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■ SOUTH CAROLINA KILLS GATORS' TITLE HOPES, 30-22.

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COLUMBIA, S.C. — Not even Dorothy's ruby slippers could have envisioned such a trip.

And Rhett Butler's cold shoulder toward Scarlett O'Hara paled in comparison to the way Steve Spurrier had just broken millions of endeared hearts.

Perhaps only 1939 — the year when "The Wizard of Oz" and "Gone with the Wind" premiered and the last time

South Carolina had defeated UF before Saturday — could help explain the magnitude of what had just transpired. The peculiarity of what had just unfolded.

Spurrier, Gainesville's ex-Golden Boy, cocked his coaching rifle and blasted his so-friendly fire at his former

team. And as Spurrier mingled among cheery members of his Gamecocks' fraternity, he uttered the ultimate sacrilege to a fellow fan:

"They don't own our asses anymore," said Spurrier after the Crow Heard Around the World, South Carolina's 30-22 upset of UF.

Gator Nation's former savior had ripped a chunk from its very foundation.

The inventor of Fun 'n' Gun had just Spread 'n' Shred UF's football innards on Williams-Brice Stadium's field.

A legion of 83,421 fans simultaneously performed the

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Art fest claims town

By **SHARILYN WISKUP**
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One plastic table with arts and crafts stood alone in 1988 when Craig Roland, UF associate professor of art education, organized the Imagination Station for creative children at Gainesville's Downtown Festival & Art Show this weekend.

After two hours, the craft table ran out of supplies. He was much better prepared this year — the crafts lasted through 14 hours and 1,500 children.

Around Gainesville "We have to add new projects, but we only have a limited amount of space to work with," Roland said.

The Imagination Station is one of 250 booths featuring art from local and national sources at this year's Downtown Festival & Art Show.

Art ranged from modern to tra-

ditional-style paintings, landscape and cultural photography and glass sculptures.

Chris Wentworth, a UF freshman, bought a small glass manatee for his mom.

"I'll probably give it to her for Thanksgiving," he said. "Then, maybe she'll give me more money."

For Wentworth, it was his first time at the show, but what watercolor artist Susan Chastain loved the most was seeing her loyal customers.

"They can always count on me being at this show and in this exact spot," she said. "I've been here for the past 10 years."

Chastain sold her first piece of art when she was 8 and won the City of Las Vegas watercolor contest.

"Everyone expected the work to be from a much older person," she said. "And that was when I knew I wanted to be an artist for the rest of my life."



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Lisa Lynne (left) and George Tortorelli play the Celtic harp and bamboo flute at the 24th Annual Downtown Festival & Art Show.

UF student's father detained for loud preaching on Plaza

■ HE WAS RELEASED AFTER ABOUT 30 MINUTES.

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A man preaching against what he called UF's "department of sodomy and immorality" was handcuffed and held in a University Police car Thursday near Turlington Plaza.

David Miller, 45, of Beverly Hills, Fla., was wearing an anti-"homo" pin in the style of a no-smoking sign when police responded to a complaint placed at about noon.

Miller defended his right to free speech to the officers, he said, and a UPD supervisor eventually arrived and released him. He continued to preach about the "immorality" of the UF Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Affairs.

Miller's activism on Turlington

Plaza was prompted by training that his daughter went through as a Resident Assistant at Mallory Hall.

The RAs were given a questionnaire that rated their level of comfort with homosexuality, presenting scenarios such as the discovery that one's mother is gay.

They also engaged in role-playing games, Miller's daughter, Christine, said.

Christine portrayed an RA whose resident told her she might be gay.



Miller

She referred the resident to the Gator Gay-Straight Alliance and LGBT Affairs, as well as the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Gator Christian Life.

This sparked heated debate in her class and incited her father to embark on a self-described crusade.

"I believe the homosexuals are using the residence halls as a recruitment tool to get more individuals into their group," he said.

But Christine said her father's crusade is not hers.

"I'm just a student. I'm not on a crusade," she said. "Every human has rights. ... That doesn't mean completely agreeing with them as if I would practice them myself."

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■ Steve Spurrier has reason to smile. Not only did he defeat UF but he did it with a surprise running attack. See story, pg. 17



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■ A week of events on Turlington Plaza begin today to encourage UF students to dust off their dancing shoes early and register for April's 32-hour Dahce Marathon. See story, pg. 10.

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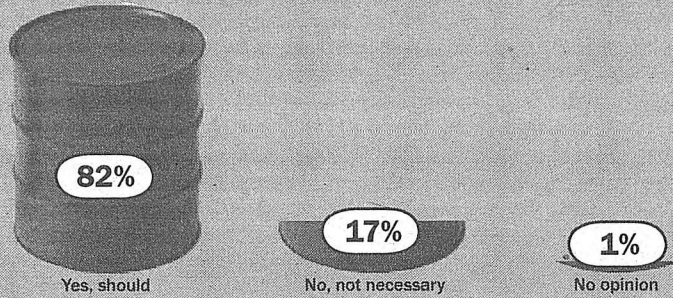
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OPINION

Americans support Congressional investigation into oil profits

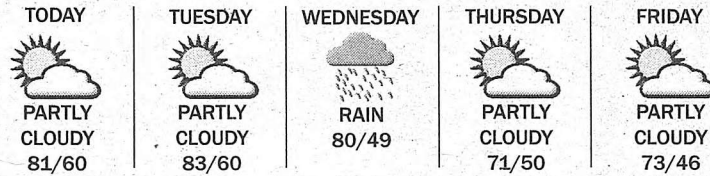
A recent Gallup poll asked Americans if Congress should hold an investigation into the profits made by oil companies in the past few months. It found that the nation's major oil and gas companies aren't regarded very highly by Americans who strongly support the idea that Congress should investigate oil company profits. These results are based on telephone interviews with a randomly selected national sample of 800 adults, age 18 and older, conducted Oct. 28-30. Sampling error is ±4 percentage points.



Source: Gallup

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FORECAST



Reitz Union Grand Ballroom for "Let's Talk About IT," a forum about sexual assault on the college campus. The event is free and open to the public.

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Music journalist and scholar Oliver Wang will discuss the evolution of Asian American hip-hop music today at 7 p.m. in the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom as part of Kaleidoscope Month.

Wang will also discuss how different Asian American artists have dealt with issues of race, identity and authenticity in their music and videos.

Student Government will present Kelly Addington and Rebecca Tieder on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the

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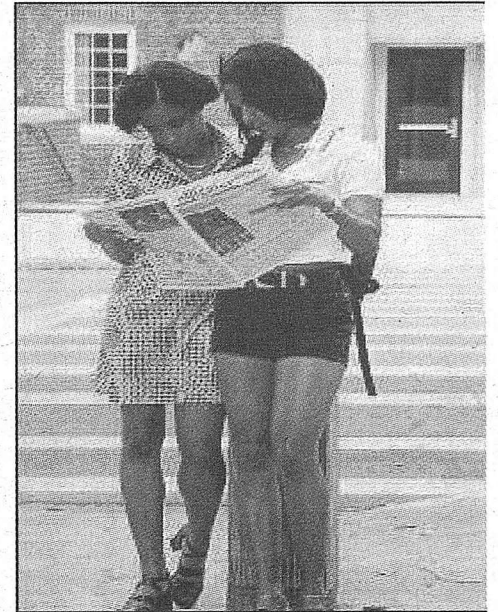
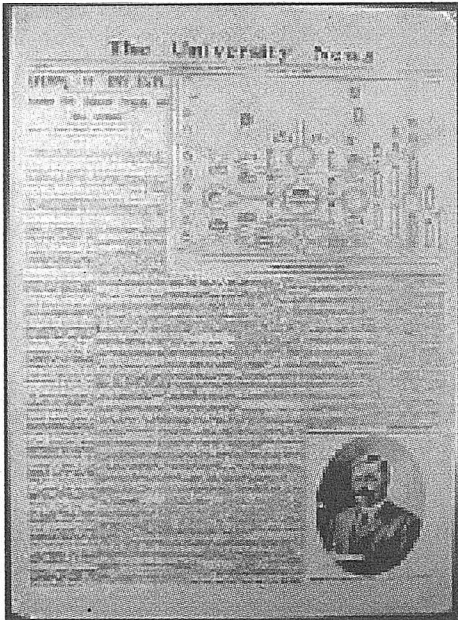
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ON CAMPUS

College politicians debate Wal-Mart

By **KIMBERLY GOUZ**

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Some came waving American flags while others were adorned with peace pins Sunday night at the "Great Wal-Mart Debate" on the Reitz Union North Lawn.

