



Concrete collapse injures none, draws laughs



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The awning in front of University Copy off of West University Avenue lies on the ground in pieces Tuesday afternoon. The cause of the collapse is still unknown.

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It was like a scene from the "Chicken Little" story. "It looked like the whole building was falling down," said a University Copy employee who witnessed the front concrete awning come crashing down at about 2:30 p.m. Tuesday.

The employee, who asked to remain anonymous, said he was on break outside and rushed back to the store when he saw the facade collapse.

"Nobody looked really concerned," he said. "People were just kind of laughing."

Neal Mackowiak
SFCC sophomore

Neal Mackowiak, an SFCC sophomore, said he was next to the building just after everything literally went down.

"Nobody looked really concerned," he said. "People were just kind of laughing."

Mackowiak said even the few people who were trapped inside the store by fallen debris that was blocking the doorway seemed nonchalant.

No one was injured at Tuesday's topple.

Pete Oetter, corporate secretary of University Copy, said he's not sure what caused the awning to crumble. The building has been standing since the mid-1960s, he said.

On Wednesday some debris was cleared so customers could come inside the store, Oetter said.

But he said he's not worried about any other part of the building falling apart.

"It's solid as a rock," he said.

Pike to appeal to state

■ THE CASE MAY NOT BE HEARD UNTIL THE FALL SEMESTER.

By **JESSICA DaSILVA**
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The Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity will appeal UF's decision to suspend the fraternity's recognition as a campus organization for four years, said acting President Patrick Duffey.

The notice of appeal will be filed with Florida's First District Court of Appeals today, but the case may not be heard until early fall.

The fraternity, known as Pike, was found guilty Feb. 2 by Gene Zdziarski, UF's dean of students, of hosting an unregistered party and committing actions "with disregard to the possible harm of an

individual or group."

Pike appealed Zdziarski's decision to Ainsley Carry, UF's assistant vice president, but Carry upheld the decision on April 18.

Carry was the last person with the power to pardon Pike in UF's appeals process.

Duffey said he thought it was premature to comment on the appeal or its costs.

Pike alumni are paying for the appeal, he said.

Meanwhile, Duffey said he hopes to work with UF on his settlement proposal, which will include revised bylaws on different aspects of fraternity activities, such as the pledging process.

During the appeals process, Pike members will not be allowed to live in the house, he said.

Greek Life

Student's death 'a shock'

By **ANDREW TAN**
Alligator Writer

A UF graduate student was found dead in his apartment Tuesday.

James Wu, a 23-year-old biomedical engineering student, was found in his Southwest 10th Street apartment by his parents, Gainesville Police Department spokesman Lt. Keith Kameg said.

His parents were driving up from their home in Coral Springs to check up on him, Kameg said.

"This appeared to be self-inflicted," he said.

According to Wu's biography on his graduate program's Web site, he received

a Bachelor of Science degree from Johns Hopkins University in biomedical engineering before attending UF for graduate school.



Wu

Hans van Oostrom, A biomedical engineering professor, taught Wu in Biomedical Instrumentation in spring 2007.

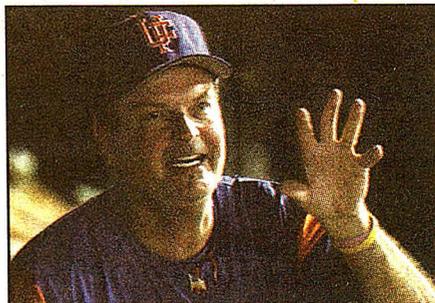
Wu performed well in class, van Oostrom said. He said Wu's

death was unexpected.

"It came as a shock to us," he said.

Kameg did not give further information on how Wu died.

■ With one final regular season series remaining, the UF baseball team hopes to lock up a spot in the SEC Tournament and pad its resume for a trip to the NCAA Tournament. See story, pg. 23.



Presidential hopefuls detail millions in income reports

WASHINGTON—Republican presidential candidate Rudy Giuliani reported a whopping \$16.1 million in earned income over the past 16 months, most of it in speaking fees, according to financial documents filed Wednesday. Democratic hopeful John Edwards reported earned income of \$1.25 million, the biggest single source of which was a hedge fund that employed him part time. He and his wife, Elizabeth, reported \$29.5 million in assets.

■ Fewer students, less crime, right? Local law enforcement agencies have been stepping up patrols to thwart break-ins and other crimes as summer semester begins. See story, pg. 8.

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Volunteer Opportunity

Haven Hospice of North Central Florida, 12:30 p.m. The North Central Florida Long-Term Care Ombudsman Council will meet to talk to people interested in volunteering and improving the quality of life for residents of long-term facilities.

FRIDAY

The College of Dentistry Spring Commencement Ceremony
Phillips Center for the Performing Arts, 2:30 p.m.

Live Music

Civic Media Center, 9 p.m., \$10. Ian Charles, John Holt and Chuck E. Costa will be performing.

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Paint Giveaway

Alachua County Hazardous Waste Collection Center, 8 a.m. to noon. The Alachua County Environmental Protection Department will hold a recycled latex paint giveaway. Gallons of 75 percent post-consumer recycled latex paint will be available for free to community organizations, civic groups, people with special needs and low-income county residents.

Air Show

SFCC, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., free. The American Heroes Air Show will offer an opportunity to learn about the helicopters and crews that serve Gainesville. The Gainesville Police Department's Aviation Unit, Recruitment Team, Special Team and Explorers will be participating.

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Italian teens to visit

By **AMRITHA ALLADI**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Thirty-four Italian students will visit Gainesville this summer through Education First's Homestay Programs to improve their English skills and learn about American culture.

The group of Italian teenagers will stay with local volunteer families from July 7 to Aug. 3 to take grammar and culture classes, which will immerse the students in American lifestyles, music, fashion and dating.

"Students all over the world want to improve their English-speaking skills," said Maryann True, manager for Florida's Homestay Programs. "The best way to do that is to immerse them in American culture and keep them with English-speaking families."

True said many Europeans are

tested on their knowledge of English after they complete grade school. Their performance on the exam determines acceptance into universities and the workforce.

Homestay Programs is a non-profit division of Education First and began 40 years ago, True said. This year, 1,200 students will visit Florida, compared to 700 students from last year.

Multicultural Affairs True said the program looks for families to open up their hearts and homes to a student.

"It's a great opportunity," True said. "We've got retired couples, single-parent homes and even young couples."

True said some families even go overseas to visit their student.

"They really do become a part of your life," True said. "It's a lot of fun."

UF PROJECTS

Kissinger to speak on UF film

By **KIM WILMATH**
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Henry Kissinger, former secretary of state under Richard Nixon, will give the opening remarks at the UF Documentary Institute's screening of "Angel of Ahlem" at Lincoln Center in New York City tonight.

The documentary follows Vernon Tott, a dying World War II veteran, as he searches for Holocaust survivors that he photographed at the liberation of a slave labor camp in Germany 60 years earlier.

Tott and Kissinger were both members of the Army's 84th Infantry that helped liberate the Ahlem concentration camp in April of 1945. Kissinger and Tott arrived a few days apart.

"This is a very special thing for the survivors of the camp because Kissinger represents the liberators," said Churchill Roberts, co-director of the institute. "It'll be quite an emotional moment for them."

Kissinger will not be paid to give his speech. He and Tott never knew each other, but when Tott discovered Kissinger was in the same Army division, Tott wrote him a letter, Roberts said. He also included copies of his photographs.

In Kissinger's letter back to Tott, he thanked him for the opportunity to see his work.

He said, "(Liberating the camp) was one of the most horrifying experiences of my life, but as terrible as the photos and the stories of the survivors are, you have also assembled an important historical document."



Kissinger

Tott spent the last 10 years of his life searching for survivors. He died during the making of the documentary.

"It's not a historical film," said Sandra Dickson, the institute's other co-director. "It's a focus on his journey, his search."

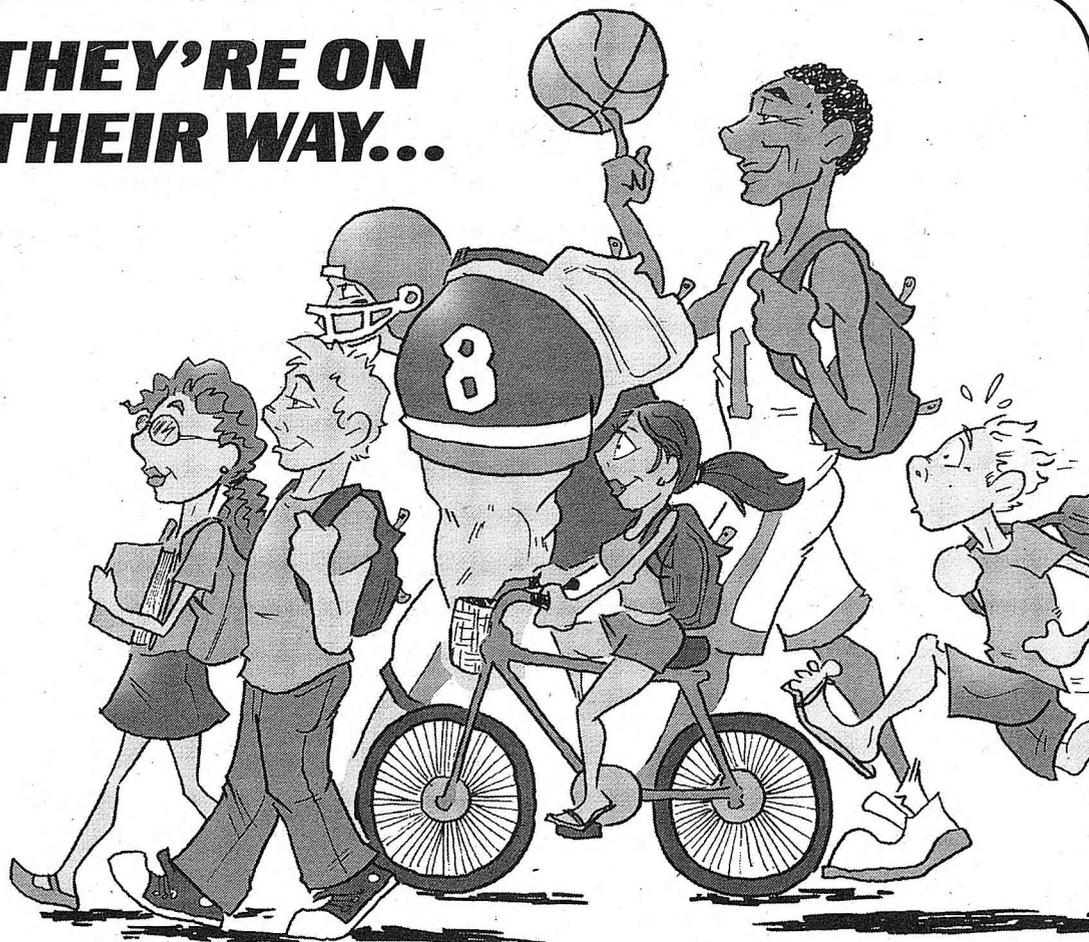
Faculty from the institute worked on the 90-minute documentary for more than three years.

