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AROUND GAINESVILLE

River overwhelmed with litter

By **APRIL DUDASH**
Alligator Writer

As this season's drought continues to take its toll on the Santa Fe River water level, more of the riverbed creeps into view — and with it, the sight of cans and bottles.

The amount of litter exposed has raised concerns among members of the Santa Fe Springs Working Group, a group of professionals, environmental protection agencies, government organizations and citizens of Gainesville. The group holds at least four mini-conferences a year to discuss activities that benefit the river.

Last year, they received complaints about the amount of trash found in and around the river. The group's latest project is to cut back and eventually eliminate littering, particularly around the lower Santa Fe River from Ginnie Springs to State Road 47.

"We know the people at the university love this river," said Fay Baird, coordinator for the group. "It's just a few people spoiling it for the rest of us."

Visitors aren't the only ones turned off by the littering problem.

"There are people who are out there all the time, who live there and are getting more upset about the situation," Baird said.

The group's main goals are to get people to examine their own behaviors and to persuade others to speak up when confronting people who litter.

Due to state government cutbacks, Baird said the first programs to go are government cleanup initiatives.

"People can't rely on the government to pick up trash for them," she said.

Sarah Graddy is a member of

the working group. Graddy is a writer and editor of "Gardening in a Minute" at the University of

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A discarded glass bottle rests on the branch of a tree near where Poe Springs meets the Santa Fe River.

Nicole Saffner / Alligator Staff

Summer '08 could see minus grades

By **KIMBERLY FULSCHER**
Alligator Writer

UF biology junior Carol James said she usually gets good grades in her integrative biology classes.

That's why she said she's not too concerned with the new minus grades that, according to UF Provost Janie Fouke, could appear on her transcript as early as summer 2008.



Fouke

Fouke said the transition would take about a year because the computer systems need to be updated.

"The decision will be influenced by when and how we re-vamp our student information system," Fouke wrote in an e-mail Thursday. "If we are going to 'tweak' our current system, then the implementation will likely be sooner than if more substantial changes are required."

UF's Faculty Senate approved the new grading scale Dec. 14, and UF President Bernie Machen ratified it in a March 21 memo.

Many students have expressed negative opinions on the grades. The Student Senate, for instance, passed a resolution in November that stated its disapproval.

But most faculty members are steadfast in their belief that the new grading scale will help students, said former Faculty Senate chair Danaya Wright.

But James said she is still concerned it might affect student GPAs

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UF Transportation Fee set to increase

■ **THE FEE IS SET TO JUMP THIS SUMMER.**

By **DEVIN CULCLASURE**
Alligator Writer

UF students will shell out more cash for gas this fall with an increased student transportation access fee.

The fee will rise from \$4.81 to \$5.49 per credit hour, according to UF records.

There are a few reasons for the increase, said Scott Fox, director of Transportation and Parking Services. However, he said the raise was largely due to increases in gasoline prices.

Local News Regional Transit System is being forced to raise its hourly service rate in its new three-year contract with UF, Fox said.

He said the rate covers the cost of each bus and driver. RTS will charge a \$53 hourly rate instead of \$49.35. The change will go

into effect on Aug. 20, said Theresa Harrison, marketing and communications specialist for RTS.

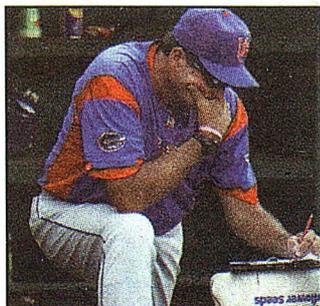
RTS records show UF currently pays 49 percent of the \$16,203,244 RTS budget, totaling \$7,866,201.

Harrison said RTS dedicates the bulk of its resources toward UF, so it's the bus system's main financial supporter.

But RTS charges UF at a discounted rate, she said. Rather than paying full costs, UF

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■ Just two years after reaching the finals of the College World Series, Pat McMahon was fired as UF baseball coach last Thursday. McMahon coached UF for six years. See story, pg. 19.



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■ Gainesville city commissioners voted 5-2 on Monday to begin work on creating a domestic partner registry that will allow gay couples to receive rights similar to those of married couples. See story, pg. 4.

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News Today

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Caregiver Conference

Kanapaha Botanical Gardens Summer House Reception Hall, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., today. The Central and North Florida chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will host a caregiver conference titled "A Day to Remember." The event is free.

UF Theater

Constans Theatre, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Wednesday. UF theater students will be performing "Our Town," a play by Thornton Wilder.

Withdrawal Deadline

The deadline to withdraw from summer A classes with a W assigned is Friday.

MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS

Program draws global crowd

Journalism teachers from 18 countries have come to UF to learn about the digital news world so they can bring it back to students in their own countries.

They will visit the U.S. for six weeks to participate in the program, New Freedoms in Media: Teaching the Digital Journalism of Tomorrow.

The program will be hosted by the newly created Study of the U.S. Institute on Journalism and Media.

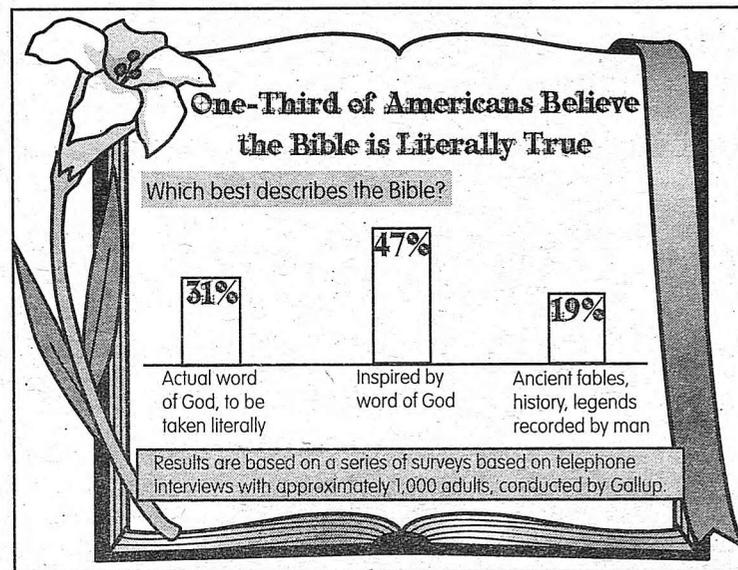
The program is funded by a \$275,000 grant from the State Department's Study of the United States Branch.

UF was awarded the grant based on a proposal put together by Kurt Kent and Lauren Hertel, the academic co-directors of the institute, and Sylvia Chan-Olmsted, the institute's principle administrator.

John Wright, interim dean of the College of Journalism and Communications, believes the state department was blown away by the proposal.

"If we didn't have the depth in this college to pull it off, we would have never thought about it," he said. "We do have

THE BIBLE: FACT OR FICTION?



Rachel Greenfield / Alligator Staff

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an excellent reputation."

For more on New Freedoms in Media, check out alligator.org.

— TRACY FLACK

AROUND GAINESVILLE

Show flaunts custom cars

A lime-green motorcycle with bright chrome wheels and a picture of The Incredible Hulk spray-painted on the windshield drew many admirers at the King of the Street Custom Car Show on Sunday.

About 1,000 people went to the Alachua County Fairgrounds for the event, which was the first car show in Gainesville hosted by Magic 101.3 and The East Coast Ryders.

"Gainesville has never seen anything like this," said DJ Klarc Shepard from Magic 101.3. "It's crazy. The vibe was

just tight."

Among the 300 cars and motorcycles, there were several Dodge Chargers, Magnums and Avengers, making it seem that Dodge was the vehicle make of choice for custom cars.

The heat didn't deter the crowd from milling around the makeshift parking lot and taking pictures.