For the 150 members of the College Democrats and College Republicans who attended, the debate symbolized more than a discussion of ethics concerning the retailer, questioning the future of the American economic system.

"I think Wal-Mart has created the global model for retailing in the 21st century, and it bodes ill for the international work force," said David Hoch, a lecturer in the College of Business and an adjunct professor in the Levin College of Law. "As long as no curbs exist on how little corporations like Wal-Mart may pay overseas workers, the race to the bottom will continue."

The Student Government-sponsored debate, costing an estimated \$950, was followed by a screening of the documentary "Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price" by Robert

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Greenwald.

The film uses interviews with small-business owners, Wal-Mart customers, former Wal-Mart employees and overseas factory workers to accuse the retailer of union busting, exploiting its workers, relying on foreign sweatshops for merchandise, driving out mom-and-pop shops and forcing employees to depend on government subsidies for health care.

Thomas Jordan, the state chairman of the College Republicans of Florida, spoke out in defense of the company.

"I support Wal-Mart because they do arguably the best job of offering the lowest prices to consumers and the

highest earnings to shareholders," he said. "I would argue that Wal-Mart is in the place that it's in because it deserves to be there."

Jordan said it is unfair to expect perfect performance of any company.

"Sure, you punish them for abuses when they occur," he said, "but to label them as evil for particular abuses, I feel, is irresponsible."

Chase Welt, a former Wal-Mart employee and UF student, also defended the retailer during the debate.

He said Hoch's claim that Wal-Mart discriminates against females who apply for managerial positions is baseless, noting all of his bosses were female.

Hoch said Welt "doesn't yet understand the political complexities of the issue" and he has "meticulous documentation" for the anti-Wal-Mart allegations made during his portion of the debate.

A rebuttal to Greenwald's film, "Why Wal-Mart Works: And Why That Drives Some People Crazy," is being sold at [whymartworks.com](http://www.whymartworks.com). The DVD is not being sold in Wal-Mart stores.

SG to review spending bill

By **CASSIDY MILLS**

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A no-vote regarding student organizations' special-events budgets last week means the Student Senate will again discuss the issue at a meeting Tuesday.

An amendment to the 2006-07 special-events budget will determine how student associations can spend money.

The amendment sparked debate because it prohibited any student group from using more than 50 percent of its approved budget to fund speakers and performers.

"They weren't considering all of the costs," Sen. Lauren Mierley said. "You have to consider the cost of insurance, technicians, security and even flying the instruments into town."

Amendment author Sen. Jesse Kirsch said he wanted to make sure that the money student organizations are given is benefiting all students, not just the organizations' members. He added that fewer students benefit from performances if advertising is neglected.

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Politicians, residents sleep out for area homeless



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Bo Diddley provides free entertainment for the participants sleeping on the ground downtown for National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week.

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A local electrician rummaged through several dumpsters looking for clothes and bedding.

While searching, Zot Lynn Szurgot found a discarded Scooby-Doo backpack, which he wore with his mismatched clothes at the Homeless Night Out in the Downtown Plaza on Wednesday.

"Knowing that I couldn't replicate the experience ... I decided to use only the materials that are available to the homeless," Szurgot said.

Alachua County Commissioner Rodney Long and the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry organized the sleep-out, which allowed residents to experience being homeless for one night.

About 200 locals, homeless and not, joined on the grassy lawn of the Downtown Community Plaza to listen to speakers and bands, including musician Bo Diddley.

Several officials unrolled their sleeping bags and joined the homeless sleep-out on the plaza. Long, City Commissioner Jack Donovan, county Tax Collector Von Fraser and state Rep. Ed Jennings Jr. forfeited a comfortable night's rest to sleep outside.

Joining the local politicians, musicians and advocacy groups was a group of the more than 900 homeless in Gainesville.

One of them was Tom Foster, a man who has been without a home since 1971. He has had temporary construction jobs but none that lasted longer than six months.

Foster said he didn't believe one night on the plaza gave locals the true homeless experience, especially since people aren't normally allowed to sleep in public places like the plaza.

"You can't sleep in the park," he said. "You can't sleep in the streets, so where do you sleep? In the woods where there are mosquitoes. It's miserable."

Long, the master of ceremonies at the Wednesday sleepover, addressed the crowd between other speakers and musical acts.

"You are one medical catastrophe away from being homeless," he said. "Anybody can be homeless, and knowing this, you should be compassionate and help those who are homeless get back on their feet."

He also introduced Sister Hazel, the local advocate for awareness of homelessness after whom a popular band was named. The small woman spoke in a strong voice, urging people to help out of love.

"I step out ... because God loves the poor, and anyone could be poor," she said. "I'm talking about love without discrimination."

Diddley, the closing act, performed shortly after 11 p.m. with local musicians. Gainesville Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan's husband, Tony Malone, joined the musician on guitar.

Afterward, attendees settled down in their sleeping bags, blankets and the occasional tent.

Local designer Mark Venzke was one of about 120 people who stayed through the night.

"It was not terribly restful, but that is instructive," he said. "By experiencing this, those of us who have concern for the homeless have new motivation to help them."

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Editorial

Pass the pork

Actions unethical before and after pig roast

Pork-barrel politics haven't been this literal since the term was invented on Southern plantations. Except this time it was UF students picking up the tab for a certain student senator's select group of political benefactors.

Here are the facts as the Editorial Board understands them:

The Spanish American Law Students Association had a pig roast. It was a tailgate event before the UF-Vanderbilt game.

The party was held at student Sen. Jared Hernandez's house, which happens to be very close to the law school.

The organization also chose to ask for student money as reimbursement for the pig and a few other expenses — \$375 in all.

Hardly an earth-shattering amount. But since Hernandez held the party at his house, he violated a student body statute that prohibits the allocation of student money to events held at private residences.

The concept behind this rule is simple: Student events must be open to everyone. Because this event was held on private property, Hernandez could have turned away any student at any time.

Hernandez doesn't say he didn't know the statutes. If you look closely, he seems to say he knew it was wrong, but he was kind of hoping Student Government officials would let the party slide because it was tradition.

He's a student training to be a lawyer. Unbelievable.

To Hernandez's credit, he admitted wrongdoing and promised to pay back any student funds he received for the event.

But what stopped him, and for that matter any member of SALSAs, from being up front with their plans? And what stopped SG officials from exercising some forethought?

SALSAs didn't list the location of the party on the forms its officers filed requesting student money.

