



3 acts chosen for Growl

■ MORE THAN 60 ACTS
 COMPETED FOR SLOTS.

By **DEVIN CULCLASURE**
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With thrashing guitars, soaring vocals and seductive dance moves, UF and Gainesville entertainers battled each other

Thursday night in front of 800 spectators for the right to perform at Gator Growl.

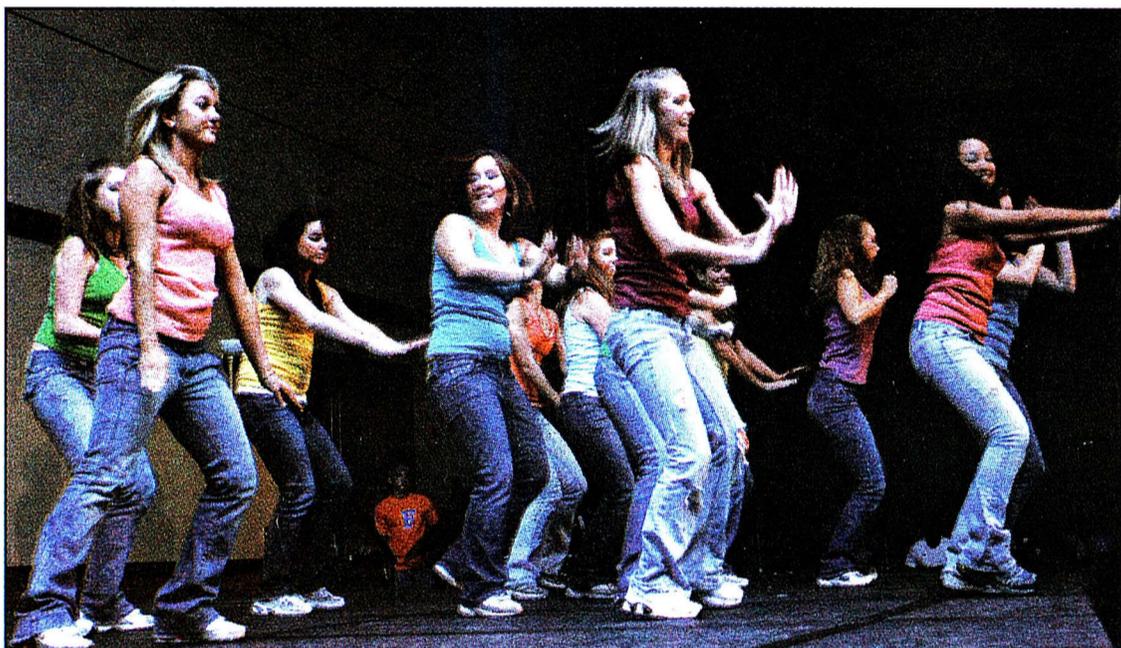
More than 60 acts were narrowed down throughout the fall before 22 finalists competed at Gator Growl's Talent Night for three different spots: soloist, dance group and band/vocal group.

Brooke Helvie, a UF freshman, took first place in the soloist cat-

egory for her performance of country hits "Crazy" and "Here for the Party" by Patsy Cline and Gretchen Wilson, respectively.

"Oh my gosh, it's the most amazing feeling ever," Helvie said with a broad smile as her sisters from Delta Gamma Sorority cheered raucously. "I can't believe I'm going to get to sing in

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Floridance performs at Gator Growl's Talent Night in the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom on Thursday evening. The group was competing to perform at Gator Growl on Nov. 2.

Wal-Mart closing worries some

Plans are in works for a supercenter

By **APRIL DUDASH**
 Alligator Writer

Plans for a new Wal-Mart Supercenter may bring economic benefits to some people, but others are worried it might affect their businesses.

As plans for the new supercenter on US-441 and Northwest 34th Street take shape, so do plans to shut down the Wal-Mart on Northwest 13th Street.

Brent Christensen, Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce president, said the new supercenter would

be beneficial to the surrounding area.

"It will certainly offer another strong retail option for those communities," Christensen said.

Despite the potential for economic benefits, the plan to shut down the Wal-Mart on Northwest 13th Street has caused economic anxiety for some surrounding businesses.

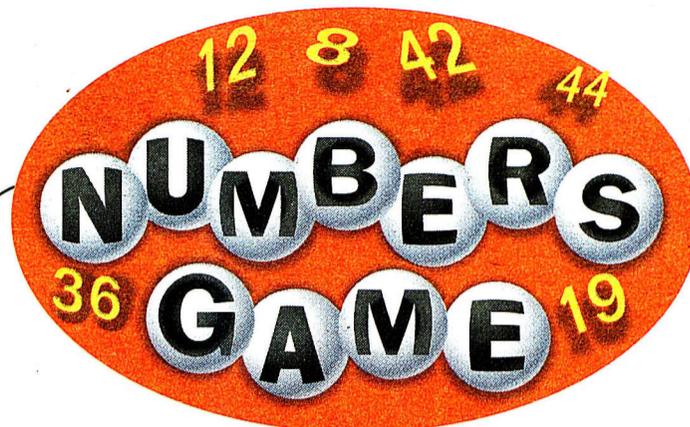
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Shannon Coleman, manager of Simply Fashions, is concerned about her women's clothing boutique, which is near Wal-Mart on Northwest 13th Street.