"I love the fact that it showed the new customs being done, especially the Chargers and Avengers," said Gainesville resident Aisha McDonald. "Not just classic cars were shown, but new ones with tons of new twists."

— AVANTI JOHNSON

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UF grows new grass

By **TRACY FLACK**
Alligator Contributing Writer

The grass really may be getting greener.

UF researchers recently released a new turfgrass that is greener and finer than Florida's most common grass, called St. Augustine.

The grass also doesn't grow very fast, so it doesn't need to be mowed as often, said Russell Nagata, a UF associate professor for horticulture sciences.

The new grass, currently referred to as NUF-76, also carries a natural resistance to the chinch bugs that attack Florida's grass twice a year.

Nagata believes that as long as customers maintain their lawns, they will benefit from this new grass.

In order for the grass to catch

on, he said, it needs to be commercially available.

"People shouldn't have to go all over town looking for it," he said.

Nagata said if enough acreage is available to market the grass, the public could buy it as early as the end of the

UF Research

year. It would cost between 15 and 30 cents per square foot, depending on the production costs.

Ultimately, he said, its popularity is up to the farmers who grow it and market demand.

But Nagata thinks it will benefit consumers.

"I can go on vacation for two or three weeks and can come back and my lawn won't be looking really bad," Nagata said. "And I guess a lot of people can relate to that."

STUDENT PROJECTS

Love, not war, popular in pop

By **KIM WILMATH**
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Despite lapsed time and changing trends, the song remains the same.

It's all about that crazy little thing called love.

A UF study discovered that love is a prominent theme in today's hit music, just as it was 30 years ago.

"The detail I was trying to find initially was how both of these eras responded to the fact that there was a war going on," said Chad Swiatowicz, a musician who did the study for his master's thesis in sociology.

Swiatowicz analyzed the 10 most popular songs listed in Billboard's online archives for two time spans, 2002-2005 and 1968-1971, according to a press release.

Despite wars in both eras, not many modern hits protested America's conflicts — unlike the way love and war were musically tie-died together in hits of the past.

He found that 60 percent of the current ditties and half of those from the past era glorified being in love.

"I'd always suspected that love songs and relationship songs would be the most prevalent, but I didn't realize how much," Swiatowicz said.

He said there are more songs about love in the modern lists, but they're more self-pitying.

In addition, he said the sour keynote of infidelity is more popular in the modern songs, possibly because today's impressionable listeners most likely grew up with divorced parents.

Swiatowicz added that he was surprised at the lewd lyrics in many of today's hits.

He said he thought American culture was trying to get away from crude objectifications, such as "referring to women as bitches and hos."

"I'd always suspected that love songs and relationship songs would be the most prevalent, but I didn't realize how much."

Chad Swiatowicz
musician/UF graduate student

Nevertheless, he said most people don't pay attention to the words they hum along to.

"Most just appreciate the overall sound," he said of popular hip-hop songs. "They're fun to dance to."

Kristen O'Reilly, a UF psychology junior, thought the study made sense, but said she listens to bands with political messages, like Nine Inch Nails and System of a Down.

"It's not too much about love," she said.

O'Reilly said she also listens to foreign music, but she can't understand the lyrics.

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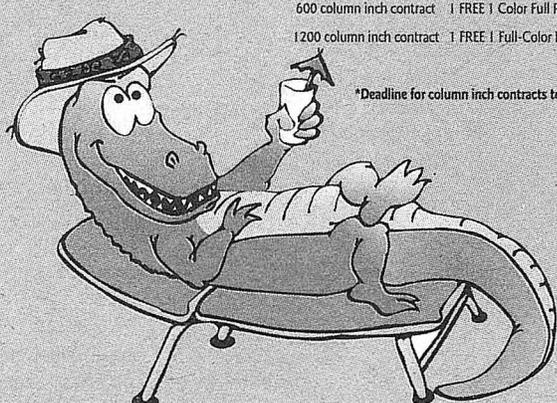
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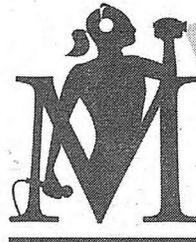
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CITY COMMISSION

Domestic partner registry ordinance on way to reality

By APRIL DUDASH
Alligator Writer

Gainesville is one step closer to a domestic partner registry for same and opposite sex couples.

In a 5-2 vote Monday, city commissioners approved the city attorney to draft an ordinance for the registry.

If enacted, the registration fee will be \$10 for city residents and \$20 for non-city residents.

Commissioner Craig Lowe, a strong

supporter of the registry, said, "There are individuals, due to various levels of government, [who] are unable to marry and have their relationship recognized or their families recognized."

"This causes them to be at a disadvantage in society in a number of ways," he said.

Couples would register by signing a Declaration of Domestic Partnership and a certificate of registration.

The main focus would be several types of benefits, which include health care, funeral and burial preparations and emergency notifications.

Couples would also be considered families for city ordinances, said Jimmie Williams,



Lowe

Partners, for example, would be recognized as families in several situations, such as hospital rooms limited to family visitation. City residency would not be a requirement.

"Someone who lives in Archer can establish a partnership here in Gainesville," Williams said.

The registry would not extend to federal laws or institutions.

Commissioner Ed Braddy believes many people will have serious religious objections.

"They see this as a proxy for gay marriage," he said.

Commissioner Jack Donovan argued to keep religion and law separate on the issue.

Registration would be terminated if a partner dies, gets married, becomes involved in a civil union or registers with another partner.

When examining registries enacted in other cities, there were hardly any problems, Williams said.

City approves new towing regulations

■ COMMISSIONERS VOTED ON THE ISSUE MONDAY.

By APRIL DUDASH
Alligator Writer

Proof of parking violations may be a snapshot away.

City Commissioners unanimously approved the Public Safety Committee's roam towing regulations in a meeting Monday.

The city clerk will advertise the amended ordinance.

One of the ordinances would require tow operators take a photograph that clearly demonstrates the infraction, said Lt. Sherry Scott of the Gainesville Police Department.

"Someone like myself could go back after the fact and be

able to determine where the car was parked," she added.

The new ordinances would require the following rules to be followed.

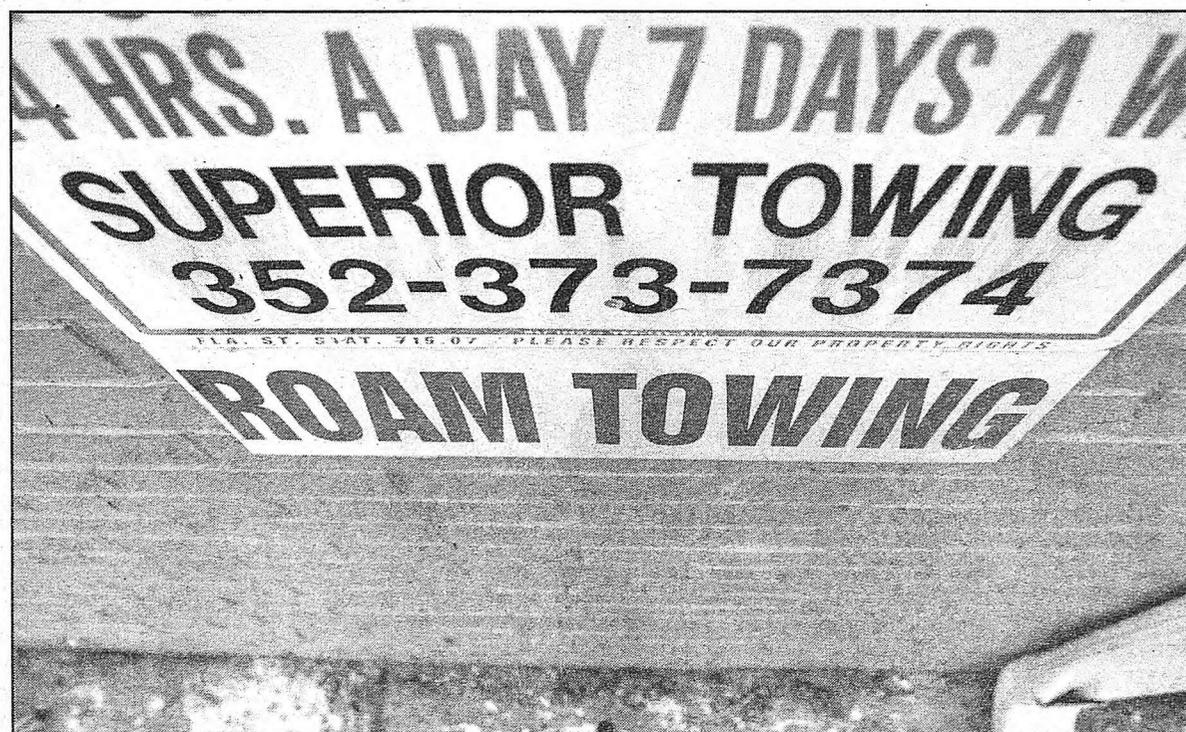
- Tow companies must accept Master Card and Visa credit cards, debit cards and cash.