Student Body Treasurer Lindsay Cosimi approved the request anyway, and then reported Hernandez after the event took place.

Even though Hernandez apparently announced the party at Senate weeks before.

Both sides look deliberate. Hernandez looks like he was holding the truth loosely, trying to have his cake and eat it, too. Cosimi looks like she was watching this unfold the whole time, waiting until Hernandez crossed the line to do her job.

But why would anyone want to see Hernandez humiliated?

Alas, there was controversy here long before the grill was fired: Both Cosimi and Hernandez have been the subject of rumor after rumor concerning possible runs for student body president.

So, one passed the pork to get in some campaigning targeted at his would-be supporters; the other made a politically strategic pounce.

And people wonder why we criticize campus politicians so often.

However, this debacle exposes a far more basic problem for SG: Officials seem to suspend regulations on occasion, as if the rules are meant to be broken.

If Hernandez decided to test the system, he did so knowing that others had tested it before without a problem.

We recently talked about all the election shenanigans pulled by SG higher-ups to maintain a party's agenda. This is hardly different.

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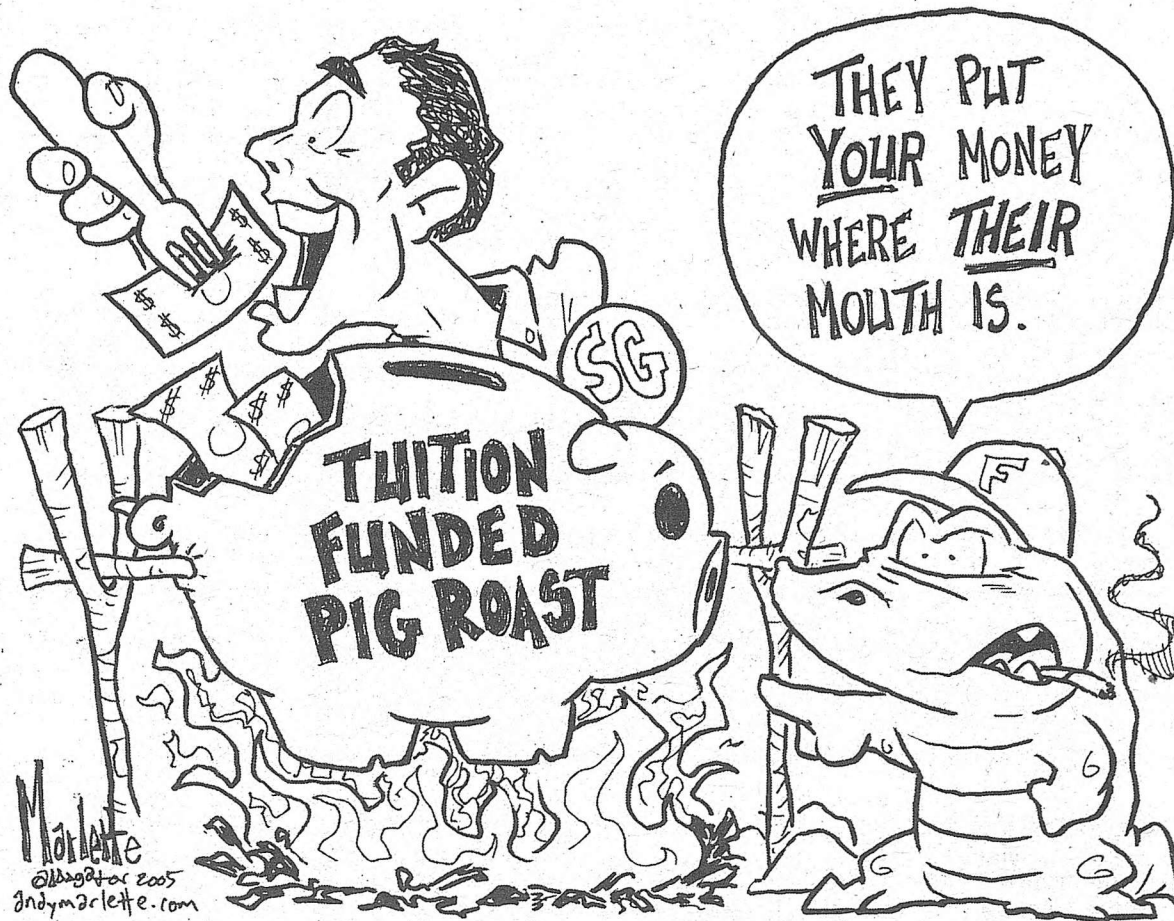
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Guest column

Poor people shouldn't expect charity

Possessing wealth does not make one an oppressor of the poor. Neither does it obligate one to make any effort to assist the poor.

Part of freedom is being able to do what you think is best with your money. As long as the people of France are not hiring thugs to run through their neighborhoods, beating anyone who is looking for a job, they have done nothing wrong.

Being born into a life with fewer advantages than others does not give you the right to try to drag them down to your level — it should only give you incentive to bring yourself up.

It is an obvious fact of existence that life is not fair; anyone can see that by simply looking around. The poor in France have simply been tricked into thinking they are entitled to an easy life, and are expressing resentment at it being withheld from them.

There are many people in our own country who feel the same way.

The myth of the American dream that brought many immigrants to the United States looking for an escape from whatever plight they experienced back home lived in the hearts of those who stepped off boats with little more than the things they carried.

They worked hard, and many of them achieved just that.

Many immigrants today, however, seem to lack the essential component of making that dream happen — working for it.

They neglect that fruit hangs from trees one must scale here, too, and lament that they're no closer to making their lives better than if they'd stayed sitting beneath its shade.

However, believing in that dream does not make

Chris New
Speaking Out

their actions right; it only shows that they share the same ignorant sentiments. If instead of waiting for an easy life to be handed to them,

these "disadvantaged" would simply work to improve themselves and their lifestyles, they would raise themselves out of the economic gutter a lot faster.

To say that, "[a]t the bottom, a riot is the language of the unheard" is a simple excuse and a fallacy. A riot is the act of angry people destroying that which is not theirs because they are jealous of the people who own it and are too lazy to earn it for themselves. Not having something does not give you the right to destroy it.

To quote Ayn Rand, "I support my life, neither by robbery or alms, but by my own effort, so I do not seek to derive my happiness from the injury or favor of others, but to earn it by my own achievement."

The great tragedy of the vast majority of the poor in France, and in America for that matter, is that they have given up on the idea of their own achievement, and have even gone so far as to ridicule those who aspire for more than to be poor.

Usually, opportunity isn't luckily stumbled upon but made. There is nothing easier about getting a chance at something than doing the thing itself.

These poor want others to do for them rather than achieving something for themselves.

The rioters in France have chosen to riot because they see it as an easy path for them to steal from another and destroy what they will not earn for themselves. No other explanation is needed, and no excuse should be accepted for their actions.

Chris New is an engineering senior.

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Reader response

Today's question: Who is more to blame in the pig roast incident, SALSAs or SG?

Thursday's question: Do you know the meaning behind Veterans Day?

84% YES
16% NO
69 TOTAL VOTES

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Letters to the Editor

Poor are so because of system, not self

I was with Christina O'Neill up to this point: "The poor will stay poor of their own accord."

I share her admiration for Ayn Rand's staunch belief in individual responsibility and reward for intellectual effort. No one has the moral or legal right to steal from others a life that they can't provide for themselves.

But this goes both ways. In the real world, many "richer men," who appear on the surface to have earned their way to the top, became successful in part by paying their workforces a mere fraction of what their time and energy are really worth.

