"It was hilarious. He's got a weird stage presence. He's really goofy and funny," he said, later adding, "You could tell he wasn't afraid to piss people off, too."

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**Moderator:** Ed Johnson, MBA Student at UF

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Stuzin Hall Room 102





Editorial

# Open house

## Questions and concerns are fair game at forum

If you've been following the Society of Professional Journalists' Mark of Excellence awards — which we're sure you have — you may have noticed that the Alligator won quite a few last weekend.

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We don't measure our success based on whether or not some panel of experts thinks we're better than some other student paper.

What we really want to know is: What do you think?

Call us masochistic, but we want to know all of the deepest, darkest feelings and criticisms our readers have about our work.

In order to offer students a chance to let us know in person, we are going to hold a forum this Friday at 6 p.m. in 1064 Weimer Hall (Gannett Auditorium, on the first floor of the journalism building by the TVs).

Think of it as a Student Government executive-candidate debate, only without all of the false promises, campaign rhetoric or silly, politico-style hairdos.

The forum is open to the public, and there will be no pre-determined questions. It's all up to you.

You'll have your choice of targets from the editorial staff: Dwayne Robinson and Mike Gimignani, the editor and managing editor, will be there, along with news editors, sports editors and everyone's favorite editorial cartoonist/troublemaker Andy Marlette.

Want to tell any of these people how bad of a job they've done? Let them know, and then they'll have a better idea of how they need to improve.

Do your worst.

Of course, we're hoping for some constructive criticism as well. We won't stop you if you want to tell us how much of an "offensive, partisan rag" you think we are, but we'd prefer examples of things that we could do better.

We intend this forum to be a chance for the average student to let us know what they think of our paper — students who might not feel disgusted enough with us to write in a letter to the editor whenever we print something with which they disagree.

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# Opinions

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Column

## Pink powder puffs prove problematic

I usually leave the sports writing to my compatriots on the back pages of the Alligator, but sometimes stupidity transcends the traditional news boundaries.

Anyone who has ever played a sport knows that a little good-natured ribbing from the coaches and other players is part of the game. Any player who never has been embarrassed for a mistake they have made likely hasn't been playing too long. And anyone who has ever been part of any organization or group of friends, really, knows that a bit of chiding is natural among members of a tight-knit group.

That's why I think it's only fitting when I hear that the coaches of our rivals, the Arkansas Razorbacks, began forcing players who were thought to be loafing to wear pink jerseys during practice.

All right, I'll admit it: I think it's great.

Regardless of whether or not you think pink should be equated with femininity or weakness, you have to agree that any football player wearing a pastel uniform during practice is going to think twice about slacking during his sprints.

Now that that's clear, this is where the stupid comes in.

The Razorbacks aren't allowed to use the color pink to punish loafers anymore because doing so is derogatory to breast cancer survivors.

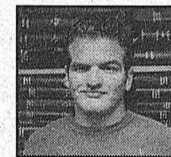
If you're a rational member of society, that last sentence probably made you skip a beat. Let me assure you: You read that right. Using pink jerseys as a punishment for lazy players is demeaning to cancer survivors, apparently to the point that some offended folks were going to withhold support from the team for as long as it was going on.

Why, you may be asking yourself, is this so offensive?

Because breast-cancer survivors often wear pink ribbons.

Because some of those who have survived breast cancer (and their supporters) like to pin pink ribbons onto their T-shirts to show solidarity, everyone on the planet henceforth is banned from using pink to make fun of someone.

But why stop there? Look at all of these other groups us-



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ing trademark colors unfairly equated with negative images (I promise I am not making these up):

The Miami Dolphins will be banned from wearing teal until they get out of the dump and have a winning season. As everyone knows, teal ribbons are the official accessories of ovarian-cancer awareness.

Bartenders will have to keep some food coloring in stock, as it is

no longer acceptable for them to serve lime-green margaritas. Lime green is the exclusive province of lymphoma sufferers, and it's not fair to insinuate that everyone afflicted with the disease is a raging alcoholic.

To make sure we don't offend the brown-ribbon wearers, who are concerned with colorectal cancer...

On second thought, let's not go there.

Obviously, this leaves us with one choice: Get naked.

But not so fast — let's not forget that the clear ribbon has a long history as a symbol for lung-cancer awareness.

Just think of all the disgusting things people do when they're naked. We can't let the good names of real cancer sufferers be sullied by the kinky actions of people who probably don't even smoke.

Unfortunately, the limited spectrum of visible colors means that the last possible shade — sort of an orangish purple — was taken up three years ago by the sole sufferer of a chronic strain of projectile diarrhea (OK, maybe I made that one up).

Thus, anyone who wants to continue to live without the threat of being arrested for color discrimination must inflict himself or herself with the medical condition that corresponds to the color of his or her choosing.

For me, this means there is no other option: Pass the cigarettes — I think I'll take my chances with the lung cancer.

Matt Sanchez is opinions editor at the Alligator.

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

### Reader response

**Today's question:** Are you interested in telling Alligator editors what they do wrong?

**Monday's question:** Should WRUF be allowed to broadcast "Drunk Bitch Friday?"

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Letters to the Editor

**Column got it wrong regarding porn star**

**Editor:** Jason Levitt, I thank you for writing a column to critique my work.

One of the main catalysts for deciding to bring Bridget here was to get people to think. We wander around life not thinking enough in general, especially about the issues facing the disability community. My community is discriminated against in a way that is invisible to most people. Every day, as a disabled woman, I face negative assumptions about my physical ability, intellectual capacity and sexuality.

It is hard to roll in these wheels, and I am going to do all I can to change these pervasive oppressive ideas that hold not only my people down, but all people, really.

We are better off as a culture when there are more diverse people participating in societal dialogue. The mission of the conference was to dismantle normalized beauty standards and challenge the assumption that disabled people are asexual. Guess what? It succeeded.

The media often portray myself and my events in a manner intended to provoke pity or empathy, never emotions of liberation, and this event revolutionized the conception of disability because Bridget was seen as a beautiful (albeit controversial) former adult-film star, not just a disabled little person. She is an intense woman who has had a hard life; you cannot judge her for the path she is walking.

In a country and a university where the

First Amendment right to freedom of expression is heralded as a cornerstone of our society, we cannot deny this constitutional right to those of us who choose alternative life paths. Some might argue that political-science majors somehow are not actualized because political systems do not explain people and that there is more to humanity than a system, but I am not one of those people. I cannot tell you if you are self-actualized, nor should you be able to do so about someone you do not know.

One question I cannot help but ask is: Why is it not as degrading to our university to bring Ron Jeremy, a pillar of the pornography community, here? The only answer I have come up with is that he is a man and not disabled.

Be uncomfortable about Bridget — or think about her and masturbate to her work, if you so chose — but do not judge her or my choices if you do not condemn a man who has done more than 950 more films than Bridget.

Bethany Stevens

Director, DisAbility Affairs Cabinet

**Levitt deserves thanks for taking a stand**

**Editor:** Bravo to Jason Levitt for expressing an opinion that some may consider to be in the minority.

In an articulate and straightforward column yesterday, he offered an argument to

those who would say, "We all should watch midget porn; it's fun."

Thank you for your words.

Alyssa Briden  
7FA

**Guest column retreaded old arguments**

**Editor:** Undoubtedly, a halt to all settlement activity is in the interests of the United States and the peace process and is necessary. However, what is not needed or helpful is William James Martin's biased, backward-looking propaganda.

The problem in the region is that too many people do exactly what Martin did: rehash old stories, compare them to the present, forget to explain that there are two sides to every story, etc. Martin should remember, as we all should, that progress is gradual, and perspective is subjective. Just think about the solemn history of our great country's transgressions.

Most Israelis want to live in peace and security with their Palestinian neighbors. I believe most Palestinians want to live in freedom and prosperity with a secure Israel.

Let's hope the Martins of the world don't stifle the efforts of rational, forward-looking thinkers.

David Henry  
UF alumnus

**Proposed logo sends the wrong message**

**Editor:** The proposed new UF "logo" is a bad idea. The plan is to remove the pictorial image (the UF seal) and add the tagline "A lifetime experience."

First, a logo is a simple, easy-to-recognize pictorial image. It may be an iconic or abstract symbol, or it may be a typographically stylized letter, abbreviation or name.

Pictorial images are processed far more rapidly in the brain and are more easily recognized than words. That is why virtually every business has a pictorial logo to enhance brand recognition. They realize "a picture is worth a thousand words."

As a general rule, text is processed in the left brain and pictorial images in the right brain. The two complement each other and form the holistic processing that is desired in brand recognition. The tagline mainly is a left-brain presentation and ignores the important right-brain dimension. We need a true logo, not simply a slogan below our name.

It's not too late. Although UF has wasted nearly \$100,000 on this verbose "logo," enough concerned opposition still could save the millions of dollars required to implement this ill-conceived change. Some key addresses to send your thoughts to are president@uff.ufl.edu and ufalum@uff.ufl.edu.

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# Still no online vote

## Author plans to revise bill

By **STEPHEN MAGRUDER**  
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A bill to bring online voting to UF – something all three Student Body presidential candidates supported during their Spring election campaigns – has yet to find its way to the Student Senate chambers since the election.

However, with last week's selection of a new judiciary-committee chairman, an online-voting bill or any other proposed legislation now can be heard by the committee before it is voted on by the Senate, which meets Tuesday nights.

Senate Pro Tempore and former Judiciary Chairman John Boyles said now that Matthew Chamoff leads the committee, it can resume its official Sunday meetings to review proposed legislation.

An online-voting bill, authored by former Student Sen. Andrew Hoffman and Student Body Treasurer Dennis Ngin, came about after a petition to put the issue of online voting on the

ballot for the Spring election was denied in February by the SG Supreme Court.

Hoffman withdrew the bill during a March 13 judiciary-committee meeting, after members debated the definition of a polling location as defined in SG statutes, as well as possible security issues with voting online.

He may present the bill again at any time, which he said he plans to do in the Fall after he gets a chance to make revisions.

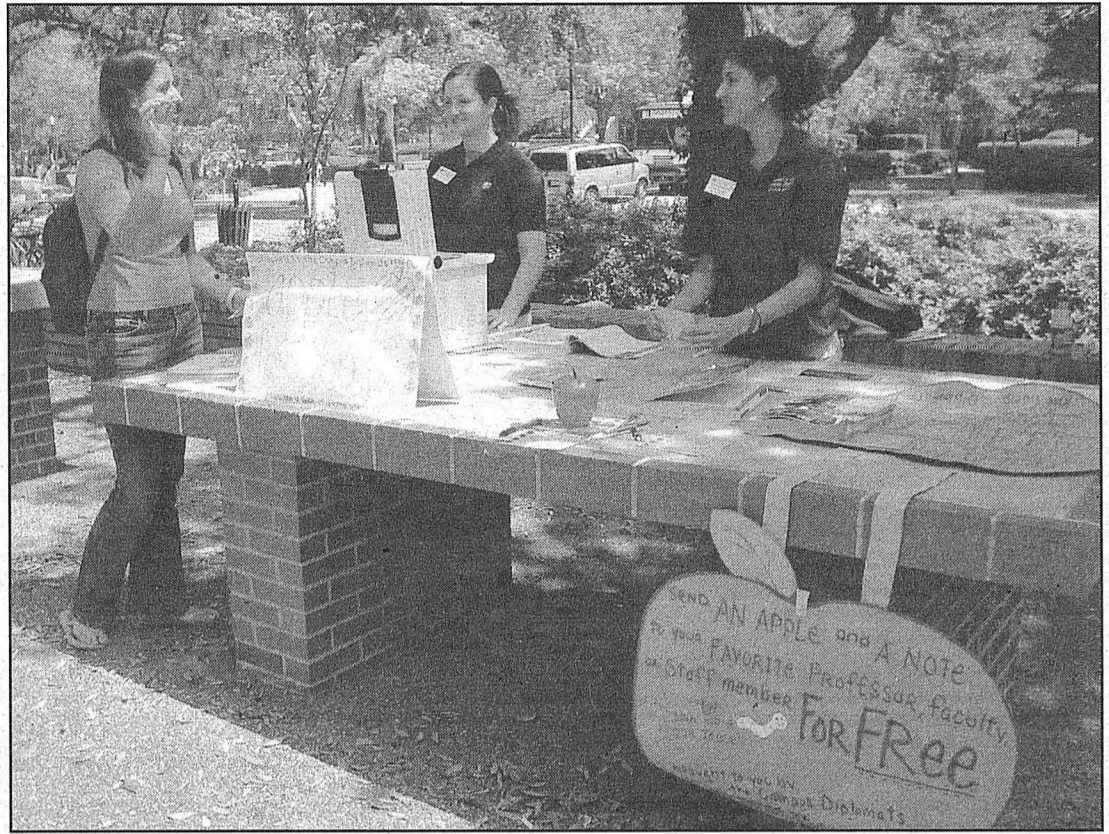
"I'd like to see it done sometime before I graduate," he said.

