



Trustees cut merit awards

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Starting this Fall, stellar test scores won't offer the same payout they used to at UF.

UF's Board of Trustees approved a plan Friday that will significantly cut award money for new in-state and out-of-state National Merit scholars and finalists at the university.

UF will award \$5,000 to in-state National Merit scholars and finalists this Fall, while out-of-state award recipients will receive \$17,000 and out-of-state fee waivers.



Alfonso

In-state National Merit students who already attend UF receive \$24,000 over four years, while out-of-state students get \$40,000 and out-of-state fee waivers. The new cuts will not affect awards for students already enrolled at UF.

"We are going to be awarding finalists, just not awarding them at the level we have been in the past," trustee Carlos Alfonso said at a board meeting Friday.

The cuts could eventually save the university an estimated \$5 million to \$8 million a year, said Alfonso, the head of a Tampa-based architectural firm.

UF President Bernie Machen also expressed his support for the decision.

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Leak's career night propels Gators

■ UF LOOKS READY FOR VOLS AFTER SHREDDING UCF.

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At this rate, 50 passing touchdowns in one season doesn't sound all that absurd.

The preseason goal set by UF quarterback Chris Leak just might come to fruition, thanks in part to a four-touchdown performance in the Gators' 42-0 win against Central Florida.

UF's offense exploded at the Swamp Saturday on a humid evening when the defense quietly equaled — maybe bettered — Leak's performance.

With a trip to Tennessee looming five days away, the Gators' offense seems to be at its best since Ron Zook replaced Steve Spurrier.

Zook's Illinois team, by the way, lost 33-0 to Rutgers on Saturday.

"The big question last year was: 'How was I educated in my first year at Florida?'" Coach Urban Meyer said. "And the answer to that is: 'Four, five or six big plays win a game.'"

The No. 7 Gators (2-0), which posted their first shutout since 2001, got that and more against the Golden Knights.

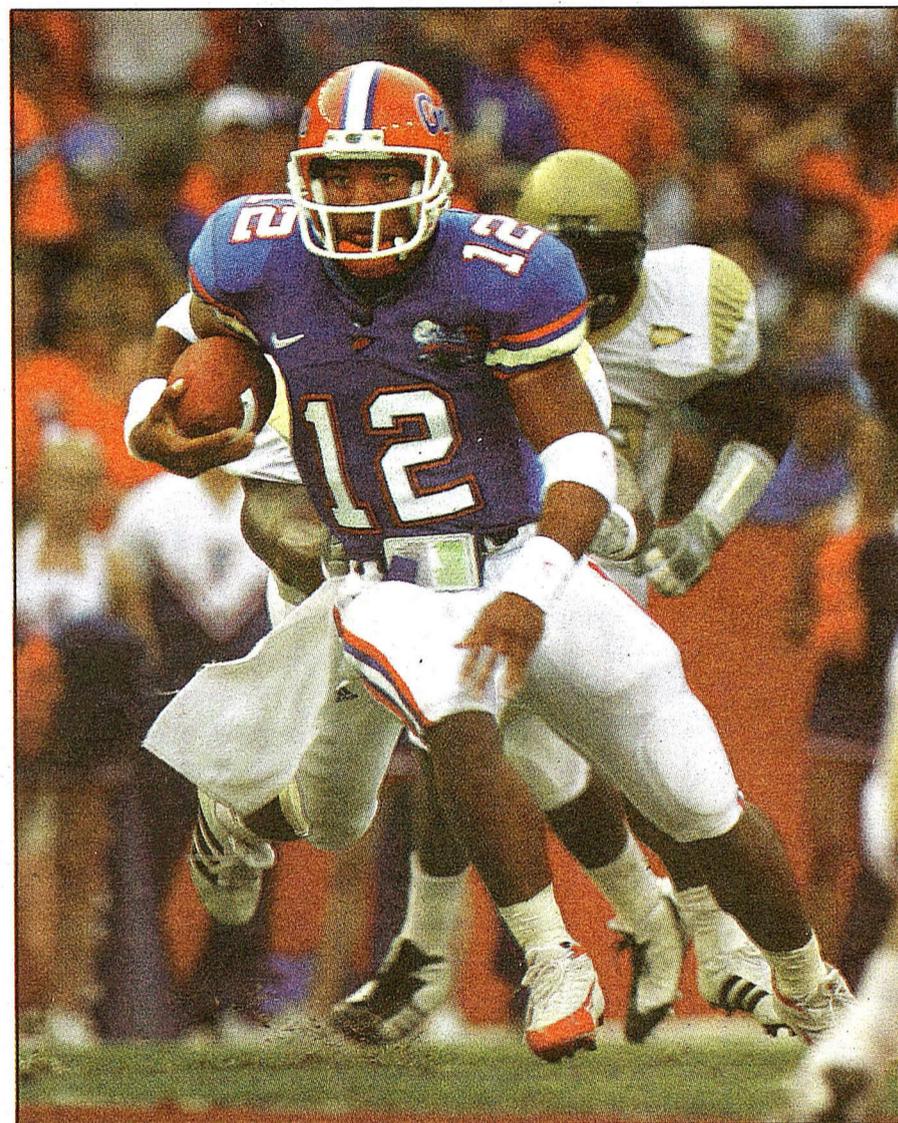
Leak, who has seven touchdowns through two games, set a career high with 352 passing yards.

And the Gators look much better than they did before last season's Tennessee game.

"We're faster than we were a year ago," Meyer said. "Hopefully, we have more firepower."

So when did the Gators begin pre-

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Tim Casey / Alligator Staff

Gators quarterback Chris Leak scrambles during UF's 42-0 shutout of Central Florida. Leak finished with a career-high 352 passing yards.

Hamster owners cheer for rodents rolling to victory

■ A LOCAL PETCO PARTICIPATED IN NATIONAL EXERCISE-BALL RACES.

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"On your mark, get set, go!" shouted Jackie McCarthy, a general manager at Petco, just before Chocolate, Speedy, Mogwi and

Butterscotch rolled down their tracks.

Petco stores across the nation hosted their annual Hamster Ball Derby on Saturday, and the company's West Newberry Road location participated.

Before the races, the hamsters were allotted 30 minutes to warm up, and owners attempted to get them running down the miniature track in the right direction.

"At first he started running backwards,"

said Skyler Giovanni, Mogwi's owner. "But as long as someone is in front of him, he will run the right way."

Around Gainesville

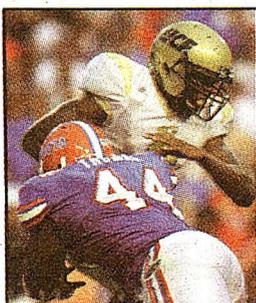
The setup evoked a NASCAR atmosphere,

with its four tracks lined up side by side and surrounded by black-and-white checkered flags and start and finish lines.

The audience, ranging from a black poodle named Gidget to a family wearing matching T-shirts in support of their hamster, was a bit different from a typical NASCAR crowd, though.

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■ UF defensive tackle Marcus Thomas returned from suspension to record the first two Gators sacks of the season. UF blanked UCF 42-0 for its first shutout since 2001. See story, pg. 15.



Traffic accident injures 3 students on game day

Students from SFCC and the University of Central Florida were injured Saturday in a car crash on West University Avenue, according to Gainesville Police.

Ross Newman, a 22-year-old SFCC student, was driving westbound on University Avenue when 22-year-old UCF student Brooke Patsolic's car hit his as he tried to turn southbound, police said.

Two of Patsolic's three passengers were transported to the hospital with nonlife-threatening injuries. Newman was also hospitalized with head injuries.

Newman was issued a citation for careless driving.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

National Moment of Silence

UF campus and Gainesville Regional Airport, 8:46 a.m. UF observes a moment of silence for the fifth anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001, at the time the first plane hit the north tower of the World Trade Center. Music will be performed on the university's carillon, and the flag near Tigert Hall will be flown at half-staff.

Radical Rush

Plaza of the Americas, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Civic Media Center partners with other progressive organizations to present Radical Rush, an alternative way for students to get involved, featuring demonstrations, speakers, poetry and street theater.

Mitzvah Marathon

Turlington Plaza, 11 a.m. The Lubavitch-Chabad Jewish

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Student and Community Center, Lubavitch-Chabad Student Group and the Jewish Student Union offer students the opportunity to do a good deed in remembrance of Sept. 11, 2001.

Sept. 11 Remembrance

Plaza of the Americas, noon The College Republicans hold a ceremony with speakers and a reading of the names of the dead.

Swamp Workshop

Reitz Union, Room 122, noon to 2 p.m. The Swamp Party holds a workshop to include students' ideas in its platform for the Fall elections.

Committee Meeting

Ben Hill Griffin Stadium, Room 226, 3 p.m. Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites Committee meeting

Poetry Untitled

Alachua County Library Downtown Headquarters, 6:30 p.m. The library district commemorates the fifth anniversary of Sept. 11 by inviting the public to read a selection of original or classic poetry.

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ON CAMPUS

Faculty look to leave CLAS

By ELIZABETH HILLAKER

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A week after UF's largest college laid out plans to climb out of debt, the leader of the Faculty Senate said instructors feel demoralized in the face of proposals to reduce faculty.

At a Friday meeting of the Board of Trustees, Faculty Senate Chairwoman Danaya Wright said some faculty members in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences — the college that recently faced a multimillion-dollar debt — are already looking for other jobs.

"They're horribly demoralized."

Danaya Wright
Faculty Senate chairwoman

Although college officials do not plan to lay off any current faculty members, some vacant faculty posts will stay unfilled to save money.

"If you stick around, you're going to get a huge amount of work dumped on you," Wright said in an interview after the meeting.

Wright acknowledged after the meeting that the Board of Trustees, which is UF's highest governing body, is not in charge of overseeing college budget problems. However, she said, trustees should be concerned about UF faculty members' feelings toward their jobs.

"They're horribly demoralized," Wright

said. "They feel if it's CLAS today, it could be any college tomorrow."