Roberts said close to 350 people have responded to the invitations, but the venue holds only about 275.

After the screening, members of the institute plan to enter the documentary into film festivals and hope to have it broadcast nationally, Dickson said.

He added that the institute is planning to show the film in Gainesville in the fall.

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Nibbling gets nod at Library West this summer

By **KIM WILMATH**
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When you're studying, you might hunger for more than just knowledge.

But now, thanks to a pilot project at Library West, students no longer have to abandon their vigilant study sessions to sneak a snack.

This summer, the library will allow patrons to eat small snacks, such as granola bars, chips and candy, or small fruits and vegetables inside the building.

Covered drinks are also still allowed. "I think it'll be looked at favorably unless it starts to get really messy," said Barbara Hood, the public information officer for the library. "We're hoping that the housekeeping staff will be able to keep up."

Previously, all food had to be eaten in the study area near Starbucks on the first floor.

Hot entrees, salads, pizza and any other "messy or odorous" foods are still not allowed inside, according to a library press release. Food may not be delivered to the library.

Surveys about the new rules are available

"I think it'll be looked at favorably unless it starts to get really messy."

Barbara Hood

Library West public information officer

at the library. If the results are positive, the policy could continue into the fall.

Robert Dean, a senior English major, said he thinks the plan is a bad idea.

"It could potentially damage the books,"

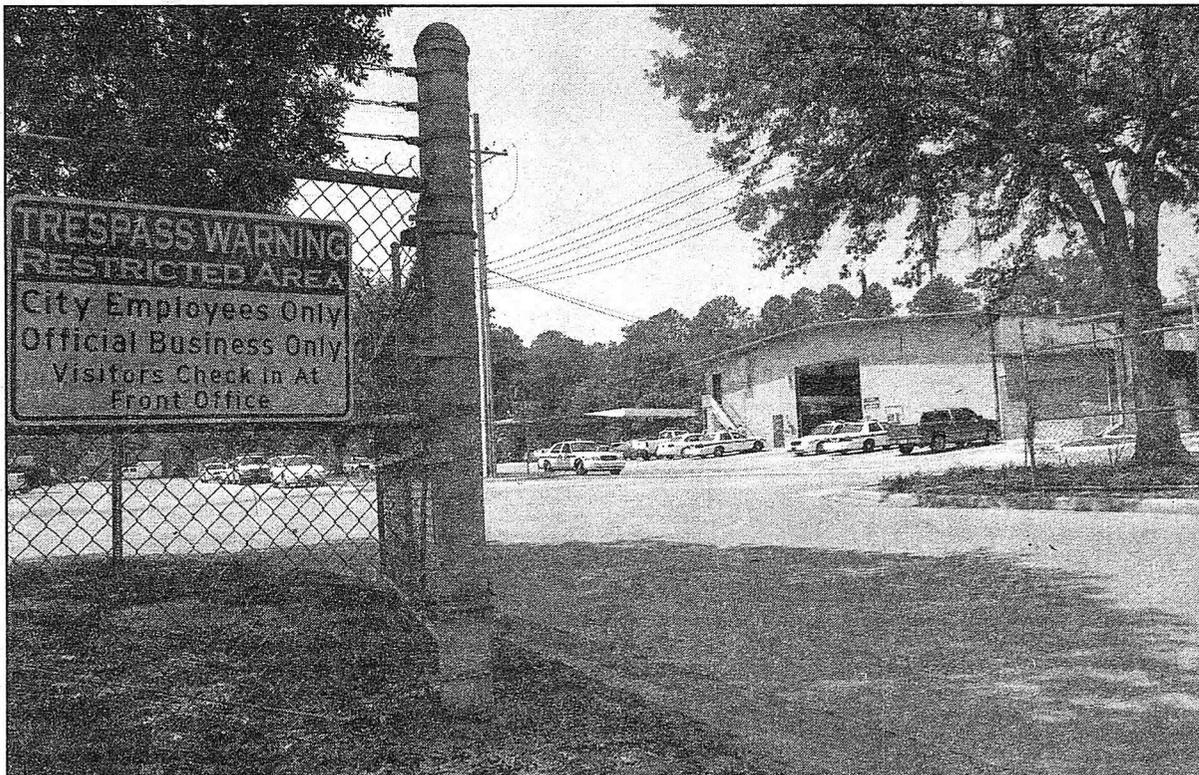
he said. "The library is supposed to be a place of studying."

Hood said because the summer sessions are less crowded, there won't be any extra cleaning staff, but the library has put out more trashcans and coasters.

"I saw someone using a coaster, and I wanted to go give them a pat on the back," she said.

"I think it's a good idea," said Rob Taber, a graduate student in history. "It's hard to study for a long period of time without something to munch on."

Expansion of city facility may threaten homes, animals



Casey Lawson / Alligator

The fleet garage expansion would increase the city compound substantially in size. The planned growth has incited complaints from residents of the surrounding Stephen Foster Neighborhood.

By **YVONNE AYALA**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Worried residents of the Stephen Foster Neighborhood are distressed by a possible threat to the quiet enjoyment of their homes as well as the environment.

The Development Review Board, a city-organized group that evaluates new growth, is currently reviewing plans for the expansion of a city vehicle repair station and the relocation of a refueling station at 405 NW 39th Ave., about 400 feet from the residents' homes.

Residents expressed concern about the noise, odors and unsightliness the expansion could bring, resulting in the decreased property value of their homes.

However, the issue has constantly been passed over by the Commission since November 2006.

"Each one of the six city commissioners said that they would look into the matter, and some said that they would get back to us. Only [Commissioner] Rick

Bryant has actually gotten back to us," said resident Susan Fairforest about her efforts to contact the city on its stance for the expansion.

The city's proposal requires a barrier for a forested wildlife habitat to be removed. Different animals, including otters, foxes, deer and gopher tortoises, live in this habitat

and would be threatened by the expansion,

said Barbara Ruth, spokeswoman and resident of the Stephen Foster Neighborhood.

This expansion would also require retention ponds, which heavy rains could overflow, causing road-building materials and vehicle fluids to wash into the nearby Springstead Creek.

This creek contributes water to the Hogtown Creek Basin that provides some of the local drinking water, Ruth said.

On Monday, 50 anxious Stephen Foster residents convened at the City Commission meeting, which ended with an agreement to set a vote for July.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Vetoes start summer for SG

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At the first Student Senate meeting of the summer Tuesday night, senators confirmed newly appointed cabinet directors, agency heads and assistant treasurers.

Sen. David Drescher was named agency head of external affairs, the position formerly known as lobby coordinator.

Drescher said he is planning Student Government's Washington trip, where senators use student money to travel to Washington, D.C., for a meet and greet with congressmen.

SG officials use this time to push issues concerning UF students. The positions of Supervisor of Elections and Chomp the Vote still aren't filled.

"Chomp the Vote is in a tough spot," Student Body President Ryan Moseley said. "We have to make sure to pick the best person."

Senators also upheld two vetoes: one concerning use of the SG logo and a special request for the reimbursement of almost \$8,000 for a student organization.

Because of the vetoes, neither will go into effect. The A&S Publication Clarification Act addressed the use of the SG logo on published materials, such as the disputed Israel-supporting advertisement that ran in the Alligator last semester.

The act stated all organizations that receive SG funds

or sponsorship must give credit to those funds in any printed materials, but no student organization can include the SG logo unless authorized by Student Body Treasurer E.J. Walicki.

In a written explanation of his veto, former Student Body President John Boyles, who was not present at the meeting, explained that the bill was vetoed for inconsistent language, but he hoped it would be amended during the meeting.

"Chomp the Vote is in a tough spot. We have to make sure to pick the best person."

Ryan Moseley
Student Body president

He wrote that he thought the Student Body president should approve use of the logo instead of the treasurer.

The Minority Student Education Guild requested funds for its South Africa and Botswana Outreach Project, but Boyles and Moseley, former treasurer, vetoed the request.

Senate Pro Tempore Kevin Reilly also announced several open Senate seats.

For a complete list of open SG seats, visit <http://sg.ufl.edu>.

Applications for the seats are due today at 5 p.m.

Boyles writes op-ed about bill

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In a special to the St. Petersburg Times Tuesday, former Student Body President John Boyles expressed his support of a bill that would allow for three state universities, including UF, to incrementally raise tuition.

Boyles wrote that as Student Body president, it was his job to "ensure that a quality education is affordable" to all students. However, he added that he felt the Tuition Differential Program, formerly known as the Academic Enhancement Program, was different.