Hoffman and Ngin's original bill suggested doing away with physical polling locations and allowing students to vote online as early as the Fall semester.

Online-voting supporters have said that allowing students to cast their ballots from any computer with an Internet connection would increase turnout.

Joe Goldberg was elected Student Body President in a March runoff in which 7,740, or about 16 percent, of the Student Body voted.

Candidates Goldberg, Ngin and MacKenzie Moritz said during their campaigns that they supported online voting.



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Campus Diplomats offer students an opportunity to show their professors appreciation on Turlington Plaza. Students can send their favorite UF staff member an apple and a note this week, provided by the Dean of Students Office.

# Professor's findings shed light on mental disability

By **SKYLER SMITH**  
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The discoveries of one UF scientist soon could provide new insights into a type of genetic disorder at the root of mental retardation.

Phenylketonuria, or PKU, is an inherited disorder characterized by an overabundance of the amino acid phenylalanine. PKU is caused by an inability of the body to produce the necessary enzymes to break the phenylalanine down.

"The molecular biology of this has been well studied, but we know nothing about the mechanisms that cause brain disorder, and this experiment could be new and original work on what is going on in the brain," said Anatoly Martynyuk, assistant professor of anesthesiology and neuroscience at UF's

College of Medicine and the McKnight Brain Institute.

The study by Martynyuk and other UF researchers was published in the February issue of the scientific research journal *Brain*.

The study found that the excess of phenylalanine interferes with the brain's ability to transmit information around the organ. The phenylalanine eventually builds to dangerous levels in the brain.

"If left untreated, there can be severe mental retardation, seizures; the people can't talk," Martynyuk said.

The problem arises because the amino acid is very common in most foods, especially protein.

The treatment for PKU is a very strict, low-protein liquid diet that is very hard to stick with for long periods of time, according to Martynyuk.

This diet, which bans or strictly limits meat and dairy, should be adhered to especially during the childhood years, but in reality cannot be abandoned at any time during a PKU patient's life.

PKU occurs in one out of every 15,000 births in the United States.

All babies born in the state of Florida are screened for PKU in the hospital soon after birth.

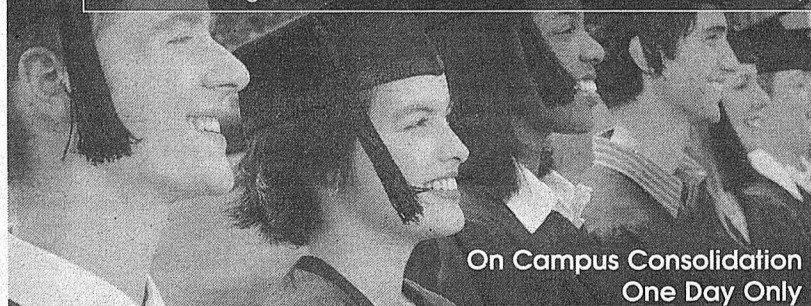
If not treated in a short time after birth, PKU can cause severe and irreparable brain damage, according to the Florida Department of Health.

The findings from this study are the first step toward understanding exactly how and why too much phenylalanine adversely affects the brain.

Martynyuk hopes to begin building on this research toward a cure for the seizures associated with PKU.

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# Fire at house near Miami of Ohio kills three students



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The fire broke out at about 10 p.m. at a house on the campus of Miami of Ohio, 1105 W. University Ave. The house was owned by a Miami of Ohio employee and was being used as a residence for three students.

The fire was caused by a gas leak from a furnace, according to a fire investigator. The fire spread quickly and was out of control by the time firefighters arrived.

The three students who died were all in their 20s. They were identified as [names redacted].

The fire destroyed the house and the remains of the students were found in the rubble. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

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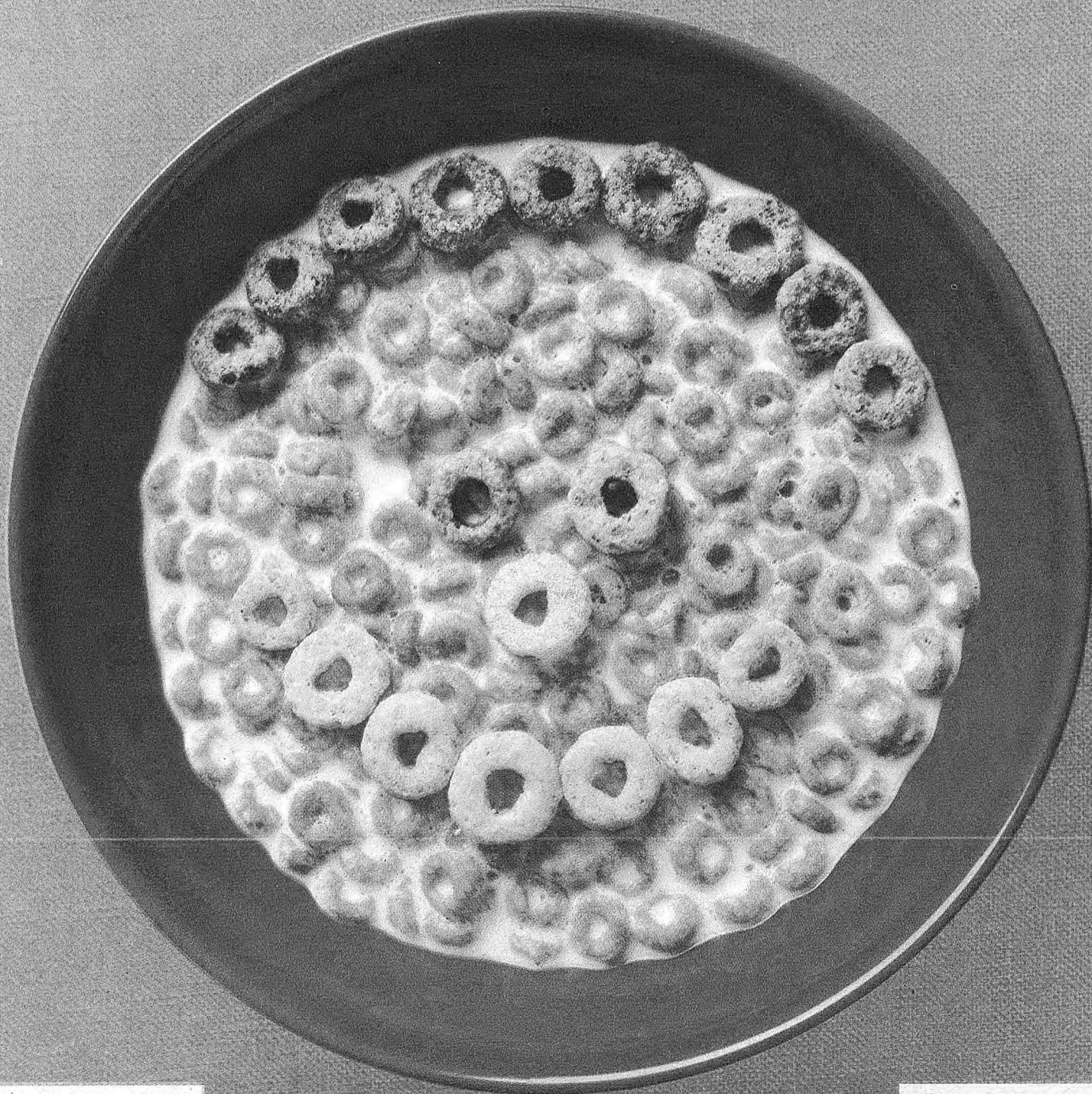
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# Fine Arts gets interim dean

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A year after the dean of UF's College of Fine Arts announced he would step down, a committee soon will begin its second year mulling over who will replace him.

The committee was close to choosing 10 finalists for Don McGlothlin's old position in February, when its members decided to pause the search. In the meantime, Associate Dean Barbara Korner will take over as interim dean beginning July 1.

In February, UF President Bernie Machen scrapped a search to replace exiting provost David Colburn, moving the quest replacement of UF's No. 2 administrator to August. That postponement led to several others.

"Most viable candidates will not come somewhere where they don't know who their new boss is going to be," said committee chairman Russell L. Robinson. "It made all the sense in the world to close the search."

The committee will pick up next Fall, when a new provost is expected to be in office.

McGlothlin will leave June 30 for a year on sabbatical. He then will return to UF to teach and research.

The permanent dean will take his or her position in June 2006, even if the committee finds a candidate during the coming academic year.

Placing a new dean mid-year would be impractical, Robinson said,

because the college tends to schedule its activities on an annual, rather than semester, basis.

Korner, who has been associate dean for five years, is perfect for filling McGlothlin's shoes, Robinson said.

"She won't sit idly and do the status quo," he said. "She'll begin to move forward."

Korner applied for the permanent job last Fall and can renew her application when the search committee meets next year, Robinson said.

Although she is unsure whether she'll take advantage of that option, Korner said she will work to improve the college as interim dean.

In the next year, she said she plans to expand opportunities for interdisciplinary projects, research the College of Fine Arts performs alongside other UF colleges.

Lauren Roth, a theater graduate student, said Korner constantly interacts with students.

This Spring, Roth played Korner's daughter in the play "You Never Can Tell."

Although some students had reservations about a faculty member taking a coveted part in the college's play, Korner immediately made the student actors feel comfortable, Roth said.

"From the first day, she went out of her way to make it a pleasurable experience," she said. "She never came with an attitude."

Although she is disappointed that she will not be able to perform while serving as the dean, Korner said she will find other ways to stick close to students, perhaps by creating a dean's advisory council.

"If I would pass Dean Korner on the street," Roth said, "I would know who she was and what she did for me."



Korner



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## Story time

Avid readers enjoy children's-book presentations while sitting on the Plaza of the Americas on Monday. UF faculty and students will continue to read books aloud through Thursday as part of the third-annual Read-A-Thon, part of National Library Week.

# Traffic violations end in higher charges

## ■ ONE DRIVER DID NOT KNOW HIS PASSENGER HAD STOLEN THE CAR.

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A Gainesville man ignored a routine traffic stop last week-end, and the Gainesville Police officer trying to stop him watched him crash into three cars — two parked — and a U.S. Postal Service mailbox, reports state.

GPD spokesman Sgt. Keith Kameg said Kenny D. Roberts, 21, was arrested Sunday for unruly behavior.

Reports state Roberts was driving west on University Avenue late Saturday night when an officer attempted to verbally stop him because of the volume of his car stereo.

Allegedly, the music was audible over 100 feet away.