Faculty members also feel as if they can't trust "shared governance," a system in which administrators and faculty members both contribute to decision-making at UF.

University officials disregard shared governance when it becomes convenient, such as in budget planning, Wright said after the meeting.

"The problem is faculty were not involved," she said. "That's not shared governance."

Board chairman Manny Fernandez said after the meeting it would be impossible for him to gauge whether UF's faculty members feel demoralized.

On Friday morning, he said, he ate breakfast with six faculty members, and none of them expressed concerns about CLAS's plans.

Since 2001, the board has increased salaries and benefits for faculty, Fernandez said.

The university as a whole is moving in the right direction, he added — from the country's top 20 public institutions to its Top 10.

"Let's just not step backwards," he said.

UF Student Body President John Boyles told board members that students, too, are concerned about faculty and department cuts in addition to larger class sizes.

"Our students are scared about what's going on with faculty," he said in an interview after the meeting. "I'm hoping we'll come up with something a little different."

Fans bleed for victory

■ GATORS WILL COMPETE WITH VOLUNTEERS IN SPIRIT-FUELED BLOOD DRIVE.

By DENITA CLARA CLARK
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Gator fans can compete against the University of Tennessee's football fans to show their school spirit in a blood drive this week.

LifeSouth Community Blood Centers' "What Colors Do You Bleed?" drive is a four-day competition between UF and the University of Tennessee to see which school can garner the most blood donors.

"The competition came about because Medic Blood in Tennessee challenged us to see who could show the most school spirit," said Christine Evans, a donor recruiter at LifeSouth. "We stepped up to the challenge."

LifeSouth will be counting donors from its two campus bloodmo-

biles, temporary setups in residence halls and at both off-campus locations on Northwest 13th Street and Newberry Road.

The winner will be announced Friday.

"We're hoping to draw from 100 to 150 donors a day," Evans said.

In addition to the trophy the winning school will receive, each

donor will get a "What Colors Do You Bleed" T-shirt, cholesterol screening and a chance to win

a Miami Dolphins pennant autographed by Wade Smith, according to a press release.

"Come out and show your support for your team," Evans said.

Donors can participate at the local centers Monday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Donors should eat well and drink plenty of fluids, according to the press release.

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Money to go toward need-based aid

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The cuts "will allow us to use that money for other things," he said.

Money saved from the cuts will help pay for graduate education and need-based financial aid for undergraduates, Machen said. However, officials said they don't yet have any specific aid programs in mind.

Still, some UF officials said Friday that the cuts are too severe.

Trustee Joelen Merkel said the large decrease in award money could deter National Merit scholars from applying to the university.

Alfonso acknowledged the cuts could be a

risky move for UF, but he said the trustees would closely monitor UF's admissions office to ensure top-tier students continue to show interest in the university.

"We're taking a calculated risk that this won't affect the quality of our admits," Alfonso said.

Machen said UF's current National Merit program comes with a hefty price tag. Additionally, he said, the university already boasts thousands of qualified applicants who don't need money to entice them.

"It might deter some who are coming just for the money, but the pool is already more than we can handle now," Machen said.

On Campus

Bigger means better at Petco hamster derby

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Glenn and Pam Allison, along with their daughter Aja, 9, arrived at the event wearing T-shirts labeled "Team Butterscotch." The shirt displayed a picture of Aja's hamster, Butterscotch, who is named for the color of his fur.

Round one began and Butterscotch came in first. Chocolate came in last when he ran in the wrong direction.

"He had to go to the bathroom," said owner, Caron Rowe, as she took Chocolate from his ball. "I think that was the problem."

By round two, a new competitor had arrived.

"Thunder Foot is here to take you all down!" shouted Dan

Fitzpatrick, a UF student who attended the derby to support his friend's hamster.

Thunder Foot, though, looked more like a mouse than a hamster. He had his own miniature hamster ball, but when round two began he froze.

"Thunder Foot is here to take you all down!"

Dan Fitzpatrick
UF student

"I don't think he heard 'go,'" said Fitzpatrick. "We need to work him out, or just buy a bigger one."

Fitzpatrick said he was worried that the other hamsters would be bigger, and he compared Thunder Foot to an NFL

running back that needed to avoid a 300-pound linebacker.

By the last round, it was down to Chocolate and Speedy. They were off. Speedy began with a quick start, but just as he was about to reach the finish line, Chocolate zoomed ahead.

Chocolate received a blue first-place ribbon, a small track and a new pink hamster ball.

All competitors received participation awards. Speedy received a take-home track, along with a second-place ribbon. Third- and fourth-place winners, Mr. Whiskers and Butterscotch, also received tracks.

"We want people to know that it's fun to have pets," McCarthy said. "It's not just about dogs and cats — there are hamsters too."

Vols on UF's mind Saturday

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paring for the Volunteers?

"I'm thinking about Tennessee right now," safety Tony Joiner said after the game. "I started thinking about them the minute the game was over."

UF's offense practiced under a silent cadence last week and played the same way against UCF — all in preparation for the upcoming raucous Volunteers crowd. The plan seemed to work just fine at home.

Freshman receiver Percy Harvin took a short crossing route up the sidelines for a 58-yard score early in the game.

The Gators put 27 points on the board during the second quarter, extending their formidable lead to 34-0 at the half.

"The second quarter was dynamic," Meyer said.

Running backs DeShawn Wynn (8-yard run) and Kestahn Moore (28-yard run) and receivers Dallas Baker (10-yard catch) and Andre Caldwell (25-yard catch) found the end zone.

Caldwell needed to be helped off the field after his first grab when he was sandwiched between two UCF defenders.

"He's still not Bubba Caldwell," said Meyer, referring to the re-

ceiver's playmaking ability before breaking his leg against Tennessee last season.

"He's still not that same dynamic player."

UF's defense pitched its first goose egg since a 2001 Mississippi State shutout.

"Shutouts are hard to get," said Meyer, emphasizing the obvious.

The Gators' defense bettered its performance from week one and ranks second in the nation in points allowed per game (3.5) behind LSU.



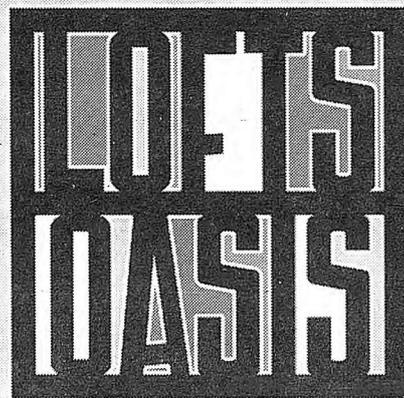
Defensive tackles Marcus Thomas and Steven Harris returned after missing the opener against Southern Miss to disrupt the UCF attack. Thomas recorded UF's first two sacks of the season.

"He makes a big difference — we call him The Mule," said Joiner, who tackled UCF running back Kevin Smith for a safety in the third quarter. "No. 44 — that's the guy you can always count on to put pressure on the quarterback. He did that tonight."

As for the offense?

"Our goal is to be the fastest team in America," Meyer said. "We're certainly not there yet, but we're in the upper part."

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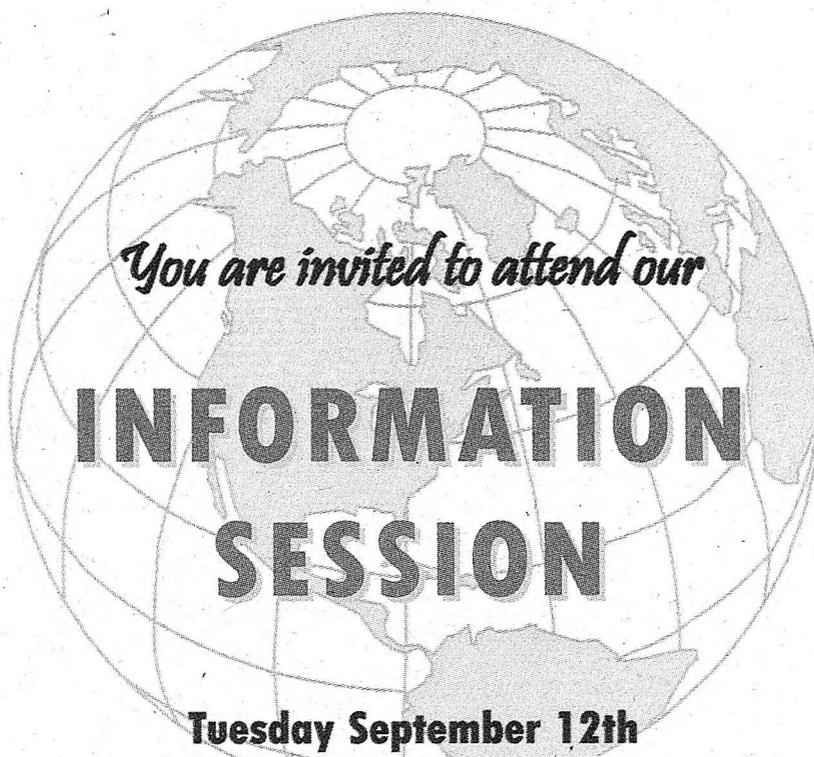
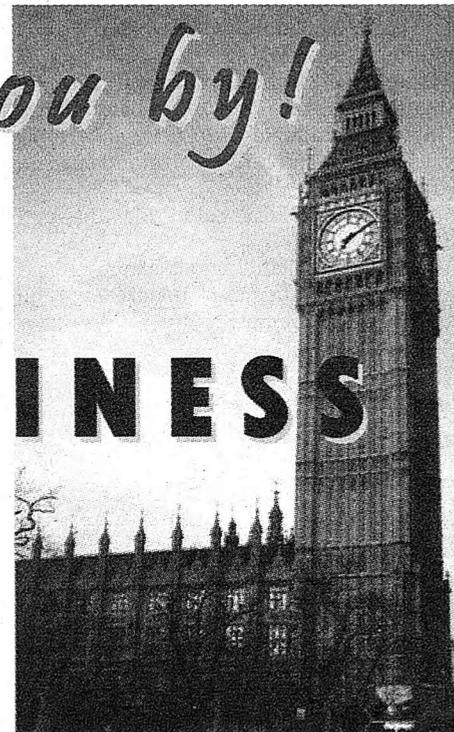
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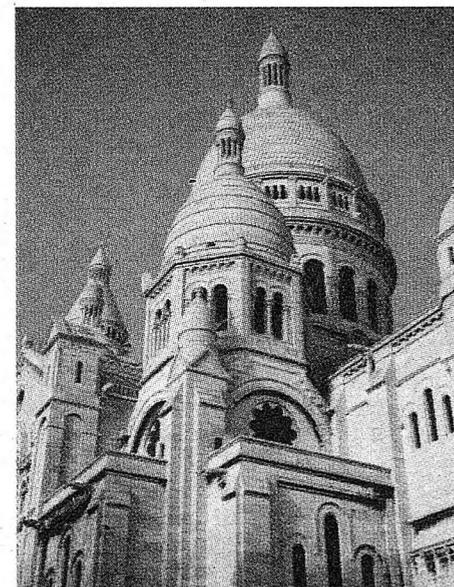


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Editorial

5 years later Sept. 11 passes into history books

What happened on Dec. 7, 1941? Give up? That was the day Pearl Harbor was bombed. How about April 19, 1995 — does that ring any bells? It should. It was the day Timothy McVeigh bombed the federal building in Oklahoma City.