Some people stay poor of their own accord. Others stay poor, despite years of backbreaking effort, because of discrimination, slave labor, immoral business practices, government oppression and a legion of other injustices outside the scope of their control. As such, we can hardly turn around in moments of social upheaval and place all the blame for poverty on those who find themselves trapped in it.

I believe O'Neill's statements were directed at those who foolishly resort to violence in times of desperation. Of course I am appalled by what has happened this week in France, and I hold those individuals completely responsible for their choices. But their poor choices do not justify O'Neill's blatant over-generalizations about something as complex as real-world poverty. Keep in mind that Rand's characters were not real, multifaceted human beings, but rather stylized characters, designed to fill specific roles in a philosophical construct to present her argument as vividly and unambiguously as possible.

The situation in France is vivid, but it is certainly not unambiguous, and should not be treated as such.

Stephanie Leone
4FA

Social problems in France long ignored

In the land of "liberté, égalité and fraternité," an inferno has erupted.

The explosive spark came from a smoldering social inequity that has existed for decades. The current crisis brings to the forefront what's been ignored for so long. The black and Muslim populations in France have been living for decades in "quiet desperation."

The miserable scarcity of opportunities has produced recalcitrant youth frustrated by the lack of a responsible government leadership.

The crisis also highlights the other underlying factors fueling this upheaval: unemployment, discrimination, religious intolerance and lack of viable opportunities. Some have said this crisis is analogous to the social ailments we had in the United States in the '60s. Similar conditions existed in the U.S. black population. However, the American black population endured these conditions for a much longer period.

The civil disobedience in France is history repeating itself. The black and Muslim populations lack leadership to galvanize them in nonviolent protest. Indians suffered for many years under British rule, until a leader like Gandhi emerged. American blacks suffered greatly under a system that enslaved them for centuries until Martin Luther King Jr. stepped onto the scene. South Africa's nadir in apartheid lasted until Nelson Mandela came to the forefront and faced the enemy.

Is there a need for another French revolution? Structures of social, political and economic organizations in the French system must be shaken up and restructured to accommodate all people. The time is ripe for a change. They may quell the rioters, but they can't ignore that the nation is sick and in need of healing.

Roberto Rodriguez
UF employee

Palestinians want basic coexistence

Our organization could respond to Andrew Bare's editorial "Israeli's tragic story exposes real hero" by pointing out that more than 700 Palestinian children have been killed by the Israeli army since 2000, which is more than seven times the number of Israeli children killed by Palestinians in that same time.

However, contrary to the "fundamentalist" and "terrorist" stereotypes offered by countless editorials in your newspaper, the Palestinian struggle is not bent on asserting the superiority of Palestinian life over Jewish life. Instead, the Palestinian people represent the accusation by all humanity against the inhumanity of Zionism, the ideological foundation of the Israeli state.

According to Zionism, Jews are "chosen people" with unique privileges, including absolute "birthright" to the land of greater Palestine, regardless of the historical coexistence of Christians, Jews, and Muslims living there for centuries. Since Zionism requires that Israel have a Jewish majority population, non-Jewish Palestinians have been displaced, harassed, occupied by the millions and killed by the thousands. Furthermore, all of these horrific atrocities have been deemed legitimate "security measures" by Israel, since Zionism privileges Jewish rights over universal human rights.

The Palestinian people's plight and struggle against Zionism represents the cry for basic coexistence and equality of all people regardless of class, culture, ethnicity, gender, race, religion or sexuality. It is high time that your newspaper offered UF students the chance to understand that the enemy of the Palestinian people is the Zionist structure of Israel, and not the Jewish people themselves.

David Reznik and Robert Heck
Nakba '48 vice president and treasurer

French Muslim youth should assimilate

I'd like to dispel the notion that the rioters' anger is warranted and is "the culmination of deep-rooted discrimination, joblessness and poverty."

Why do thugs deserve to have their "anger" examined because they are a minority, while a majority of peaceful French deserve condemnation?

Arguably, the French have ignored a growing problem. But why is it the responsibility of the native French to assimilate any ethnic group? Is this not a part of "colonial imperialism" so frequently denounced on this and other campuses? Should the Muslim youths not be expected to take any action toward this "assimilation" on their own?

One could argue that France's anti-capitalist policies have worsened the situation by stifling free markets and economic cohesiveness and creating warring pressure groups clamoring for government benefits. The native French want protection and cheap labor, the youths want better housing and jobs, and the government is supposed to satisfy everyone.

All that is offered as a solution is France's "recognition," "understanding" and "stopping discrimination." Calls for reform suggest, for example, investing in better schools for underprivileged youths. All the youths must do is cease rioting, and, as columnist Amy Eisinger hints, form some kind of political party. By this logic, a mugger is merely expressing anger and will stop threatening his victim's life when they "invest" in his future.

The same youths have burned the schools their victims are supposed to invest in. Their anger is certainly not warranted.

Zev Schechter
UF alumnus

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Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Florida	3	9	7	3	22
South Carolina	7	13	7	3	30

Scoring summary

First quarter
 12:26 USC — Davis, 5-yd. run (Brown kick)
 08:56 UF — Hetland, 30-yd. field goal

Second quarter
 13:31 USC — Turman, 1-yd. run (Brown kick)
 07:50 USC — Turman, 3-yd. run (Brown kick blocked)
 07:50 UF — Webb, PAT return
 03:18 UF — Jackson, 31-yd. pass from Leak (Hetland kick)

Third quarter
 07:54 UF — Latsko, 11-yd. pass from Leak (Hetland kick)
 05:59 USC — Davis, 1-yd. run (Brown kick)

Fourth quarter
 09:04 USC — Brown, 37-yd. field goal
 02:51 TEAM — Hetland, 43-yd. field goal

Team statistics

	UF	USC
First downs	21	16
Rushing attempts	37	36
Net yards rushing	149	120
Passing yards	210	126
Total offensive yards	359	246
Fumbles: Number-lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties: Number-yards	11-86	3-20
Possession time	34:10	25:50

 **Making the grade**

Running backs	B
Receivers	C+
Quarterbacks	B-
Offensive line	D
Defensive line	D+
Linebackers	D
Secondary	F
Special teams	F
Coaching	F

Gators

Rushing	NO	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	LG	AVG
Wynn	11	73	0	73	0	19	6.6
Manson	13	57	0	57	0	11	4.4
Moore	5	38	0	38	0	9	7.6
TEAM	1	0	2	-2	0	0	-2.0
Leak	7	17	34	-17	0	16	-2.4
Total	37	185	36	149	0	19	4.0

Passing	Att-Comp	YDS	TD	INT
Leak	31-18	210	2	1

Receiving	NO	YDS	TD	LG
Jackson	10	104	1	31
Cornelius	4	55	0	17
Latsko	2	31	1	20
Baker	2	20	0	12
Total	18	210	2	21

Punting	NO	YDS	AVG	LG
Wilbur	4	129	32.3	38

Gamecocks

Rushing	NO	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	LG	AVG
Davis	22	93	5	88	2	24	4.0
Turman	6	31	0	31	2	15	5.2
McKinley	1	6	0	6	0	6	6.0
Mitchell	5	12	13	-1	0	7	-0.2
TEAM	2	0	4	-4	0	0	-2.0
Total	36	142	22	120	4	24	3.3

Passing	Att-Comp	YDS	TD	INT
Mitchell	17-7	126	0	0

Receiving	NO	YDS	TD	LG
Rice	5	112	0	64
Davis	1	10	0	10
McKinley	1	4	0	4
Total	7	126	0	64

Punting	NO	YDS	AVG	LG
Brown	4	168	42.0	52

Rice burns Gators with 64-yard catch

■ A WEEK AFTER GIVING UP 42 POINTS, UF'S DEFENSE FALLS APART AGAIN.