"This program is about improving the quality of undergraduate education at UF," Boyles wrote. "For this reason, I wholeheartedly support it."

If implemented, UF, Florida State University and the University of South Florida would be allowed to raise tuition up to 40 percent, but not more than 15 percent per year.

Boyles said he thought it would be a good idea and could possibly move Gov. Charlie Crist to approve it.

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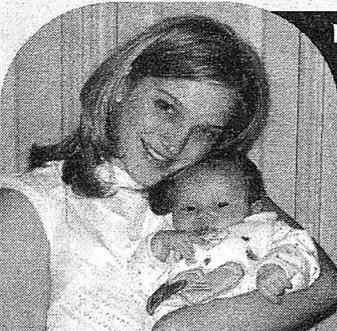
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Editorial

So the first week of classes is winding down, and we know you've already got a ton of homework, tests to prepare for and papers to write. And we know you're definitely going to sit down this weekend and crack those books open.

Yeah, right. This is summer, people. But just because the academic schedules aren't as rigorous and the town is half empty, doesn't mean plenty of stuff isn't going on around Gainesville and at UF. So take a break from not studying just long enough to read this week's edition of...

Darts & Laurels

First up, an our-eyes-are-bloodshot-our-noses-are-running-and-we're-sick-of-it **DART** to the smoke from the wildfires. Hundreds of thousands of square acres have been charred in South Georgia and throughout Florida, generating enough smoke to blanket Gainesville in a gray haze. The recent rain, however, has helped, and more should be on the way. Hopefully it will be enough to put an end to the rampant wildfires and this suffocating smoke.

Next, we throw a too-little-too-late **DART** to the proposed countywide five-cent gas tax. Gainesville's gas prices are consistently among the highest in the state, and an extra five cents per gallon would only exacerbate that problem. But the tax is expected to generate only \$5.5 million in revenue, which could go toward road improvements. But that's not nearly enough to fix the problems plaguing county roads.

On top of that, Gainesville would only get 38 percent of that revenue, but we're willing to bet our city has more than that percentage of the problems. Why make us suffer more at the pump when the benefits we see won't equal what we pay? We encourage the city and county commissions to find an alternative to this gas tax.

He may have graduated, but we just can't seem to get rid of him — and we mean that in a good way. Here's a now-that's-dedication **LAUREL** for former Student Body President John Boyles. He may have left office, but he still supports UF's push for a tuition increase, and pleaded for Gov. Charlie Crist to not veto the bill that would prevent UF from doing so.

In an op-ed piece published in the St. Petersburg Times, Boyles explained why the tuition increase is necessary, so UF can hire more faculty and advisers. He emphasized the point that Florida's tuition ranks among the lowest in the nation. "Quality education doesn't come cheap," Boyles wrote, "and an affordable education does not mean keeping tuition from increasing."

UF wants to stay competitive as one of the top public universities in the nation, and it needs more money to do that. So long that line, we give a not-all-tuition-increases-are-bad-tuition-increases **DART** to Gov. Charlie Crist for threatening to veto the tuition-increase bill. He's done a lot more good than bad so far as governor, and we'd hate to see him turn the tide by vetoing the tuition increases so desperately needed by UF and Florida's other public universities.

Up next, we have a Gator-Nation-really-is-everywhere **LAUREL** for Dr. Leonardo Villalón, UF's first Carnegie Scholar and director of UF's Center for African Studies. Villalón will use his grant to fund his research on the relationship between Islam and democracy.

Prestigious awards such as this help set UF apart from other universities and aid in recruiting new faculty and students who want to collaborate with world-class professors. Who knows — if the tuition increase bill passes, UF might even be able to afford to hire some of those interested professors.

And naturally, we give a free-pizza-is-the-best-kind **LAUREL** to everyone who stops by the Alligator open house today from noon to 4 p.m. We're located at 1105 W. University Ave., and we'd love to see you.

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Guest column

Facebook no substitute for interaction

Today was a sad day in my social life: I learned of a monumental event in my best friend's life through Facebook. It's not like I don't talk to my friend on a regular basis, and we're not fighting.

However, accessing Facebook late at night out of sheer boredom is much more realistic than maintaining around-the-clock phone contact with friends — those stupid sleeping schedules tend to get in the way.

On one hand, I find it alarming that my friend updated her profile so quickly. But on the other, I find it even more disturbing and disappointing that I needed to access this information just as fast — if not faster — and with greater frequency.

The all-too-familiar shame of knowing my Facebook-stalking ruined my friend's surprise and killed her excitement swelled within me.

Though I may be a repeat offender, I'm not the lone one. Anyone who claims they haven't Facebook-stalked at least once a week is lying — and needs to check my Facebook profile for a quote about why denial will ultimately destroy you.

Have you ever run into people who Facebook-friended you, started a conversation and then you realized that you already knew that their favorite movie is (tragically) "A Walk to Remember," they enjoy playing beer pong and flip cup, and their favorite book is the Bible?

You're not alone. Hello, my name is Stephanie, and I have a problem.

But the creepy disconnection from traditional socializing doesn't just end at Facebook. This crisis extends to text messaging, instant messaging, blogging and even online classes. Our attempts to communicate more quickly and more easily block our ability to do just that.

As Mother always said, "It's not what you say, but

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**Stephanie
Rosenberg**
Speaking Out

how you say it." Usually I'm quick to ignore my mother's words, but I think I should make an exception in this case. It's like playing a game of Russian Roulette when trying to

figure out if an instant message saying "I love ya" really means "I love you."

Lesser miscommunications have sparked world wars. Why should everyday conversation become so psychologically threatening and exhausting? It's not just distinguishing between what people say and what they mean — it's also about deciding whether they truly mean it, or if they are just making conversation.

With instant messaging and text messaging, we lose body language and eye contact, which make up major parts of our communication processes. We can't take things for face value anymore, because the face has no value — you can't see the faces behind those monitors. In the race to connect everyone to each other, we've merely disconnected ourselves.

Online classes also present this problem, because students feel less inclined to meet their professors in person, and lazily view lectures while multitasking with their Facebook-stalking, instant messengers and blogging. When it rains, it pours.

Technology has done much to connect people superficially. I can talk to friends across the country and check their statuses whenever my inquisitive heart desires. But those experiences don't build relationships.

We constantly look to the future of communication and technology, but the key to building solid bonds rests in our first instinct, an idea dating back to ancient time: human contact.

Stephanie Rosenberg is a journalism junior.

Reader response

Today's question: Has Facebook made us more impersonal?

Tuesday's question: Do you agree with the city commission's decision to add a five-cent gas tax?

16% YES
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Letter to the Editor Gas boycott ineffective

Whoever thought of this one-day gas boycott was foolish at best. You cannot boycott something that most of us cannot live without. Let's boycott food and water because the prices are too high!

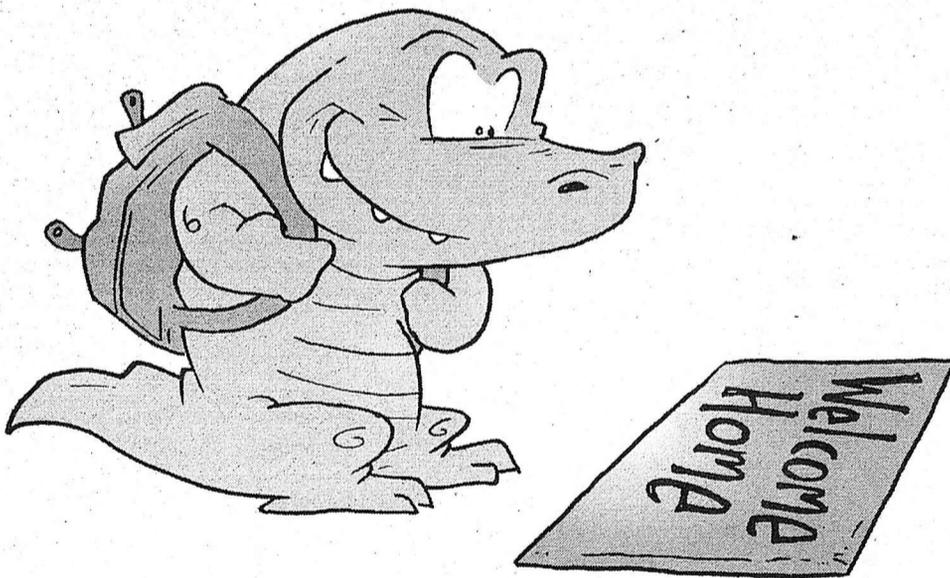
Even if no one in the country bought gas for one day, guess what? Everyone would rush to the pump tomorrow or later this week to catch up on what they didn't buy that day.

If anything, demand in the upcoming days would go up, and prices would rise. Good job with your boycott.

Either buy a bike and sell your car, or shut your naive mouths and go buy the gas you didn't on Tuesday because you were "boycotting."