- When the tow truck lifts the vehicle off the ground, it will signify that they have complete possession of it.

- Tow operators must immediately put stop lamps and turn signals on the vehicle in tow.

- Towing companies would register with the police department, and tow operators will carry an ID card at all times.

- Whenever a property owner changes or a towing company changes, a new contract between the two must be signed.



Charles Roop / Alligator Staff

A roam towing sign is posted in a parking lot behind a strip of shops on West University Avenue. The City Commission made changes to roam towing policy throughout the city.



Charles Roop / Alligator Staff

Playing with fire

A woman fire dances on the shores of Clearwater Beach on Saturday evening. Other fire dancers took turns performing, accompanied by occasional drumbeats. Fire Poi, which is shown, is practiced when a ball of Kevlar wick on the end of a chain is swung around the body, creating a circular fire trail around the dancer.

Graves on campus?

Burial places could raise \$5M

By MICHELLE ABREGO
Alligator Contributing Writer

A new option is being considered for people who think of themselves as die-hard UF alumni.

Columbariums, which are storage spaces for cremated remains, are already offered at the University of Richmond, The Citadel and the University of Notre Dame. Now, UF is also considering the idea for alumni who want to keep their remains where they spent the best four years of their lives.

This idea might seem outrageous to many, but Tim Walker, a local funeral director since 1971, said people now live in such a mobile society that they sometimes have closer ties to their alma maters than to their hometowns.

Pamela Ganley, the coordinator for Evergreen Cemetery, said many alumni are buried at Evergreen because it is close to the university's campus. There are also more than a handful of epitaphs that have Gators sayings on tombs there, she said.

About four years ago, Walker approached university officials with the idea of building a columbarium on the UF campus.

Walker said the average cost for a slot in the other colleges' columbariums is about \$3,000, but extreme UF alumni would probably spend much more than that to secure a spot.

Walker calculated that UF could sell as few as 4,500 spots and make more than \$5 million in profit.

On Campus Walker also said he knows 10 to 12 alumni personally who asked him to keep in touch in case the idea ever goes through.

"They're in line, waiting to die," he joked.

Despite the interest already, Katie Seay, the UF Alumni Association's director of membership and marketing, said there are no formal plans to build a columbarium on campus yet.

Some UF alumni are not comfortable with the idea of remaining on campus for eternity.

Marion County Judge and UF alumna Frances S. King laughed at the idea.

"I love (UF) and I'm glad I went there," she said, "but I'm not that strongly tied to the university."

ON CAMPUS

Reitz eye center won't renew

By **KIM WILMATH**
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Nope — you're not just seeing things. The eye-care center in the Reitz Union, Lange Eye Care, has cleared its shelves and closed its doors after the owner's contract with UF ended and he decided not to renew it, said Dr. Michael P. Lange, an optometrist.

Lange is the optometrist at the five Lange eye-care centers in and around Gainesville.

Customer records from the Reitz Union were moved to the Lange center at 3968 SW Archer Road, next to Target.

Lange, 45, said the store in the Reitz Union wasn't profitable enough to keep open.

He added that the closing had nothing to do with his recent "scandal" — he was arrested on charges of solicitation of prostitution, lewd and lascivious behavior and indecent exposure.

According to a Leesburg, Fla., police report, Lange was arrested after police found him in a black Mercedes fondling himself and propositioning two women for sex.

The women called police to complain about Lange, who was driving next to them on U.S. Highway 441 in Leesburg. He told the women he was "hot" and "naked," but they thought he was kidding, according

to the report.

But he showed them he was serious when he lifted his bare body from the seat of his car, according to the report.

The women pulled over at a pawnshop, where Lange offered them \$20 to show their breasts as he masturbated, the report stated. Lange later offered \$50 to the women for permission to touch their breasts and then asked them for sex, offering \$500 to each, according to the report.

"You can't believe everything you hear."

Dr. Michael P. Lange
optometrist

When officers pulled up, Lange was not wearing a shirt and appeared to be pulling up his pants, according to the report.

He was jailed and released on \$2,500 bail.

But Lange said the reports were "filled with a host of untruths."

"You can't believe everything you hear," Lange said.

Lange's lawyer, Mike Sawyer, said no charges have been filed, and there may not be enough "credible evidence" to do so.

Sawyer said Lange, who is married and has a family, said the women started the conversation.

Car fire curbs teen

By **MORGAN THIBODEAUX**
Alligator Contributing Writer

A teenager's car caught fire Thursday on 13th Street while she was driving home from the doctor's office.

Austeen Gibson, 17, said she was driving to Archer Road at about 4:30 p.m. when she noticed smoke coming from the hood of her car.

Gibson said she didn't think anything of it at first.

"I just thought the car was overheating," she said. "I was just driving home when I saw the smoke, so I pulled into the parking lot and called 911."

It turned out the fire in her 1990 Chrysler LeBaron started because of electrical problems. A firefighter told Gibson the fire had nothing to do with the

engine, but it possibly started because of a cord from her car's CD player.

"My dad installed a new CD player the day after I got the car, but we're not sure what exactly started the fire," she said.

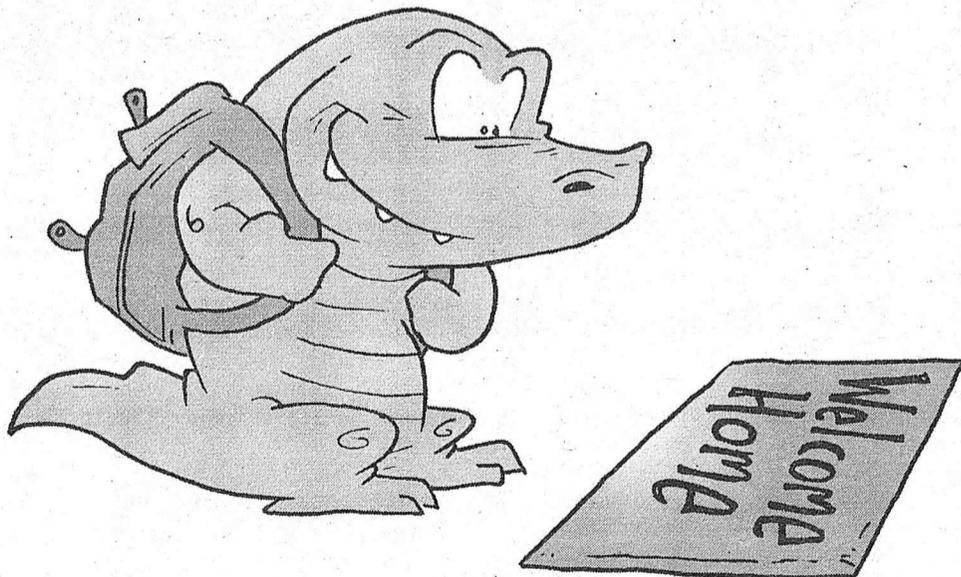
Will Bright, who worked for Rollin Sound in Jacksonville installing car stereos for eight years, said the fire could have had something to do with improper installation of the stereo.