By **IAN FISHER**
 Alligator Staff Writer
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COLUMBIA, S.C. — With a 14-10 victory against Georgia on Oct. 29, UF shored up its identity as a defense-first team.

But after giving up 42 points to Vanderbilt last week and 30 points to South Carolina on Saturday, the Gators' strength has become another weakness.

South Carolina had only 246 yards of offense, but the woes rested in big plays, penalties and being unprepared.

Early in the second quarter, quarterback Blake Mitchell hit Sidney Rice for a 19-yard pass to the Gators' 8-yard line. That helped lead to Daccus Turman's 1-yard run that made it 14-3.

Later in the quarter, Mike Davis' 24-yard run put the ball at the Gators' 11. Four plays later, Turman's 3-yard run made it 20-3.

But the biggest play came in the third quarter, one series after UF cut it to 20-19 on Billy Latsko's 11-yard touchdown catch. The Gamecocks had a first down on their 35 when Mitchell dumped a short pass to Rice. Rice broke free of cornerback Dee Webb. Safety Kyle Jackson "just flat-out missed," Rice said.

Rice took it for 64 yards before safety Reggie Nelson chased him

down and tackled him at the 1-yard line. South Carolina scored on the ensuing play to go up 27-19, taking back the momentum.

"They were defending. I guess they didn't want to man up on Sidney," Spurrier said. "So we tried to run at that."

Added Mitchell: "I don't think they wanted anyone to be one-on-one with Sidney."

Webb received lots of criticism after the game for racking up a number of penalties, but defensive end Jarvis Moss wouldn't only blame them for giving up 64 yards on one play.

"I never lost faith, but it kind of took the heart out of a lot of guys."

Jeremy Mincey
 defensive end

"[Rice's catch] swung the momentum," Moss said. "Kyle and Dee Webb make plays also, so you can't really put anything on those guys; they tried, and it just didn't go their way."

However, Moss admitted that the Gators couldn't really get back the momentum after that play.

"Down the stretch, we had to make plays; we really wanted to hold them to no scores in the second half," Moss said. "It didn't happen for us."

"I never lost faith, but it kind of took the heart out of a lot of guys," defensive end Jeremy Mincey said. "They fed off that."

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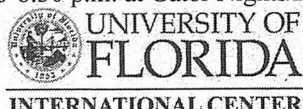
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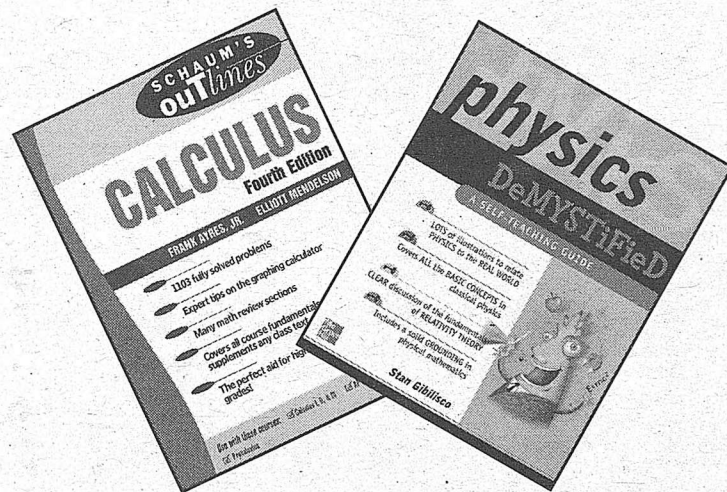
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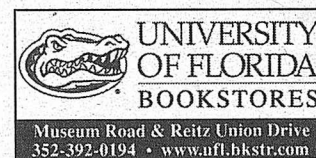
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Solemn Gators face fans after S.C. loss

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chomp. They wore garnet and black, not orange and blue.

A smiling Spurrier waved to them after turning the tables on college football once again. But this time, he did it against his former team.

And he not only defeated the Gators, he cancelled their first trip to a Southeastern Conference title game since 2000.

Capital One Bowl? Peach Bowl? Outback Bowl?

UF (7-3, 5-3 SEC) had better hope Nashville's Music City Bowl representatives don't think with their wallet.

The Music City Bowl might invite Tennessee (4-5, 2-4 SEC) instead of the Gators because of the local fan interest.

Translation? The Independence Bowl could very well make UF wish it didn't have First Amendment rights and invite the Gators for the Dec. 30 game in Shreveport, La.

An empty feeling, linebacker Brandon Siler said.

A disappointing feeling, quarterback Chris Leak added.

Defensive end Jeremy Mincey nearly broke into tears.

"We worked so hard just to get to this point," defensive tackle Marcus Thomas said. "The off-season was crazy, and we all made a lot

of sacrifices to get to this point, and we didn't come out on top. That's what hurts the most."

Spring mornings laced with 6 a.m. wind sprints. No Gators clothes and locker room for much of the summer. Bloody Tuesdays during the fall.

"It's a program that, in my mind, is young. It's a program going through a lot of changes, a lot of growth, and there's a few speed bumps along the way."

Coach Urban Meyer
UF football

Are three losses and a conference funeral at the hands of Spurrier worth it all?

In the postgame press conference, UF coach Urban Meyer declined to make an opening statement for the first time all season.

"It's a program that, in my mind, is young," Meyer said. "It's a program going through a lot of changes, a lot of growth, and there's a few speed bumps along the way."

Meanwhile, UF athletics director Jeremy Foley buried his head in the stat sheet, hoping to find an explanation.

Passing yards? UF outgained South Carolina 210 to 126.

Rushing yards? UF outrushed the Gamecocks 149 to 120.

"I really felt like we were going to come out as SEC champions," Thomas said. "I had everything prepared for it."

Several feet away, Siler, usually one of the more outspoken players, battled to convert thoughts into coherent sentences.

He was black from head to toe. Black dress shoes. Black slacks. Black dress shirt. Black sports coat.

"We thought we were going to win the game because we pretty much had things under control," Siler said.

Sullen players dripped out of the stadium, one by one, to meet awaiting friends and family.

There, among those congregated, loitered a UF fan: 16-year-old Chris Yahnis.

Symbolizing the confusion that Gator Nation lay engulfed in, he wore a throwback Spurrier Gators jersey.


"He did so much for the Florida program that I'll let this one slide," Yahnis said. "But next time, I might get a little angry."

Minutes later, flanked by security, Meyer emerged. Somehow, he slipped through the crowd without a problem.

Then, just before he disappeared onto the team bus, two people clapped.

WEEK 10 SWAMP STUDS


Each Monday the alligatorSports staff will vote on the top three UF football performances of the week. The No. 1 player will receive 5 points, No. 2 player 3 points, and No. 3 player 1 point. At the end of the season, the player with the most combined points will earn the title of alligatorSports Player of the Year.



1
Chad Jackson, Jr., WR

10 rec., 104 yds., 1 TD


It may be difficult to crown anyone the player of the game after the Gators blew an opportunity to win the SEC East. But you certainly can't blame Jackson for the loss. With receiver Dallas Baker ailing and Andre Caldwell long gone, Jackson stepped up and showed why he was one of the most highly regarded receivers in the conference coming into the season. Jackson added to his SEC-leading receptions per game, and despite plenty of attention from the S.C. defense, Jackson managed to put six points on the board.