Ian Fisher
UF alumnus

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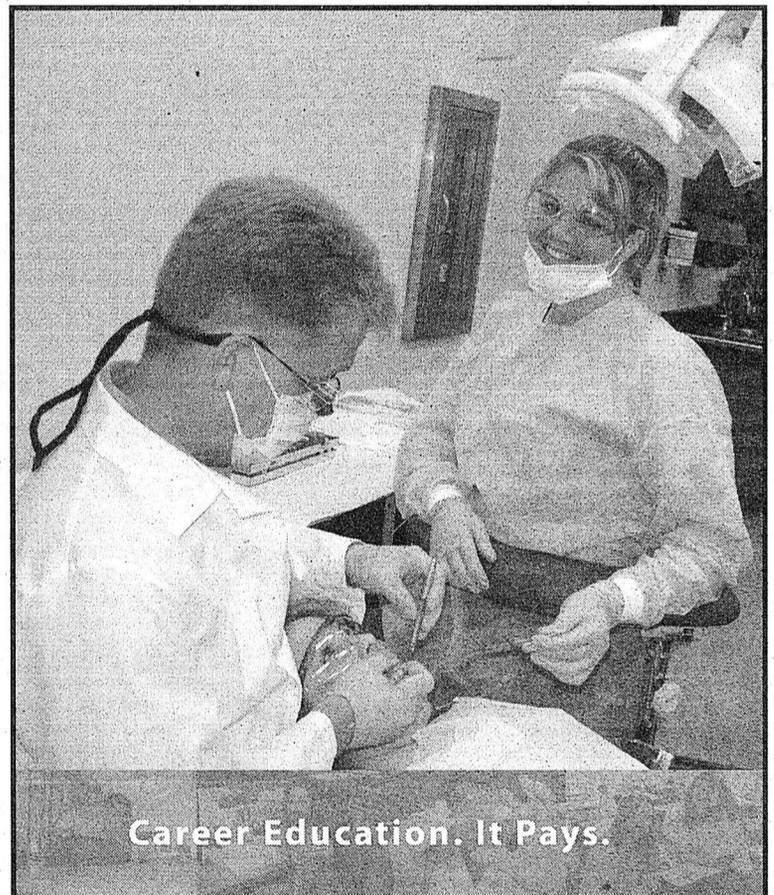
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Wildfire delays deliveries, worsens lung problems

■ FIRE IN NEARBY COUNTY ABOUT HALFWAY PUT OUT.

By **ANDREW TAN**
Alligator Writer

Other than scorching earth, the nearby wildfires have impacted local businesses and threatened those with lung problems.

A produce manager for Ward's Supermarket, Craig Smouse, said delivery trucks have been late to his store because the fires have caused many North Florida roads to close.

"It's been pretty consistent for the last week or so," Smouse said.

One problem with trucks arriving late, he said, is the extra time products spend on trucks takes away from sales.

Another problem is that his workers have to work late and be paid overtime. Smouse said he couldn't schedule the people who unload the truck to work later because trucks from the south still come on time.

One truck arrived Monday four hours late, Smouse said. However, he said the financial damage has not been significant.

"We understand here on this end there's not a lot they can do about it," he said.

Tom Belcuore, director of

the Alachua County Health Department, said the smoke advisories issued on May 8 in the county are still in effect.

He said the smoke comes in and out of the area because of changing winds. It's easier to keep the advisory up instead of taking it up and down when smoke is in the area, Belcuore said.

He advised people to keep small children indoors because they may be more vulnerable to the smoke's effects than adults. He added people should move away from the smoke if they experience tightened chests, irritated eyes and wheezing.

Dr. Kenneth Olivier, a lung cancer specialist at Shands at UF, said the biggest health threat from the fires' smoke is to people with lung problems like asthma, chronic bronchitis or emphysema.

Olivier advised these people to stay inside so their conditions wouldn't worsen.

There is no connection between lung cancer and this type of smoke, he added.

As the fires continue to burn north of Gainesville in Columbia County, many nearby residents are still displaced.

About 725 homes have been evacuated as a result of the fire.

Paulette Lord, a spokes-

woman for Columbia County, said Wednesday afternoon that the 110,000-acre fire is about 50 percent contained.

She said there have been no additional injuries other than the firefighter who fell off a ladder on Monday.

Florida Highway Patrol spokesman Michael Burroughs said U.S. 441 remains closed from I-10 to the Georgia border



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A group of firefighters gathers for a briefing session in rural Columbia County on Tuesday. The firefighters have been struggling to contain a massive brush fire that was ravaging the area.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Smoke-affected patients scarce at SHCC, official says

By **NICK MATHEWS**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Gainesville has been blanketed with smoke from wildfires in Georgia and Florida for the past week, but an official at the Student Health Care Center said there hasn't been an increase in patients with smoke-related illnesses.

Dr. Guy Nicolette, chief of staff at the center, took an informal poll of health workers there and found a consensus that there had not been any dramatic increases in patients with smoke-related ailments.

He also pointed out that while there was not an increase, the center was closed when the smoke was particularly bad during the first part of summer break.

"Now obviously it's not a big stretch to imagine that folks with allergies, or certainly with problems dealing with smoke or asthma, might be more prone to having worsening of their symptoms because of the smoke," Nicolette said. "But frankly, we just haven't seen much of that here."

According to SHCC officials, the best way to protect your health when smoke particles are in the air is to limit your time outside.

A health advisory warning issued by the Alachua County Health Department also recommended caution in venturing outdoors during the intense smoke.

Staying inside with the air conditioning on and the windows closed is method of protection, Nicolette said.

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Dr. Guy Nicolette
chief of staff at the SHCC

The fires in Florida and Georgia prompted the Alachua County Health Department to issue a health advisory, which stated that the

smoke can irritate the eyes and respiratory tract. It can also intensify asthma and lead to bronchitis, reduced lung function or, in rare cases, death.

On May 10, UF also sent out an e-mail cautioning students to stay safe when in smoky areas.

The e-mail also contained the advisory about the smoke, asking all citizens to evaluate their health and avoid the smoke as much as possible.

According to the advisory, children are particularly susceptible to dangers because their lungs are still developing.

In addition, it stated that smokers and individuals with cardiovascular disease and asthma are more sensitive to the smoke.

No break for Gainesville police over summer semester

Fewer students mean more patrols

By **APRIL DUDASH**
Alligator Writer

As campus clears out between the spring and summer semesters, it might seem that police officers around Gainesville would get a much-needed break.

Capt. Jeff Holcomb, spokesman for the University Police Department, begged to differ.

"(Summer) offers more time for increased patrols and security checks," he said.

Traffic stops are heavily monitored during the summer months, said Sgt. Keith Faulk, spokesman for the Alachua County Sheriff's Office. Additionally, campus buildings go

through routine security checks and apartment complexes are examined by local police officers, who then issue the buildings security certifications, he said.

The Gainesville Police Department puts extra patrols on the streets in an attempt to cut down burglaries during the summer term.

"We're still extremely busy. There are still many people coming to school that have little crime prevention background," said GPD spokesman Lt. Keith Kameg.

The number of students enrolled at UF drops from about 50,000 to 30,000 at the beginning of summer.

"We're dealing with a transient population," Kameg said. "When

you throw SFCC and UF together, you get about 60,000 people."

As new students begin to move to Gainesville, the police departments and sheriff's office know it is essential to teach them the importance of crime prevention.

"We participate in the Preview sessions, where a lot of new students visit campus with their parents," Holcomb said. He added that UPD gives presentations on police services and safety.

Along with UPD, GPD also educates new students about crime at the Preview sessions.

"We let students know each semester what laws we're enforcing,"

Kameg said.

New students living in apartments are vulnerable to theft, Faulk said, and the sheriff's office urges them to take special precautions.

"Moving into a new area, especially moving away from home for the first time, is a new concept (for students)," Faulk said.

"We ask them to practice basic safety procedures in terms of securing their apartment (and) securing their vehicle."

"Don't leave valuables out in the open where burglars can see them," he added.

Students should make themselves aware of their surroundings and their neighbors, Faulk said. "We provide safety tips on campus as well as online," he said.

Along with increased security

checks and crime prevention education, local law enforcement officials appreciate the advantages of summer.

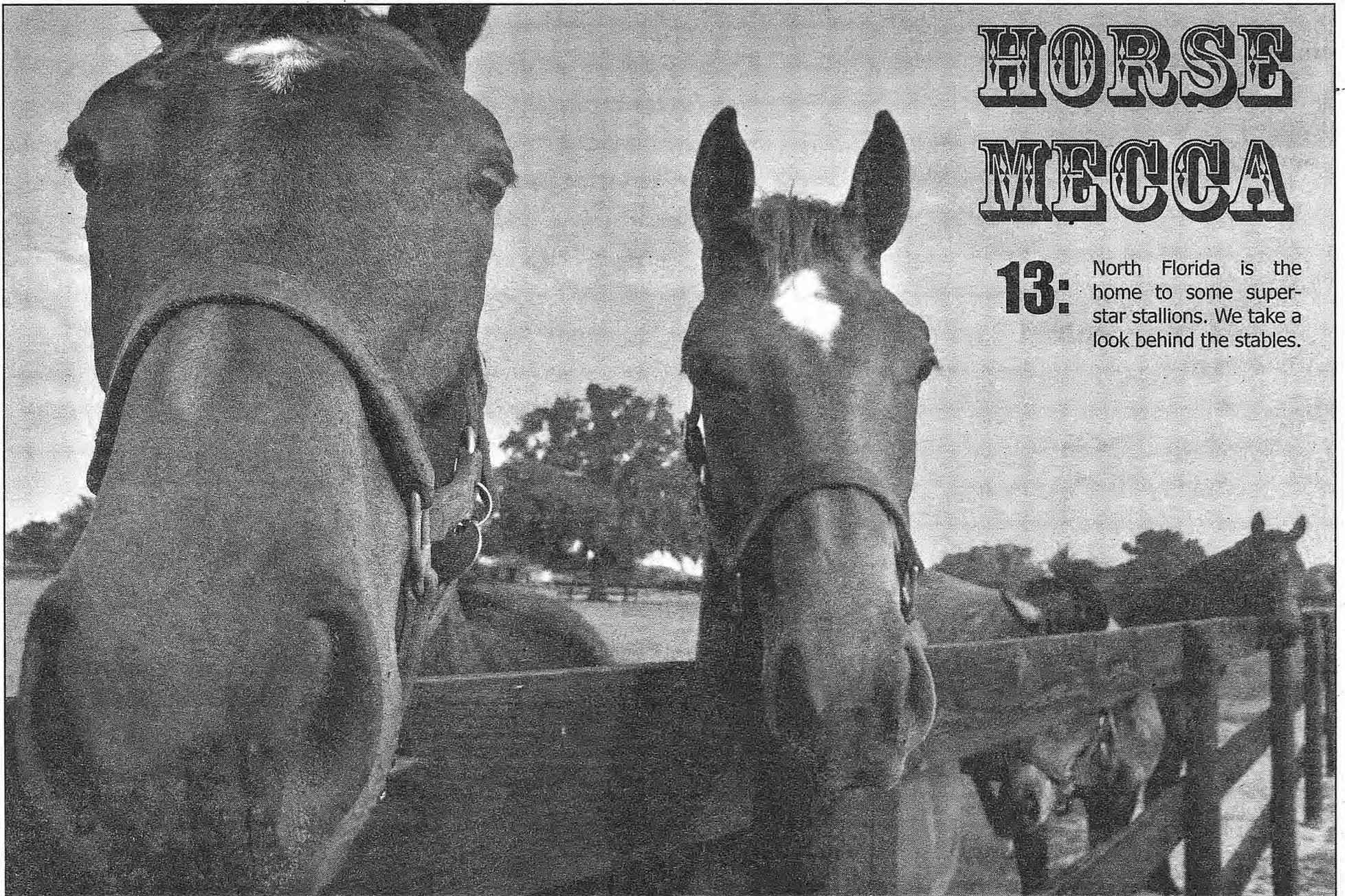
"We see a lower number of crimes occurring during the summer," Holcomb said.