Okay, here's an easy one. What happened on Sept. 11, 2001?

Everybody knows the answer to that. Nineteen men, armed only with box cutters, committed the worst act of terrorism ever perpetrated on American soil. They murdered almost 3,000 people — civilians, mostly — and blotted out the New York City skyline with columns of black smoke. Who could forget that?

Tens of thousands of Americans lost parents, children, siblings or friends on that day. Millions more covered in front of televisions and computer screens, storefront windows and cubicle radios, praying for the chaos to end. Praying for their loved ones to make it home safe.

Sept. 11 was a dark day in American history. Maybe even the darkest. But now, on its fifth anniversary, it's time to stop reliving that day. It's time to move on.

Moving on doesn't mean forgetting, of course. Americans will always remember Sept. 11 — especially our generation, which came of age politically when the twin towers collapsed. But after the denial, the anger and the depression, we're finally ready to take off our mourning clothes and get on with our lives. And not a moment too soon.

In the last five years, the White House has invoked the attacks to justify everything from the Patriot Act to domestic wiretapping to the war in Iraq. Everything changed on Sept. 11, they tell us, and we can never go back to a Sept. 10 mentality. Which is true. But we don't have to live every day like it's Sept. 12, either.

Yes, terrorism is still a problem. A big problem. But we have other problems too, the same ones we had before Sept. 11 — the attacks didn't change that. Thirty-seven million Americans still live in poverty. Forty-six million have no health insurance. The sooner we remember that, the better.

Think of it this way. Your chances of dying in a terrorist attack are trivially small — statistically insignificant, in fact. But every year, millions of Americans go without the health care they need because they can't afford it. So why is terrorism still at the top of the agenda?

Because of Sept. 11, of course. Before the dust cleared in Manhattan, our priorities had changed. Our leaders promised us a new national mission — the global war on terror — and everything else faded into the background. With bodies still lost in the rubble, we were happy to accept. It seemed like a good idea at the time.

But now — five years, two wars and one presidential election later — Americans have the opportunity to reconsider Sept. 11. Was it a tragedy? Of course. An act of war? Definitely. But was it the beginning of a totally new phase in American history? Did it have to eclipse everything else in our political discourse? Well, maybe not.

That's why today should be the last anniversary of Sept. 11. Let's put that day where it belongs — in the history books, next to Pearl Harbor and Timothy McVeigh — and retire it as a political football. The victims of Sept. 11 deserve that, at least.

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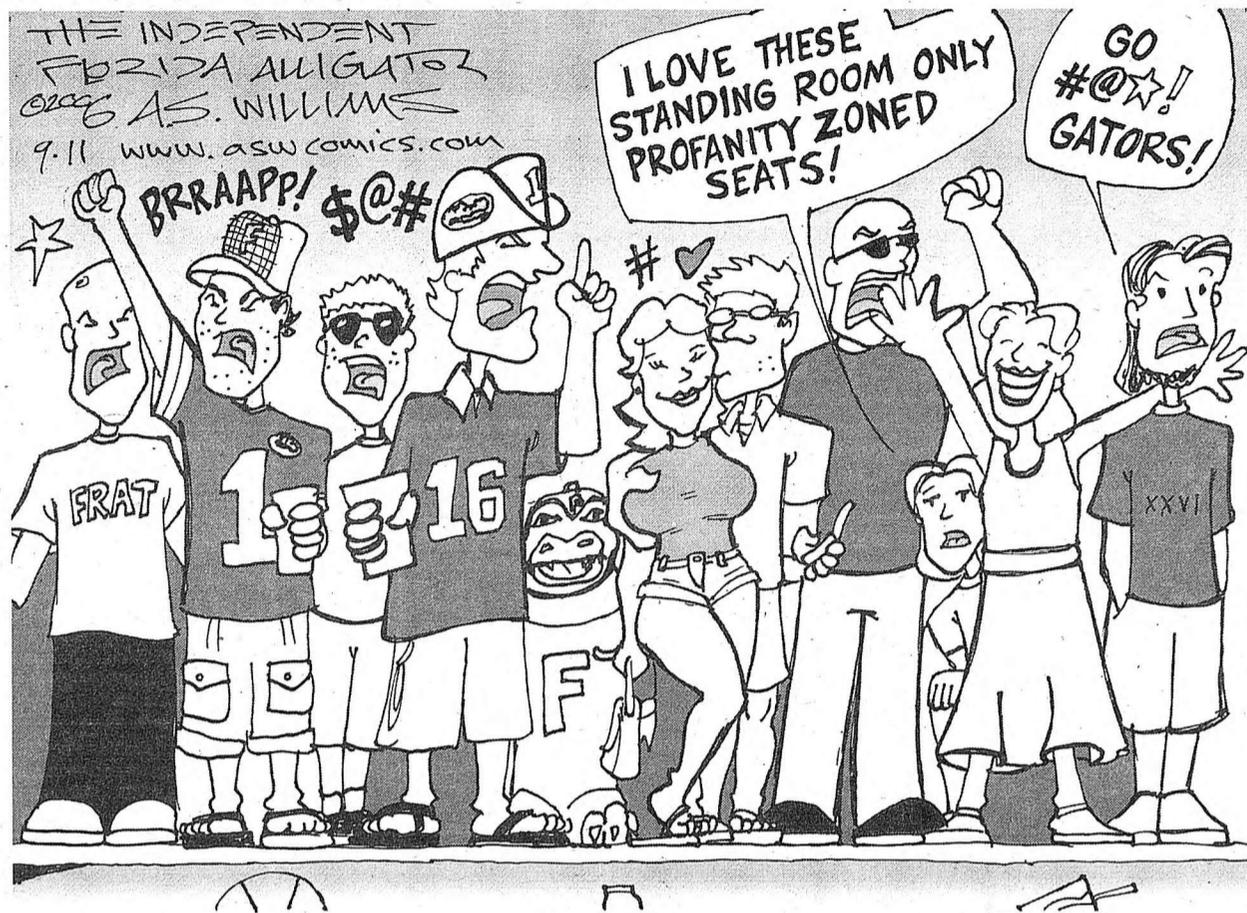
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Column

Students must do more than just talk

Imagine that you live in a country where an insurgent army is growing — an army composed mostly of children.

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They take the children a safe distance from the village. Then one child is hacked to pieces with a machete right in front of the others, who are told to follow orders or meet the same fate. The new recruits are initiated.

Just imagine it. For protection, the children all around your small town — mostly orphans — have to travel each evening to your village. There, you and some others stay up most of the night, rifles hoisted over your shoulders, watching the children.

Each night as you fight fatigue, you tell yourself that if the insurgents try to take these little ones sleeping underneath your watchtower for protection, they will have to kill you first. There is talk of the international community getting involved, of the United Nations stepping in and doing something. Yet each night you go on guarding.

Now imagine that people in America have heard of the crisis in your country. Finally, they decide they must act. What is their action? In the name of solidarity, they sleep outside on a Friday night, on the concrete entrance to their college's "Welcome Center." They call it raising awareness.

The problem is, the children in your village don't need awareness. They need safety.

Recently, members of Amnesty International at UF hosted a glorified slumber party to raise awareness of the Lord's Resistance Army in Uganda. What did



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they do to help the situation in Uganda? Nothing. Absolutely nothing.

This column is not about the crisis in Uganda, but the ideological one here in the United States. Somehow we take it for granted that awareness inevitably leads to action. We find the two so inextricably linked that they are practically synonymous. But this

is a disastrous misconception. Awareness very often elicits no action at all. Just ask the man guarding hundreds of children in Uganda — he's out there tonight.

Right now, my sister Michelle is doing what she can to help the people in Piswa and Kapchorwa, two towns in southeastern Uganda. She's doing more than just raising awareness. She's out there, taking action herself. This is vital.

Telling others about a crisis while not doing anything about it yourself communicates a message: This situation has not inspired me to act. With student groups taking this stance, how do we ever expect anyone to act?

Of course, not everyone who wants to help out Ugandans has to fly across the ocean. Nor is spreading the word useless or inherently bad. However, there are many problems — many right here in Gainesville — that we "dialogue" about endlessly, but never confront.

I respect the ideals Amnesty International stands for. But whenever you discover any wrong, no matter how great or small, you must evaluate what you can actually do to fight it. Otherwise, despite your good intentions, you're contributing to the passive acceptance of it.

Gerald Liles is a history and religion junior.

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

Reader response

Today's question: Should UF reserve tailgating space for alumni?

Friday's question: Should freshmen have to take UF's new online alcohol course?