Often there's no fuse on the power wire to the battery on after-market radios, and that can cause fires, he said.

"A lot of times it's because people try to be professional and install things themselves," Bright said.

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Editorial

Getting closer

Commission votes on domestic partner registry

It's a great day for domestic partners — gay or straight — in and around Gainesville.

Thanks to a new ordinance passed Monday by the Gainesville City Commission, domestic partners will be considered family members. And the new benefits registry would give them health care, funeral and education benefits, to name a few.

Commissioners will have to vote twice more for the ordinance to become law. Then partners will need a few signatures and a small fee — \$10 for city residents, \$20 for those outside Gainesville's limits — to receive some of the rights they should have had all along.

City Commissioner Craig Lowe said, "I think it does provide the highest level of equality that we can offer as a city in the state of Florida."

That is the unfortunate truth until the state allows further equality through civil unions or gay marriage. But that's not happening anytime soon, so most couples will have to accept this — for now.

People should not be denied the simple right of visiting their loved ones in the hospital just because they are not married, whether by choice or by the law prohibiting it. Funeral arrangements should not be passed over to a long-distance relative if a loving (and local) partner knows better. Daddy No. 2 should be able to pick up his partner's child from school if there's an emergency.

It doesn't take a team of human rights workers and a roomful of lawyers from the American Civil Liberties Union to realize that these are things all partners should have access to, married or not.

Some may feel that religion dictates otherwise, but we're glad the commission can see through to the human aspect — we are all equal, regardless of if we are married to our partners or not.

Time to resign

The Senate has spoken. Its voice was shaking, but the message came out all the same: Attorney General Alberto Gonzales does not have the support of the majority of senators.

Fifty-three senators supported a no-confidence motion, with 38 dissenting. While 60 votes were needed for the motion to pass and end the debate, the fact that a majority — including seven Republicans — have no faith in Gonzales is an important sign.

The vote was non-binding, and the only way to remove Gonzales from office would be to impeach him. He is under fire for his controversial dismissal of federal prosecutors and his inability to remember the details surrounding those firings.

Several senators have called for Gonzales' resigna-

tion.

Even Arlen Specter, one of the Senate's ranking Republicans, said he had "no confidence" in Gonzales and that the Justice Department is "in shambles."

But hey, it's OK because President Bush still supports and stands behind him. With Dubya on his side, he's pretty much guaranteed political asylum, right? Bush once again declared his support for Gonzales on Monday after the ballots were cast.

So once again we have a high-ranking Bush administration official overstepping his bounds, much like the recent trial for I. "Scooter" Libby, who was recently convicted of lying to the FBI and revealing a CIA operative's identity. We can only hope that Gonzales will realize his error, and step down — so justice will be served.

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Column

Campus cemetery would be creepy

I'd like to think that UF boasts one of the most amazing campuses in the U.S. I mean, come on — Broward Hall? It's like I'm looking at the Colosseum.

We have a beautiful campus, but every student hopes for something more. A more structurally sound dormitory, a new computer lab, a larger studio, a cemetery. The list goes on.

Hold the phone. A cemetery?

Yes, the university may consider building an on-campus burial site sometime in the future for die-hard fans and alumni, but nothing is set in (head)stone yet.

According to The Gainesville Sun, the site — which is not being considered at this time by UF — could include vaults filled with ashes and gardens where loved ones may scatter cremated parts like tourists tossing pennies into a fountain. It's not exactly headstones and mausoleums, but vaults and ash-scattering gardens run a close second.

Imagine happily walking on campus, the breeze blowing through your hair, reading my latest column and — bam. That once-refreshing wind blows in someone's charred remains.

Charming portrait. I don't mean to be crude, but the idea that at any given moment someone is spreading ashes in proximity to where I'm strolling slightly creeps me out.

The UF Alumni Association might one day build a columbarium — a depressing and foreboding word that translates to "an aesthetically pleasing storage unit containing urns." Think of it as the UF version of a lifetime Stor-All.

Despite my distaste for The Garden of Ashes, a columbarium could be a delightful addition. When my next emo mood hits, I'd just turn my iPod to my favorite Dashboard Confessional song and head over for a little "me time."

Everyone finds themselves in a somber state of reflection



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at some point in the day. What better addition to a campus than a morbid, ash-filled area that allows you to wallow in self-pity?

No, I'm sorry. I don't care how much fun a deceased UF graduate had. I vehemently oppose this "Dawn of the Dead" scenario.

I know other colleges, such as the University of Notre Dame, started this practice. But if the other colleges house the dead, should we, too? We're leaders, not followers. Not only would I dislike a year-round Halloween aura looming over campus, but a burial site would send a grim message to students.

College represents the best times for many. But it signals the start of your adult life — not the end.

Students eagerly look toward the future with anticipation and hope. Alumni contemplating a UF burial obviously could not remember any other place in all their lives that they were happier. This leaves prospective graduates much to be desired.

We all know the world is a scary place. I want to know that when I leave my UF comfort zone, my life will be defined by more than my college experiences. Although the future offers no guarantees, I definitely don't want a permanent reminder of the horror awaiting me after graduation.

I've loved my time so far at UF, and I'll always hold these memories close. But there's so much more, and living in the past would be a fate certainly worse than death.

Stephanie Rosenberg is a journalism junior. Her column appears on Tuesdays.

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Reader response

Today's question: Should UF erect a columbarium?

Thursday's question: Should the City of Gainesville add a domestic partner registry?

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Bike shop owners see sales go up with gas prices

■ BIKE SHOP OWNERS GET BUSIER EACH SUMMER.

By **HOLLY GIBBS**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Riding a bicycle is more than just good exercise. It's also a way to save money this summer.

With gas prices in town reaching \$3.25 a gallon, bike shop owners are seeing an increase in sales.

Doug Estok, owner of Bike Route on Northwest 13th Street, said he sees an increase in sales every summer when gas prices go up, and this year is no exception.

"It seems like every day, the prices at the pumps are up and folks are trying to find a way to get around it and get some fitness at the same time," Estok said. "Folks will definitely react, especially when it's hitting in their pocketbook."

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Brian Bailey, a UF mathematics and computer sciences senior, rides his bike to campus to save time and money.

"It's easier to get around campus on a bike," Bailey said. "It saves gas, and it's better for the environment."

However, Ted Kubisek, the owner of Spin Cycle Outdoor

Center, isn't sure gas prices will change students' ways.

"Last year when gas prices spiked, people made a conscious effort to ride their bikes more and to have bikes repaired," he said. "This year, I think people are more used to it. It's unfortunate, but I think people are accepting gas prices."

Wildlife officers want river visitors to take their trash with them

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Florida Center for Landscape Conservation and Ecology. She said there is no excuse for littering. People are more conscious of recycling now, she said.

"The main message that we're trying to get across is that you're being watched," Graddy said.

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, one of the working group's partners, increased the littering fines last year from \$50 to \$100.

The extra \$50 goes toward the Florida

Department of Environmental Protection fund for cleanups.

Florida Fish and Wildlife Officer Jeff Summers has been with the state for 27 years and is in favor of their zero-tolerance policy. He said he wishes to keep the river clean so it will remain beautiful 100 years from now.