Disregarding verbal commands, Roberts sped off in his gray Cadillac before the officer was able to catch him.

Around Southeast 11th Street, Roberts reportedly began to speed and drive recklessly.

After hitting the three cars and the mailbox in the vicinity of Southwest 13th Street, Roberts jumped out of his vehicle to flee from pursuing authorities, reports state.

Roberts admitted to the damage, Kameg said.

The report stated Roberts told authorities he ran because he didn't want to go to jail.

If Roberts submitted to the officer chasing him, his consequences could have been as small as a \$74 fine, Kameg said.

Roberts was booked on charges of reckless driving and leaving the scene with property damage as well as resisting and attempting to flee an officer.

■ Another routine traffic stop resulted in the arrests of two men on charges of grand theft Sunday, but the driver wasn't charged, police said.

Alachua County Sheriff's

Office spokesman Lt. Jim Troiano said Roosevelt Smoaks, 20, was driving with passenger Maurice Milton, 17, when police pulled Smoaks over for suspicious driving.

After being stopped, the officer discovered the vehicle was stolen, and arrested Smoaks on an outstanding warrant.

Smoaks, unaware the vehicle did not belong to Milton, listened as the latter admitted to the theft and told of a fellow accomplice and his address.

Jeffrey J. Brown, 21, was arrested at 2206 SE 44th Terrace at 2:30 a.m. Monday, reports state.

Brown also admitted to the theft, and was booked on a previous warrant and grand theft.

# Eight entering freshmen to receive Lombardi scholarship

## ■ THE WINNERS WERE CHOSEN FROM NEARLY 150 NOMINEES.

By JESSICA RIFFEL

Alligator Contributing Writer

Eight entering freshmen have been selected for the prestigious Lombardi Scholars Program.

The winners were selected from 146 nominees for the scholarship, which provides each student with \$4,500 each Fall and Spring, \$5,000 for each of four summer programs and \$3,000 for academically related supplies.

The scholars were announced April 1, and UF has received participation confirma-

tion from six students.

"When I first heard about it, I was in disbelief," winner Christopher Matthews said. "It was a dream, but it's no longer just a dream — it's reality."

Besides Matthews, Alexia Ash, Jake Gipson, Gabriel Miller, Joshua Miller, Anna Prusa, Gloria Tavara and Vu-Anh Thai were also chosen for the 2005 program.

They were selected based on academic achievements, community service, extracurricular activities, leadership and character. Several committees and Lombardi scholars helped interview the nominees and chose the final eight.

"It's very competitive," said Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Honors Program associate director. "We try to think who will be future

Rhodes scholars."

The participants will be matched with a faculty adviser in their field, and they will receive academic support, overseas-study opportunities and internship experiences over their next eight to 10 semesters at UF.

The students will spend six weeks this summer at an overseas anthropology study program in Merida, Mexico.

"Studying anthropology should be really cool because it's not something that I've done," participant Ash said.

The summer trip also is designed to get to know the students better. Mastrodicasa will spend part of the program working with the

scholars on an anthropology project, which in past years has included studies of local homes and a cemetery.

"It really helps them mature quickly and learn a lot about themselves before college," Mastrodicasa said.

The next three summers, the students will study in Greece, Japan and South Africa. These programs have been specifically designed for Lombardi scholars.

"I think it showcases what we're trying to do at UF with the internationalizing of our students," Mastrodicasa said.

The Lombardi Scholars Program was started in 1999 by UF alumnus Lewis M. Schott. The program, meant to honor UF's ninth president, is funded by Schott and other benefactors.



## ON CAMPUS Speaker to talk rights

By **KIMBERLY GOUZ**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

NORML UF wants students to "Know Your Rights" to avoid a night in jail.

The UF chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws will sponsor an event tomorrow at 7 p.m. to inform students about their constitutional rights during a police encounter.

"There are many instances when people give up their rights needlessly," said Ashlee Valdes, NORML UF president. "An example would be search and seizure. Students should know that they don't have to consent to being searched without a warrant."

NORML executive director Allen St. Pierre will speak at the event. His presentation will cover topics ranging from the right to remain silent to the right to consult an attorney.

"We are really honored to be able to have Allen St. Pierre at this

event," Valdes said. "He is a very eloquent speaker and is very knowledgeable."

NORML hired St. Pierre in 1991 as the communications director, according to a release. In 1993 St. Pierre was named the national director, and in January he became executive director.



St. Pierre

The Know Your Rights presentation will be held in CSE 121 and will be free and open to the public.

Valdes stressed that NORML UF is reaching out to more than those interested in marijuana laws.

"Since the implementation of the Patriot Act, there has been a considerable amount of changes to our freedoms," Valdes said. "It is important to know what you can and cannot do and how to use your rights."

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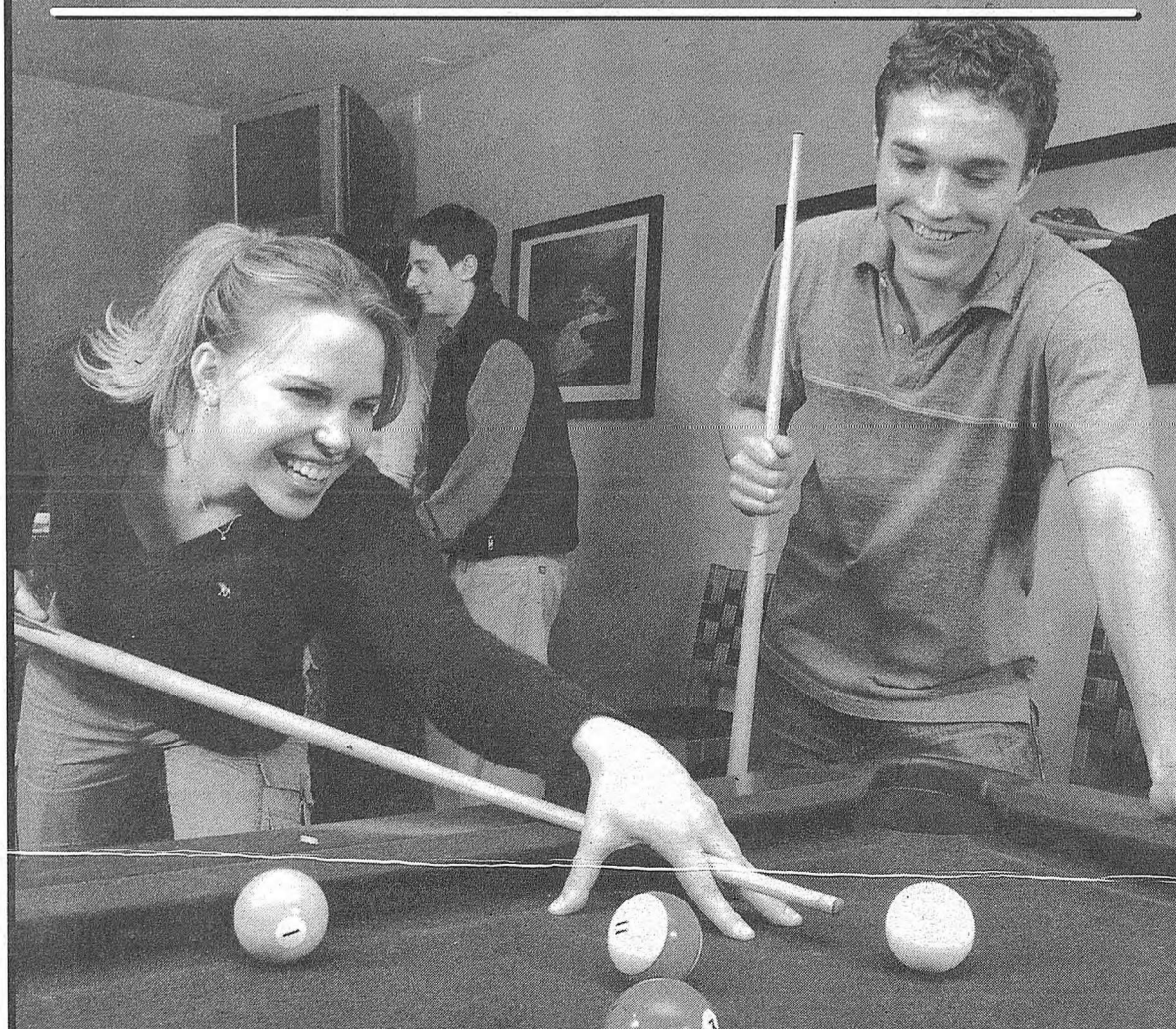
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Downtown location near UF. Avail May 1st. Call Tom at 262-6423 4-20-11-2

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2BR/1.5BA Condo in Casablanca East. Newly remodeled w/tile floors, W/D incl, pool, quiet area, on bus rt, close to UF/Shands, no pets, \$800/mo. Avail May 16th. 352-246-5958 4-20-11-2

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Great Homes, Close to UF.  
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4430 NW 16th Pl \$1425/month  
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**MIKE'S HOUSES**  
Excellent Single Family Houses  
Close to UF  
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Townhouse 2BR/1.5BA. Fenced yard, W/D hkups, pets ok. Rent \$595/mo. 3935 SW 26th Terr. Call 371-3473, lv mssg. 4-20-9-2

Take over lease on 2BR/2BA apt. Quiet upstairs on SW 13th at Boardwalk. Laundry, pool, tennis. Avail 05/2005. Rent \$600/mo plus utilities. 4-14-5-2

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**SUPER CUTE!** 1BR 1BA duplex, wood floors, lawn service, \$400/rent  
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**2BR 1BA Apts, \$500-\$525/ Mo**  
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2 BR 1BA apts 1 Block to UF  
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3BR/2BA house \$900/mo 2706 W Univ Ave.  
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4-12-15-3

1BR/1BA in 2BR/2BA apt avail May 1st - Aug 10th at Melrose Apts W/D, utils, ethernet + cable incl in rent. Fully furn. Call Korinne at 305-905-0712 4-12-15-3

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## Subleases

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+ 1/3 UTIL  
3BR/2BA Boardwalk Apt.  
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Kitchen, living room, porch, W/D,  
Now available.  
Female please. 772-473-0560. 4-12-10-3

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Lexington May thru Aug sublease 1BR/BA in 4BR/BA. Includes util, furn, pool, appliances, bus rt. \$900 whole summer. Call Jose 561-317-5603, jramos@ufl.edu 4-13-10-3

THE EXCHANGE 1/1 in 2/2 May, June, July. \$325/mo incl util, cable i-net, W/D, male, furn, gated, bus rt. Call Hank 904-556-6149 or 904-491-4574 (Steve) 4-20-15-3

Female sublease at Courtyards. 1 bedroom in 4/2 townhouse on 13th. All furn & util included; \$399/mo negotiable. Sec dep & 1st mo rent free, 514-6408 or murraymd@ufl.edu. 4-20-15-3

#### 10 SECOND WALK TO UF

Looking Glass Apts. Summer sublease \$400/mo negotiable. Drew 561-339-1219 4-20-15-3

2BR/2BA Oxford Manor \$363 each. Negotiable. W/D, pool, weight room, tanning, 3 bus rts, furniture avail. Call 239-671-3148 or 561-635-8671 4-14-10-3

SUBLEASE 4/14-8/14, 2BR/2.5BA. Many amenities inc. W/D, \$649/mo Call 332-5344 4-14-10-3

Summer Sublease May - July 31. Furn 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA at Hidden Lake. \$510/mo incl W/D, ethernet, gym, pool, tanning bed & cable. On bus route 8. Call 904-622-6263 4-14-10-3

Summer sublease at University Glades 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA. Huge walk-in closet! Furniture optional. Price negotiable. Call 954-529-5223 4-14-10-3