"We're not happy about it," Coleman said.

Jeffrey Lam, owner of Hip Hop Nails a couple of doors down, said he's also concerned about the closing of the nearby Wal-Mart. He's heard talk about the Wal-

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Lawmakers give UF less

By **KIM WILMATH**
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It's no secret that Florida's public universities, including UF, are grappling with massive budget shortfalls.

The state lottery is often touted as a major aid for higher education. The program, which says it boasts a commitment to education, gave about \$1.5 billion to the state Legislature this year. Lawmakers can divide up education funding any way they want.

"We probably have one of the most efficient lottery systems in the country. But I'm one of the first ones who asks, 'Can we squeeze any more out of it?'"

Frank Attkisson
 state representative

The contribution from the state lottery only makes up 6.6 percent of the state's \$23.5 billion education budget.

Additionally, the lottery's yearly contribution to the Legislature makes up 31 percent of the program's total revenue.

Because of legislative budget cuts this year, UF got about \$20 million less in lottery contributions than in 2006. This amount excludes the Bright Futures Scholarship Program.

Legislators assert the lottery was never meant to fully fund education, said Rep. Frank Attkisson, a Republican in charge of the House of Representatives council that oversees the lottery.

Lottery officials affirm the lottery is completely geared toward raising educational dollars, and it's up to the Legislature to decide exactly where its revenue goes.

"We probably have one of the most efficient lottery systems in the country," Attkisson said. "But I'm one of the first ones who asks, 'Can we squeeze any more out of it?'"

Down on their luck

Tuition in Florida is about \$2,000 less than the national average of \$5,836. As a result, Florida ranks nearly last in terms

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■ UF has beaten the Kentucky Wildcats 20 straight times. Senior wide receiver Andre Caldwell (right) does not want to be part of the team that breaks the streak. See story, pg. 23.



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■ Ever wanted to break a Guinness World Record? So does UF student Stuart Muller, who's trying to break the record for world's longest eyelash. See story, pg. 4.

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UF ADMINISTRATION

Senate could scrap court

UF's Student Honor Court could be cut next month if the Faculty Senate approves recommendations made by UF's Office of Student Affairs.

At a Senate meeting Thursday afternoon, Gene Zdziarski, UF dean of students, said many faculty members wanted more of a voice in academic-honesty cases.

The Student Honor Court holds hearings about alleged cheating and other student misconduct and makes recommendations to the Dean of Students.

In addition, Zdziarski recommended UF add a faculty member to its Greek Judicial Board.

The Faculty Senate will vote on the recommendations at its meeting in November.

— KIM WILMATH

NATIONAL

If you had the choice to go out to a restaurant and eat one type of food, what type would you most likely choose?



Type	Percent of polled
American	28
Italian	22
Mexican	17
Chinese	16
Japanese	7
Other	4
Indian	2
French	1
Middle-Eastern	1
None of these	1

*results based on online survey of 2,392 adults, conducted by Harris Poll on Sept. 11 and Sept. 18. Percentages do not add up to 100 due to rounding

Molly Telfer / Alligator Staff

LOCAL

Tour will focus on solar power

Students seeking a more eco-friendly lifestyle can tour energy-efficient homes around Gainesville and learn more about environmentally sound ways of life during Gainesville's Solar Energy Tour on Sunday.

The tour, sponsored by the American Solar Energy Society at UF and SolarCity Gainesville, starts at 1 p.m. at UF's Energy Research and Education Park, 2610 SW 23rd Terrace.

The tour will open with a kickoff ceremony that features hybrid vehicles and a solar-powered tricycle, said Nate Mitten, a mechanical engineering doctoral

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student who is helping organize the event.

From around 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., the tour will travel around Gainesville to visit sites with eco-friendly buildings, including UF's Rinker Hall.

Tour planners hope to secure a 15-passenger van for students without transportation, Mitten said.

— KATIE BURNS

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UF student Ryan Day, who wrote a letter printed in Wednesday's Alligator, is a member of the Gator Party.