"All we want is compliance for the people to take their trash with them when they leave [the river]," he said.

The group is working to post 30 signs around Blue, Ginie and Poe Springs in order to spread awareness about littering laws. Graddy said river vendors are helping by giving visitors biodegradable canvas bags to put their trash in.

Other areas are starting to crack down on litter. Ichetucknee Springs does not allow visitors to bring in any kind of disposable con-

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Sarah Graddy

writer and editor of "Gardening in a Minute"

tainer with them.

"We'd really like to see if people can handle themselves before it comes to that," Baird said.

The group is worried about the change of nutrients in the springs and its long-term effects on the ecosystem.

They make a point of contacting local government officials about water treatment methods in neighborhoods and educating people on the proper use of fertilizers, Baird said.

If changes are not made, Baird fears the worst should happen.

"They are willing to, if necessary, close public access to these places," she said. "We all want access to these resources. They are beautiful and really unique."

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Springs Initiative has funded the working group since 2002.

Professors will not be required to dole out minus grades to students

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— and her own — negatively.

"I can see both sides of it, but I'm sure when I get a minus grade I'll be against it," she said with a laugh. "It all depends on the professor — whether they're out to help or to hurt you."

But Wright said the new scale gives professors more leeway when picking up their red pens to grade students.

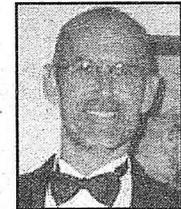
She added that the choices make the new system more logical.

"In my mind, that's so huge to have a B-minus rather than a C-plus on their transcript," Wright said.

The University of Central Florida implemented plus and minus grades

in 2001, the effects of which were the focus of a UCF survey in 2002.

"Students at first were skeptical," said John Schell, an English professor at UCF, in a phone interview Tuesday. "But overall, the student GPAs rose in one year."



Schell

According to the surveys, Schell said, about half the faculty members who filled out the forms in 2002 said they used the new plus and minus grades.

But Schell added that students don't like the fact that the system is not mandatory. Students in different sections of the same course with

different professors may receive different grades because of the discrepancy, he said.

Similar to UCF's policy, UF faculty members aren't required to use plus or minus grades.

Wright said she anticipates GPAs rising at UF, but she said grade inflation might play into those higher grades.

Arlen Chase, a UCF anthropology professor who sits on the Florida Board of Governors, the highest governing body of the State University System, said he thinks UF will have a smooth transition into using minus grades and that the grades are "quite useful" at UCF.

"I have never heard a complaint about it before," he said in a phone interview Tuesday. "From what I've

seen, they don't hurt the student."

Some students, like UF sophomore Brendan Kalish, 19, are against the minus grading scale.

"I don't think teachers should be given that much freedom," Kalish said. "They're not dictators."

The New Grading Scale May Take Effect Summer 2008

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A- 3.67	B- 2.67	C- 1.67	D- 0.67
B+ 3.33	C+ 2.33	D+ 1.33	F 0.00

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A row of buses sits at the Reitz Union bus stop on McCarty Drive on campus. Increasing gas prices mean an increase in the transportation and service fee for UF students.

Student transportation to continue despite gas prices

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only pays for RTS' operational costs.

But Harrison said one of RTS' priorities is using money carefully to counterbalance the increasing gas prices. Harrison said RTS tries to keep its fuel costs as low as possible through efficient service and budget management.

"After safety, our biggest concern is being good stewards of citizens' money," she said.

Other student transportation services funded by the fee, such as Student Nighttime Auxiliary Patrol, will continue to operate normally despite increased gas prices, said Capt. Jeff Holcomb of the University Police Department.

SNAP, managed by UPD, is staffed by UF students who provide nighttime transportation via vans on campus.

Holcomb said gas prices have

not had a dramatic effect on SNAP's \$133,100 budget.

Despite a rise in ride requests, he said the mileage on SNAP's vans

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Theresa Harrison

RTS Marketing and Communications Specialist

has only risen slightly. The vans have been able to compensate by picking up multiple people during one trip, he explained, which keeps the mileage about the same.

Holcomb said he would reevaluate SNAP's budget if prices stay high, but the prices would not affect the availability of escorts.

"We're providing safety," he said. "It's not like we would just stop giving escorts."

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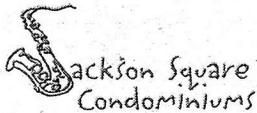
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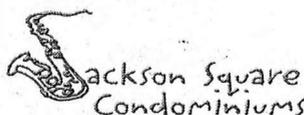
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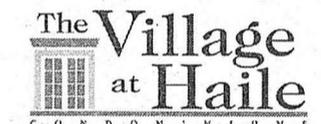
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- Name the two players who each had 40 or more home runs and less than 100 RBIs in 2006.
- What three college football schools are tied with seven Heisman Trophies each?
- Three teams entered the NBA for the 1970 season. Name two of them.
- How many consecutive NHL seasons has Jaromir Jagr tallied at least 30 goals?
- Name the first back-to-back winner of NASCAR's Cup Series championship.
- Which grand-slam event has tennis star Venus Williams won more than her sister Serena Williams?

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Foley lost confidence in former coach

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last Thursday to evaluate the state of the program. Their discussions were interrupted by basketball coach Billy Donovan's decision to leave for the Orlando Magic before ultimately returning to the Gators.

Foley met again with McMahon Wednesday night, and he ultimately realized that he had lost faith in the baseball coach.

“Once you lose confidence, it is hard to get it back,” Foley said.

McMahon achieved an overall record of 231-143-1 in his six years at UF, making four NCAA Tournament appearances and one trip to the College World Series.

“More than anything else, we're looking for consistency in our baseball program, and we haven't been able to achieve that.”

Jeremy Foley
UF Athletics Director

McMahon saw many ups and downs as coach of the UF baseball team.

The first few years of McMahon's tenure were defined by postseason losses to instate rival Miami.

The team was eliminated by the Hurricanes three years in a row from 2002 to 2004.

In 2005, the squad advanced as far as it ever had in the College World Series, making it to the title series against Texas. The Gators lost in two games.

The following year, the team struggled and finished last in the SEC. The squad went 28-28, despite lofty expectations and a No. 1 ranking before it played its first game.

Coupled with the 2007 results, two years of not making the NCAA Tournament spelled the end for McMahon.

Brewers ask first baseman to move to outfield

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great decision to come back to school,” he said. “I'm closer to my degree, and a lot of great things happened to me this year at the University of Florida.”

LaPorta leaves Gainesville as UF's all-time home run leader and is second on the career RBI list.

He also has the third-most home runs in SEC history and is the only player to earn player of the year honors twice.

Now, the slugger will turn his attention to a new challenge, as he will have to work his way up through the Brewers' minor league system while also learning a new position in the outfield.



Baseball

LaPorta spent the majority of his UF career at first base, but the Brewers already have a first baseman of the future in young slugger Prince Fielder. Fielder is currently leading the national league with 23 home runs.

“They wanted to see if I could play the outfield before they took me because they liked my bat,” LaPorta said. “They saw me take some outfield balls, and I guess they liked me enough.”

“I played in the outfield my freshman year for a couple of games, but I don't really know because I've never done it (for a full season),” he said. “I guess we'll find out.”

He will now begin in his minor league career. “I've got to go out to Arizona just to get back into playing condition, and then they'll probably send me out to (the Class A-affiliate West Virginia Power),” he said.

Despite the long road ahead, LaPorta is happy with his new team and the chance to fulfill his dreams in the majors.

“It's a great organization,” he said. “They've got a lot of young talent already in the big leagues, and I'm just excited to hopefully be a part of that some day.”

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rule, like in the NBA Playoffs this season, when Amare Stoudemire and Boris Diaw received one-game suspensions for leaving their bench after the Spurs' Robert Horry body checked Steve Nash into the boards.