The sheriff's office sees a decline in car burglaries, and GPD takes notice of the decrease in bar-hopping.

Gainesville traffic has also declined, Faulk said.

"Obviously, when 25,000 people who are commuting daily leave a particular area, that helps everyone else's commute and traffic time," Faulk said.

Students move in and out of Gainesville every semester, but local law enforcement officials still haven't gotten used to the population change.



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HORSE MECCA

13: North Florida is the home to some superstar stallions. We take a look behind the stables.



"Busta Rhymes was arrested for drunk driving. He reportedly had so much alcohol on his breath that police couldn't smell the pot."
David Spade (joking, of course) on The Showbiz Show

10: A new sex columnist has stepped up! Does that make you feel happy, hurt, sad, reminiscent? Look inside to see how this sassy correspondent is taking it.

11: "Spider Man-3": Is it worth the theater ticket price? We've got the good, the bad and the outrageous funds so you can decide for yourself.

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Acrosstown Repertory Theatre, play: "True West," 8 p.m.

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It's oh so quiet

By **DANIELLE TORRENT**
Avenue Staff Writer

Welcome to the wetness, the emptiness, the freedom, the vision of yourself opening the fridge for a cold one because you just can't think of anything else to do — it's a summer in Gainesville! As the weeks go by, you will learn that the rain doesn't wait for you to scurry indoors, that happy hour pays off if you're planning out your drinking schedule and that humidity can make deodorant worthless.

But it's not really all that bad.

Let's be honest, you're probably staying in your own place — parent-free — still enjoying sleeping off your hectic spring semester and finding the time to do the things you told yourself you would do all year. Read that Nobel Prize-winner, check out that foreign film from the library, make music — the possibilities are endless.

If you still can't see past the blanket of smoky succulence, bloggers on gainesvillebands.com shed some insight.

A user who goes by the name "Thumper" posted some perks: "Parking. — On campus, near campus, downtown, everywhere. That sweet relief when you pop into a dive for an early Sat afternoon beer, when the inward gloom & A/C chill drive all thoughts of time & the furnace of being out of your heat addled cranium."

Take it in while you're still here, folks.

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I know that you and Kelly had a beautiful, intimate connection. I just want you to know that I am here and willing to fill that void when your bed gets cold.

Don't let my prior inability to commit scare you away. I'm not in it only for the sex. But where I am right now in my life, I'm not ready for a long-term,

exclusive commitment. Let's just keep things simple and not put a label on anything.

I think a casual fling is exactly what you need to help you out of your clothes and away from that old relationship. I just want you to know that I'm here for you.

We don't have to take it all the way in the first column. I'll let you get to know me before we strip and get down to business.

I can see us a few months from now sharing everything — my stories, your stories and all that we learned along the way.

Now that you know about me, I want to hear what's on your mind. Be open with me.

Don't be afraid to experiment.

Ask me for advice, tell me what you like and what you don't. Tell me all about your sexual adventures. Every Thursday we can get together and make some bad decisions.

I promise I'll still respect you in the morning.

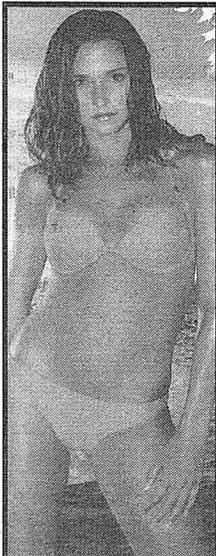


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Steal my heart, but please don't steal my bike

ASHLEY HOFFMAN ▸ AVENUE WRITER

You may have spotted Gainesville bicyclers pedaling down the street atop their streamlined bicycles that bring to mind the simpler times of suburban paper boys.

Riders are treating their town bikes as so much more than a means of transportation.

"There's a whole culture around bicycles," said Hector Galvez, 23, a UF alumni. "I'm fairly new to this bicycling, but you discover that there are people who are really advocates for this fixed-gear riding."

Galvez commends bicycles for the dynamic interplay of machinery that works to set you in motion.

"There are so many things about different types of bicycles, and you learn that they all share the same basic technology," Galvez said. "They're all really admirable, and they're beautiful machines regardless of what they're used for."

When it comes to his cycling preferences, Galvez is a student of the minimalist theory.

He takes a fixed-gear bicycle around town. It has one speed and no freewheel mechanism, so you can't coast — the pedals move when the bicycle moves.

"My bike is very simple, and it appeals to a lot of people who may

not necessarily be all about a Tour de France-type bike with a lot of components," Galvez said.

In a culture of movement, today's riders still look to the past for inspiration, going to great lengths for vintage and hard-to-find components. "This trend is not a new thing because it's the most antiquated technology," said Galvez. "It appeals to the do-it-yourself spirit in people who want to customize and fix their own bikes."

Yet, the glam of a two-wheeler can reach the top of the line in design.

Gucci in East Hampton, N.Y., recently showcased an antique town bike for sale in their store window for all to pine for.

In 2005, Giorgio Armani commissioned a design of his own Emporio Armani bicycle nodding to the town bike style of old Italy, which an Italian high-performance bicycle manufacturer produced with a nostalgic flair.

For his menswear collection, Armani sent his models pedaling down the runway to showcase the bike that functions today, but bows to past tenets of bike design.

The affinity for these simple bikes, which look vintage, has resulted in the development of a substantial following.

"We get a pretty dedicated customer base," said Niles Gerritson, owner of Recycled Bicycles, 805 W. University Ave.

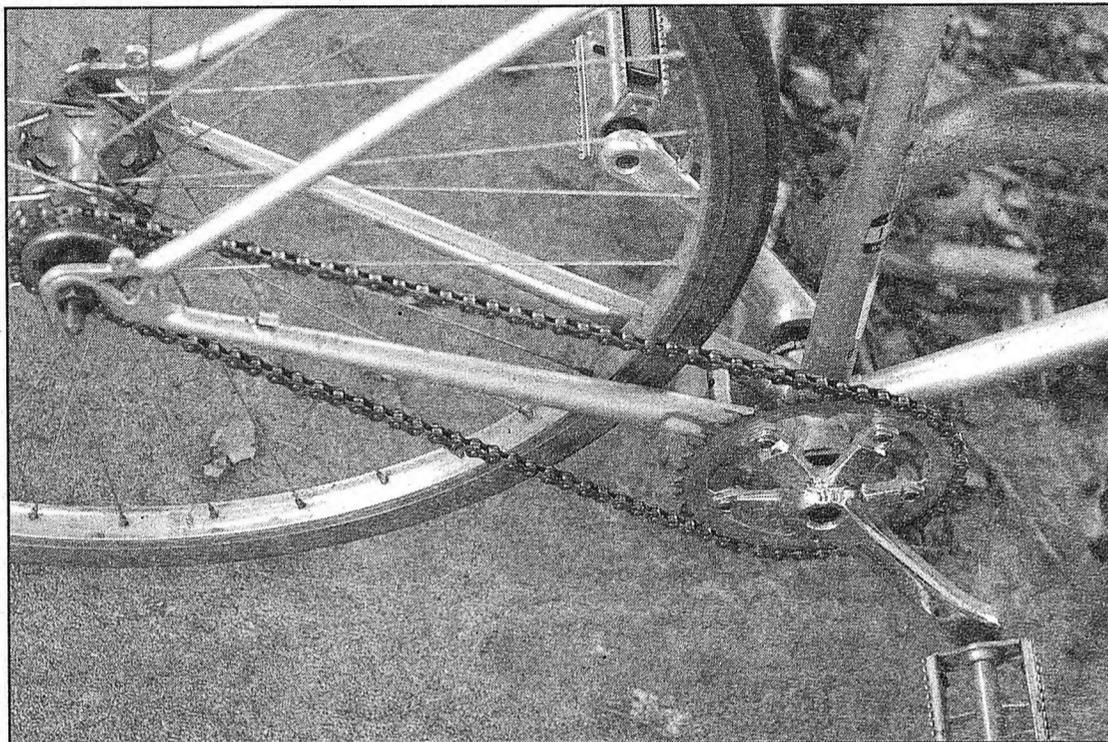
"A couple of professors own

them, and all the British professors love to ride their town bikes."

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Nicole Saffer / Alligator Staff

A fixed gear bike sits parked in downtown Gainesville on Tuesday afternoon. Fixed gear bikes have become very popular among students in Gainesville.