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## Subleases

1BR/1BA avail May-Aug. Aug free. \$299/mo fully furnished, ethernet, utilities, cable included. Rent neg. Call 727-433-1607 4-14-10-3

DOWNTOWN sublease May/June/July  
Arlington Sq. w/pool - 1 min to clubs  
1BR w/bath in 3BR townhouse  
Other roommates away for summer  
Now ONLY \$299/mo 352-222-7797 4-14-10-3

1BR in Campus Lodge, fully furn, pvt bathroom, all utils incl. vaulted ceilings, valued at \$519/mo Subleasing for \$375/mo from May 1st - mid Aug. Call Joy 786-210-9453 4-15-10-3

Summer sublease at Hidden Lake. 1 of 2BR/2BA. Call Jessica @ 863-860-7270 for more info. 4-15-10-3

1 rm in house \$285 mo + util & cbl  
3 mo sublease first mo free, great loc off 34th st. Wash/dry quiet area. 352-375-1353 4-20-12-3

1 or 2BR avail for summer sublease in 3/2.5 townhouse. Walking distance to Butler Plaza & 1 mi to UF. Avail, furn or unfurn, W/D. Call Clifff at 561-252-0819 4-20-12-3

May to Aug. \$380 is all you pay! Util, wireless, furn incl. Free tanning, pool, hottub, fitness center, comp lab, tennis, bus route 352-246-3743 4-18-10-3

#### ★★★\$350/mo★★★

Female only roommate for summer sublease. 1.5 mi from UF, Hidden Lake Apt 1BR/1BA spacious, W/D incl. Pets allowed. For more info. Call Meaghan 352-745-2377 4-12-6-3

University Glades Sublease!! SUMMER: May - Aug. Price neg. BR w/personal bath in 3/3 apt. Incl all util. Furniture avail. Call Stacey 352-336-1968 4-20-12-3

#### ★★★SUMMER SUBLEASE★★★

May-July 4BR/4BA, 1 room open, furnished, utilities paid, walk-in closet, pool, washer/dryer, 3 bus rts. hi spd internet.

#### ONLY \$250 NEGOTIABLE

246-4330 4-15-8-3

#### ARLINGTON SQUARE \$200/mo

1BR/1BA in 2BR/2BA townhome. 1/2 util, cable, internet. May 1 thru July 31. 352-514-3640 4-20-11-3

#### IMMEDIATE SUBLEASE

\$250/mo + utils for 1BR in 3BR/2BA w W/D in Rocky Point. Call 772-285-3472 4-12-5-3

Museum Walk Apt for Summer 1/1 in 2/2 townhouse near campus. Fast bus rt, pvt balcony, walk-in closet, furn. W/D, pets ok. \$380/mo + utils. Call 239-229-7218 4-12-5-3

\$450. Female roommate for a sublease May - July 31st at Hidden Lake. Includes ALL utilities, cable, internet. Furnished, washer-dryer. Contact Leanna at 585-802-1548 4-20-11-3

1BR/1BA luxury apt. Sublease until end of summer. Cathedral ceilings, W/D, balcony, etc. Call for price. 786-402-1175 or rdboyrie@coraltrucking.com 4-20-11-3

Available immediately. 1BR/1BR in 3BR house. Close to campus. W/D, great roommate. \$0 down, \$340/mo, negotiable. Call Tim. 727-642-0136. 4-20-11-3

1bdm available in 3 bdrm starting May. No roommates. Unfurnished room, furnished apt. Must be clean. \$310/mo for 3 mos. Call Cristy 305-586-8570 4-12-5-3

Spyglass sublease avail May-July 31. 1BR/1BA fully furnished, all utilities included. \$600/mo neg kep sec dep. Call 352-377-7563 or email ccampise@ufl.edu. 4-20-11-3

Laurels sublease! May 1 - Aug 7. Huge 1BR/1BA in a 3/3 T/H. Private balcony, walk-in closet gym, tanning bed, gated community. All furniture for sale! Call 378-9597. 4-12-5-3

★DUCKPOND★ Sublease May & June. Huge room in historic Victorian home. \$315/mo, 3 blocks from downtown. 377-2373 4-20-11-3

University Commons Apts. Need male or female to move into complex. April 20 - August 20. Please call 352-514-2326 4-12-5-3

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## Subleases

#### APRIL RENT FREE

Fully furn 1BR/1BA at Melrose Student Suites. Avail now - Aug 15 (Aug Rent Free) \$350/mo. Call John 813-758-2471 4-12-5-3

#### ★★★\$200/mo OFF!★★★

Campus Lodge Apts. Furn pvt BR/BA \$350/mo May - Aug w/option to renew. Incl everything + internet + W/D. Near UF. Call Kelly 954-691-8944 4-12-5-3

Sublease @ The Exchange 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA Avail May thru Aug. Price reduction \$350/mo OBO. Fully furnished, utils incl. Call Tiffany 352-303-6130 4-12-5-3

Sublease @ The Exchange 1BR/1BA in 2BR/2BA. Avail May thru Aug. Price reduction \$350/mo OBO. Fully furnished utils incl. Call Edward 352-256-1890 4-12-5-3

SUMMER SUBLEASE @ GAINESVILLE PLACE 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA. Fully furn, all util incl, + monthly maid svc. May-Aug. \$350/mo MUST RENT. Call Stacy @352-219-2636 or TAP82@aol.com 4-12-5-3

Avail now-Aug 10. Melrose sublet. F roommate for 1pvt BR w/Pvt BA in 2BR apt. kitchen, balcony, W/D, e-net, pol. Close to UF on bus rte., 10 min to SFCC. \$509/mo - negotiable. 734-677-6044 4-12-5-3

#### ★★WALK TO CLASS★★

Summer sublease @ Courtyards. 1BR in 4BR townhouse. May-Aug. \$325/mo. NEGOTIABLE. Call Maggie 352-264-7847 4-20-10-3

#### HOT lease 4 a cool price!

Only \$325/mo. (util incl) for fully furn 1BR/1BA w/ W/D, dig cable (hbo+); hi spd internet, pool, ground floor loc. 2 RTS (covered). 377-2856 4-20-10-3

Great 2/2 in a 4/4 apt. in GAINESVILLE PLACE \$380/mo. May - Aug. Furn, everything included. Great location near campus. Pool, gym, sports. Call 315-857-7814 or ejok32@ufl.edu. 4-13-5-3

Downtown Arlington Square 1BR/1BA in a 3BR townhome. Sublease May-1/2 of Aug. W/D & pool incl Next to Starbucks & Hippodrome. \$400/mo + 1/3 utils. NEGOTIABLE. Call 352-262-1687 4-20-10-3

\$300/mo summer sublease, Countryside Apts 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA, furn, all utils incl. 407-221-8819 4-13-5-3

#### GREAT DEAL

Huge BR in 3BR/2BA apt. May-July \$300 + 1/3 util. Negotiable. It's a must see! Call Mark 239-994-4913 4-13-5-3

Great Summer Sublease! 3BR/3BA in gorgeous Hidden Lake. Min from UF, pool, gym, TV in kitchen, fully furnished. \$325/OBO. 371-6542 for more info. 4-13-5-3

2/2 Downtown- Arlington Square Sublet Anytime May - July 31. Reduced rent only \$761. No deposit. Cent A/C, big rooms, dishwasher, pool, laundry rm. Call 256-4207 4-20-10-3

#### LIVE WITH YOUR FRIENDS

Summer sublease 3BR/3BA apt. w/ pool, W/D, util incl. Avail May - Aug. Furnished! Rent neg. Call 843-290-5853 (bus route to campus) 4-20-10-3

College Manor studio available May 1 thru Aug 14. 1 block from campus. It includes all util, except cable/phone. \$459/mo. Call Gabriel at 786-200-4902 4-13-5-3

1BR/1BA in NW avail 5/2 \$440/mo for 3 mo sublease w/option to rent after. Large kitchen, walk downtown, pleasant area, front porch w/swing, on & off street park. 337-0695 4-20-9-3

Summer sublease in 4BR/2BA apt. \$335/mo negotiable. Furnished, incl cable, DSL optional. On 5 bus routes. Call 870-4638 4-18-7-3

Large 1BR/1BA in Oxford Manor. Price negotiable 1 1/2 mi from UF. Private gym. 2 pools. Excellent managment. Call 373-0803. Ask for Lauren or Aimee 4-20-9-3

Apt for sublease 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA Spyglass, 701 SW 62nd Blvd. Fully furn \$450/mo utils paid. Avail May thru July. W/D incl. Call 813-892-6872 4-14-5-3

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## Subleases

#### FREE RENT

Royal Village 2 blocks from campus, 1BR in 3BR/2BA, all amenities incl. Call 813-956-5421 4-14-5-3

SUMMER SUBLEASE at University Club. 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA apt. \$360/mo, incl utils, cable, ethernet, furn, W/D & more. Call 786-423-0445 4-12-3-3

Sublet 1BR/1BA in a 3BR furn apt. Summer A & B @ The Exchange \$480/mo. Call days 813-245-3259, eves 813-818-9398 4-20-9-3

Large BR in adoreable. 2BR house 5 blocks behind Swamp! \$425/mo utils inc. Avail May thru Aug. rawls012@aol.com, 407-625-8990 4-20-9-3

1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA apt. Sterling Univeristy Glads. Fully furn, utils incl. \$415/mo. Avail May thru July. Call 954-294-6379 4-13-4-3

SPANISH TRACE 1BR Avail May - July. Furnished or unfurnished. Rent Negotiable. 561-715-1857 4-20-9-3

#### ★★1 MONTH FREE - 3BR/3BA★★

Avail May thru Aug, w/opt to renew. \$352/mo ea. W/D, vaulted ceiling, bus rt & more. Stoneridge Apts. Email leti@ufl.edu. 4-20-9-3

#### 1BR/1BA LOFT TOWNHOUSE

May 1st thru July 31st. \$450/mo. Pool, alarm, pets ok. Near UF, VA & Shands. 3 bus rts. Call 352-202-8558, kellyuf@gmail.com 4-20-9-3

1BR/1BA apt at GAINESVILLE PLACE Avail May - Aug. Will give BARGAIN RATE. Call 954-755-0696 4-20-9-3

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## Subleases

1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA utilities incl also cable & highspeed internet avail. by May 1st at Cambridge at Gainesville. \$435 or neg. May - August. Washer/Dryer incl. 786-385-8186 4-14-5-3

1BR apt sublease May 1st (negotiable) thru July 30. Roof access, across from campus \$469/mo (negotiable). You keep \$250 sec dep. Call 214-3599 4-12-3-3

Sublet May - July. 2 rms avail in NE Gville house. \$250 + 1/3 bills. Rent 1 or both. Bkyd w/picnic table, grill & firepit. Cable & wireless. W/D. Easy bike to UF. Furn/unfurn opt. Isadora 682-1112, Chris 281-5270 4-12-3-3

Furn 1/1 of unocc 3/3 CAMPUS LODGE now-Aug. Enet, pool, gym, W/D, cable, water, basic elec incl. Renew opt w/choice of roommates poss. \$514 reduced to \$450/mo! Hurry! 772-231-4609, sallym8706@aol.com 4-18-7-3

Summer sublease May 1- July 31. 1BR/1BA \$325 NO DEPOSIT  
Call Erdem 336-0799 or 392-6780 or e-mail me at eacar@ufl.edu 4-15-5-3

SUMMER DEAL Male for summer sublease 1BR in 4BR apt/ W/D, behing Sorority Row. \$300/mo. Please call 305-335-9021 4-20-8-3

GAINESVILLE PLACE \$420/mo OBO. Fully furn, W/D. Utils, cable, internet incl. Call Rachel 352-359-3044 anytime 4-20-8-3