The law that sent Wilson to jail was changed after the incident, but since it did not apply retroactively, Wilson still had to serve his sentence, which he has been doing for 27 months.

He will continue to wait it out in jail while an appeals pro-

cess takes place, and who knows how long that will last?

Before the incident, Wilson, a strong student, received letters of interest from several colleges seeking his services as a football player.

The list of interested universities included Ivy League schools.

Don't get me wrong. Wilson isn't a saint.

An ESPN.com E-Ticket story said Wilson smoked pot and drank while in high school.

But that's just not a big deal. Jarvis Moss smoked pot and sat out a glorified scrimmage on his way to millions of NFL

dollars.

Marcus Thomas didn't get kicked off the team until multiple failed drug tests and a violation of his team-imposed probation.

Calvin Johnson and Gaines Adams lit up and went higher and higher on NFL Draft boards.

Wilson's name will forever be soiled by this injustice, and there's nothing the courts in Georgia can do to give him his clean slate back.

What can we learn from all of this? Forget about politics and agendas and just do the right thing.

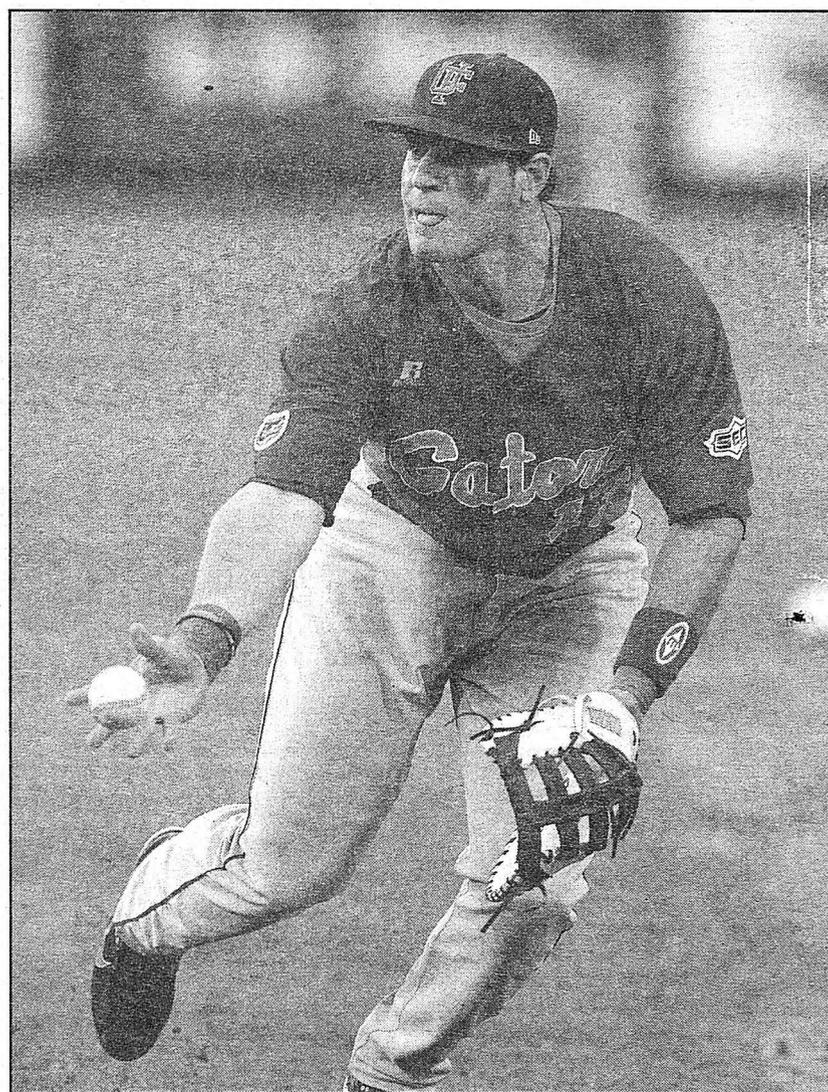
There is no reason why Wilson should have spent one extra day in prison just because of a joke of a law and some red tape to get things changed.

But he's already spent about 800 days, and if the appeal doesn't go the right way, it could be a lot more.

The real criminals are the people who can make this all end but won't let him go.

Everybody involved in this case, on both sides, needs to work together to free Genarlow.

Free him so he can have his life back, the one stolen from him when he stepped foot in prison 27 months ago.



Tim Casey/Alligator

Former Gators first baseman Matt LaPorta was the surprise of the first round as the Milwaukee Brewers grabbed him with the No. 7 pick.

UF may lose Augenstein, several recruits to pro ball

■ SIX UF RECRUITS WERE SELECTED IN THE MLB DRAFT.

By **MIKE MCCALL**
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The UF baseball team may have the 2007 MLB Draft to thank for a few losses next season.

With top pitcher Bryan Augenstein and several recruits chosen, the Gators could lose a lot of talent before the first pitch of the 2008 campaign.

Six UF recruits who signed letters of intent to play for the Gators next year were selected in the draft, with two taken in the first three rounds.

Infielder John Tolisano was picked in the second round by the Toronto Blue Jays, and pitcher Tommy Toledo went to the San Diego Padres in the third.

Tolisano, who hit .518 with eight homers and 42 RBI for Estero High in Sanibel, earned a spot on the 2006 Aflac All-American team and was ranked as the 85th-best position player in the draft by Baseball America.

The switch hitter could contribute in both the infield and outfield for the Gators, but he may never make it to Gainesville.

"I'm ready to play (pro) ball," Tolisano told The Naples Daily News. "We have to figure out my contract and settle that, and then I'll sign."

Meanwhile, Toledo is a bit more likely to don a Gators uniform next season.

The 6-3, 178-pound right-hander hit .416 this year with seven home runs and 31 RBI and finished 9-2 with a 1.12 ERA for Tampa's Alonzo High.

Toledo hasn't ruled out attending college but is still on the fence in his decision.

"It's got to be right for me to sign a con-

tract, but I'm not closing any doors," he said in a phone interview. "I'm still looking forward to being a Gator, and we'll see what happens with the pro contract."

It doesn't help the situation that the entire UF coaching staff — the group that recruited these players — was fired last week.

"That was one of the hardest things that I had to hear," Toledo said. "For me to hear it on the day of the draft also was just heart-breaking because he's just the nicest guy."

But McMahon's firing alone won't be enough to sway Toledo to professional ball.

"That won't change my decision on going to Florida," he said. "I chose the school for a lot of reasons, but to have him let go was pretty disappointing."

The coaching change will likely have more of an affect on Augenstein, who will be needed to anchor a young pitching staff next year.

Augenstein — who led UF in wins the last two years — was selected in the seventh round by the Arizona Diamondbacks, and the junior will now be faced with a decision of whether or not to return for his final year.

If he does, he will have a chance to work his way up the UF record books, where he is currently tenth on the all-time strikeout list with 216.