Spidey 3 spins thin web

"Spider-Man 3," the most anticipated film this summer that doesn't feature pirates, is a victim of the blockbuster-hype machine. With its astronomical budget — more than \$250 million, according to the-numbers.com — the constant advertising and tie-ins, the promise of the beloved Venom character, and the huge critical and financial success of the first two films (particularly the second), the film has a lot riding on it in terms of audience expectation.

To further raise the stakes, it's the third in a series, which never works out for even the most beloved film franchises, such as "X-Men," "Star Wars," and even "The Godfather," with "Lord of the Rings" being a miraculous exception. Basically, no matter how good it is, it couldn't possibly live up to expectations.

There's a lot in the film that seems offensively thoughtless, starting with the opening credits that lazily recount the previous films using the actual footage. The dialogue is almost exclusively expository ("I'm Peter Parker!" "You're my girlfriend!" "My uncle died!") reaching sub-soap opera levels — a sin for a movie with so many dialogue scenes. Then there's Harry Osborn's "extreme" costume design — complete with paintball mask and flying snowboard — that manages to make the Power Rangers-reminiscent Green Goblin costume from the first film look downright sensible. Unfortunately, the film features one super villain too many and doesn't bother spending enough time properly developing any of them. "Spider-Man 3" is a film that actually would have benefited from being even

longer than its 140-minute run time.

However, the film really shines when director Sam Raimi is allowed to make his mark, something that we caught a glimpse of in the first two films. The scenes where Peter Parker turns evil due to his black alien costume are particularly great, as they perfectly depict a lowly nerd with an

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over-inflated ego. The dance scene in the jazz club features the same zaniness that Raimi brought to his "Evil Dead" films.

The best decision in the film was the interpretation of Venom as a powerful metaphor for what Spider-Man could have been had he not learned the "power and responsibility" mantra.

Thanks to the casting of the charismatic Topher Grace as the fan-favorite villain, Venom's role as the physical duplicate of Toby Maguire as Peter Parker further drives home the film's basic conceit of Spider-Man dealing with his dark side. If they wanted to make it even creepier, they'd have cast Jake Gyllenhaal — Maguire's better-acting look-alike — as Venom.

Despite so many glaring errors and missteps, the really great moments manage to transcend the film above your typical disappointing sequel — OK, maybe not — and soulless big-budget summer blockbuster. It's just too hard to be mad at "Spider-Man 3."



DANNY DJELJOSEVIC

Party hardy, frugal folk

MEGAN HERON ▸ AVENUE WRITER

So, you want to plan a party without sacrificing your next few paychecks to pay it off? No problem. With a few strategic moves and conscious shopping, you can throw the bash of the year with some change left in your pocket.

First, decide on a theme and shop accordingly.

If you want, say, a pirate-themed party, hit up the local fabric shop. Black and white striped cloth or a deep blood-red color can be used for simple decoration: Use the fabric to cover furniture, protecting it from spills and also adding to the setting. Pick up a few colored light bulbs to enhance the mood, or use a light-colored fabric to drape over lamps.

Buy cheap where you can.

Supplies such as plates and cups can be bought at the dollar store. You can create simple decorations out of construction paper, or print pictures from the Internet. Who wouldn't love a picture of Captain Jack Sparrow hanging on the wall?

Create theme-inspired invitations. Throwing a toga party? Dye the paper with tea bags, and then roll them like scrolls. Another sleek trick: You can only allow people with invitations to the party. Allow them to bring one date, but that's it. This will cut back on the amount of booze and food you'll have to buy.

Suggest BYOB.

If you're on a really tight budget, suggest that your guests bring their own supply. If you do decide to buy alcohol, make some

sort of punch — you can buy cheaper alcohol when it's mixed with a variety of juices. Throw in a few apple and orange slices for extra flavor, and the fruit will absorb the alcohol and make for a tasty treat.

Ask your roommates to pitch in.

By hosting the party together, you can split the cost. Another bonus: You'll have people assisting in the planning and decorating.

The one party item you shouldn't skimp on is food. If you're just serving snacks, buy in bulk. Also, keep an eye out for sales. Check the newspaper for coupons and sales that apply to your shopping list.

If you're serving more than just chips and dip, keep the menu simple. With the pirate theme, seafood is a given. Stock up on a variety of seafood, and remember to buy in bulk. If seafood is not your forte, one interesting meal is salmagundi. In 16th century England, it was really just a salad made from whatever was available. Also check online for chili and stew recipes. Most ingredients in these meals are cheap and/or replaceable. Add a bowl of salad and accompany each with dinner rolls and you're set.

For some background entertainment, play a theme-related movie, such as "Pirates of the Caribbean," "Hook" or even "The Goonies."

As guests enter, hand out blank name tags and have them go by a buccaneer name for the night. It might sound cheesy, but it could give you something to "yargh" about.

fun without funds

Time for summer trippin'

JACKIE AZIS ▸ AVENUE WRITER

Whether you are working hard or hardly working, summer is always the perfect time to travel, even if for only a weekend.

This summer, TRiP, UF's Travel and Recreation Program, is offering backpacking, rock climbing and snorkeling excursions.

But you don't need to conquer the wilderness to get away — UF junior Jil Paquette and her friends decided to drive to California as a cheaper alternative to flying.

Paquette recommends using a GPS navigation system for a road trip.

"Whenever we were lost, we would push a button and know our exact location," Paquette said. "It can tell you how to get anywhere."

The best part of the road trip was seeing different states, national monuments and friends that had moved across the country during the same trip, she said. "Instead of just flying to one city in California, we stopped at five different national parks. We camped at a few of them and saved money that

way," Paquette said. "We got to travel at our own pace because you don't need reservations or have to meet deadlines at airports."

To help out the driver, they set a rule that whoever was in the front passenger seat had to stay awake with the driver, Paquette said.

Theme trips are also a great way to spend summer vacation, said Amanda Webb, the corporate communications coordinator of STA Travel, a budget travel organization located in the Reitz Union.

Students can choose to follow their favorite baseball teams from stadium to stadium, for example. Others visit National Parks such as Yellowstone or the Grand Canyon.

Or, head out on an adventure with yourself. Odds are you'll find something you weren't looking for.

Whether you choose a weekend trip in the wilderness or an adventure to the other side of the globe, I want to hear about it. Send a story about your amazing summer trip to avenue.editors@gmail.com, and the most interesting one will be published here.

Happy journeys!

"We got to travel at our own pace because you don't need reservations or have to meet deadlines at airports."

Jil Paquette
UF junior

Charity studio beats on

STEPHANIE GRANADA ▸ AVENUE WRITER

Few people understand the gift of music in a person's life as much as Tobin Wagstaff and his wife Jill Wagstaff.

Following a passion for music helping others, the Wagstaffs started Studio Percussion in June 2002 as a local non-profit music school that aims to aid people of all ages and financial status in developing their musical potential.

"I do not want anyone to not have the opportunity to take music lessons because money is an issue," said Tobin Wagstaff.

At first, classes were conducted out of the Wagstaffs' home, but an increasing demand soon changed that.

Working with the community, the organization has established music programs in elementary and pre-K schools that lacked an adequate program, participated in music lesson clinics and as provided free musical education for a number of underprivileged individuals through their scholarship program.

Earlier this year, Studio Percussion faced discord with its new neighbor, the chiropractic office of Dr. Jeffrey Smith. The office complained that the 6 p.m. drumline class was too noisy. To accommodate his neighbors, Tobin Wagstaff rescheduled his drumline class to 6:30 p.m. in effect changing the schedule of over 100 of his school members.

But the show must go on.

On Friday, May 25, Studio Percussion will be hosting its annual Spring Concert as part of Gainesville's "Let's Go Downtown" Plaza Series. You will hear musical styling from keyboard ensembles to drum lines and bands. Over fifteen groups from Gainesville will be performing free of charge.

"The concert gives groups the opportunity to see what other groups have been working on," said Wagstaff. "It also allows the community to learn more about us and see what we are doing here at Studio Percussion."

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UF is home to the reigning champions of college football and basketball, but the rolling hills of pristine horse farms a 45-minute drive south of the UF campus hide a good number of athletes, too.

Steeds are the champions of a sport of another kind — one supported by some of America's biggest names and deepest pockets, including New York Yankees owner and UF benefactor George Steinbrenner.

This time of year is the height of the Triple Crown season of horse racing, and the world's attention is focused on horses with connections to the prime horse farm country in North Florida.

"In these big races, you're always going to find a horse with ties to the Ocala area," said Jim Scott, the farm manager at

Kinsman Stable, a farm 40 miles southwest of Gainesville that is owned by Steinbrenner. "If they weren't born here, they were raised here. If they weren't born and raised here, they were broken and trained here."

On the heels of the Kentucky Derby, which took place earlier this month, North Florida's horse trainers are gearing up for the second race of the Triple Crown — the Preakness Stakes — scheduled for this weekend in Pimlico, Md. The final race of the hal-lowed trio is the Belmont Stakes in June in Elmont, N.Y.

COLT COUNTRY

The rural areas in Marion County have become a sort of mecca for the horse industry due to the balmy climate and lime-rich soil

and water, which provide excellent bone-building material for horses.

The area boasts more than 500 horse farms here and is home to some of the most elite horses in the world. Street Sense, the recent champion of the Kentucky Derby and the odds-on favorite to win the upcoming Preakness, was trained at the Ocala Stud Farm in Marion County. Curlin, another Preakness contender, is owned by Padua Stables, a farm in nearby Summerfield.

Horse racing has long been known as the "Sport of Kings," and it's true that some wealthy and famous interests have a hand in the local horseracing scene. Steinbrenner's Kinsman Stable is a full-service operation that breeds, trains and stables thoroughbred racing horses. Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, the Ruler of Dubai, who was listed by Forbes magazine as one of the

Steinbrenner family. His children own homes on the farm, and his daughter personally names all the horses, Scott said.