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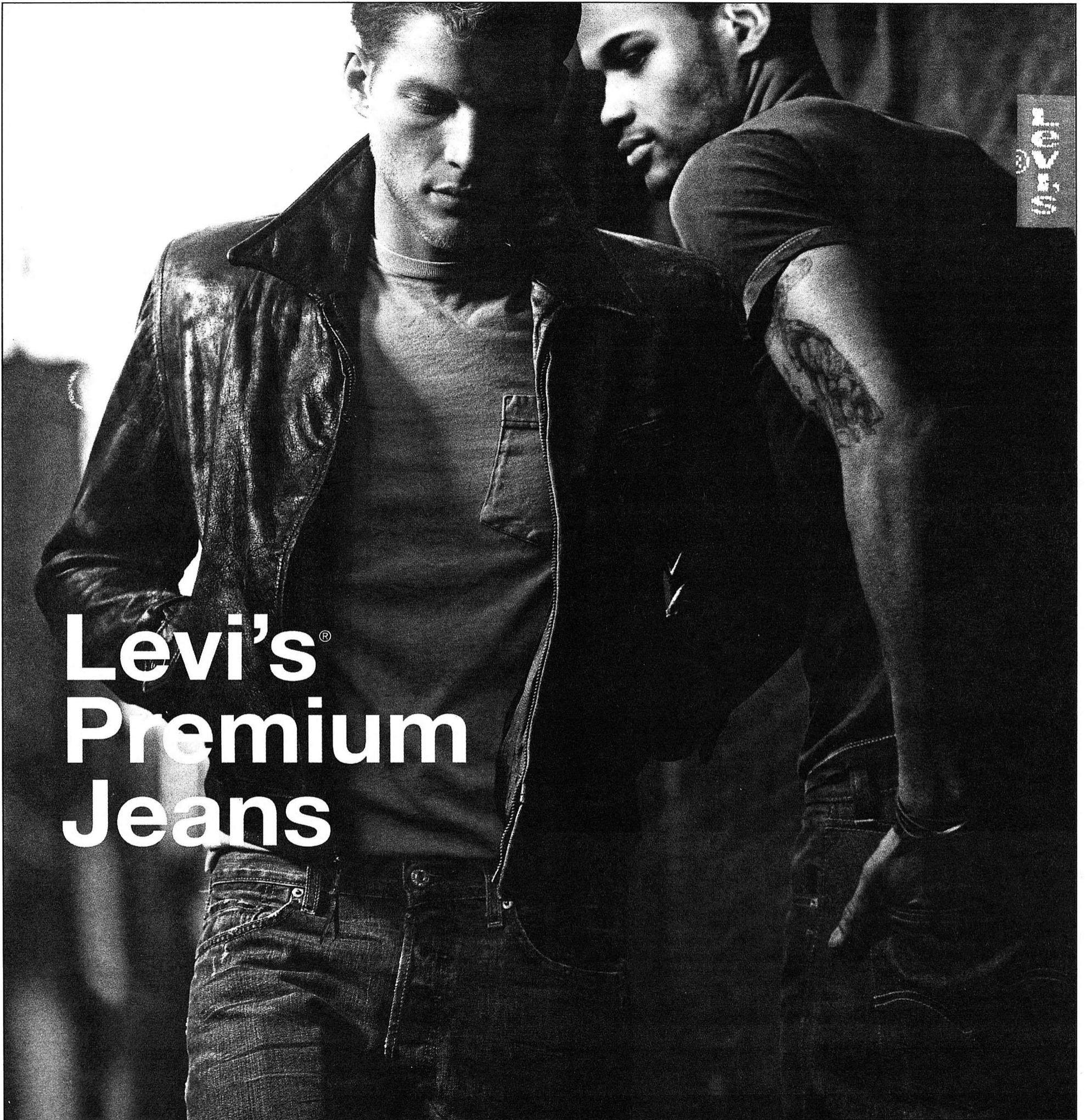
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Grad student shoots for world record with eyelash

■ STUART MULLER HAS A 2.6-INCH EYELASH.

By **BRIANA O'SULLIVAN**
Alligator Contributing Writer

It is hard to look Stuart Muller in the eye.

Instead, most people stare at the UF agricultural and biological engineering doctoral student's wiry, almost 2.6-inch long white eyelash.

He hopes the hair on his left upper eyelid will give him the Guinness World Record for the world's longest eyelash.

The current record, held by Jolie Matzes as of July 2006, is 6.4 centimeters (2.52 inches), according to an e-mail sent to Muller by Guinness World Records.

He only has to turn in the proper paperwork to the fact-finding agency to clinch the record.

Muller attributes his ability to grow a hair so long to a "mutant follicle" on his eyelid.

"It's such an idiosyncratic thing," Muller said, "people start to associate me as the guy with the freaky eyelash."

Muller, who has been growing the eyelash for more than a year, said he first got the idea while flipping through "The Guinness Book of World Records" with friends, and he realized he could realistically break the record.

But over the year, he said, the greatest hazard in trying to break the world record has been helpful strangers.

Often, people will approach him with the good intention of getting a hair out of his eye, he said. Then, he has to quickly reach out and grab their hands to stop them from ruining what could be a record-breaking hair.

"I got pulled over and the cop was like 'Oh, there's a hair in your eye,'" he said.

He said people are usually very apologetic when they realize the importance of the lash, and then they get "weirded out" by it.

To avoid the potentially hazardous attention, Muller often wears sunglasses out in public.

In the past, the eyelash "has been burnt, plucked out, other people have plucked it out," he said. "One person sat on my chest and plucked it out for a trophy."