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**3 Subleases**

1BR/1BA in 3BR/2BA apt. Close to UF. Bike/bus. \$260/mo + 1/3 utils. For more info call Joy 954-614-4607 or 352-377-6918 4-20-8-3

WALK TO CAMPUS - \$245  
3 rooms available (indiv sublease)  
in 4br/2bath apt. May-Aug.  
Contact : Amy 954-854-7704  
Lena 954-559-4707 4-15-5-3

Summer Sublease Lexington Crossing \$350/mo everything included. Avail May 1st. 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA. Call 954-471-3052 or 352-271-2022 4-15-5-3

ACROSS FROM UF sublease at the Courtyards. All utilities incl, room 4 ft bigger than all the others. M/F, \$400/mo rent negotiable, May-Aug. 904-608-6815 4-15-5-3

WALK TO CAMPUS FOR CHEAP!  
\$1400 for WHOLE SUMMER NW 7th Ave fully furn 1BR in 4BR/2BA house. Cable, hi spd inet, util incl. Avail 4/29 NEGOTIABLE. Call Noel @ 352-375-4635 4-20-8-3

SUMMER SUBLEASE @ THE EXCHANGE 2BR/2BA in 4BR/4BA, only 1 roommate. Furn, everything incl. Call Marissa, 954-295-1012 or Erin, 303-829-3877 4-15-5-3

Sublease @ Gainesville Place, 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA. Furn, all utils, cable, internet incl. Several amenities. Rent negotiable. Call 954-234-1351 4-13-3-3

CAMPUS LODGE Nicest apt @ UF. 2BR/2BA all utils, fully furn, May to Aug. Very clean. Gated community, screened patio. Quiet. Call 372-3788. 4-15-5-3

Live w/a friend not a stranger! 1 or 2 BRs in 2BR/2BA @ Cambridge Apts. All furn & utils incl. Great location. May thru Aug. \$450/mo per BR/OBO!! Call Tracy, 305-726-7970 4-20-8-3

LUXURY APT  
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 4-20-7-3

★★★ 1BR/1 BA \$300/mo ★★★  
Everything incl, furn w/qn bed, desk, W/D + pooltable in apt in 3/3 Madison Pointe. May thru Aug. Jesse 954-240-2440 4-15-4-3

●●●●● Summer Sublease University Commons 1/1 in a 2/2, all utilities included. \$330/negotiable, furnished. Call ASAP 305-962-0995 4-20-7-3

**YOU GET \$300 IN CASH!!!**  
1BR in 4bBR Courtyards for \$350/mo. female. 0.35 mi to campus. Call Jessie 386-383-8562 4-20-7-3

Large 1BR/1BA in a 3BR/3BA in Stoneridge Apts. Rent only \$340/mo + 1/3 utils. OBO May to Aug Call 871-2426 4-14-3-3

Apt for Summer A & B sublease. 1BR in 4BR/2BA furn University Glades Apt \$290/mo all utils incl. (originally \$435) M/F for all female apt. Call 386-212-9042 4-20-7-3

● \$250/month ● 1BR in 2 story home, walk to UF, includes additional office space, DSL, furnished or non. Avail Summer B or C. Tree lined neighborhood. 262-5334 4-20-7-3

Hidden Lake Apt sublease 2BR/2BA. Furn/ unfurn, great pool, free tanning, gym, comp room, free cable, etc. Call Lauren at 863-412-7246 4-13-2-3

1BR/1BA in 2BR/2BA at Melrose Apts from AUG 05 to AUG 06, \$509/mo. \$250 move-in incentive, with housing scholarships available at Melrose. 803-535-9523 4-20-7-3

HEY LOOK! 1/1 in 4/4 Gainesville Place May-Aug - \$490/month but neg. Clean apt, friendly ppl, cool deco interior - Everything included + maid & bus to campus. Call 305-494-2002 4-20-7-3

CHEAP RENT! FREE FURNITURE! Summer sublease @ The Landings. 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA avail May-Aug, rent negotiable, I'll give you my furniture. 407-719-9843 4-15-4-3

Campus Club May to Aug. \$400/mo NEGOTIABLE. 1BR/1BA in 4BR apt. Incl all utils. Fully furn, 32" TV, maid svc, hi-spd inet, Great place to live, only 5 min to UF. Call 561-317-9766 4-20-7-3

**3 Subleases**

2BR/1BA w/extra sink area, avail May 1. \$635/mo @ Piccadilly, pets welcome, all furniture for sale! 407-761-7761. Lease renews Aug 15. 4-20-7-3

**\$300/mo AUGUST FREE**  
Fully furn. May thru Aug 15th. Spacious 1BR/1BA in 4BR/4BA @ Melrose Apts. Utils incl. M/F. Call 786-859-1934 4-18-5-3

★THE EXCHANGE★  
2BR/2BA. Furnished. Great location. \$499/mo utils incl. Call 904-294-0389 5-5-8-3

U Club Apts: 1/1 in 4/4. Friendly, clean roommates. Nice furniture. \$395/mo for everything, neg. Call Megan 907-232-6610 4-18-5-3

Homestead Apt Sublease  
Now thru July 31st. Renewal optional. 2BR/2BA, W/D hook up, pool, gym, bus stops, laundromat, pets ok, \$679/mo. Please call 378-2699 or 317-4507 4-18-5-3

**GET YOUR OWN APT!**  
Large 1BR/1BA Univ/13th Avail May 1st - July 31st, option to renew. Close to campus. Furn option. Call 954-401-3203 \$500/mo. 4-20-7-3

**4 Roommates**

Roommate Matching HERE  
Oxford Manor 377-2777  
The Landings 336-3838  
The Laurels 335-4455  
Cobblestone 377-2801  
Hidden Lake 374-3866  
4-20-71-4

Female roommate for one/two female UF students. Quiet. Responsible. 60 second walk to UF. Old house charm with all amenities. Avail Now. \$400 - up. 352-538-2181. Lv message. Private Owner 4-20-71-4

Female roommates wanted brand new 2100 sq ft home. Huge pool, pvt fence, minutes to UF. Internet, HBO cable, sec alarm & utils incl \$525/mo. Avail Fall. Call Jacqueline 352-395-7462 or 941-780-3526 4-20-71-4

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1-(877)-For-Rent (367-7368) 4-20-71-4

M/F NS Grad student/professional wanted to rent furn room in gorgeous new house 1.5 mi to Shands. Kitchen, LR, laundry \$425+ utils 336-5450 or 954-646-1341 4-20-71-4

Grad, upperclassman, or prof to share spacious new 3BR/2BA house. Internet & cable incl. Must be neat, clean & responsible. \$450 or 425/mo + 1/2 utils. Short or long term avail. 262-3989 4-20-38-4

2BR/1BA SW 5th Ave by Credit Union/ Norman Hall/hospital/buses for city/UF. Laundry/AC/furniture/c-fans. \$300 + half util. Quiet/considerate F/M? Call 337-9746 4-12-25-4

Avail May 2 rooms in lg house, 1 blk from 13th & University, \$300 + split util, sec dep, NS, no pets. Contact sor20@yahoo.com or leave message at 352-870-7256 4-20-28-4

1 Female, responsible, NS, student wanted for 3BR/2BA house. A/C, W/D, pet friendly, close to UF & SFCC, 1st & last mo rent. \$300/mo + 1/3 utils. Call Liz 352-339-5463 4-12-20-4

2BR avail in 4BR/4BA condo in Countryside. W/D in apt, 32" TV, walk-in closets, pool, gym, e-net \$400/mo incl electric & cable. 1 MONTH FREE W/LEASE 305-944-3600 4-20-26-4

Avail NOW Great location 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA, Washer and dryer, high spd internet, \$308/mo + util. Females only, please call Lauren @ 352-799-3726 lv message. 4-12-20-4

★★4 BLOCKS TO CAMPUS★★  
Large house w/pool, wood floors, big rooms. 2BRs available Aug 1st. Wireless. \$450/mo + utils ea. Corey 904-234-5214 or 352-373-9015 4-15-20-4

**4 Roommates**

Unfurn BR for rent in brand new, spacious condo w/2 female UF students. NW 55th St. Call Lisa for details @ 352-514-1763 4-20-19-4

★SUMMER SPECIAL \$275/mo★  
Female(s) for 1-2 BR in 3/2 house near UF, Shands & VA. Pets ok, furn opt. Avail now. Jennifer 371-6228 please leave message. 4-18-16-4

2M roommates needed for 3BR Millpond townhs fully furn; king beds, hi spd net, cable, W/D, pool, near UF, on UF bus rt, \$450 & 1/3 util, Chris 407-340-8585 or email csmith3672@aol.com 4-20-18-4

ROCKWOOD VILLAS  
\$350/mo + 1/3 utils. 2BR/2BA avail in 3BR/3BA townhouse. Wood floors, washer/dryer, high-speed internet. Call Colleen 954-857-5297 4-12-10-4

2 Female Roommates in 4/2 house in quiet NW neighborhood large yard, sunroom. NS/drug. Must be clean and responsible \$400 + 1/4 util. Email 123daisy@excite.com 4-20-16-4

Female wanted. Prof, college student, NS, 2BR/1BA 1300 sq ft \$380/mo W/D, incl. Close to UF & Duckpond. Avail 6/1 Ask for Michelle 813-997-6600 4-12-10-4

2 females looking for a 3rd in a beautiful 3BR/3BA condo located in prime residential area. 15 min from UF. Close to park-n-ride. Large kitchen & living room, patio, internet, cable TV & W/D, community pool. \$450/mo 727-399-0574 4-12-10-4

NS, mature, responsible, upper classman or grad student for own room & bath in large quiet home only 8 blocks north of campus. Rent incl all utils, W/D, wireless & cable. \$500/mo 727-433-0229 4-20-16-4

Roommate Wanted:  
Large 2/1 apartment on 13th next to Norman Hall. \$320/mo plus 1/2 utilities, lease from July - July. Female preferred, cool person required. 514-6408 or murraymd@ufl.edu 4-20-15-4

Loft BR \$250/mo big old house in NW. Remodeled, hardwood flrs, new kitchen & baths, great yard, close to UF. Great roommates, DSL, good parking. Stephanie 371-9409 4-13-10-4

Female roommate needed for NW 39th Ave home. \$475/mo, all utilities incl, internet, fully furnished, private BR, W/D. Avail. ASAP 870-5291 4-20-15-4

Female Roommates Needed for 3BR/2BA house. Pets welcome! Everything included in \$450 rent! Furn available, wireless internet, digital cable, W/D and much more. Please call Kathryn @ 352-367-9376 or 352-246-3553 4-14-10-4

Roommate needed to share beautiful 3/2 house in NW Gainesville. Min to UF. Fully furn, pets welcome. Huge fenced yard, W/D, DW. Available immediately. Vicky at 386-848-5620 4-14-10-4

Room in NW home. \$325/mo incl utils & DSL. No pets, mature male non-drinker/smoker. Avail 5/1/05 (flex) Scott 335-8209 4-15-10-4

M/F NS grad student/prof for room in 3BR/2BA house near Vet School & Shands. Lease expires 7/31. \$350/mo neg + 1/3 utils. Call Josh 372-0860 4-20-12-4

2 ROOMS OPEN ap. \$85/p/S. small apt. one person or 2 \$85 p/w one \$100. For 2. All full cable W/M. 2 miles out Hawthorn Rd. For details pager 202-7074 or Mess. #376-0384 4-12-5-4.