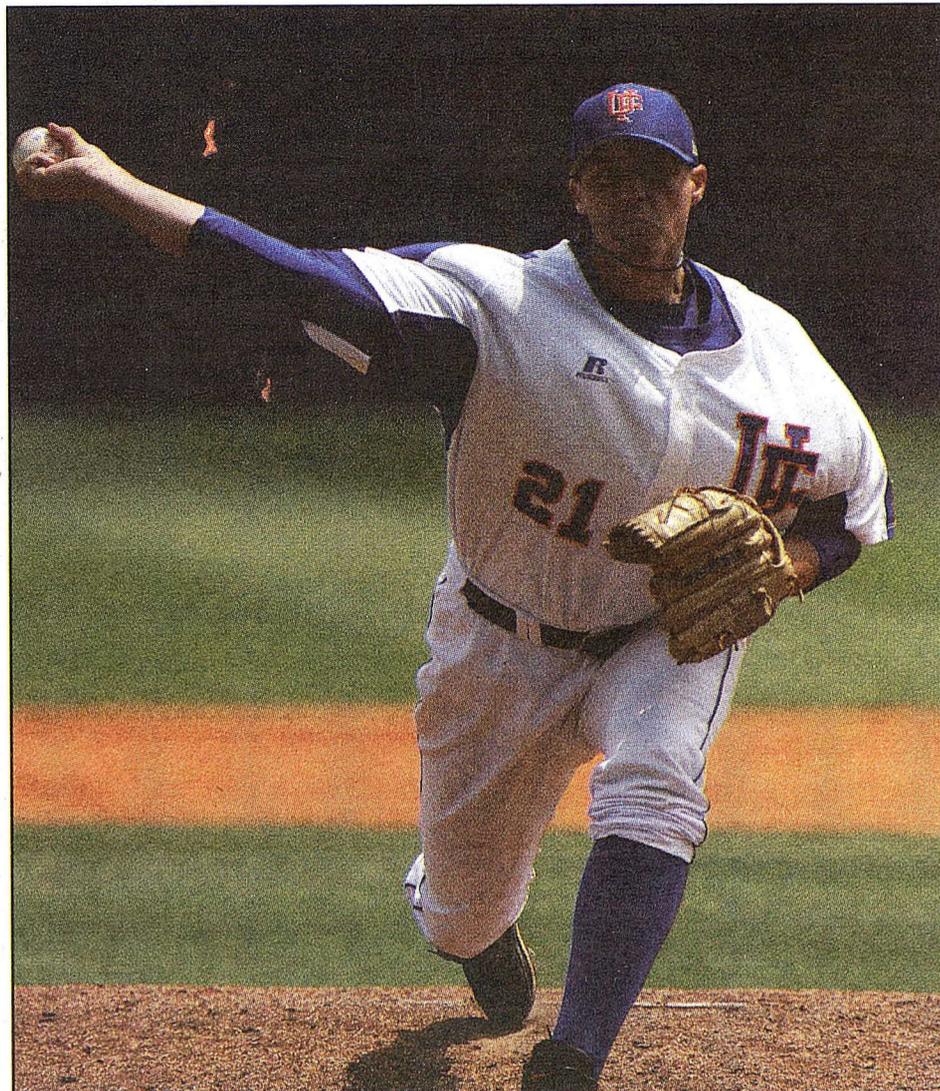
The right-handed ace improved his draft stock with a strong close to the season, going 4-0 in his final four starts with a 1.65 ERA and 34 strikeouts.

In his last start, Augenstein kept the Gators' season alive with a complete game in a 3-2 win against Alabama in the Southeastern Conference Tournament.

All players have until Aug. 15 to sign a pro contract before they are placed in the 2008 draft pool.



Baseball



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UF junior Bryan Augenstein was selected in the seventh round of the 2007 MLB Draft. He will now have to decide whether or not to return for his senior season at UF.

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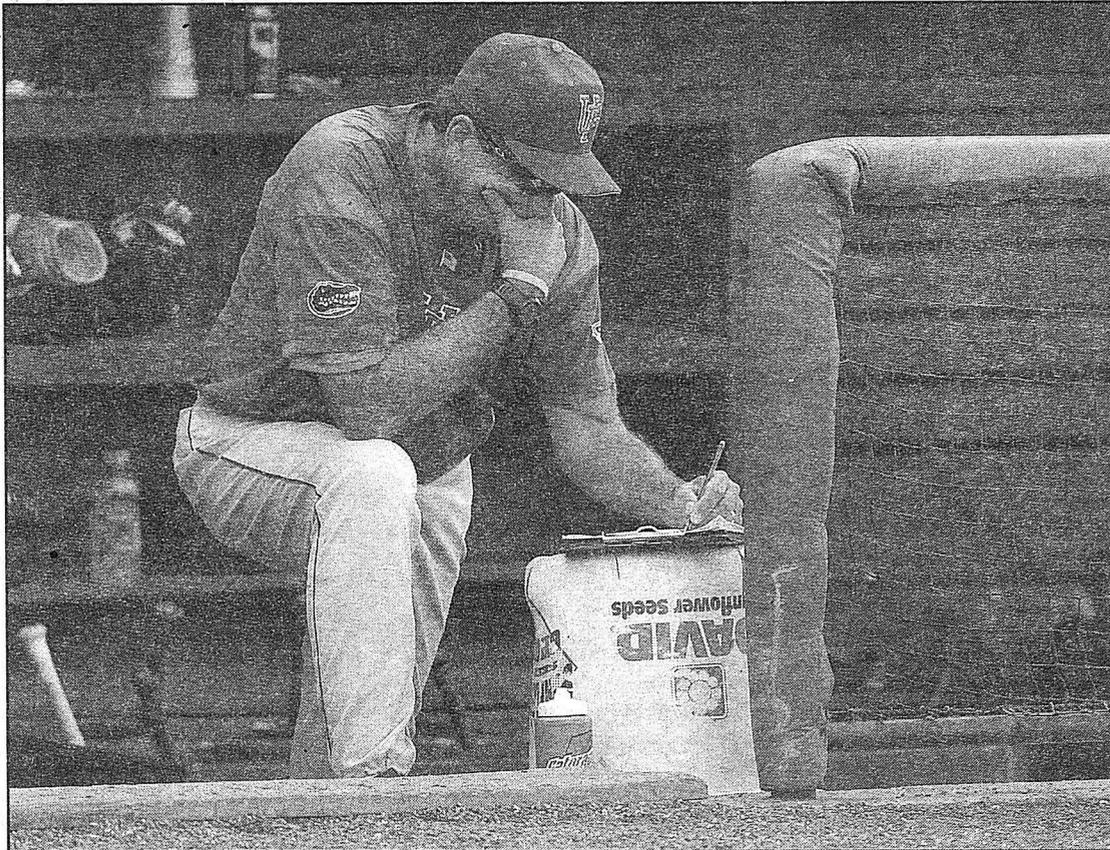
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McMahon fired after second disappointing season



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UF coach Pat McMahon reacts as the Gators are eliminated from the 2007 Southeastern Conference Tournament. The sixth-year coach was fired last Thursday.

■ MCMAHON COACHED UF FOR SIX SEASONS.

By **BRYAN JONES** and **ALEX WEINTRAUB**
Alligator Staff Writers

In two years, Pat McMahon has gone from hero to unemployed.

McMahon will not return to coach the UF baseball team next season, Athletics Director Jeremy Foley announced in a press conference last Thursday.

Foley said he has lost confidence in the baseball team's ability to succeed under McMahon's leadership.

"It's not due to a lack of effort," Foley said. "I just don't think it's happening. I think this baseball program can be a major factor on the national scene on a consistent basis.

"More than anything else, we're looking for consistency in our baseball program, and we haven't been able to achieve that."

McMahon was not present at the press conference, but he did issue a written statement.

"It is with great regret that I issue this statement," he said. "Our athletics director has decided to move our baseball program in a different direction. I am extremely disappointed. I know in my heart I have given every

fiber of my body to run all areas of the program in a first-class manner with the highest principles."

The Gators have failed to make the NCAA Tournament for two straight seasons under McMahon, after the coach led the team to the championship series of the College World Series in 2005.

UF went 29-30 in 2007, suffering its first losing season since 1990.

"I just think this is a program that can achieve on a consistent basis," Foley said.

"Those goals for Gators baseball, I don't think they are unreasonable at all."

Foley said he believes UF is not competing at the level of some of the other top baseball programs in the state.

Two of UF's biggest rivals — Florida State and Miami — are consistent national contenders.