The eyelash was singed on one occasion while he was drinking

a flaming alcoholic shot called a psychopath. At the end of the shot, the drinker is supposed to blow through a straw to produce a small fireball in the drinker's face.

Muller woke up the next day to fuzzy memories and a much shorter, crispier eyelash.

"It's bizarre," said Kari MacLauchlin, Muller's friend of four years. "I don't think I've ever known anyone who's gone for a record. It's the novelty of it; it's funny."

MacLauchlin, a doctoral student at UF, said the general consensus among Muller's friends is

that the eyelash is annoying and hard to look at.

She admitted to trying to pluck it out on occasions, joking that she will probably cut the hair off while he sleeps.

MacLauchlin said when she and the rest of Muller's friends heard about his re-

cord-breaking hopes, they had suggestions for him. They feared that the hair would stop growing, so they told him to take hair, nail and skin vitamin supplements.

"You know, you get so caught in school it's nice to have a distract-

tion and have a goal not school related," MacLauchlin said.

Muller said his earliest memories of growing out the eyelash are when he was 8 years old in his hometown of Durban, South Africa. He would grow out the hair purposely to irritate people.

When he was 11 years old, Muller said, he grew the lash the longest it has ever been — about 9 centimeters (3.5 inches) long.

No one else in Muller's family has the ability to grow an eyelash so long, and he has never met anyone else with the same ability.

An e-mail sent to him by Guinness World Records says that when he has the eyelash measured, it has to be wet because that is when the hair would be at its longest.

After the lash has been measured, videotaped, photographed in color at high quality and witnessed by two people of standing in Gainesville, such as a judge, doctor or mayor, the agency will review the material, the e-mail stated.

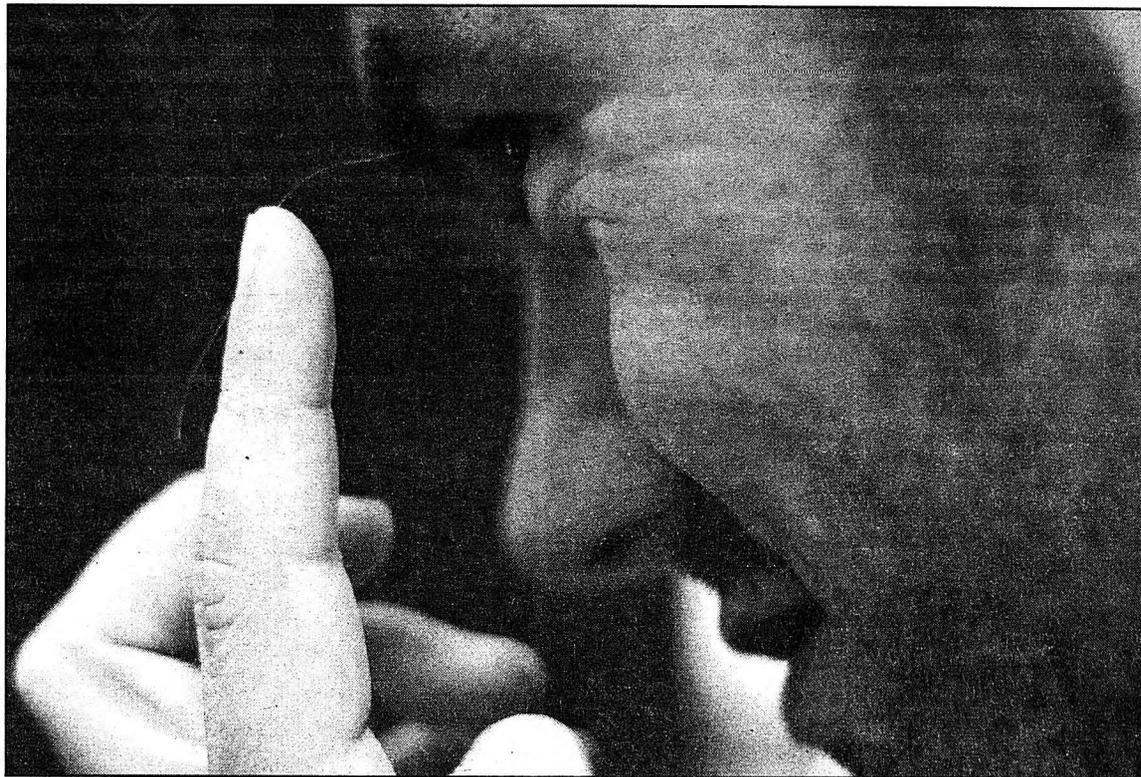
Muller will then receive a certificate stating that he is the current record holder but with no guarantee of making it into "The Guinness Book of World Records."

Once all is said and done, he said, he plans to throw a party with friends. The theme of the party will be world records.

"It's done its duty," Muller said, explaining that he has no intention of growing the eyelash out to such an extreme length again.

He said he had promised MacLauchlin the honor of plucking out the lash, though he has considered auctioning the privilege off.

"Not to inflate the whole issue," Muller said, laughing. "It's just an eyelash at the end of the day."