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Letters to the Editor

Alumni-only tailgates ruin UF tradition

Since the beginnings of Gator football, students and alumni alike have celebrated their love for the orange and blue in a nearly cult-like tradition. At UF, tailgate parties draw generations of Gator fans together in a family-like atmosphere unrivaled by any other institution.

However, UF President Bernie Machen is on a mission to dismantle this ritual by reserving parking lots and land for "paying alumni only." Are we not paying students? We shell out thousands in tuition each year — and now Machen wants us to pay more.

To add insult to injury, the reserved area is left unused by "paying alumni." For two weekends in a row, fewer than a dozen cars parked in a reserved lot suitable for 90 vehicles. It seems Machen closed the lots for reasons other than accommodating additional alumni, who clearly are not interested.

UF thrives on alumni participation. But by restricting our privileges as students, this new policy makes it unlikely that many Gators of our generation will donate money as alumni. In other words, when we're gone, we're gone for good.

Brett Gelsomino
5BA

U.S. must stay out of world's business

Five years have passed since the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. The question remains: Why did it happen?

The answer is twofold. The United States has a history of manipulating and even openly controlling governments in other countries. Also, American corporations have an iron grip on much of the developing world.

To truly rid ourselves of new threats, we must convince the government of the United States to respect the right of foreign nations to elect their own governments — and to allow those governments the right to make their own decisions concerning their countries.

Even if we withdraw our troops from the Middle East, it will be an empty gesture unless we also withdraw the millions of dollars in aid that we give to oppressive governments in that region.

Kevin Hachey
1LS

UF excluded minorities until the '60s

I write in response to Patrick Barrett's

column last Thursday.

In his column, Barrett stated that racial preferences in admissions have been the policy of UF and other institutions for decades.

But racial preference has actually been the practice of UF for centuries. UF was founded in 1853, yet it was not until the late 1960s that any racial diversity appeared in the student body or faculty. For roughly 120 years, there was a whites-only admissions policy at UF.

Terry L. Mills
associate dean for minority affairs

CLAS budget cuts hurt research efforts

UF President Bernie Machen wants to turn UF into a premier research school. But recent budget cuts proposed by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will see the research abilities of departments like English, philosophy and mathematics almost completely stifled.

Teachers will have less time for research, new teachers won't be brought in to replace retiring ones, and funding for graduate students will be cut.

So my question to Machen is this: Your words say one thing, but your actions are saying another. Which should we be listening to?

Donovan Hulse
3LS

Sharpton a great speaker, leader

Contrary to a letter in Friday's issue, UF students have the opportunity on Tuesday to see one of the greatest speakers of our time, the Rev. Al Sharpton. He is the best speaker Accent has brought to our campus in my time at UF.

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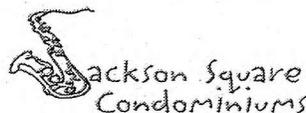
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 - Maintenance Tech
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HELP WANTED - DISHWASHER OR EXPO for downtown restaurant. Apply in person between 1 & 3 pm Mon thru Fri 101 SE 2nd Pl. Suite #118. 371-2323. Pay starts at \$7.25/hr. 9-13-5-14

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WEEK 2

Each Monday, the alligatorSports staff will vote on the top three UF football performances of the week. The No. 1 player will receive five points, the No. 2 player will earn three points and the No. 3 player will earn one point. At the end of the year, the player who earned the most combined points will be given the title of alligatorSports Player of the Year. In 2005, wide receiver Chad Jackson became the inaugural winner.

Leaderboard:

Baker	5
Leak	5
Harvin	4
Thomas	3
Joiner	1



1



Chris Leak
QB, Sr.

It's hard to believe that Leak has never thrown for 400 yards in a game, let alone 352 before Saturday. But his middle name is Consistency and Leak never looked better than his four-touchdown performance against Central Florida. Given a few seconds to throw — that didn't happen in the season opener — Leak is as good as any quarterback in the country. He ranks fourth nationally with 600 passing yards.

19-29, 352 yds, 4 TDs, 1 int.

2



Marcus Thomas
DT, Sr.

Coach Urban Meyer won't say what Thomas did to be suspended against Southern Miss and he still won't call him a great player, but there's no doubting the senior is primed for a breakout season. He resuscitated a defensive line that somewhat struggled without him in the opener by recording UF's first two sacks. The only question: How much of the sacks does Thomas' belly, Scoop, get credit for?

2 sacks, 3 solo, 1 ass. — 4 tot. tkl's.

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Percy Harvin
WR, Fr.

Here's all you need to know about Harvin's game-changing abilities: He averaged 44 yards on his first three touches. Unfortunately for the freshman, 54 of those yards came on an end-around that was omitted from the box score after Steve Rissler was called for an illegal chop block. Harvin also had one fumble and dropped a gimme pass, but you can bet the Gators will take the minimal bad with the overwhelming good.

4 rec, 99 yds, 1 TD, 2 rushes, 11 yds.

Jennifer LaBrie / Alligator Staff



Top 5 Best Seasons



No. 5: 2001

Coach: Steve Spurrier
Record: 10-2
Best player: QB Rex Grossman
Best win: Oct. 6: @ LSU 44-15



Editors' note: This is the first in a series of top-five countdowns commemorating the 100-year anniversary of UF football.

The 2001 edition of the Gators may have been the most talented team UF had under Steve Spurrier. Led by redshirt sophomore quarterback Rex Grossman, the Gators racked up 538 points en route to winning 10 games.

However, the Gators were denied both a Southeastern Conference title and a shot at the national title after dropping a 34-32 decision to Tennessee in a December matchup delayed due to the terrorist attacks on September 11. Some believe that UF would have had a better shot at winning had it played the Volunteers on the original date.

Regardless, Grossman finished as the runner-up in Heisman Trophy voting and was named national player of the year by The Associated Press after throwing for 3,896 yards and 34 touchdowns while completing 65.6 percent of his passes.

The 3,896 yards remain a school record as is the 65.6 percentage (minimum 200 pass attempts). The offense finished the season ranked first in the Southeastern Conference and second in the nation, and the Gators' 405.2 passing yards per game led the nation.

No slouches on the defensive side of the ball, UF ranked ninth nationally in total defense, allowing just 290.2 yards per game.

UF's 10 victories came by an average margin of 36.5 points, including a 44-15 pasting of eventual conference champion LSU in Baton Rouge.

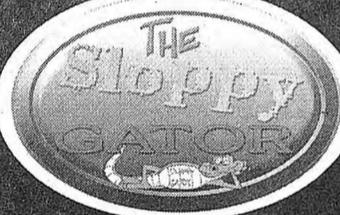
The Gators started the season ranked No. 1 in the country, and never slipped below sixth the entire year.

They finished the year ranked No. 3 after a 56-23 demolition of Atlantic Coast Conference champion Maryland in the Orange Bowl.

Taylor Jacobs was named the game's MVP after catching 10 passes for 170 yards and two touchdowns.

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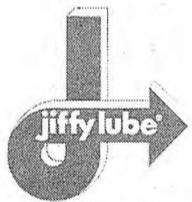
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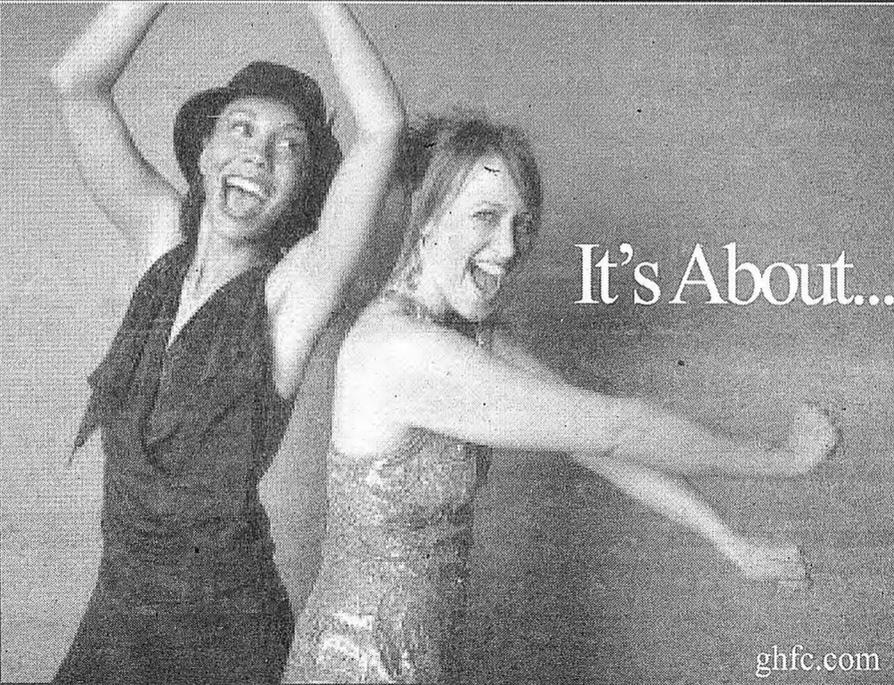
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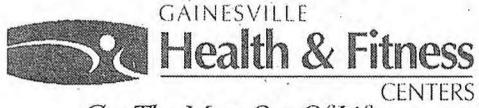


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Healthy Gators line ices UCF

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Ray McDonald wasn't kidding when he said UF's defensive line wanted to leave its mark. Marcus Thomas wasn't joking when he said the Gators' starting defensive line would be scary good.

With its four starters on the field for the first time all season, UF's line suffocated and frustrated Central Florida, pitching the school's first goose egg since a 52-0 Mississippi State shutout in 2001. The Gators won 42-0.

"Our front seven — I think — is the best in the country," safety Tony Joiner said. "They kind of showed a glimpse of it tonight, but we didn't really do as good as we wanted on defense. But hey, we got the job done."

How about some 2006 firsts.

The Gators recorded their first sacks of the season — Thomas taking credit for both.