2
Marcus Thomas, Jr., DT

4 solo tackles, 6 total, 1 blocked PAT, 2 sacks

UF's defense failed miserably against South Carolina, giving up 30 points in the afternoon. But at least one player on that side of the ball tried desperately to keep the Gators in the game. Thomas had one of his best games of the season, blocking an extra point attempt that led to a UF safety and finishing second on the team with six tackles. He also sacked South Carolina quarterback Blake Mitchell twice. It's unclear whether Scoop, Thomas' belly, was credited for any of the success.



3
Chris Leak, Jr., QB

18 for 31, 310 yds., 2 TD, 1 INT, 7 rushes, 17 yards

For the first time this season, the Gators lost and Leak wasn't blamed for the performance. While Leak didn't have his best game of the season, he was solid throughout the afternoon. His two touchdown passes kept UF in the game, although he threw his first interception in several weeks. However, another poor performance by the offensive line landed Leak on the grass on five different occasions, the number of times he was sacked.

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GREEK LIFE

Early registration for Dance Marathon begins

By **DONNA MITRANI**
Alligator Contributing Writer

UF's 12th annual Dance Marathon is 138 days away, but "Start the D-A-N-C-E!" week has begun to promote early registration for the 32-hour April event.

Free food will be distributed and events will be held all week on Turlington Plaza from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to educate UF students about

what Dance Marathon is and motivate them to register early.

Early registration starts today and ends Nov. 29. Students who register early for the April 1-2 event receive \$5 off the \$35 registration fee. This year is the first that participants can register online, spokeswoman Emily Kiser said.

Kiser said she hopes a more diverse array of groups will sign

"It was a challenge to do it, and I love dancing and music."

Sean Liston
UF junior

up for the event this year. In past years, the Greek community has been the majority at Dance Marathon.

Dance Marathon at UF raises money for the Children's Miracle Network at Shands Children's Hospital at UF. Kiser said participants must be registered UF students, belong to a registered UF club and raise at least \$250.

Advertising junior Sean Liston decided to participate in last year's Dance Marathon independent of a Greek organization.

"It was a challenge to do it,

and I love dancing and music," he said.

During the last few hours, Liston was ready to get out. He said he was proud to do it, but it wasn't easy.

"The last hour was hell. I literally could not move, it was so painful," Liston said. "Your legs are twice the size than what you walked in with. It's pain you would not believe."

Officers detain campus preacher after complaints that he was disturbing classes

PREACHER, from page 1

Standing on a planter on the plaza, Miller read his daughter's questionnaire to passing students and asked for their responses. He told them homosexuality was immoral.

"I wasn't out there name-calling people," he said. "It was an academic discussion."

He called out to nearby members of a historically black fraternity, proclaiming that homosexuality, unlike race, was a chosen behavior.

Miller said students spat on him, cursed him and played loud music to drown him out.

UPD officers arrived, responding to a call that Miller was disturbing nearby classrooms, spokesman Darren Baxley said.

UPD could not provide an incident report by press time, but Miller recounted the incident.

Patrol officers told him he was on private property, Miller said, and he responded that it was public property.

"I said, 'If you're not going to arrest me, you're stopping me from speaking. I'm going to return to speaking,'" he recalled.

Eventually, Miller said, officer Damon Kizzar twisted his arm, handcuffed him and put him in the squad car.

On Campus After 15 minutes, officer Philip Clary opened the car door and asked Miller whether he would leave. Miller told him he had a right to be there, and Clary shut the door.

Fifteen more minutes passed, and Sgt. Philip Fudge arrived. Fudge discussed the incident with Miller and released him from the handcuffs.

"I was sweating very profusely by that

time," he said of his time in the hot car.

Miller preached for another hour.

Eyewitness and music junior Joy Stanilka said two squad cars and two police motorcycles were present for Miller's detention.


"There was no kind of violent activity that was going on, or really no just reason for them to come and arrest him and make the big scene they ended up making," she said. "He is entitled to come there and say what he wants."

Baxley said UPD will detain someone speaking on campus only if he or she is inciting a riot or disturbing a class.

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by Chris Richcreek

- Who beat out Chicago's Mark Grace for the 1988 National League Rookie of the Year award?
- Name the only shortstop other than Alex Rodriguez and Eric Banks to have 40 homers in a season.
- What rivalry trophy do Houston and Rice play for in college football?
- Name the last team to win an NBA division with a losing record.
- How many times have the Boston Bruins reached the Stanley Cup Finals, and how many times have they won a championship?
- Name the country that is the defending Olympic champion in both the two- and four-man bobsled.
- Entering October 2005, where was golfer Tiger Woods on the PGA career victory list?

Answers

- Chris Sabo of Cincinnati.
- Rico Petrocelli had 40 home runs in 1969.
- The Bayou Bucket.
- Milwaukee was 38-44 when it won the Midwest Division in 1975-76.
- The Bruins have been in 17 Stanley Cup Finals (last in 1990) and have won five (last in 1972).
- Germany.
- He had won 45 PGA Tour events, which put him in seventh place overall.

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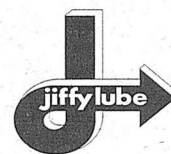
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COLUMBIA, S.C. — Darned if he was going to be shell shocked by Steve Spurrier's Cock-N-Fire offense, UF coach Urban Meyer prepped his defensive secondary all week.

He knew what Spurrier had done to Southeastern Conference defenses back in his orange and blue days.

And he had watched Spurrier turn unheralded-sophomore Blake Mitchell into the league's No. 2 passer, while leading South Carolina on a four-game winning streak.

He wasn't going to let Spurrier's aerial wizardry increase that streak to five against the Gators on Saturday.

Neither was Spurrier.

In an uncharacteristic move, the Ol' Ball Coach faked out his young successor, unleashing a previously dormant running game for 142 yards and four touchdowns in the Gamecocks' 30-22 upset win against the Gators.

"We had a lot of time spent in coverage because we felt like they were going to come out and throw

the ball all over the place," Meyer said. "But I think they only threw it 17 times, which was surprising."

Expecting an aerial assault from the Gamecocks and hindered by an injury to cornerback Vernell Brown, the Gators relied heavily on zone coverage, a move that surprised both Spurrier and his quarterback.

"We thought they were going to play man-to-man. They came out and played more zone than we thought and kind of gave up the run," said Mitchell, who finished 7 for 17 with 126 yards passing. "I guess they thought we were going to throw it a lot more, but we kind of changed our game plan to running the ball."

Behind 88 yards and two touchdowns from tailback Mike Davis and 31 yards and two scores from fellow back Daccus Turman, a South Carolina backfield that ranked 113th in the nation coming into Saturday's game broke down a zone-scheming UF defense.

"We just didn't expect for them to run," UF linebacker Brandon Siler said. "We expected them to pass."

After the Gamecocks rushed for touchdowns on their first two scoring drives, Spurrier kept the Gators' defense off-balance, calling in run audibles during South Carolina's following possession.

Recognizing the Gators' soft defense on a first-and-10 from the UF



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South Carolina and former UF coach Steve Spurrier celebrates his win against the Gators on Saturday.

35-yard line, Spurrier called Davis' number, and the back rumbled down the sideline to the 12.

Four running plays later, Davis plunged into the end zone on a

fourth-and-goal attempt from the UF 2-yard line to put the Gamecocks ahead 20-3.

"I just thought it was worth a shot. I think they thought we were

trying to pull [them] offsides," Spurrier said. "Who would've ever thought fullback up the middle would develop into one of our best plays around here."