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Stuart Muller, a doctoral student in agricultural and biological engineering, is in the process of confirming that he has broken the world record for longest eyelash.

Protesters talk to Machen

By **KIM WILMATH**
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Five student protesters met with UF President Bernie Machen for about 45 minutes Thursday morning to discuss the University Police Department's policies following the Tasing of Andrew Meyer.

Chelsea Solmo, a UF neuroscience major, said protesters wanted Machen to organize and attend an open student forum to discuss Tasers on campus.

The group's main goal is to implement a temporary ban on campus Taser use during the investigation, Solmo said.

She said she was aware that Machen created a panel last month to investigate and revise UF's policies on Taser use.

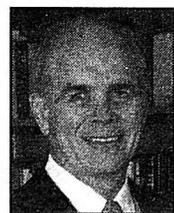
The panel met for the first time Monday night and was met with only 15 attendees. Solmo said she wasn't there.

She and other protesters don't support the current panel because it doesn't have adequate student representation, she said.

The panel is made of four students, four faculty members and one faculty chairwoman.

"The people who were most concerned and present at the demonstrations asked to be on the committee," she said, adding that those students were not included.

Solmo said the group is pushing for its own panel because they want to make sure Machen attends.



Machen

She and the other protesters didn't attend Monday's panel forum because they were notified about it too late.

Solmo said protesters also called for a scientific investigation into Taser safety, though she didn't know who would conduct the study.

If Tasers are proven to be safe, "there's no reason why they shouldn't be used," said Ben Dictor, a UF political science junior who also attended the Thursday meeting.

Dictor said Machen liked the idea of a student forum, and the group's requests were well received.

Alligator Writer Devin Culclasure contributed to this report.

LOCAL Fashion show for pooches scheduled for Saturday

By **LAUREN COLLINS**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Local pet owners will get a chance to display their fashion skills Saturday while their dogs do their little turn on the catwalk at the 5th Annual Howl-oween Dog Costume Contest.

The UF Pre-Veterinary Medical Club is hosting the contest at the Webb Pavilion on Shealy Drive in an effort to raise money for the Alachua County Humane Society.

Participants can enter their dog in six different categories including cutest, funniest, scariest and most creative costume, said Erin McGill, Pre-Vet Club president.

Other categories include owner-dog look-alike and dogs dressed as other animals.

Faculty members from UF's College of Veterinary Medicine will judge the competition.

The contest is something the dogs can enjoy, as many of them like being in the spotlight, McGill said.

Last year, many dogs enjoyed the attention, but others spent most of their

time "rolling around trying to get their costumes off," she said.

Participants will be charged a \$5 registration fee to enter the first category and \$3 for each additional category, McGill said. Discounts will be given if an owner enters more than one dog.

"We want people to see the more they get their dog out and exposed to different things, the more they learn to cope with different situations."

Erin McGill

Pre-Vet Club president

Winners will receive gift baskets including doggy treats, gift certificates, toys, memberships to local dog parks, and donations from local businesses and pet bakeries around Gainesville.

"We want people to see the more they get their dog out and exposed to different things, the more they learn to cope with different situations," McGill said.

Mock terrorist assault staged at Gainesville airport

By **JENNIFER BINGAMAN**
Alligator Contributing Writer

"Terrorists" took over Regional Transit System bus 9106 on Thursday morning at the Gainesville Regional Airport.

The RTS bus filled with about 50 passengers was used as a stand-in for a jet plane during an airport emergency exercise.

The mandatory exercise is performed every three years in accordance with government regulations as an effort to prepare airports for potential attacks.

During the mock incident, SFCC students were held captive on the RTS bus posing as airline Flight 3400.

The Gainesville Police Department was on the scene pretending to negotiate with the terrorists as they demanded a plane to leave the country with several escaped prisoners.

Gainesville Fire Rescue, the Red Cross, the U.S. Navy and SWAT were also present to ensure the exercise ran as smoothly and realistically as possible.

A naval P-3 plane landed about 9:30 a.m. for the terrorists' exit from the country, but one hostage had already been killed.

The rest of Flight 3400 was injured in an explosion as the terrorists made their attempt to escape.

The exercise concluded with paramedics rushing to aid the victims of the explosion as they evacu-

ated the RTS bus covered in bloody makeup.

Capt. Michael Heeder with the Gainesville Fire Rescue said he was up at 8 a.m. applying fake blood, Vaseline, latex and toilet paper to

the SFCC emergency medical technician and paramedic students who participated in the exercise.

The students provided the airport with the volunteers needed for the exercise. They also implemented

what they've learned and received extra credit for their classes.

Heeder said the students were interviewed and categorized for the exercise according to several variables including their medical

history, their interest in acting and their willingness to damage their clothing.

"We've had an explosion on the runway," the walkie-talkies of the police and paramedics blared. "We've had an explosion on the runway."

"They took too long so our skin started falling off."