**5 BLOCKS TO UF**  
Own BR/BA in 2BR townhouse. \$375/mo + 1/2 utils. W/D, hi-spd internet, M or F. Avail May 1. 305-962-6102 4-20-11-4

10 MIN WALK TO CAMPUS  
M/F undergrad to share spacious 2BR/2BA on Archer Rd. Clubhouse, pool \$300 + 1/2 utils. Avail May. Call Peter 352-871-0471 4-12-5-4

**4 Roommates**

Female Roommate Wanted  
MILL RUN Condo - SW 20th  
Available May 5th, 2BR/2.5 BA,  
on Bus Route, Washer & Dryer,  
Newly Renovated, Prefer upperclassmen/  
grad students. \$450 incl utils 904-268-3249  
4-12-5-4

2/2 avail in beautiful large house located in quiet neighborhood. Avail for the summer beginning May 1. Call 352-246-4519 or 352-376-4421. N/S, neat, preferred. 6-2-19-4

2 lg BRs in pvt hm w/2 UF students, (M,F) 10 min to Shands & UF. \$450/mo (incl \$50/mo twds utils). W/D, pool & tennis, DSL, cable. No pets. NS, avail after 7/1 &/or 8/15. Call 561-866-7958 4-12-5-4

Females for all rooms in beautiful fully furn Univ Terr 4BR/4BA Walk-in closets. Great location 2 bus rts. 1 year lease. \$425/mo incl utils, wireless internet, W/D. Bring your friends & call 954-592-0521 4-12-5-4

Rockwood Villas  
Female wanted for 1BR/1BA in 3BR/3BA starting May. Furnished, W/D, wireless high spd internet, pool. \$450/mo. Util incl. 352-377-6865 4-13-5-4

M or F to share house for summer and/or fall. Move in ASAP. Furnished, includes all amenities. 2 mi to UF. \$500/mo incl everything. 352-378-0329 4-20-10-4

Female for own BR in nice 3BR house off NW 8th Ave, 3 mi from UF on bus rte. Tile/hardwood, fenced yard, \$300/mo + 1/3 GRU & HS Internet - digital cable, avail May 1, 381-5597 4-20-10-4

Room avail now in 3/2 house by lake & woods. Cent AC, W/D, lg yard, artspace, dsl, gr8 kitchen, pets. We seek easy-going roomie \$300/mo + shared bills., sec dep. 384-1431 4-13-4-4

F vet student seeking F, NS for brand new fully furn 2BR/2BA home. Avail immed. Optional renewal for fall. \$425/mo + 1/2 utils. Call 561-707-1503 or gatorgrt@ufl.edu. 5-10-9-4

Room in 2.2 in Sparrow Condos on Tower Rd. \$375 flat rate incl utils, DSL, sat TV & phone. Private bath & balcony. Girls only. 352-359-2382 or katschu@ufl.edu 4-15-5-4

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Looking for roommate to rent master BR in nice, clean, relaxed environment. New wood floors & appliances, no move-in or application fees. \$350 + 1/3 utils. Call Ryan 850-261-3571 4-20-8-4

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# Country Crusher

## UF sophomore zeroes in on home-run mark

By **TIM CASEY**  
Alligator Writer  
tcasey@alligator.org

Can you really blame him?  
Can you dog UF sophomore Matt LaPorta for jacking home runs like it's his job?

Not really. LaPorta has been saddled with the expectations of a power hitter since he first picked up a baseball bat.

"I've been in that role ever since I was a little kid," LaPorta said. "In Little League ball, I was the youngest kid on the team and I was hitting the most home runs."

Growing up in Port Charlotte, the first baseman said he was always the big guy, so he never had a choice in the matter.

"I just was blessed," LaPorta said. "I've always been big. I've always had a big frame and stood out."

LaPorta leads the Gators with 12 home runs, second in the Southeastern Conference, while his 41 RBI lead the conference.

But despite the numbers, the slugger says he doesn't overemphasize weightlifting. Instead, LaPorta prefers simpler exercises that build strength while not limiting flexibility.

"It's just something God has given you," LaPorta said. "Last year, I was just a big kid. I was just country-strong, country-big."

Country strength helped him earn honors as a first-team Freshman All-American last season.

"I don't think I benched over 200 last year," LaPorta said. "I don't do bench press bars, I use dumbbells. I use a couple of 100s. You can get power by lifting weights, but there's always been something about the ability that God gave me that sticks out."

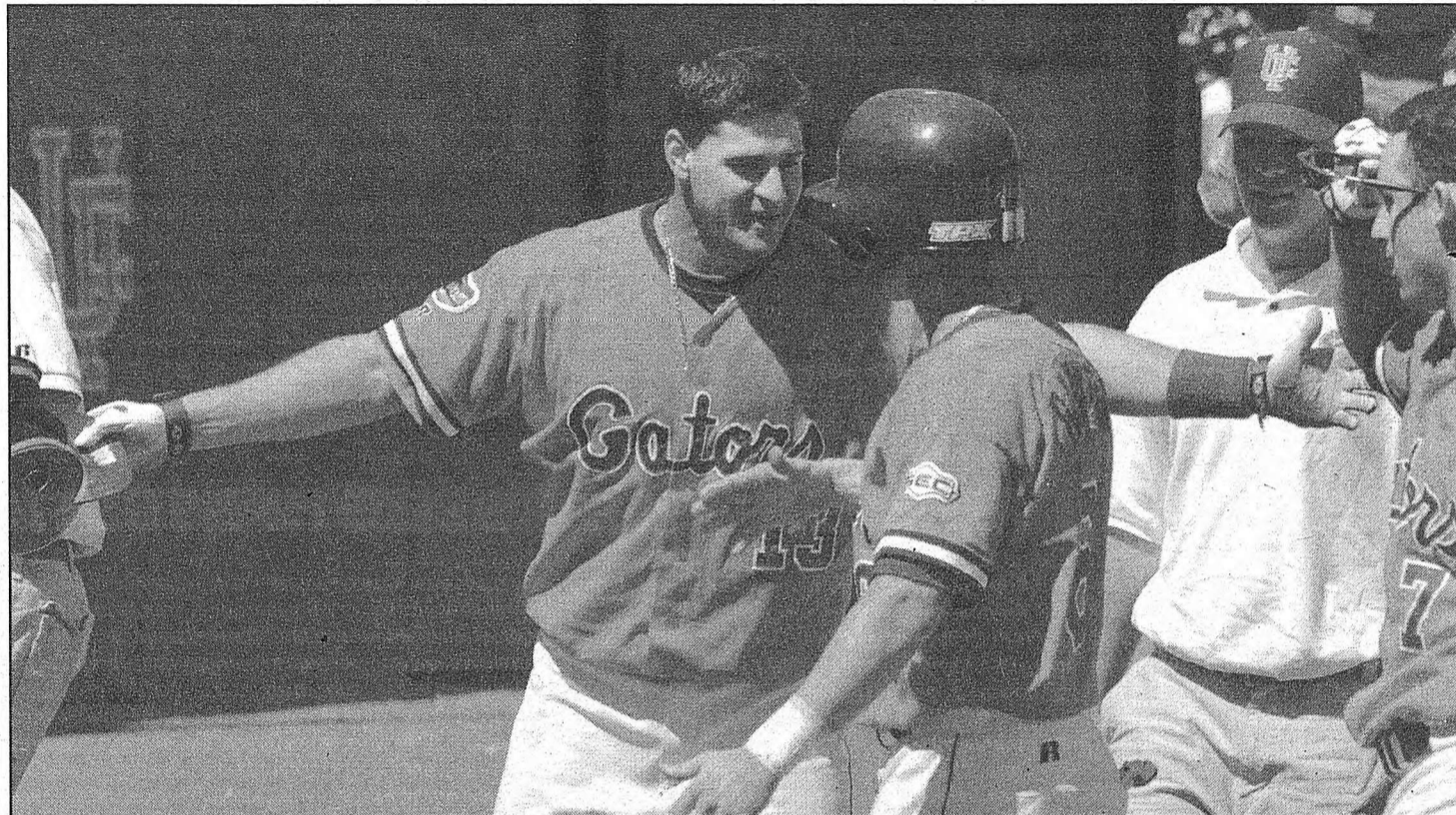
LaPorta has an intimidating appearance. With burly shoulders and a broad jaw, he looks like someone you wouldn't want to run into in a dark alley.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

He's more likely to be found in the batting cage of McKethan Stadium late at night. After a disappointing 0-for-5 performance with three strikeouts in a win against Florida A&M, he lingered in the batting cage until security officers asked him to leave after 1 a.m.

"The day is so short," LaPorta said. "I try to get to bed by 9:30 or 10:00 so I can get up in the morning and go hit."

LaPorta is quiet and humble by nature. He doesn't stay out late at night. Rather, he wakes



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First baseman Matt LaPorta has his sights set on UF's single-season home run record. With 12 home runs already, LaPorta has 22 regular-season games left to break the record of 23 homers.

up early to take extra batting practice.

"During spring practice, we had to work out at 7 a.m., so my buddy and I made sure we were here by 5:45 a.m. so we could hit for an hour in the cage," LaPorta said.

The buddy he speaks of is another power

**"It's just something God has given you. Last year, I was just a big kid."**

**I was just country-strong, country-big."**

— Matt LaPorta, UF first baseman

hitter, freshman Bryson Barber.

Although LaPorta is a sophomore, he has more experience than half of his teammates, so players turn to him for leadership.

"I want to see everybody succeed because if everybody succeeds, we have a chance to go pretty far," LaPorta said.

Religion plays a central role in his weekly schedule, a theme that is constantly on his mind. Before he steps into the batter's box, he draws a cross in the dirt with his bat.

"Monday nights, we have a Bible study we go to," LaPorta said. "It's like an athlete Bible study, set up by Matt Kynes, a quarterback on the football team, and one of the pole vaulters, Dara [Altman]. We do that every Monday night, and on Wednesday we do [Fellowship of Christian Athletes]."

LaPorta is relatively new to his position. He started one game at first base last season and was drafted as a catcher by the Chicago Cubs in the 14th round of the 2003 draft.

"It's a new position for Matt, and he's working hard to get better," McMahan said.

LaPorta played third base and pitched as a freshman in

high school, then transferred to Charlotte High. The coaches there told him he'd have to switch to catcher if he was going to see any playing time, so the position change at UF wasn't anything new.

"Since he's working so hard to get better, he's starting to see the results," McMahan said.

LaPorta boasts a fielding percentage of .986, registering just five errors in 353 chances. To put that in perspective, C.J. Smith, last season's star first baseman, finished with a .987 fielding percentage and was drafted by the Baltimore Orioles last summer. LaPorta hopes to join Smith in the professional ranks, saying it's been on his mind since he was a little kid.

"Matt has very high expectation levels for himself and that's good," McMahan said.

LaPorta will be at UF for at least one more season after this year and could very well break the single-season home run and RBI records.

LaPorta continues swinging for the single-season home run record mark of 23. He is averaging one home run for every 10 at-bats, or slightly more than one every two games.

LaPorta has 22 regular-season games remaining, not including the SEC Tournament and NCAA playoffs, to surpass the record. Ryan Shealy last hit 23 home runs in 2002, which tied former UF star Brad Wilkerson's record set in 1997 and 1998.

Wilkerson, now playing for the Washington Nationals, says he welcomes any challenge.

"Records are made to be broken," Wilkerson said. "If somebody can step it up and do that, I'd be happy for them. I think guys focus sometimes too much on the home run and hitting the ball hard sometimes."

LaPorta is excited about where his talent may take him.

"I've always been able to hit the ball hard," LaPorta said. "When I hit, sometimes people tell me they're in awe. My dad's always been saying, 'If you can hit, you can make it. Bottom line.' They'll find somewhere for you to play if you can hit."

Except for some security guards, they'll never turn him away in Gainesville.

## GYMNASTICS

# Gymnasts to face Georgia again in championships

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It seems only appropriate that after they've split four meets this season, UF and Georgia would get to duel one more time.

And thanks to the NCAA draw, they'll get that chance.