Like a steel-toed boot to the groin, Spurrier rains pain down on UF

COLUMBIA, S.C.

You can call this a slap in the face, but I've been slapped in the face before, and it's not all that terrible.

How about a pistol whip to the skull, or a steel-toed-boot kick to the testicles?

If a loss to LSU is enough to bring Urban Meyer to tears, a defeat at the hands of Steve Spurrier and South Carolina should drive the new ball coach to contemplate one of two moves: entry into the witness protection program or a sex change operation, because, honestly, Meyer lost his manhood on the day UF lost its spot among the elite teams in the SEC.

Saturday should have been V-Day in Gainesville. All the Gators had to do was win a very winnable game and the Ron Zook era would have been officially erased from existence.

To make matters even more appalling, Auburn defeated Georgia in a thrilling last-minute victory Saturday night, which would



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have propelled the Gators into the SEC-title game.

Instead, it's yet another sorry ending for a team drunk driving 100 mph down the wrong side of the highway. The stench of failure oozing from the Swamp is nothing new. In fact, if you're an undergrad student and you were at UF the last time the Gators appeared in the SEC title game (2000), I beg you to lay off the booze and pass a few classes.

But in the past, Gator Nation had a big, burly scapegoat named Ron Zook to blame.

Meyer's arrival was supposed to signify a reversal of fortune for Florida football.

Instead, the Gators' future has never been

more uncertain, because the SEC East has never been this talented.

Meyer and the Gators can thank themselves for formally inviting South Carolina to the logjam that already included UF, Tennessee and Georgia as perennial contenders in the division.

And now that the evil genius Spurrier has officially reclaimed his SEC throne, the Gators could realistically finish as low as fourth on any given year. The Music City and Independence Bowl committees are celebrating.

Yes, the Gators have only lost three games so far this year, not a terrible amount of losses for a first-year coach and a team playing in a new system.

Losing to the talent-deprived Gamecocks, however, was inexcusable. And losing to Spurrier was downright humiliating.

When Meyer arrived at UF, visions of another Spurrier-like era in Gainesville made

Gators' fans salivate.

It turns out there could be another Spurrier-like era in the SEC brewing in Columbia, courtesy of the Orr himself.

If you're still feeling the pain in your skull or below your waist, you have two choices: burn your Spurrier memorabilia because the Ol' Ball Coach is officially a big-time rival, or you can trade in your blue Spurrier throwback jersey for a garnet-and-black visor. Once South Carolina brings in a couple of talented recruiting classes, the Gamecocks will be a bona fide BCS contender.

Remember that UF had an opportunity to bring Spurrier back to the Swamp, but he wanted the younger, rising Meyer at the helm.

Spurrier — the ultimate Gator — managed to change his allegiance. With the future looking much brighter in Columbia, are you ready to change yours?

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Gamecocks capitalize on Gators' mental mistakes

■ A 12TH MAN ON THE FIELD SEALS UF'S FATE.

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COLUMBIA, S.C. — It began with a 15-yard penalty and ended with a disastrous illegal participation call that prevented the Gators from having one final shot at the end zone.

There's bound to be plenty of finger pointing after a 30-22 loss that kept the Gators out of the Southeastern Conference-title picture.

But in the end, it was yet another mental mistake that truly doomed the Gators.

With 1:00 remaining and UF needing a touchdown and a two-point conversion to send the game into overtime, the Gamecocks, at fourth-and-11 from the UF 47-yard line, were forced to punt and give Chris Leak and the Gators one last chance.

The punt never came.

In one of many mental breakdowns that afternoon, UF sent a 12th man — Jeremy Mincey — on the field after switching punt formations. The penalty awarded South Carolina a first down, and the Gamecocks simply ran out the clock for the victory.

"That stuck the dagger in my heart," Mincey said. "I still had hope. When I ran on the field and looked around, I said, 'All right we still have time.' But it happened."

Much like in UF's other road losses this year, the penalties seemed to never end.

UF racked up a total of 11 penalties for 86 yards, while the Gamecocks had just three penalties for 20 yards.

"I'm very questionable about a lot of those penalties, I wished they would have just let the guys play ball," defensive tackle Marcus Thomas said. "But they happened."

South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier didn't buy into the bad call theory.

"The referees, they've done an excellent job the last five games," Spurrier said. "These Florida boys are used to me coming in and bitching a little bit about some calls. They haven't heard me complain all year about anything."

On the game's first play, kicker Jonathan Phillips sent the ball out of bounds at the South Carolina 10-yard line. So the Gamecocks received the ball on the 35-yard line, and would score within three minutes.

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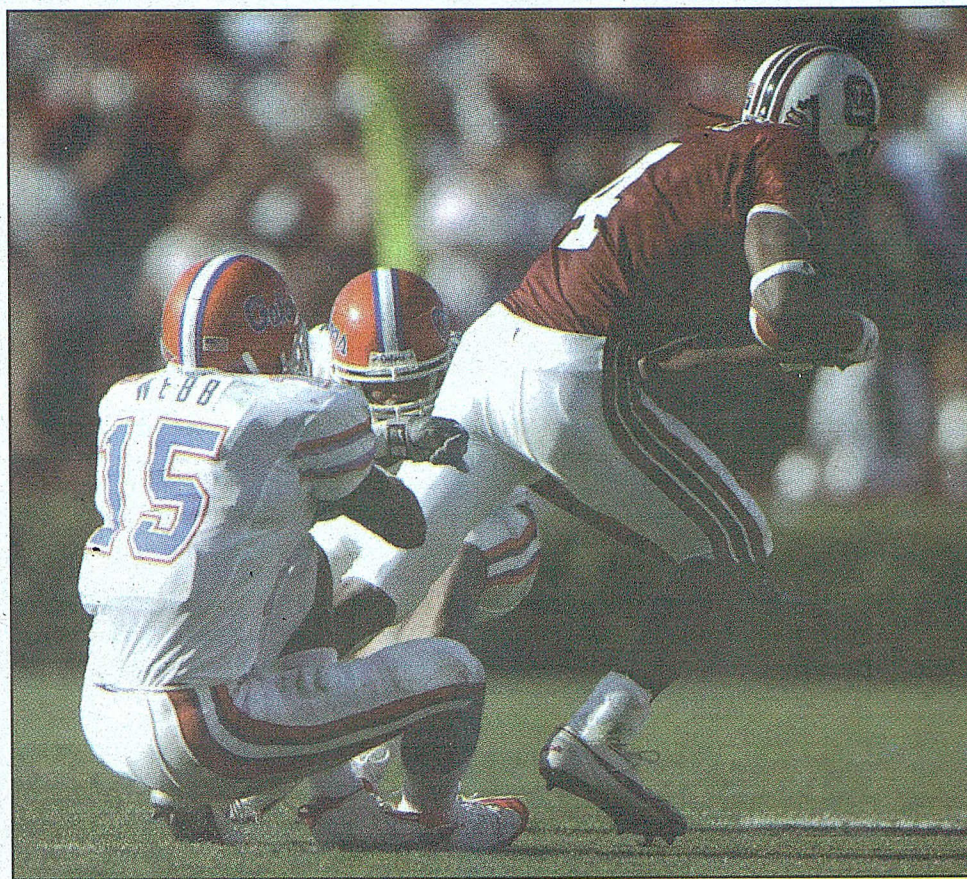
Marcus Thomas
UF defensive tackle

While the Gators would fight back all afternoon, the mental mistakes was the afternoon's theme. And cornerback Dee Webb was the poster boy for UF's inefficiency.