UF notched its first safety since last season's Mississippi State game. Joiner tackled UCF running back Kevin Smith for a 3-yard loss in the end zone, putting the Gators up 36-0 in the third quarter.

And the Gators plain stymied the Golden Knights offense. Central Florida totaled just 132 passing yards and 21 rushing yards.

When the Gators weren't sacking Steven Moffett, they were

hounding him or smashing him just after he released the ball.

"I don't know how many sacks we got, but there should have been a bunch more," Coach Urban Meyer said.

Thomas had two weeks of pent-up energy for the contest. Despite missing the season opener because of disciplinary issues, he quickly demonstrated Saturday why he was a preseason All-Southeastern Conference selection.

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Tony Joiner
UF safety

"I can't deem him a great player yet because I don't think he is — I think he's a very good player, but he loves the game of football and I think it's contagious," Meyer said.

"Everybody makes mistakes, but he's a leader for the team and the team looks up to him. He's a leader in the right way now."

All things considered, Meyer is not sold yet on his defensive line.

"During the summer, a lot of people said this was going to be one of the greatest defensive lines

here — I disagree," Meyer said. "Those front sevens in the '90s won championships. [However], this front seven has a lot of potential, and tonight they kind of played like it."

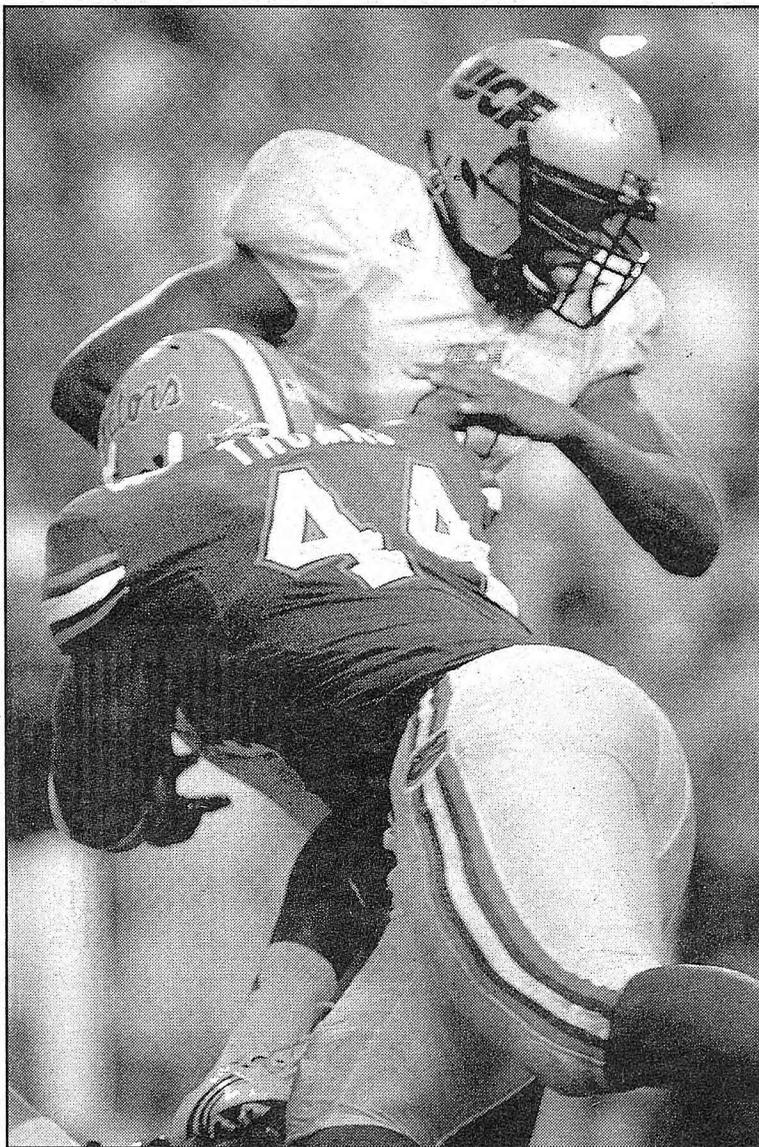
TURNOVER WOES: UF committed four turnovers against the Golden Knights. If the Gators repeat that performance against Tennessee, "we'll lose next week," Meyer said.

Freshman receiver Percy Harvin became the first offender when he fumbled after taking Chris Leak's shovel pass 21 yards. Leak signed his name to the turnover petition when his potential touchdown pass to Cornelius Ingram was tipped and intercepted. Backup quarterback Tim Tebow pitched in a fumble and interception of his own.

NOT-SO-SPECIAL TEAMS: UF kicker Chris Hetland has not attempted one field goal in the first two games.

What's even more concerning for Meyer and Co. is that UF can't seem to kick the gimmes through the uprights either. The Gators failed on two extra points Saturday giving them three such blotched plays in two games.

"I'm going to have a major discussion with the young people here because that's a concern," Meyer said during his Sunday teleconference. "I have to talk to them, but we have to get that organized."



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UF defensive tackle Marcus Thomas sacks Central Florida quarterback Steven Moffett for the second time during the 42-0 UF win.

Leak's brilliance continues to go unnoticed, pay your dues already

Did you notice that Chris Leak threw for 352 yards and four touchdowns Saturday night? Because for a minute there, I thought I was the only one.

Sure, heap praise on Percy Harvin and Andre Caldwell; they certainly deserve it after their spectacular individual efforts, despite Caldwell dropping a couple of passes.

But the relatively small amount of attention that has been paid to Leak's hot start this year is baffling. For whatever reason, people don't seem to appreciate the fact that one of the nation's best quarterbacks is playing in their own backyard.

It may have to do with the belief that Urban Meyer is still trying to put a square peg in a round hole with Leak in this offense, but that

isn't the case. Make no mistake: This is Chris Leak's show.

Meyer has enough faith in him to allow him to script the Gators' first 12 plays of the game, a far cry from where he was a year ago.

"Last year he nodded at us," Meyer said. "Now, he scripts the plays. That's Chris Leak's offense now."

And maybe the opponent was UCF, but Leak looked spectacular Saturday night.

Those 352 yards were a career high and would have been significantly higher had several very catchable balls not been dropped.

The touchdown pass he threw to Caldwell with time ticking away at the end of the first half was a perfect strike. For the second consecutive week, his lone interception wasn't



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entirely his fault.

Yet after the game, I was asked about the performance of many players, Harvin, Tim Tebow and Marcus Thomas, among others. Not one person mentioned Leak.

There are those who see the mobility Tebow brings to the table and scream for him to play.

I'll admit — Tebow looked pretty damn good in his one drive with the first team, but Leak didn't do too badly for himself in the running department.

On more than one occasion, Leak saw a

hole up the middle and took off. Four rushes for 16 yards might not scare anyone, but it's an improvement.

And as a drop-back passer, Leak is second to none. A quick check of the stats shows that Leak is tied for the national lead in touchdown passes with seven and is fourth in passing yards with an even 600. As it stands, Leak is poised to set the school records for both career passing yardage and completions.

That's ahead of guys like Danny Wuerffel, Steve Spurrier, Rex Grossman, Shane Matthews and Kerwin Bell.

When their names are mentioned, no one doubts that they are Gators legends. So why isn't it the same with Leak?

Your guess is as good as mine.

ONLINE

You can find a bevy of weekend stories on alligatorSports.org. Check out a preview of the UF men's and women's golf teams, as well as a recap of UF volleyball, soccer and cross country action.