The No. 7 Gators were selected to compete in the second session of the NCAA Championships, beginning April 21. Joining them are No. 2 UCLA, No. 4 Alabama, No. 9 Iowa State, No. 13 Brigham Young and the aforementioned No. 5 Georgia squad that UF soundly defeated at Saturday's Southeast Regionals.

UF's new mentality was reflected in the strong performance it put together in that victory.

"How they performed was exactly what we had really fo-

cused on since we came back from SECs," UF coach Rhonda Faehn said. "I told them from the beginning that the performance [at SECs] would not be considered a failure if we learned from those mistakes."

While past performances may not be indicative of future results, the Gators do have experience with the four teams they will battle.

UF is 2-2 against Georgia and defeated Alabama at the Super Six Challenge and a regular season home meet before falling at the SEC Championships. UCLA defeated the Gators the same night the Bruins posted the nation's highest score this season.

"It's a new day when we get there," Georgia coach Suzanne Yoculan said after Saturday's competition. "The SEC Championship title didn't mean squat tonight, and tonight doesn't mean squat in two weeks at the national champion-

ships."

UF won the meet despite missing a couple of key components.



Lutz

Co-captain Samantha Lutz was limited to competing on the uneven bars after tweaking her back in practice last week, causing her to miss almost an entire week of training. She was back on the balance beam Monday.

The ankle injury Savannah Evans suffered on Saturday turned out to be less severe than initially thought. She is already off crutches and worked out lightly with the team on Monday.

"She's doing much better than we had first anticipated," Faehn said. "It's considered a mild sprain and she's been given the green light for possibly NCAAs."



# Four Tennessee, Georgia football players arrested

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### Meyer pleased with results

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outside of practice to help them understand offensive strategies, Leak shied from barraging them with motivational choice words on the field.

Besides, as an underclassman, who was he to tell a group of juniors and seniors how to live?

“As a young player, you have a lot of older guys, a lot of seniors on the team,” Leak said. “The main thing you want to do is lead by example. That’s the type of leader I am.”

Meyer described Leak’s leadership qualities to him in another way during the many frank discussions he and his quarterback shared.

“Every time I confronted him, he would always come back and say, ‘I don’t do that,’” Meyer said. “I said, ‘Fine. It’s just reinforcing the fact that you’re an extremely poor leader.’”

Leak, however, didn’t take offense to Meyer’s criticism.

“That’s just part of growing as a leader,” Leak said. “Michael Jordan had to do it – Joe Montana, all those guys. That’s just part of being a leader of this team.”

Baker will say Leak remains the same father-like figure he has been the past two seasons. But Meyer said Leak finally appears to be growing into that leadership role, much like former Utah quarterback Alex Smith did going into his junior year.

Meyer even said Leak has progressed into a “terrific leader” compared to where he was only two months ago.

In February, he explained, Leak only concentrated on perfecting his own game and maintaining his own work ethic. Now Meyer witnesses his top quarterback “jump someone’s tail” when he runs the wrong route.

“Chris will find out he’s a better player if the other guys hold up their end of the bargain,” Meyer explained. “I mean, how could you not respond to Chris Leak?”

### Former UF players take in spring game

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**BRINGING IT ALL BACK HOME:** The sidelines on Saturday looked like a reunion for former Gators greats.

The likes of Danny Wuerffel, Chris Doering and Kerwin Bell were having a good laugh with UF’s current players.

“A former football player is not just a regular guy,” Meyer said. “We encourage all those guys to come back. It doesn’t take much — either a phone call

or 37 cents for a stamp is all.”

The alumni haven’t always felt so welcomed, though.

“Even if I had the time, I would not have been around the program because Ron Zook was not a good coach,” former UF defensive end Alex Brown told The Florida Times-Union. “I didn’t like the way he did things, and I’m not the only former player who felt that way.”

Doering, a former standout at wide receiver, revealed that it was actually Meyer who asked him to come back.

“Yeah, Meyer has made an effort to get a hold of all of us,” Doering said. “He introduced us to all the players and coaches. It’s nice to feel a part of what they’re trying to put together now.”

Wuerffel, UF’s quarterback during its 1996 championship season, thought this UF team could bring similar greatness.

“There were a lot of points scored today,” he said. “This offense sure is fun to watch. Am I still a Gator fan? Oh man, I’m as big as they come.”

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unique and innovative.”

■ Guess who’s finally healthy and ready to break out? The Marlins’ Josh Beckett, the 2003 World Series MVP, is injury-free and playing like the phenom everyone expected to see last year. If the season ended today, I’d vote Beckett the Cy Young Winner — and Toronto would edge New York and Boston for the AL East crown.

■ A Southern California newspaper retracted a story claiming steroid use ended Bo Jackson’s

career. It wasn’t all bad for Jackson, because Bo knows multi-million dollar libel settlements.

■ On a more serious note, condolences go out to the families of: AFL lineman Al Lucas who died of a spinal cord injury suffered in an arena game, the Pope, Johnnie Cochran, and Macaulay Culkin’s manhood which, according to recent testimony, was taken away by Michael Jackson years ago.

That’s all for this edition of Drew’s Control. For you true sports fanatics, I’m in the Finals of my fantasy basketball league this week, so if you’re interested, e-mail me and I’ll give you daily updates.

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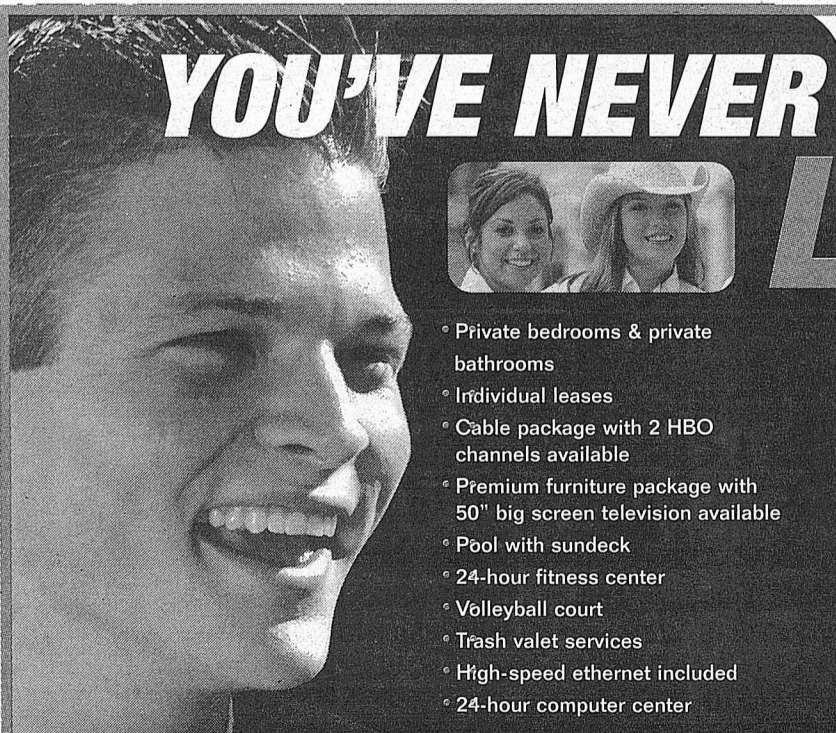
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# Unsafe at any Speed

## Bats causing controversy

By FARZAD SAFI

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Once the true national pastime, baseball was a game that father and son would share in their backyard.

Today, baseball seems to have lost some of its charm, encountering one controversy after another.

But one topic seems to get little attention, although there are a small but growing number of critics calling for its demise.

The ongoing debate as to whether aluminum bats — used by every college team in the NCAA, lower-level minor league baseball teams, and high schools and Little League teams all around the nation — have enhanced or degraded the once-proud sport.

### Head-to-head matchup

Aluminum bats were first introduced in 1974 to baseball at the collegiate (but not professional) level. Wooden bats were abandoned partially because many college programs around the country could not afford to play with wood.

Few certainties exist in this debate, but one of them is that wooden bats break much easier than their aluminum counterparts.

"There are major differences between the two," UF coach Pat McMahon said. "Wood bats can be more difficult for a weaker hitter to succeed with."

If anyone knows about the science of hitting, it is UF assistant coach Tim Parenton.

"It's easy to see that the sweet spot on aluminum bats is bigger by about 2.5 inches than on wood," he said.

Critics of college baseball say that aluminum bats pad hitting statistics and make for video game-like scores.

Both UF coaches even agree that aluminum bats could, in fact, take a .250 hitter and make him into a .350 hitter.

Sophomore catcher Brian Jeroloman has competed with both and revealed why he thinks the increase in averages occur.

"If you get jammed with a wooden bat, your bat will just break," Jeroloman said. "But if you get jammed with an aluminum bat you can still hit the ball out of the park."

### Bearing the aluminum cross

Pro-aluminum and anti-aluminum camps go far beyond just the fans. There are many spokesmen who are ardently for or against aluminum, and the debate even reaches the nation's capital. Two of the most outspoken members of the anti-aluminum movement include Jack Mackay and Bill Thurston.

Mackay, a former designer for Louisville Slugger — one of the most successful bat companies in the world — worked there from 1986 until 1997 but left the company for intriguing reasons.

"Little did I know that when I designed those bats that we would end up with something that was simply

lethal," Mackay said.

A man on the inside of it all, Mackay resigned because he thought his company's product was becoming too dangerous. The demand for bats that could hit balls farther and faster caused him and an associate great concern.

Thurston, currently Amherst College's baseball coach, was the former editor of the NCAA's baseball rules committee.

Thurston resigned after 14 years in that position because he felt the NCAA did not care enough about player safety. After being around baseball for more than a quarter century, he feels the game is losing its tradition and sanctity.

On the other side of the debate are the bat companies themselves. Rick Redman, the company spokesman for Louisville Slugger, believes the facts just aren't there to incriminate aluminum.

"Aluminum bats have definitely enhanced the game of baseball," Redman said. "They help kids hit the ball better. Kids quit because they can't hit well enough. Aluminum bats let kids have more fun playing and help them from quitting."

Redman firmly believes aluminum bats are neither unsafe nor cheat the game of baseball. So do they make a big difference?

An exhibition game seems to say yes. This spring, the Florida Marlins played the collegiate Miami Hurricanes in an exhibition match. To make it "even," the Hurricanes were allowed to use their aluminum bats while the Marlins used wood. The Marlins fell to the Hurricanes 9-7.

Cincinnati Reds closer and former Hurricane Danny Graves also thinks aluminum makes a difference.

"I would never pitch to anyone with an aluminum bat. That's crazy," Graves told The Chicago Tribune. "I'd ask for the day off or I'd be like a slow-pitch softball player. Pitch, then run back 10 feet."

### NCAA conspiracy?

From 1974 until 1998, the NCAA had no problem with aluminum bats.