Kyle Kwitowski
EMT student



Photo provided by Michelle Danilovszky

Two Gainesville Fire Rescue workers carry off a volunteer during an exercise at the Gainesville Regional Airport on Thursday.

As the students began to emerge from the supposed wreckage, they appeared cut, bruised, burned and bleeding. They lay in the grass screaming until they could be evaluated by medical personnel.

Kyle Kwitowski, a 21-year-old EMT student, was covered with soot on his nose and forehead. Sweat dripped from his chin onto his neck as his fake blood began to peel away.

"They took too long so our skin started falling off," Kwitowski said.

They complained of symptoms associated with their injuries as paramedics marked them with a green, yellow or red tag, which are the colors paramedics use to label patients from the least to most severe cases.

Shirts and pants were also stuffed and strewn throughout the grass to signify the deceased. Those who "died" were marked with black tags.

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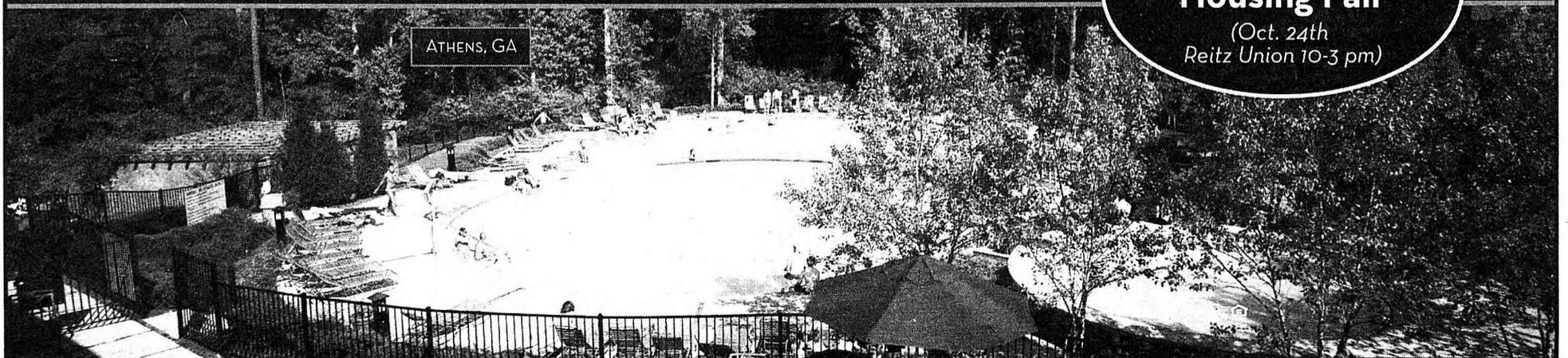
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Editorial

Oh, what a week. We hope you're finally done with all your awful midterms, papers and the other stuff that's been keeping you from going out and having a good time. So take this weekend to sit back and have a few (or more than a few; we won't judge) drinks. Go on. You deserve it. Just make sure you're sober enough to read this week's intoxicating edition of...

Darts & Laurels

We start off with an it's-all-fun-and-games-until-the-keg-is-dry **DART** to all the protesters who were outraged after the Andrew Meyer Taser incident last month but didn't show up at the forum held to address exactly that. We can't imagine why those students had such a change of heart.

Maybe the protesters realized they really didn't have much to say. Maybe they just protested for the attention but couldn't be bothered to attend a more structured event — one where people were actually there to take into account how everyone felt about the event. Everyone can protest until they're blue in the face, but no one can expect it to be the be-all and end-all of effecting change. And no one can expect everything to happen in the heat of the moment. The number of attendees at the policy forum undoubtedly spoke louder than all the so-called free-speech protesters.

Up next, we raise our tallboys for a finally-a-cause-we-can-drink-for **LAUREL** for the **Booze for Boobs** fundraiser held to benefit the Susan G. Komen for the Cure organization. Hell, if we're gonna get drunk, it might as well be for a good reason, right? Then you can actually say, "Man, this hangover was worth it."

Sure, drinking isn't good for our livers, but it is also a factor contributing to breast cancer. Sad, we know, but that won't stop us from giving a sweeter-words-were-never-spoken **LAUREL** to Saturday's **Greater Gator Beer Festival**, which will feature beers from around the world, as well as tons of food. Not like we need an excuse to get drunk, but all we can drink for \$20? We're there. There's no better — or more economical — way to try all those beers you were too afraid to buy because they were costly and you weren't sure if you'd like them. Oh, who are we kidding? We never met a beer we didn't like.

Just be sure if you go to arrange for a designated driver. Or take advantage of the **LAUREL-worthy tow-and-go services** offered by Ultimate Towing and Burkhardt Sales and Service (a Budweiser distributor), free of charge for anyone who's had too much to drink to drive — that means you.

Here we have a this-strawberry-daiquiri-was-made-with-locally-grown-fruit-thank-you-very-much **LAUREL** for the **Union Street Farmers' Market**, which debuted this week in its new, larger location. The market will now be held at the Downtown Community Plaza. With more space, the market can accommodate more vendors and hopefully more bands.