Donkeys, a llama and miniature ponies, favorites of Steinbrenner's grandchildren, saunter around in grassy enclosures.

But horses are more than just beloved pets and the basis of an exciting sport; they're part of a big business. Champion-quality thoroughbreds can sell for upwards of \$10 million, and stud fees — the price of breeding with exceptional stallions — can be as high as \$300,000. The American Horse Council, an advocacy group based in Washington D.C., said the horse industry produces goods and services of \$3 billion in Florida alone.

CAMPUS TIES

The local horse industry has benefited from its proximity to UF. The College of Veterinary Medicine provides some unique services to benefit the local horse industry, such as its Mobile Equine Diagnostic Service, an ambulatory clinic that serves local farms, and a clinic specializing in equine neonatal care. In addition, the Racing Lab tests blood samples of horses for the local thoroughbred owners and breeders.

Due to the ample number of students on hand, UF's veterinary clinic is able to provide some services to horse owners that other clinics cannot, Scott said.

"We have a collaboration with the horse farms," said Sarah Carey, the Director of Public Relations at the College of Veterinary Medicine. "It's a mutually beneficial relationship." Horses are a link that have brought magnate Steinbrenner and the University together. He has personally contributed \$400,000 to the College of Veterinary Medicine for the purchase of medical imaging equipment large enough to accommodate horses, and has also made substantial donations for the construction of the new music building." He has also been recognized as a "Bull Gator" by the Florida Gator Boosters.

However, this sports tycoon's ties to the area may have begun with his desire to race champion horses.

"We try to do the very best we can with Mr. Steinbrenner's horses," said Scott. "Some of the best horsemen in the world come right from this area."



Charles Roop / Alligator Staff

A horse stands in a field at the Kinsman Stable in Ocala on Tuesday afternoon. The stable, which is owned by New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner, covers 800 acres.

five richest people in the world, owns an operation that trains horses in Marion County during the winter months.

POST TIME

Kinsman stable is certainly no stranger to big-time competitions. From this farm, thoroughbred Bellamy Road participated in the Kentucky Derby in 2005, and Hemingway's Key ran in the Preakness last summer.

Of the Kentucky Derby, Scott said, "he's (Steinbrenner's) been there five times and hasn't won it yet, but we're working to win it next year."

Two-year old Majestic Warrior, currently working with a trainer in New York state, will be the next of Steinbrenner's thoroughbreds to compete for the Triple Crown.

Kinsman Stable also serves as a resort for the

UF taking extra steps to go 'green'

DAVID LOW AVENUE WRITER

Kermit the Frog may have had it wrong — it is easy being green, after all.

UF takes an ecological stance when it comes to the construction of new buildings and facilities on campus.

Since 2001, UF has been following the criteria to meet the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Green Building Rating System standards in all major construction. It's reducing costs and hopefully influencing the youth, said Bahar A. Armaghani of UF's Facilities Planning and Construction division.

"We made the change to go 'green' because it was the right thing to do," Armaghani said. "We're leading the next generation to hopefully make a difference in the world by being proactive in taking positive steps."

To meet the qualifications, six categories of performance must be fulfilled: sustainable sites, energy and atmosphere, water efficiency, indoor environmental quality, materials and resources, and innovation in design.

At first, university officials said they thought environmental standards would increase the cost of construction, but "green" resources and materials are becoming less expensive, Armaghani said.

"It's all about supply and demand," she said. "More people are becoming concerned about it, so everything is available now."

Buildings are now constructed from recycled resources and regionally harvested materials from no more than 500 miles away, she said. Once construction is finished, the green structures will continue to save money by using utilities more efficiently.

The monthly utilities bill for UF is about \$3.5 million, Armaghani said, but costs can be reduced by implementing more efficient technology, such as sensor-operated, low-flow faucets and toilets, waterless urinals and increased insulation.

One of the newest buildings to use these features became certified by the U.S. Green Building Council and is of interest because it is the first "green" art museum in the country, according to a press release.

The Harn Museum of Arts Cofrin Pavilion, constructed in 2005, houses the museum's international collections of contemporary art. Making the museum "green" is especially significant because some art pieces are very sensitive to the climate.

"It was very similar to the situation of Library West — you have to consider humidity and light, but it's not like you can't do it," Armaghani said. "We're all very excited that we're one of the first 'green' museums."

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Bahar A. Armaghani

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M-F, 8am - 4pm
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M - F, 8am - 6pm, Sat. 10am - 5pm

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Just 1.3 miles from UF, FREE tanning
Pets OK 377-7401
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Pool, Gym, Park @ UF, Bball, Tennis
Call 4 Specials! 352-332-7401
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rooms \$425 & up. Call 352-538-2181 8-
15-25-2

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1,2,&3 BR Flats w/Screened Porches
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Gated Entry*Cyber Cafe*Pool w/ Sundeck
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FREE Cable w/ HBO/ SHOWTIME
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What could be better?

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Awesome pool w/BBQ, Free Tanning
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LIVE THE LIFE!

All Inclusive Ind. leases
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Filling fast - Lease now
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Cable*Tanning*Gated
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1BR Villas Starting @ \$529. Please call: 352-
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ACROSS THE STREET FROM UF
1br and studios for fall
We love pets! Wood floors available
Open late! 371-0769
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TAILGATOR HEAVEN!!!!

ACROSS THE STREET FROM UF
2br for fall, Wood floors,
great for pets! Open late
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EVERYONE LOVES A THREESOME

Join in-Live Downtown This Fall!
Luxury 3 Bedroom/3 Bath Townhouses
Lots of Perks- w/d, lofts, cable & internet
Get 'em while they're hot! 338-0002
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FREE RENT!

2BR, 3BR or 4BR Move-in May or June
and get a free month's rent! Close to UF,
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2BR/2BA available for Fall
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1BR & 2BR/1BA apts with W/D, cent H/AC,
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Studios, 1 and 2 bedrooms for fall
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and weekends! 371-7777
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***NO MOVE IN COSTS**

Got Luxury?
2BR TH & 3BR Flats
Walk to UF/Pet friendly
INCLUDES
Cable*Tanning*Gym*Pool*Alarm*W/D
Museum Walk *379-WALK
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●●●●1BR APT, \$515/mo●●●●
Quiet nhood; greenspace, trees, private
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Walk-in closet! Alarms avail
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NO ROOMMATE HASSLES

Private Villas next to Butler Plaza
Studios \$499*1BR \$549
****FREE WATER****
Call for Now & Fall**377-2596
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Enjoy privacy & convenience
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Duckpond*POOL*Alarm avail
Leasing FALL Fast! 372-4835
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Affordable & Nice

Gym*POOL*Alarm avail
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Great Location*SW 34 St
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HUGE 1BR ONLY \$499

Single-story Villa in NW
Private patio*Full kitchen
Alarm avail*Pool*Laundry
Lease Now/Aug 372-3826
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ONLY 1 MILE to UF!

Across from NEW Starbucks!
HUGE apts*Pool*Laundry
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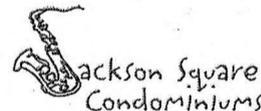
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Walk to campus!
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★★5 BLOCKS TO UF★★

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Huge 3BR/1BA house w/big yard, W/D
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Spread out in our Huge 3BR!
Pool*GYM*Clubhouse*Paws Welcome
Park @ UF Free*10 Steps to Butler Plaza
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Near downtown. Wood floors, high ceilings,
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Adorn 3/2 upscale classic home ● 1 mile from
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3531 SW 29th Terrace
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Enormous 1BR near
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Brighton Park
2BR townhouse w/pool
4415 SW 34th Ave #205
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Woodbury Row
Newer 4BR 4.5BA
Near Norman Hall
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Near Norman Hall
4BR 2BA townhouse
w/washer and dryer
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A Cozy Cottage
1BR efficiency on
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Homes Near UF
2718 W Univ Ave
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3/3, nice yard, bbq pitt, all major appliances
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Large fenced yard. Near UF. Downtown
location. Avail Aug. Call Tom 352-262-6423
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26, UF: 10-15min \$1300/352-585-1458
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Unforgettable 1/1 and 2/1 apartments!
Rates as low as \$499!
Next to UF, Shands, Butler Plaza!
Water included! Pets welcome!
Leasing NOW and for FALL!
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2BRs for rent in 4BR house w/yard 2 miles to
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8347 5-17-2-2

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SW 20th Ave. busline, 2BR/2.5BA New
Townhouse, 1200 sq. ft. fenced backyard,
A/C, W/D hook-up, DW, \$775/mo. Call Lait
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1/1, hardwood floors, washer & dryer. \$600/
mo + deposit. 111 NE 8th Ave. 850-291-4969
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DUCKPOND COTTAGE
3/1, hdwd flrs, highceilings, claw-foot tub,
W/D. Pets allowed w/dep. 738 NE 2nd St.
Avail Aug 1. \$1025/mo + dep. 850-291-4969
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●3BR/1BA, bonus room, cent H/AC. \$900/
mo
●611 NW 34th Dr. \$925/mo.
Call 372-4903 5-24-4-2

2BR DUPLEX
BEHIND NORMAN HALL
Cent H/AC, ceiling fans, \$600/mo. 922/924
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4 Bedroom 2 Bath
* Newly Renovated Kitchen *
10' x 10' Laundry Room * 2 Car Carport
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2BR/1BA on SW 16th Ave. Available June 1
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BRAND NEW CONDO AT CAMPUS VIEW.
Close to sorority row. 3BR/3BA. \$600 per
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Duplex for rent: 2BR/1BA \$500/mo + \$500
deposit. For lease info please contact
landlord at 352-514-9698. Location: Tower
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UF. Leave msg w/ph # & I will call back. 5-
29-5-2