"Look at what some of the other programs have done in the state," Foley said. "There are some baseball schools in this state that have an unbelievable amount of consistency. I have never been able to understand why that couldn't be the University of Florida."

Foley said he met with McMahon

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Baseball

Wilson deserves his life back

MEMPHIS, Tenn. —

Free Genarlow. A serious injustice is on its way to being corrected.

Genarlow Wilson, a former Atlanta-area prep football standout, had his 10-year prison sentence voided by a Georgia judge Monday.

Wilson is a convicted sex offender for committing what isn't really a crime in the first place.

Wilson, 21, received a 10-year felony prison sentence for receiving oral sex from a 15-year-old girl at a New Year's Eve party. He was 17 at the time.

The law would have let him get off with a misdemeanor should he have had sexual intercourse with the girl.

A jury deemed that no rape occurred that night.

Even more striking was the fact that the girl and prosecutors claimed she initiated the act.



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But according to Georgia law, Wilson receiving oral sex from a girl less than 16 years old required that he be charged with aggravated child molestation.

It was a felony for teenagers less than three years apart to engage in oral sex but just a misdemeanor for the same kids to have sexual intercourse.

The jury had no choice but to convict him, and the forewoman cried when she revealed the verdict.

Think of an official forced to make an unfair ruling because of an idiotic

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UF BASEBALL

LaPorta picked 7th overall

By **MIKE MCCALL**
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When Matt LaPorta was selected with the seventh pick in the 2007 MLB Draft, even the television draft experts were admittedly stunned.

Had the Milwaukee Brewers not told him ahead of time, the former UF first baseman would have been just as shocked.

"I was surprised that I went that high, but I knew that from the Brewers that I would be picked there," LaPorta said. "They called me about five minutes before the draft started."

While LaPorta had an storied career at UF, etching his name in the record books and repeatedly earning awards, few expected him to be a top-ten pick.

Now, he is the first Gators baseball player taken in the opening round since Brad Wilkerson was drafted 33rd in 1998. He is UF's first non-supplemental first-round pick since Marc Valdes was selected by the Florida Marlins in 1993.

Chosen in the 14th round of the 2006 draft by the Boston Red Sox, LaPorta decided to come back to UF for his senior year, a choice that paid off.

"I was surprised that I went that high, but I knew that from the Brewers that I would be picked there. They called me about five minutes before the draft started."

Matt LaPorta

former-UF first baseman

LaPorta hit .402 with 20 home runs, earned 2007 SEC Player of the Year honors, and was named a finalist for the USA Baseball Golden Spikes Award, given to the top player in the nation.

All of that translated into a much higher draft selection, but LaPorta sees some other extra value from his senior year.

"Take baseball out of it and it was a

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UF TRACK AND FIELD UF struggles at Championships

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On collegiate track and field's biggest stage, UF failed in the spotlight.

Filled with hope following impressive East Regional performances, the men's and women's squads could not carry the momentum to the West Coast.

Sending 15 athletes to this year's NCAA Championships in Sacramento, Calif., the Gators were unable to crown an individual champion.

As a team, the men finished in a tie for 34th with nine points, and the women ended in a tie for 46th with five points.

Florida State won the competition on the men's side with a total of 54 points, and Arizona State took home the women's crown with 60.

All in all, there were some bright spots for the Gators, who left the event with a total of 10 athletes earning All-America honors.

Calvin Smith became just the second freshman in school history to earn the honor in the 400-meter. He posted the highest finish by a UF athlete in the outdoor event since 2002 after running a time of 45.74.

The men's 4x400m relay team of Smith, Carlos Phillips, Bernard

Middleton and Eric Alberter earned honors as well, finishing eighth with a mark of 3:06.04.

The team is the Gators' fourth All-American squad in the last five years.

"I felt like both Calvin and the 4x400m could have done a little better," UF coach Mike Holloway said. "We've set ourselves up to be successful over the next few years, but it's still disappointing because we had injuries and other things that were out of our control happen this year."



Smith

Junior Wes Stockbarger finished third in the discus en route to earning All-America honors of his own.

The junior secured the best finish in school history in this event with a mark of 60.81m/199-6.

On the women's side, Mariam Kevkhishvili was the only freshman to make the finals in the shot put, where she finished sixth with a mark of 16.81m/55-2.0, earning an All-America nod as well.

Kevkhishvili had to battle her way back on her final throw, recording the second-best toss of her career to move up two places in the stand-

ings.

"This was a good way for us to finish the competition," UF coach Steve Lemke said. "I'm sure Mariam would tell you — even though she's competed in the Olympics — that the NCAA meet is such a high-pressured event. For her to move from eighth to sixth on her last throw of the competition — and with her second-best throw ever — it shows a lot about Mariam's competitive spirit."

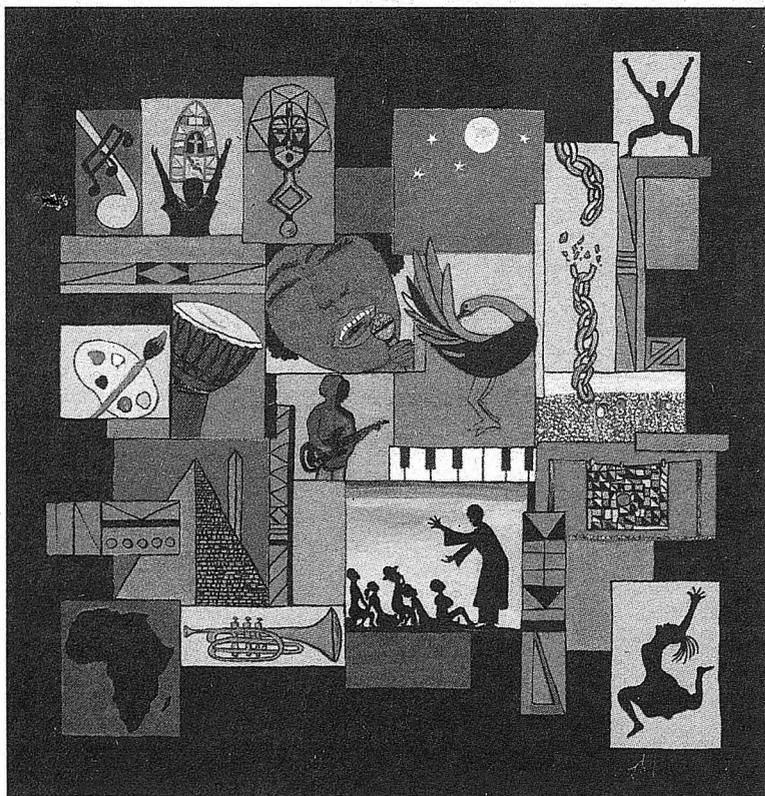
Joining her as All-Americans were the women's 4x100m relay team of Abigail David, Natalie Knight, Lakecia Ealey and Zan Joseph. The relay team ran a 44.69 and finished eighth.

After a rough season in which the women's team lost their head coach, Tom Jones, to cancer, Lemke said he was proud of the way the young team persevered.

"As a team, we didn't accomplish all that we wanted to, but I'm really proud of the whole women's team for their effort, composure and class that they have shown throughout a very difficult season," he said.

Holloway said it is up to him to help the program succeed.

"We've got to work on our attitude and believe that we can be a great program again," he said. "That starts with me because I've got to make our athletes believe that."



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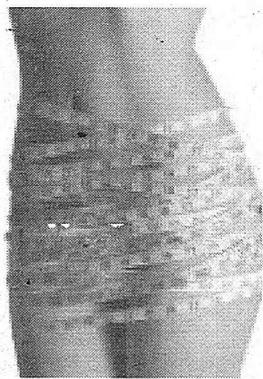
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