We think the move was a wise one. With the weather cooling down, this will be a great place for students and everyone to go buy some fresh veggies and take in a few songs before heading out for a night on the town. Who knew downtown was more than just the restaurants and bars?

Finally, we have a you-can't-have-your-beer-and-drink-it-too **DART** for the **Florida Lottery System**. UF's appropriations from the lotto went down by more than \$20 million this year. The program was created to supplement Florida's education system, including Bright Futures and all levels of Florida's public schools.

But the share of the lotto going toward education — the whole reason we have the lotto — has gone down, while the prizes keep getting bigger. Ticket sales are dwindling. Meanwhile, Bright Futures is crumbling and students are being forced to pay fees and tuition not covered by the scholarship that was designed just for that. It's a safe bet that the lotto system isn't working how it was designed to.

All this is making us thirsty for another drink.

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Halloween brings feelings of nostalgia

Halloween is a couple of weeks away, which means now is the time to start thinking about what we want to be on that very special day.

Halloween has always been one of the best holidays of the year, but celebrating it in college is different than it used to be when we were kids.

Over the years, the jack-o'-lanterns, glow-in-the-dark spider webs and spooky sound effects have slowly been replaced with skanky costumes and Hunch Punch.

Don't get me wrong — I love Halloween parties as much as the next person. It's just that college students seem to have forgotten the true spirit of Halloween.

Let's take a trip to a more innocent time — a time when our costumes were more than just underwear and body paint and when we dressed up in homemade costumes of our favorite, fully-clothed Power Ranger.

Figuring out what we wanted to be was still fun back then, but the real fun was trick-or-treating around the neighborhood with friends.

I don't know about you, but in the years before beer pong, the mounds of free candy were the best part of Halloween.

I'm not one to brag, but I will admit that I was pretty skillful at getting the most candy, mainly because I treated trick or treating like a covert military operation. It didn't matter if I had to suffer through rain, cold weather or blistered feet — I was absolutely determined to fill my entire bag (or pillow case) with hundreds of delicious goodies my mom would never let me eat otherwise.

After a few years of trick-or-treating in the same neighborhood, I could usually predict which houses to hit and which ones to skip. The best houses were the ones that gave out king-sized candy bars or those goody bags filled



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with different types of candy.

And of course, the worst houses were the ones that gave out crossword puzzles, Dum Dums and, most horrifying of all, toothbrushes.

After a long night of scurrying from house to house, I would come home and take inventory of the massive bag of candy I ac-

quired in the span of a few hours. I usually separated and counted each piece of candy and then ranked it by order of deliciousness. Reese's Peanut Butter Cups were usually first, followed by M&M's, Skittles, Butterfinger and then Twix.

After sorting and ranking the sweets, I would set up trade agreements with my brother and sister. "I'll give you five Tootsie Rolls for one Snickers," I would try to negotiate. "Six, and it's a deal" was my older sister's usual response. She was a pretty savvy 7-year-old.

One thing really scared me about Halloween, though. The haunted houses, ghost stories and cackling witches were pretty spooky, but nothing compared to my mom's warnings to watch out for needles and razors that might be lurking in my chocolate bars.

Oh, Halloween. What a great holiday. It's doubtful anyone really knows why we celebrate it, but it's great that we do. And this year, if you are stressing over which costume to choose or which liquor to buy, just relax, and remember that the party is just half the fun. The other half is being able to act like a kid again.

Colleen Shea is a sophomore majoring in journalism. Her column appears on Fridays.

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

Reader response

Today's question: Do you plan to go to the Greater Gator Beer Festival on Saturday?

Thursday's question: Do you think the towing bill of rights will alleviate Gainesville's towing problems?

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Letters to the Editor

Alcohol was a bad choice for fundraiser

I am writing in response to your article on Booze for Boobs. Although I think the organizers had their hearts in the right place — raising funds for the Susan G. Komen for the Cure organization — the event title is offensive to those of us who work in the field of breast-cancer care.

Alcohol is a well-known risk factor in the development of breast cancer, and the focus should be on educating women about this very preventable risky behavior.

October is breast-cancer awareness month and the focus should be on education — particularly on the known risk factors and preventative behaviors that individuals can practice to decrease their lifetime risk of developing this disease. Fundraising is a wonderful way to contribute to the ongoing research, but only when it is done in a responsible manner.

Giselle Moore-Higgs
coordinator, Breast Center at Shands at UF



Abortions mean taking the easy way out

I would like to thank UF Campus NOW for its glowing column regarding the ben-

efits and conveniences abortions offer to women.

After reading the column, I have never been so distraught in my life. How can people possibly take a position as callous and insensitive as Claire Beach and her organization's? We are all alive and able to enjoy the good and the bad things of life, as well as able to argue either side of the matter. This comes from the simple fact that each and every one of our mothers decided not to abort us. Would you want to be aborted?

The answer any reasonably conscientious individual would respond with is a resounding no.