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Brand new 1, 2, & 3 bdrm
Luxury apartments
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Available 8/07 - 4br/2ba w/yard; window
AC, W/D hkups, yrd serv incl; off street
parking; \$1200/mo. 414 NW 10th St.
EdBaurManagement.com 1631 NW 6 St.
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Available 1st week of Aug - 3br/2ba, cent
A/C, W/D incl, 1 car garg, fenced yard, pets
OK, yrd serv incl. \$1175/mo. 1015 NE 5 Pl
EdBaurManagement.com 1731 NW 6 St.
- 375-7104 8-15-25-2

Aug rental - 3br/3ba duplex; walk to UF, cent
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4 Ave. EdBaurManagement.com 1731 NW 6
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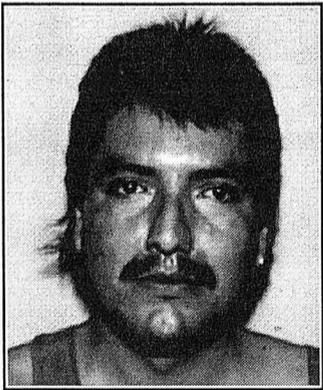
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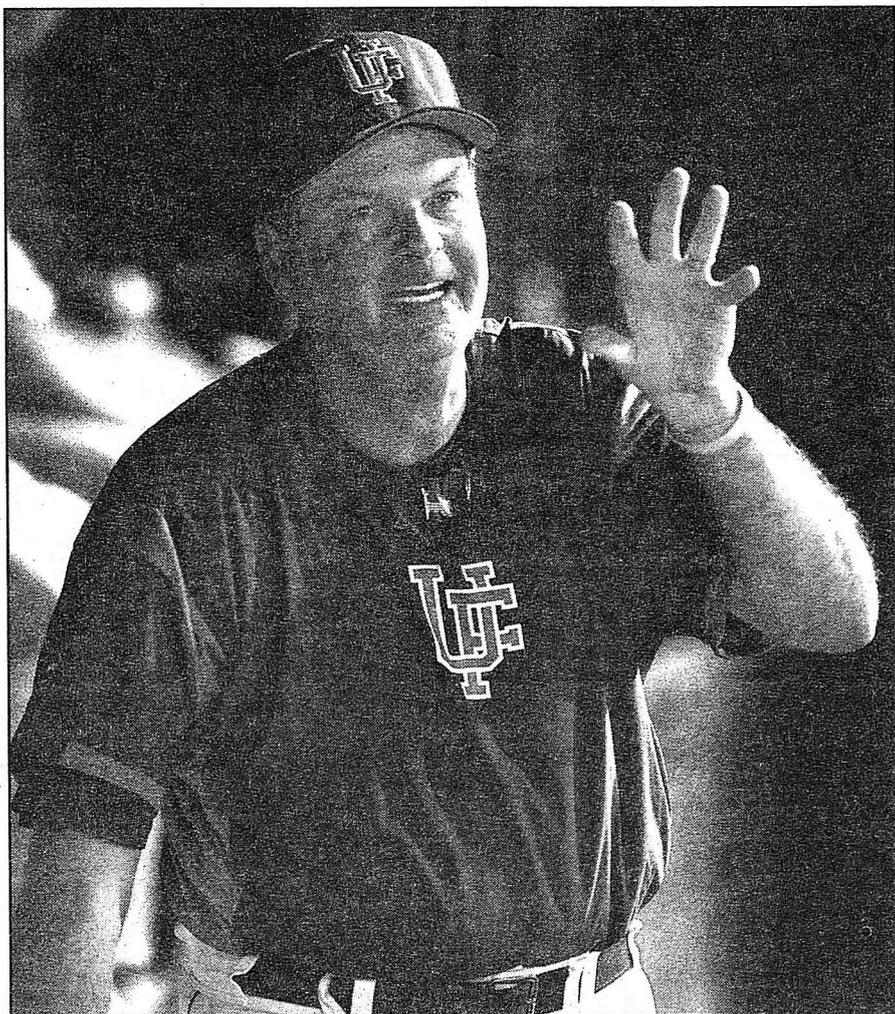
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Tournament hopes hinge on final series



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With NCAA and SEC Tournament bids on the line, UF coach Pat McMahon and the Gators need a strong outing this weekend against Tennessee.

By ALEX WEINTRAUB

Alligator Writer
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It's do or die time for the Gators.

Starting tonight, the UF baseball team (27-26, 14-13 Southeastern Conference) will have a chance to not only jockey itself into a good position in the SEC Tournament next week in Hoover, Ala. It can also build up its credentials for a bid in the NCAA Tournament.

"It's amazing how quickly the season has unfolded," UF coach Pat McMahon said. "I think our guys have battled their hearts, and I'm proud of them. We just need to continue to improve."



Baseball

UF hosts Tennessee (31-22, 11-14 SEC) — a squad in a down year by its own standards — at 6:30 p.m.

Any possible conference tournament matchups are far from set in stone, but the Gators are guaranteed a bid if they take two of three this weekend. Where they end up will largely depend on the other SEC series being played.

If the tournament started today, UF would be the No. 6 seed and play Mississippi State in the first round. The team has a remote chance to move up to the No. 3 seed if Mississippi State and South Carolina get swept, Mississippi loses its series and the Gators sweep the Vols.

The Gators have the same record as Mississippi, but the Rebels own the tiebreaker because they defeated the current No. 1 seed Vanderbilt once, while the Commodores swept UF.

If the Gators are swept by Tennessee, the squad could miss the tournament altogether. The team is only a game and a half up on Kentucky, which currently owns the eighth and final spot in the tournament.

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UF hosts softball regionals

By JEFF MILLER

Alligator Writer

UF first baseman Ali Gardiner transferred to UF in 2006 for two reasons: to follow in her father's footsteps and to win.

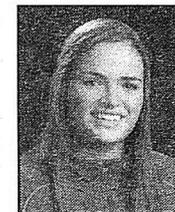
She left the University of North Carolina-Wilmington after her freshman year — she was the Seahawks' leading hitter — to play at the same school for which her father, Wally, played baseball from 1970-73.

"I've always wanted to go to Florida," said Gardiner, a sophomore. "I came here wanting to

play more competitive ball.

"It has worked out well."

And it has worked out well for her new team in return.



Gardiner

Gardiner and the rest of the 13th-seeded Gators (46-20) will take the field against Stetson (44-20) on Friday as a regional host in the 2007 NCAA Softball Tournament.

The first game of the Gainesville Regional, between Texas (33-18) and Georgia Tech (53-14), begins Friday at 3:30 p.m. at the Florida Softball Stadium.

UF went 1-1 last season against the Hatters, who are making their first NCAA Tournament appearance in school history.

The Gators are making their eighth tournament appearance in their 11-year history.

"We're looking good," said UF coach Tim Walton, adding that his squad can't rely solely on the right arm of ace sophomore pitcher Stacey Nelson (30-13, 0.94 ERA), even if that arm is "unbelievable."

"(Stacey) has been the backbone to our success," he said. "She throws hard. She's very deceptive. She's quietly become the best fielding pitcher in the country."

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Blue chip recruit spurns UF for Kentucky

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Freshman right-hander Mullaney key to Gators' improvement

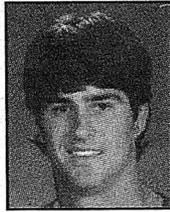
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UF has been an up-and-down team all season. Despite their SEC resume and taking four of six games from in-state foes Miami and Florida State, the Gators have struggled with consistency. The squad has dropped series to Virginia Military

Institute and Kent State, as well as midweek games to Central Florida and North Florida.

This inconsistency has prevented UF from securing an NCAA bid despite the fact that making it to Hoover is usually enough to guarantee a spot.

"You want to play (in the NCAA tournament)," McMahon said, "but things have to unfold in other con-



Mullaney

ferences for that to happen.

"If the RPI holds, then all we need is more wins."

The Gators have stayed in the race for an NCAA bid large-

ly due to the emergence of freshman

Kyle Mullaney as the Friday starter.

The right-hander is 4-1 with a 4.85 ERA and has won his last two starts.

"Kyle has been a big help to us," McMahon said. "He's been one of the most consistent performers for our pitching staff."

For Mullaney, it's about what he can do to help his team.

"I'm just going to do what I can

to help the team," he said. "We've made a lot of improvement since the beginning of the year. The freshmen, especially, got a lot better."

UF will have to continue its improvement if it hopes to make a splash at the SEC Tournament.

The Volunteers still hold a long-shot chance to make it to Hoover if they take the three-game set from the Gators.

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UF, Stetson both young

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Walton stressed that the Gators' fate stands, instead, in the batter's box.

"We have to hit better," he said. "We have to get more runners on base."

The Gators totaled four runs during their three SEC tournament games, including a 1-0 loss in the championship game to LSU.

Like UF, the Hatters are young. Stetson's team is comprised of two seniors, four juniors, four sophomores and seven freshmen.

UF has five seniors, two juniors, seven sophomores and two freshmen.

The winner of the UF-Stetson game will take on the winner of Georgia Tech and Texas on Saturday. The two losers will also face off Saturday, as teams need to lose twice to be eliminated.

Headed back to the Treasure Coast region for summer?

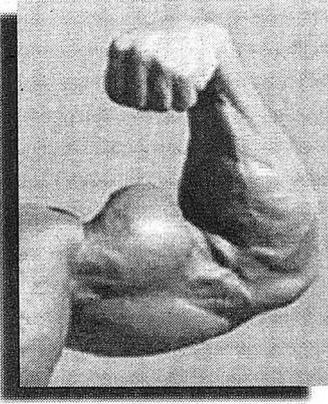
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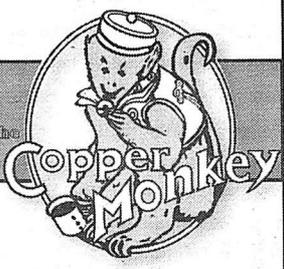
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