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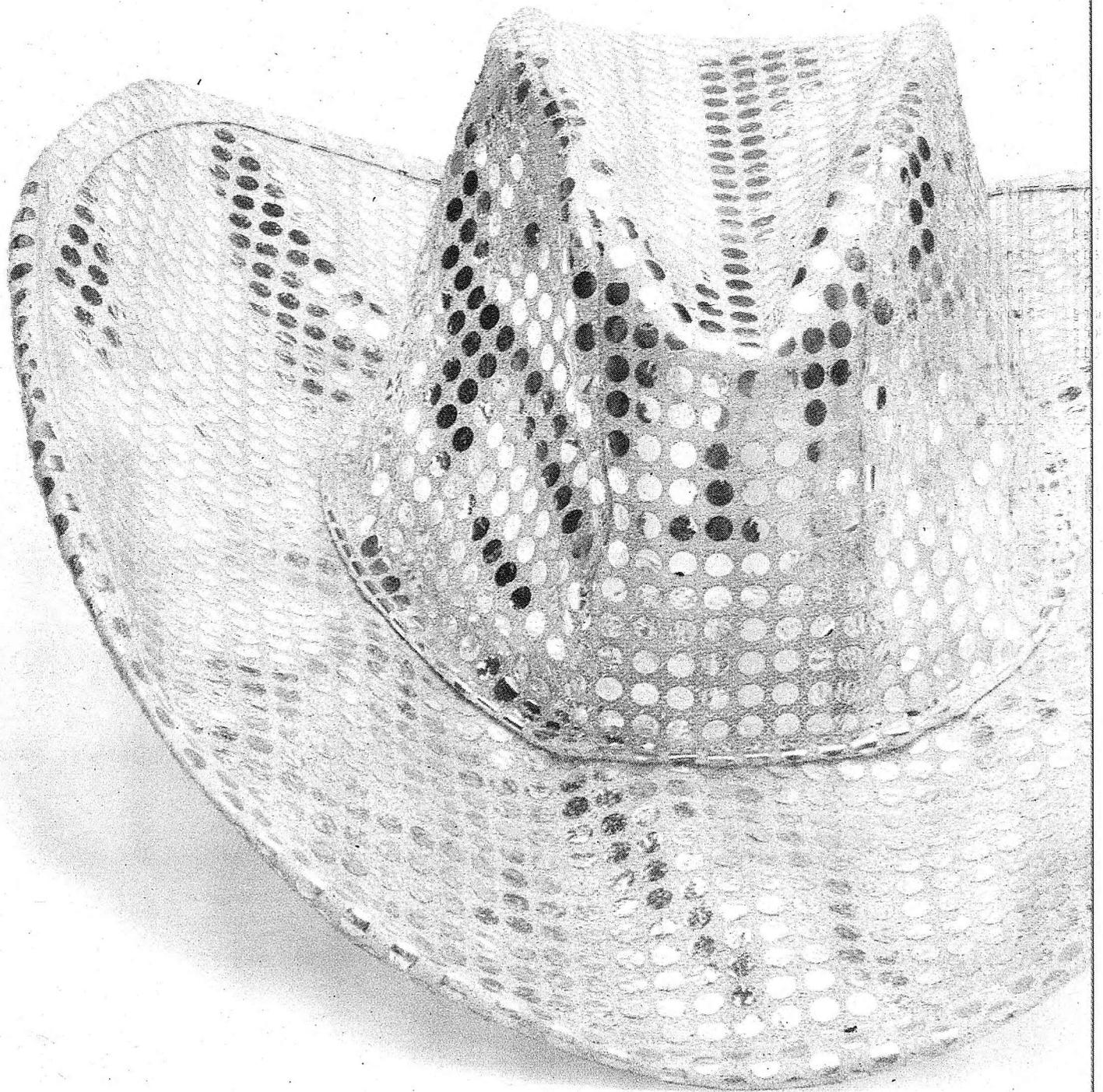
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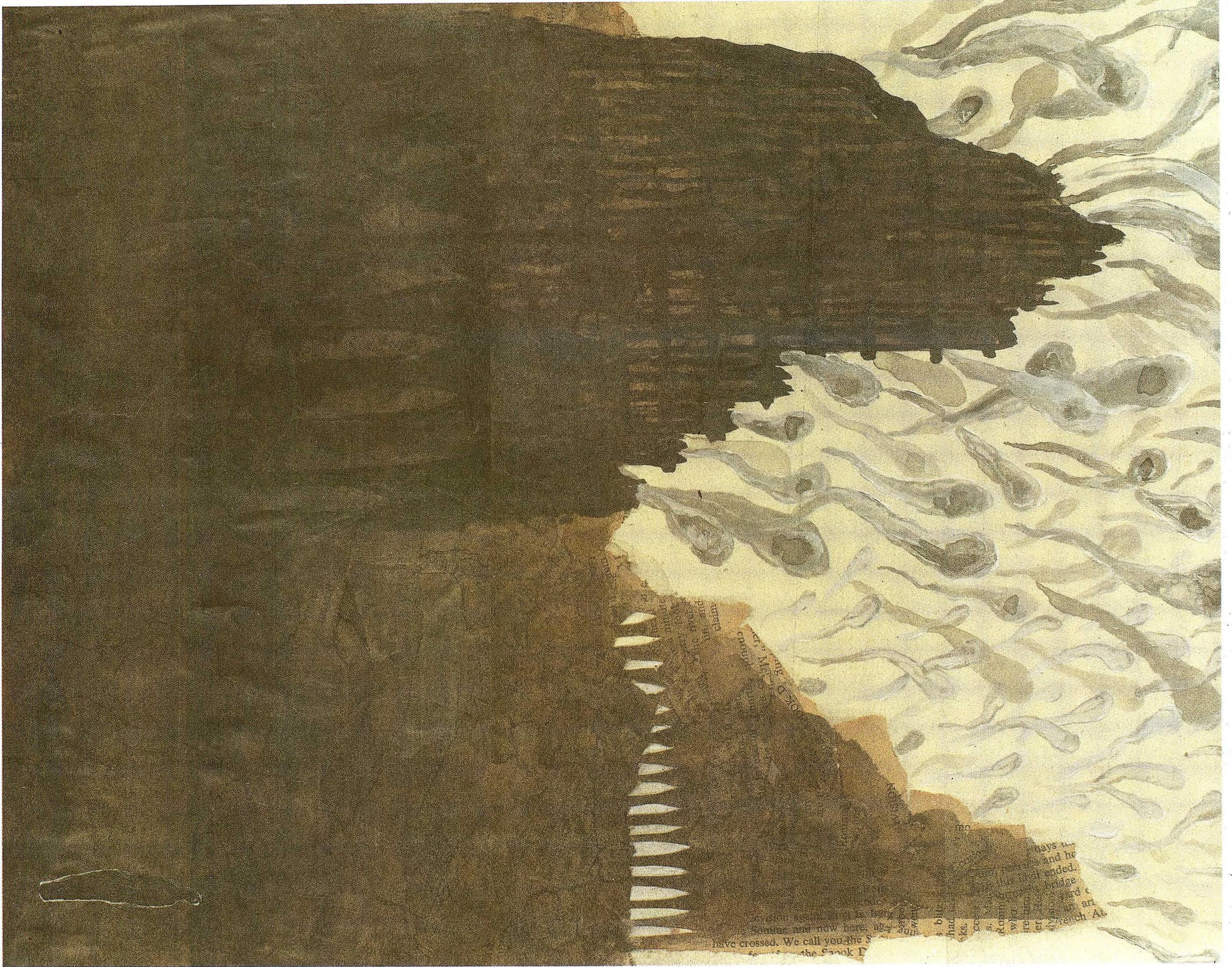


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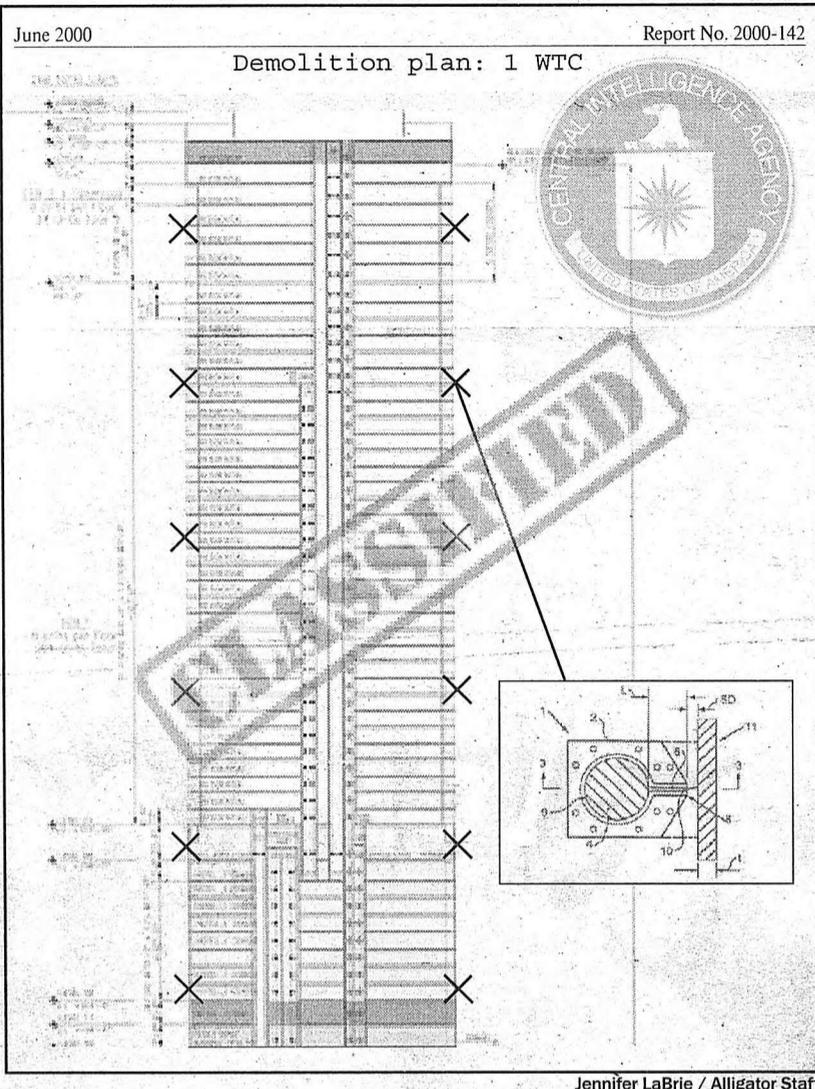
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Officials keeping secrets, theories

By VINCENT MASSARO
Alligator Writer

An American cruise missile struck the Pentagon. Secretly planted explosives took down the twin towers. Flight 93 landed safely in Cleveland.

Five years later, a growing number of conspiracy theories accuse the U.S. government of having delivered a self-inflicted blow on Sept. 11, 2001.

According to a Scripps Howard/Ohio University poll published last month, more than a third of Americans suspect that federal officials assisted in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks or took no action to stop them so the United States could go to war in the Middle East.

UF law professor Mark Fenster is the author of the book "Conspiracy Theories: Secrecy and Power in American Culture." He said Americans' frustration with the war in Iraq and with the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina has caused them to question the official explanation of the Sept. 11 attacks.

Immediately after the attacks, Fenster said the country seemed to rally under a flagpole, giving deference to political and military authorities. But since then, that sentiment has run out.

This "lag time" is nothing new in the development of conspiracy theories, he said, noting that such theories became popular a few years after the assassination of John F. Kennedy.

This time, the Internet has been the mother medium for the boom in conspiracy theories. Most of them suggest that the government somehow orchestrated the attacks and a subsequent cover-up.

Fenster said this explanation is paradoxical.

"The strange thing about it is that they're reading the administration's incompetence ... and they're contemplating the possibility that this administration is unbelievably competent," he said.

A conspiracy theory, he said, provides "a nice, coherent way of explaining a set of events that otherwise seem really complicated."

One of the most widely circulated items is the video "Loose Change," which combines many of the Sept. 11 conspiracy theories.

"It's a really powerful film," Fenster said. "It's a fine piece of propaganda."

"Loose Change" was created by 22-year-old James Ray and was released last year. Now in its second edition, it is available on Google Video. Set to hip-hop music, it features a variety of clips.

The video suggests, among other things, that the Sept. 11 calls were faked using a voice-morphing technology. The hijackers named in the attacks are still alive.

Also, the video suggests stock market manipulation was the motivation for a conspiracy.