The Gators were already missing starting cornerback Vernell Brown, who suffered a broken leg in the Vanderbilt game. It was Webb's time to shine, and he failed miserably.

Early in the fourth quarter with South Carolina leading 27-19, Webb was called for pass interference. The penalty sent the Gamecocks from UF's 42-yard line to the 27-yard line.

South Carolina would score on a field goal, giving them the cushion necessary to secure the victory. But it wasn't Webb's only key mistake of the game. On the first drive of the second quarter and the Gamecocks leading 7-3, Webb was called for a personal foul that moved South Carolina from UF's 42-yard line to the 27-yard line. The P.A. announcer would quickly get used to calling Webb's name, be-



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UF's Dee Webb and Kyle Jackson fail to tackle South Carolina receiver Sidney Rice on a 64-yard pass play to the UF 1-yard line in the third quarter of UF's loss to S.C.

cause later on that drive he was called for pass interference on a second-and-goal play from the 2-yard line. The resulting first down gave South Carolina an easy touchdown.

"I noticed an inordinate amount of penalties," coach Urban Meyer said. "That's what held us back."

Even with all the gaffes, UF still had several

chances to win the game. That's what makes it even more difficult for the Gators, because they realize what could have been had they played a more efficient game.

"All I can say is everybody at least played hard," Thomas said. "But there were a lot of mental mistakes that [doomed us]. That doesn't need to be happening."

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UF SOCCER

Double overtime loss ends season for Gators

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It's sometimes called the "golden goal."

But for the Gators, it was just sudden death.

The UF soccer team's season came to an emotional end Friday at the hands of a double-overtime Illinois goal in a first-round home upset in the NCAA Tournament.

Following in a recent pattern for the Gators, UF was able to outshoot its opponent, but ultimately they couldn't win.

After a first-round loss to

Auburn in this year's Southeastern Conference Tournament, Coach Becky Burleigh had questioned her team's ability to seal the game.

She credited the Gators' failure to a different source.

"Against Auburn, maybe it was a lack of finishing," she said. "In this game, it was their goalkeeper making some good saves."

The Gators outshot the Illini 11-5 in regulation, but were foiled by the show-stealing performance of goalkeeper Rachel Frank. Frank's handful of brilliant saves turned seemingly open goals for the Gators into elation on the Illini sidelines.

Sophomore forward Keleigh Hudson led an offense in shots that found itself repeatedly frustrated by Frank's game-saving plays.



Hudson

Despite their frustration, the Gators continued to control the match offensively. However, as regulation began to wind down, the

Illini picked up steam.

When Illinois midfielder Laura Redmond finally sank the match's lone goal, an Illini win was beginning to look like a foregone conclusion.

For much of the match's overtime periods, the Gators simply looked exhausted, struggling to match the intensity and adrenaline that Illinois brought to the field.

"I think Illinois came out fired up in the first overtime, and I think we kind of gave up mentally," senior Jessica Young said.

This year's first-round exit is the second in two years for a program that won a national championship

in only its fourth year of existence.

"We wanted to go out on a better note for our seniors," Hudson said. "As for next season, we will go out and prepare the same way and be ready to represent better in the SEC and NCAA [Tournaments]."

The 2005 season began with promise after a successful preseason and the emergence of several freshmen scoring threats, but countless injuries seemed to hamper the Gators in their search for consistent success.

In 2006, the Gators return four of their top five goal scorers, including a pair of All-SEC selections in Melanie Booth and Megan Kerns.

UF to continue tournament at Madison Square Garden

■ GATORS VOLLEYBALL WINS 15TH CONSECUTIVE SEC TITLE.

It was a little more than midway through the first half, and Billy Donovan was angry.

Angry with the officials, angry with his players and upset with the direction the game was going.

So, after a steal and breakaway dunk by Albany's Jamar Wilson brought the Great Danes to within 2 points of the Gators, Donovan had enough.

And he was rewarded with a technical foul.

"I just thought there were a few inconsistencies, but overall [the officials] did a good job," Donovan said. "But there were a couple of calls that I thought were a little bit inconsistent, and I voiced my opinion and deservedly was told to be quiet and sit back

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Billy Donovan
UF men's basketball coach

down."

Was he trying to get the technical?
"Probably a little bit," he said.

And while it didn't light a fire under UF right away, the Gators were able to take a 6-point lead at halftime after Corey Brewer, who was named regional Most Valuable Player after scoring 18 points and pulling down seven rebounds, beat the buzzer with a 3-point shot. Then, the Gators steadily pulled away from the close score during the second half for an 83-64 victory Thursday night.

The win sends the Gators to Madison

Square Garden to face Wake Forest in the semifinals of the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic Thursday.

Joakim Noah's 17-point, seven-rebound performance was part of an impressive showing by the Gators' frontcourt. Richard poured in a career-high 14 points, and Al Horford finished with 9 points, seven assists and five boards.

-DAN TREAT

VOLLEYBALL WINS SEC: The success of the UF volleyball team can be summed up very simply.

"This team has done some really good things, and it is not surprising because they are led by two outstanding senior leaders," Coach Mary Wise said.

With a 3-0 win against Mississippi Friday night, the No. 5 Gators stood alone atop the

Southeastern Conference standings, clinching their 15th-consecutive SEC title.

"It's one thing to come in and win the SEC once," opposite hitter Amber McCray said. "But when you do it over 15 consecutive years, that just shows how dedicated you are and how each year you are working so hard. I think that says a lot about this program."

With their 15th-consecutive title, UF matched the Tennessee men's track team (1964-1978) for the longest SEC title streak.

"I think at some point, you have to step back and say, 'SEC championships don't come easy,'" Wise said. "To win it 15 times in a row says a whole lot about the great players we've had year-in and year-out."

UF will face eighth-seeded Georgia on Friday in the opening round of the SEC Tournament in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

-BRYAN JONES

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UF NOTEBOOK 'Cocks could win East

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COLUMBIA, S.C. — With its victory Saturday, South Carolina will finish no worse than second in the Southeastern Conference Eastern Division.

The Gamecocks still have an outside chance of winning the SEC East. They would need Georgia to fall to Kentucky, which is unlikely but possible.

"No worse than second's pretty good," Gamecocks coach Steve Spurrier said. "One of our goals was to try to finish in the top three, and I'd be dad-gum, we have done that. To beat these guys for the first time since we joined the conference is neat. To win five in a row for the first time, I told you guys we had a lot of history that we could set by coming to South Carolina. I didn't think we'd set this much this year."

South Carolina nearly swept the East division's big three — UF, Tennessee and Georgia — with only a 17-15 loss to Georgia spoiling the record.

FIELD POSITION: In a season in which Meyer emphasized repeatedly the need for winning the field-position battle, punter Eric Wilbur's leg failed.

In four attempts, Wilbur couldn't get a punt off of more than 40 yards.

"He just didn't hit the ball very well," Meyer said. "He wasn't pressured."

The Gators' average starting field position was their own 21-yard line, while the Gamecocks' was their own 39.

INJURY UPDATES: Defensive end Ray McDonald saw the most action on the defensive line since his return. Receiver Dallas Baker played through a broken rib and had two catches for 20 yards on the Gators' last drive. Despite missing much of practice this week, running back DeShawn Wynn ran for 73 yards on 11 attempts.

NOTEWORTHY: For the first time this year, the Gators failed to create a turnover. The Gamecocks 30 points were the most ever scored by South Carolina in the UF series. Freshman running back Markus Manson had his first career start.



Spurrier

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