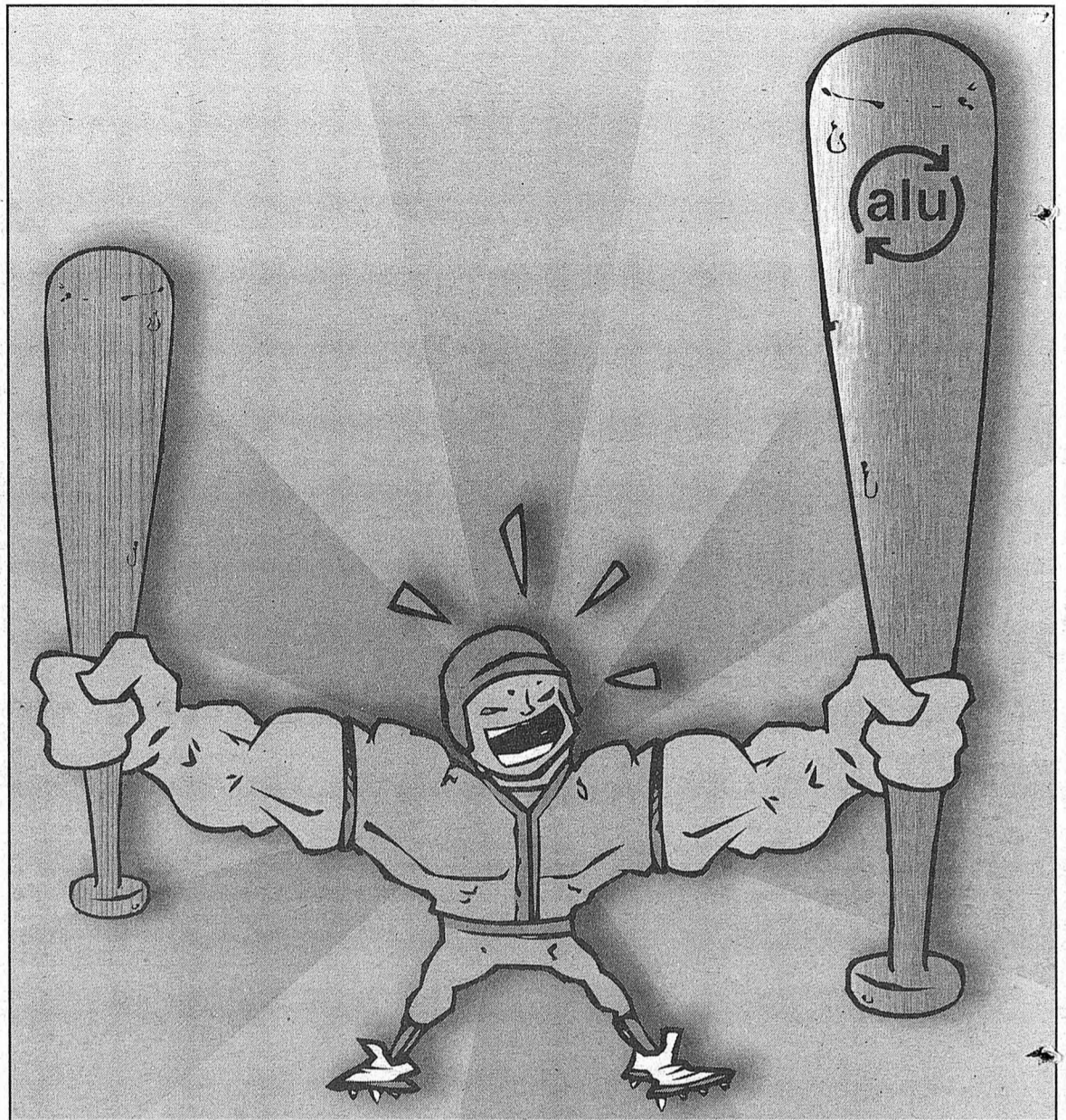
Then in 1998, things got out of hand. Southern California defeated Arizona State 21-14 in the College World Series Final. The Series saw a whopping 62 home runs in just 14 games.

"That year, bats had become basically like tennis rackets," McMahon said.

The NCAA finally decreed that aluminum bats had become too powerful. Regulations dictated how aluminum bats could be made and regulated the Ball Exit Speed Ratio.

Bats had to be constructed so that balls did not come off faster than 97 mph. The critics were left unappeased. Thurston said there was much more going on than the public knew about.

"There are clear ties between the NCAA and the major bat companies," Thurston said. "I resigned from my position because the



NCAA changed results and covered up data that made aluminum bats legal when they should have been made illegal."

The purist even took the NCAA to court.

Mackay, the former bat designer, also expressed his regrets.

"Every time a kid gets hit by a ball from an aluminum bat they seem to get a fractured skull," Mackay said. "It doesn't take a rocket scientist to see what we did was wrong."

### A dangerous game

The debate over aluminum bats even caught the eye of politician Ralph Nader. The activist created "League of Fans," a sports industry watchdog that works to expose unethical business practices.

"The MLB would never allow aluminum bats because they don't want players and fans being killed or mutilated," League of Fans Director Shawn McCarthy said. "These high-tech bats are not tools — they are weapons."

Louisville Slugger maintains that their products are safe and the evidence against them is suspect.

"There are people who are against aluminum and these people have vested interests of their own," Redman said. "Their arguments are based on anecdotal evidence and not facts."

McCarthy believes it is the batting companies who have these vested interests.

"These companies give coaches free bats or tens of thousands of dollars a year," McCarthy said.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission, in Washington, D.C., conducted experiments to see if aluminum bats posed more of a hazard.

"I can't say that aluminum bats are more dangerous than wooden bats," CPSC Public Affairs Specialist Lizzie Garry said. "We don't have sufficient data to prove that."

"As a mother there is danger associated any time a ball and a bat are involved," she said. "I don't think the material of the bat matters that much."

UF senior pitcher Tommy Boss has spent a lot of time on the mound and would be first in line for an accident.

"If you're scared of being hit as a pitcher, you're already beat," Boss said. "If you get hit, you just have to get the ball and tag the guy out at first. Then you can let it hurt. It's just part of the game."

### Constant tragedies

The headlines are depressing. In 1997, an errant hit from an aluminum bat killed a California child.

In 1999, Oklahoma City high school pitcher Jeremy Brett's skull collapsed after a similar hit. He sued Louisville Slugger and a jury awarded him \$100,000 on the grounds that the company's product was unsafe.

Then there is the intriguing story

of New York native Anthony Ricci.

"He was playing third and the ball just came at him too fast," Anthony's mother, Jackie, said. "The ball tipped off his glove and hit him in the mouth."

"He went to the emergency room and the accident has caused permanent damage. His [alveolar] ridge is fractured for the rest of his life and his teeth are literally rotting in his mouth now."

Despite such a horrific event, Jackie said her loved ones still play baseball.

"I wished everyone would play with wood because of safety," she said. "But I have to admit that our family still uses aluminum bats."

### The current state

Anthony has played baseball long enough to see the overall picture.

"Baseball is about more than just hitting home runs," Anthony said. "It's about strategy, tradition and teamwork. Aluminum bats just make selfish players who want to hit a home run every time they step up to the plate."

Aluminum bats give fans the home runs and offensive outbursts they lust after, but Anthony said baseball might have lost something.

"Aluminum bats are an enhancement that is unnecessary," Anthony said. "Sure, they add to each individual's skill level, but they take away from the game as a whole."



## Leak continues to improve as leader

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Junior Dallas Baker can remember the first time he felt the wrath of Chris Leak.

During a January workout, the wide receiver tried to steal a cheap chuckle at Leak's expense by pouring water in the unwitting quarterback's shoes.

"That was the first time I actually really heard him talk," Baker said. "He wasn't too upset about it. He was laughing. He laughs a lot. It's easy to get Chris to laugh."

But Coach Urban Meyer, for one, doesn't find Leak's quiet, easygoing nature too humorous.

If the Gator Nation would've elected a president at the beginning of spring practices, it's safe to say Meyer wouldn't have cast a ballot for his offensive ace.

"There's a misunderstanding of what leadership is," said Meyer following Saturday's Orange and Blue Game. "Chris Leak [was] an extremely poor leader when I first got here."

To Meyer, leadership isn't studying game film and playbooks like a molecular engineer. To Meyer, leadership is more than leading the Southeastern Conference in passing in a first full season as



Nick West / Alligator Staff

Quarterback Chris Leak is the arm that runs UF's offense. Behind the scenes, however, Leak has worked to shed his quiet nature and become a more vocal leader.

a starter.

"The supreme function of a leader is to set a standard and make sure everyone lives up to that standard, and he wasn't leading," Meyer said. "He was living right, but he wasn't be-

ing a good leader."

On the field, Meyer needed a player to get in the heads of his teammates by getting in their faces. Off the field, he sought an enforcer for his "Live Right" policy to curb

the embarrassing trend of late-night altercations the Gators suffered the last two seasons.

Leak provided neither.

While he often would personally work with receivers

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## Washington finds favor with Meyer

■ **COACH TOLD THE LINEMAN HE'S HIS RIGHT-HAND MAN.**

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Tavares Washington will not be in this year's Heisman race.

Neither will the senior offensive lineman fill the big shoes left by Channing Crowder or Ciatrick Fason.

He is, however, one of Coach Urban Meyer's favorite players because of his leadership.

"Tavares is a guy who, when I have an issue, I always go to him," Meyer said.

The 6-foot-4, 311-pound senior is relatively unknown to fans but renowned in the

locker room.

"Coach told me that I was his guy and his right-hand man," Washington said. "It feels great knowing he trusts me, and I try to live up to that."

Being a leader doesn't necessarily constitute statistics either.

After Saturday's Orange and Blue Game, Washington's name only appeared on the stats sheet once: showing he was a starter for the Orange squad.

However for Meyer, leadership means so much more than an impressive box score.

"A leader is a guy who sets the example and gets everyone else to live up to it," Meyer said. Washington is a very unlikely candidate for the job, as he has only started two games in his career at UF. However, he

"I'm the type who hangs with everybody and knows all the guys personally. When I talk, they listen to me. That is what makes me a leader."

**Tavares Washington**  
UF offensive lineman

already possesses all the tools that a "Meyer guy" could have.

"I'm the type who hangs with everybody and knows all the guys personally," Washington said. "When I talk, they listen to me. That is what makes me a leader."

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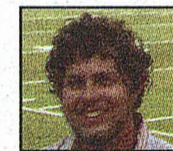
## Drew goes out-of-control

Call me the second coming of Nostradamus or one lucky whipper-snapper, but for the second consecutive year yours truly called the Masters winner in the Alligator Brand Picks Column™.

This time it came at the expense of a Gators great. You have to feel pity for Chris DiMarco.

DiMarco did everything right for three days, but a bloodthirsty Tiger Woods, seemingly tired of his blonde wife and ready to win majors again, came storming back on Sunday. A little luck of the black Taiwanese, and Tiger wins Green Jacket No. 4. DiMarco, once up four strokes on Sunday, settles for being the guy on the highlight tape who helped Tiger win his fourth Masters.

■ If you were wondering who was the biggest cancer on the Lakers (and



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who forced recovering cancer patient Rudy Tomjanovich to quit his head coaching gig after just a half-season in L.A.), it's awfully clear.

Shaquille O'Neal and the Miami Heat hold

the top record in the East and appear ready to win their first NBA title, while Kobe Bryant leads the NBA in pissing off his own teammates and turning a star-studded city into a bunch of Dodgers and Angels fans.

Now Phil Jackson's thinking about returning to this ugly picture.

Phil, if you're doing some real soul-searching and seriously thinking about a return to the Lakers, follow the advice Kobe learned so painfully: No means no!

■ Breaking news: Nearly 40,000 fans showed up to watch Urban Meyer brush his teeth and shave Monday morning. One fan said, "I quit my high-level executive job and flew in from New Jersey. Boy, was it worth it — Meyer's shaving stroke is really

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### INSIDE

■ Lots of leagues use them, so what's the big fuss? Farzad Safi examines the reasons why aluminum bats keep drawing so much controversy on page 23.

### I DID NOT KNOW THAT

■ UF softball sophomore right-hander Stacey Stevens has been named Southeastern Conference Pitcher of the Week.

### TODAY IN UF SPORTS HISTORY

■ 1997: The UF women's tennis team wins its 55th consecutive match by dominating Alabama 5-1. The Gators would wrap up the regular season 25-0, completing their second consecutive undefeated season and totaling 56 consecutive wins.

### QUOTABLE



"I don't trust this team, which is fine. If I came up here and said I trusted them after four months, then I'm not a very in-depth person."

Urban Meyer  
UF head football coach