Local artist Tom Miller will show "Loose Change" at the Shamrock Irish Restaurant & Pub around 10 p.m. on a regular 10 p.m. variety show.

Miller said enough time has passed since Sept. 11 that he can ask serious questions that have not been asked before "without feeling guilty about it."

He criticized the Bush administration for its ceaseless evasion of questions since Sept. 11 and its refusal to take responsibility.

"I'm just interested in questions that have not been asked," he said. "I'm more of a skeptic than a conspirator."

Oren Reich, the creator of a Facebook page that claims a Sept. 11 conspiracy, said it's not clear if the attacks were carried out by Muslim extremists.

That would follow the pattern of anti-Americanism in the Middle East, he said.

"I think it's stupid to jump to the conclusion that there's an elaborate conspiracy," he said.

Reich, a political science sophomore at UF, said such a complex conspiracy would require the discipline of too many people.

"I've never been tempted to ask, 'What really happened?'" Reich said.

Traveling students unfazed

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Frank Cabrera finds safety in statistics. The odds were against him dying in a terrorist attack like those of Sept. 11, 2001. Still, danger was on his mind when he enrolled for UF's study abroad program in Morocco last summer. "At first I was like, where am I headed?" he said.

Cabrera's interest in learning more about a country that he mostly understood through the media encouraged him to fly from familiar Miami to Northern Africa.

Those interested in studying abroad have shown resilience amid post-Sept. 11 paranoia. Over the five years since Sept. 11, study abroad enrollment has grown steadily higher, International Center officials said.

Center officials expected study abroad enrollment to drop after the Sept. 11 attacks, but they were happy to be wrong, said Susanne Hill, coordinator for study abroad services. After a brief plateau in enrollment from 2001-02, it grew to a record high in the 2004-05 academic year. Dennis Jett, dean of the International Center, said Sept. 11 made students realize that terrorism can happen within America's borders.

"The real point of 9/11 is that terrorism can affect you anywhere," he said. "You're not particularly safer staying in the United States than you are going abroad."

In a poll taken at a Study Abroad Fair three weeks after the attacks, center officials found few students who were concerned about air

travel.

Hill said students realized study abroad could help them prevent history from repeating itself.

"In order to maybe avoid a second 9/11, all of us need to gain a better global understanding," Hill said. "And what better way to gain a global understanding and understand other cultures than by going there."

UF in Fez, Morocco, is UF's only faculty-led study abroad program to an Arab nation. Enrollment in this program rose steadily after Sept. 11. Students have also chosen to enroll in independent study abroad programs in Jordan and Israel. UF approval is required in order to receive credit or financial aid for these programs.

The Morocco program attracts students interested in Arabic language courses, Hill said.

Cabrera, an economics major studying Arabic, said he almost never felt threatened during his time in Fez. The only time he was concerned was when two Moroccans sharing his cab noticed that he was American and started a heated political discussion in Arabic.

However, Cabrera found that most Moroccans were friendly toward American tourists and Western culture, if not toward the American government.

"One of things that surprised me was the mix of traditional and modern life," he said. "I'd see mothers and daughters walking down the street. The mother would be wearing a traditional hijab, and the girl would be wearing Dolce & Gabbana."

Bell tower rallies students to

By VINCENT MASSARO
Alligator Writer

UF freshman Jeff Lacher was the first on his floor in Reid Hall to wake up. The rest of the guys were still in bed.

He turned on the news and started to get ready for a midmorning class. He froze when he saw the TV screen.

Lacher immediately woke his neighbors and told them to turn on the TV.

What surprised him, though, was that no one in his dormitory showed panic or fear.

"People really came together," said Lacher, who graduated from UF last year with a business degree. "People asked, 'What can I do to help?'"

His floormates began brainstorming fundraising ideas. Some looked into driving to New York City.

A few blocks northwest, Turlington Plaza was deserted. Bright orange fliers littered the campus, stating in big bold letters: "Classes have been canceled until further notice."

Tropical Storm Gabrielle was forming in the Gulf of Mexico. It drizzled on the UF campus for most of the day.

UF officials released a statement at about 12:30 p.m. announcing classes were canceled; after state officials informed the presidents of Florida universities that they could close their schools.

Although many offices in the Reitz Union closed, the Food Court and Student Government offices remained open, with increased security and a police van in the parking lot.

Later in the afternoon, Center for Lee Cobb had an idea. He got up and headed to the heart of campus.

For more than two hours, hundreds of students gathered on the UF carillon. He never left.

"It was an opportunity for them," he recalled. "People needed to feel healing."

He chose music like "A Country, 'Tis of Thee."

Cobb, then a master's student at UF, explained that he was inspired by the patriotism shown in Europe during wartime.

Down bell tower, hundreds of students were gathered to donate blood.

Hundreds of students were gathered at LifeSouth Community Bloodmobile.

At that time, no one knew what was going on, but people wanted to do something, said Carolyn Quintanilla, director of the district director's office, where donations were being collected.

Scott Jarrell, who was in charge of the collection site, said collections were nearly midnight, when supplies were running low.

"People stopped what they were doing to donate," Jarrell said.

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Sept. 11, 2001

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towers of the World Trade
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Sept. 13, 2001

The White House an-
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between the Sept. 11
attacks and Osama bin
Laden.

Oct. 26, 2001

The Patriot Act becomes
a law.

Oct. 7, 2001

The U.S. military begins
air strikes on Afghanistan.

2002

Jan. 29, 2002

In his State of the Union
address, President Bush
says America faces an
"axis of evil" that com-
prises Iraq, Iran
and North Korea.

May 30, 2002

A ceremony is held in New
York marking the end
of the recovery effort at
Ground Zero.

2003

March 20, 2003

The U.S. military invades
Iraq.

2004

June 25, 2004

Michael Moore's
"Fahrenheit 9/11" is
released.

July 22, 2004

The 9/11 Commission
publishes its findings on
the failures of the CIA and
FBI to prevent the terrorist
attacks.

April 28, 2006

The film "United 93" is
released.

Aug. 9, 2006

Oliver Stone's "World
Trade Center" is released.

Aug. 31, 2006

The New York City Health
Department releases
guidelines for treating and
detecting illnesses related
to the Sept. 11 attacks.

Sept. 6, 2006

President Bush announces
that 14 terror suspects
secretly detained by the
CIA have been trans-
ferred to Guantanamo
Bay, Cuba. Among the
suspects is Khalid Shaikh
Mohammed, thought to
be the mastermind of the
Sept. 11 attacks.

Arab world especially sensitive to America's pain

In Jordan, the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, seemed to us yet another crime in a chain of recent atrocities. The Arab world could relate to the attacks in two ways: Many times innocents have died in our conflicts, and we too have sustained transgressions against the sanctity of our symbolic and religious buildings.

On Sept. 28, 2000, Israeli politician Ariel Sharon, the then-opposition leader, entered Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem with soldiers and policemen. It was a provocative move against one of the three holiest places of worship in Islam.

This was on my mind and those of my friends when we saw the American buildings fall.

It was a little bit after 4 p.m. Jordan time that day, and I was at my house in Amman. I was watching TV when I suddenly saw smoke rising from a building. I remember the speechless man on TV. It was shocking to see these crimes against a civilization's buildings.

In my high school the next day, the principal gave a speech condemning the crimes.

I recall talking with my friends between classes and during the break. All of them felt sadness and anger about the transgressions against these buildings that provide protection and well-being for the United States, as they felt before about the transgressions against our buildings that we use to worship God.



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Worldwide, the Middle East may be the region best able to understand the Americans' loss of their beloved innocents. We experience such loss ourselves daily.

I saw people celebrating in Jordan because the terrorists had "smacked the arrogance of Imperialism" by attacking America. I told them, "People, it's two buildings. The United States is continent-sized — it is not our tiny, almost city-state Jordan."

These people were a minority. Most of us were deeply sympathetic toward America.

After I came to UF in 2004, someone on Turlington Plaza tried to tease me: "You bombed two of our buildings — ha ha — we bombed two of your countries."

I said: "It is not funny. Our innocents are worth no less than your innocents."

As Muslims, we perceive someone who killed a soul without justice as if he harmed all of humanity.

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Stadium treated as terror target after 9/11

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When two planes crashed into the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001, football season had just begun at UF. The attacks prompted university officials to think hard about protecting the university's most densely populated venue.

Chip Howard, assistant athletics director of operations and facilities, said the attacks made him anxious about the nearly 85,000 fans that Ben Hill Griffin Stadium could hold at the time.

"I think maybe we were naive to think that a sports venue couldn't be targeted," Howard said.

Since 2001, UF officials have heightened security throughout campus. Besides the stadium, officials were especially concerned that terrorist groups may use the university's own high-tech facilities against UF's teeming population.

Additional squads were assigned to patrol UF's nuclear reactor — a small training unit for engineering students — and water treatment facilities. Officials worried that a saboteur could contaminate UF's water supply, said University Police Capt. Jeff Holcomb.

In late 2005, an ABC News special suggested that terrorists could use UF's nuclear reactor to wreak radioactive havoc on campus. The camera panned a full view of Ben Hill Griffin Stadium as an announcer suggested that Osama bin Laden would find the venue a ripe target.

UF officials responded that the report was exaggerated. The plant's 10- to 15-foot-thick concrete walls and other precautions protected it from assault, they said.



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Alachua County Deputy Michelle Jones inspects UF student Sarah Ruff's bag as she enters Ben Hill Griffin Stadium before Saturday's game against the University of Central Florida.

University spokesman Steve Orlando said the chances of the plant succumbing to a terrorist attack are slim to none.

"The plant is designed to survive basically a plane crashing into it," he said.

Security officials have concentrated most of their resources on the stadium.

Spending on stadium security rose from approximately \$500,000 pre-Sept. 11 to \$1 million, Howard said. More bomb sweeps were scheduled before games. Over several meetings with stadium staff, UPD officers recommended methods to beef up security.

"The one thing that law enforcement taught us to do is expect the unexpected," Howard said.

Concrete and iron barriers were constructed near the stadium entrances to prevent attacks from car bombs. Traffic flow near the stadium was restricted on game days.

The stadium also expanded its list of prohibited items. Security officials now conduct backpack checks. They watch the stadium and its perimeter for suspicious visitors, such as people wearing heavy coats on

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warm days.

After the attacks, University Police trained officers to recognize and treat hazardous materials such as anthrax. The department received reports of mysterious white powder on campus in the weeks following Sept. 11, but none of it was anthrax, he said. Some of the material was actually baby powder.

Last Fall, white powder on magazines in an engineering-department mail room prompted a visit from the Gainesville Fire Department's Hazardous Materials Unit. The powder turned out to be the benign compound barium sulfate.

But one of the biggest changes in campus security has been the frequency of calls from students and staff who suspect danger. Calls reporting criminal behavior have increased since Sept. 11, 2001, Holcomb said.

"I think the population has made it somewhat safer, because they're more willing to contact law enforcement and basically assist us in assisting them," he said.

Holcomb said he could not recall any calls reporting suspected terrorist activity, though.

The department's actions have been mostly preventative. Holcomb said the attacks made UPD view every structure on campus as a potential terrorist target.

"Who five years ago would have thought that someone would have flown a jumbo jet into a building?" he said. "And I think that makes us be more aware of any type of vehicle or method of terrorism can be used to attack. It increased the need to be aware of your surroundings."

International enrollment rising despite fee debacle

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In the past five years, the U.S. government has kept a keen eye on students visiting America to study.

Foreign students applying to UF faced two added difficulties: a more rigorous visa application process and a new fee that paid for a federal program that would track their activity.

The International Student Fee, as it came to be known, stirred controversy on campus. But Dennis Jett, dean of UF's International Center, said the visa process, not the fee, was detrimental to UF's international student enrollment.

After Sept. 11, 2001, international student enrollment throughout America decreased. At UF in Fall 2003, 134 fewer international students attended the university than had the previous Fall.

Jett attributes the 2003 enrollment dip to new requirements imposed on visa applicants, all of whom had to attend live interviews at the U.S. embassies in their home countries.

But enrollment has since rebounded and reached record numbers for the 2005-06 academic year.

After Sept. 11 some students from China, India and Lebanon were accepted to UF but were denied a visa to enter the United States, International Student Services Coordinator Debra Anderson wrote in an e-mail.

"We are seeing far fewer denials, but even

(recently) we have had student visas denied: one from Jordan and two from Pakistan," she wrote.

In addition to visa obstacles, UF international students learned in Fall 2002 that UF was charging a \$50-per-semester fee to cover UF's implementation of Student and Exchange Visitor Information System, a federal monitoring program that tracks international students' financial records, educational progress and international travel.

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— Dennis Jett

UF's decision angered many students, who called the fee racist.

In Fall 2005, UF Provost Janie Fouke rescinded the fee. Her decision ended three years of controversy.

UF initially charged the fee because the Patriot Act mandated that all universities implement the monitoring system by 2003.

The federal government collects \$100 from international students when they apply for visas to fund the monitoring program, SEVIS. But to implement it at UF, the International Center had to buy computers, hire more personnel and incur other expenses, which added up to about \$250,000.

Jett said that at the time, the only viable way to cover the program's costs was to charge a \$50 fee to "the students who benefited from the service."

But international students felt the \$50 fee was discriminatory, protested UF's decision and worked with Student Government and Graduate Assistants United to write a

Student Senate resolution against it.

Students wanted to present the resolution to the Board of Trustees at a meeting in March 2005, but they were not allowed to speak.

They took to the streets with picket signs to show UF and its 13 trustees how they felt.

Todd Reynolds, who was co-president of Graduate Assistants United from 2004-06, said the fee conveyed a message to international students that they were a low priority for the university.

UF officials acquiesced, eliminated the fee and absorbed the \$250,000 cost of SEVIS into the university's budget.

"If the federal government makes it more expensive for students to come to the United States, it is one thing, but the university shouldn't put a fee on the backs of the students it's trying to attract," Fouke said.

Jett said UF international students im-

merse the student body in a multicultural environment so they can better compete in the global economy.

UF officials also stress that international students are key to UF's research programs.

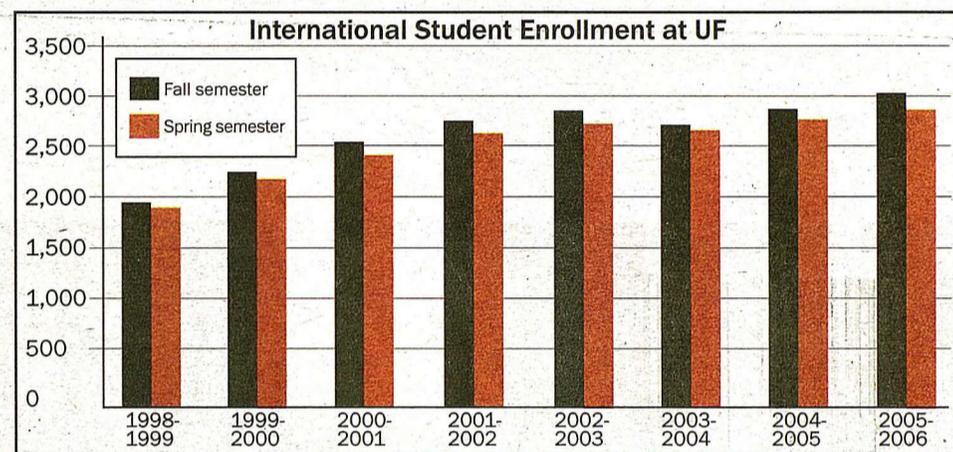
"If you want to do the best research in the world, you have to get the best researchers in the world," Jett said.

A year after the fee was rescinded, Reynolds said new international students might not know about it, but older students remember, are skeptical of UF and are waiting to see how the university's international workers will be treated in the future.

"(The fee) is part of UF history," Reynolds said. "And where we are today is the product of history."

But Jett believes the \$50 fee left no legacy at UF.

"People have forgotten already," he said.



What color is it today?

After the attacks, the Department of Homeland Security developed a chart that matched America's terror risk with one of five colors. Last week, we asked students to name the color that designated America's current risk. The correct answer was "yellow."



IT'S DUMB

"IT'S DUMB. THEY MADE ME THROW AWAY MY TOOTHPASTE ON MONDAY...I FLEW FROM CHICAGO TO ORLANDO. TRUST ME, MAN, IF THEY MAKE ME THROW AWAY TOOTHPASTE, IT'S BAD."

— LESLY DURET, AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT SENIOR



ORANGE

"I THINK ORANGE BECAUSE AFTER SEPT. 11, YOU REALLY CAN'T LOWER IT. YOU HAVE TO CONSTANTLY LOOK OVER YOUR SHOULDER (FOR TERRORISTS)."

— AMANDA EDWARDS, TELECOMMUNICATION JUNIOR



FRIGHTENED

"HOWEVER FRIGHTENED THE GOVERNMENT WANTS US TO BE TODAY? I DON'T KNOW."

— RAMA GONZALEZ, CITY OF ALACHUA RESIDENT



NO CLUE

"I HAVE NO CLUE. A STEP BELOW SHEER CHAOS, WHATEVER COLOR THAT IS."

— KEECHA LOUIS, SOCIOLOGY SENIOR



TEAL

"TEAL...BECAUSE AMERICA HAS GOT TO PROTECT US FROM TERRORISTS. IT IS AN ARBITRARY COLOR GIVEN FROM A GOVERNMENT THAT WANTS US TO GET THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY PROVIDE OUR SAFETY."

— ZACH ROGERS, ANTHROPOLOGY JUNIOR

Jennifer LaBrie / Alligator Staff

SG official in inner circle of Army response

By midafternoon on Sept. 11, 2001, my fellow officers and I realized that we would soon be putting our training into practice on battlefields all over the world.

In the summer and fall of that year, I was a brand-new military intelligence officer in the U.S. Army. As is custom, I was attending my specialty training at a base in Arizona.

On the day of the attacks, the entire base was locked down, and every soldier was ordered to report to a central location. Once there, we huddled around a radio and listened in disbelief.

A few days later, after the initial shock of the attacks dissipated, the intelligence community faced quite an identity crisis. Senior intelligence



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Since I had top-secret clearance, I was assigned to an intelligence committee that was charged with reviewing intelligence procedures throughout the military. My committee made recommendations to senior officials on how to better

officials second-guessed each other. They wondered aloud: "How could this have happened?"

Very quickly, however, everyone was overcome by an incredible sense of unity, shared mission and patriotism.

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share intelligence among different agencies, how to improve army linguist training and how to increase human intelligence collection.

After my work on the committee was complete, I was assigned to a counterterrorism unit as a platoon leader. I deployed overseas twice in support of the war on terrorism. My unit's specialty was aerial reconnaissance — with emphasis on communications and imagery intelligence.

Frankly, I have never seen a group of people so unselfishly focused and dedicated as the intelligence community in the weeks after Sept. 11. It was an honor to be associated with such an exemplary group of Americans.

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Terror too familiar in student's homeland

On Sept. 11, 2001, I was in my native Kosovo, and I was visiting a friend.

When I got to her house the first thing she said was, "Have you heard that terrorists attacked two buildings in New York?"

She was sitting by a TV watching CNN. The second thing I heard from her was, "They say bin Laden did it." My first thought was, "Why would someone do such a thing?"

For a couple of minutes I watched CNN. I saw the World Trade Center collapsing. I was shocked. I was also very surprised that people immediately thought that bin Laden did it.

I remember for the next couple of weeks this event was all people talked about in Kosovo. The country had just gotten out of war two years before this happened, and the people of Kosovo had already been through



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were referring to the NATO bombing of Serbia and Montenegro in the spring of 1999.

But whoever did it, I am very against it. They certainly should be punished for all the lives taken and all the destruction done.

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