We all deserve a chance at life and the opportunity to experience things such as finding love, getting an education and enjoying a football game. There are alternatives expecting mothers can turn to rather than the Draconian prospect of an abortion.

To take the easy way out of something that is the foundation of life would be an insult to our mothers, who endured all the hardships imagineable just so we could enter this world and be able to someday express our thanks.

UF Campus NOW would want us to believe that having a baby would inconv-

nience the educational career of the woman. I am not disputing that at all, as that would be very true.

However, resources are available that other organizations offer to women to help them through such times.

Unless a woman's life is in critical danger, an abortion should never be considered. If the reason for having an abortion is anything other than saving the life of the mother, no other justification exists to terminate the life and all the possible contributions that life would make to this world.

After experiencing college life, meeting all sorts of new people and the fun things at UF, would you want to be aborted? Everything you have experienced would never have existed. While you may answer the question with a yes or a no, unfortunately, some do not have that option.

Raymond Cho
4LS

Choosing to have an abortion is selfish

I'm writing in response to the guest column on abortion. A few completely obvious points were forgotten.

I understand the idea that women lose

career opportunities during a nine-month pregnancy and that time is "lost" raising a child.

But raising a child and molding a human being from an infant into an adult is infinitely more important than earning a degree or advancing a career.

I have never heard of a more selfish choice than people murdering (yes, abortion is a form of legal murder) a child so they could finish their degree, advance their career or any other self-serving, nonfatal goal.

If people don't want the responsibility a pregnancy brings, then they shouldn't have sex. There are other ways to have the same pleasure without the dangers of conception. How does someone place something non-life-threatening ahead of someone else's life?

One last counterpoint is that women and men can earn their degrees or advance their career, or do almost anything else later in life.

The idea that the value of a child's life is so low should boggle everyone's minds. Think if your parents valued their own careers more than they value you.

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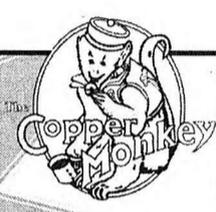
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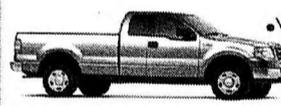
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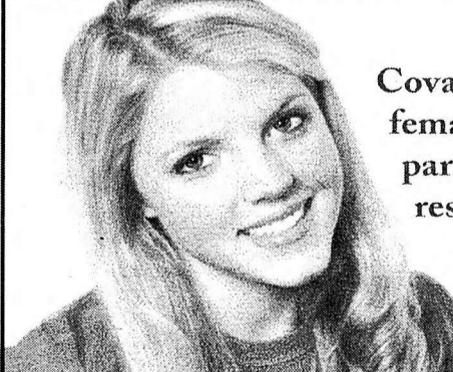
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ON CAMPUS

Top education official meets UF students

By DEVIN CULCLASURE

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A top-ranking U.S. education official visited UF on Thursday afternoon, asking students to reach out to middle and high school students who might think college is a possibility for them.

Sara Martinez Tucker, under secretary for the U.S. Department of Education, spoke to about 20 UF students in the Reitz Union.

Martinez Tucker said she is responsible for helping implement education Secretary Margaret Spellings' Action Plan for Higher Education, which calls for expanding the accessibility, affordability and accountability of higher education in the U.S.

As part of this duty, she is traveling to college campuses across the country to hear students' opinions on their higher-education institutions.

A camera crew accompanied her to UF to prepare a video aimed at changing the views of middle school and high school students who don't think they're "college material."

Martinez Tucker said she chose UF as a tour stop after UF Student Government representatives visited her in Washington, D.C., during June and started a "raucous debate" on education.

"I'm here because your student representatives gave me a lot of energy," she said. "They took me on."

She asked UF students to de-

scribe why they chose to attend college, how they decided on a university, what types of family and school support helped them in the process and how they paid for postsecondary education.

"You're going to be my stars," Martinez Tucker said. "Tell me the struggles an existing college student faces. I need you to inspire hundreds, maybe thousands of kids around the states."

Martinez Tucker added that one of her goals is revising the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

Martinez Tucker said she was hoping to start the process in 8th grade with a few basic questions, so students could learn the "possible" amount of federal aid available to them.

Questions in 10th grade would be more extensive and give students a "probable" amount of aid, and then more questions during their senior year would provide a "predictable" amount, she said.

Students were then asked to close the meeting by looking straight into the video camera and offering advice to potential college students.

"To the youth in America, you are so lucky to be going to school in this great country," said UF student Jordan Loh. "You have not only the ability, but the duty to reach as high as you can."



Martinez Tucker



◆ HAPPENSTANCE ◆

For Whom The Bells Toll

On Wednesday afternoon, Laura Ellis climbed the 11 flights of stairs that twist up the gut of the Century Tower to serenade passersby with three carillon melodies.

It is a little-known fact that the top of Century Tower, the powerful World War I and World War II memorial that pierces the sky from the heart of campus, houses one of only four carillons in the state of Florida, said Ellis, an associate professor in the School of Music. Though the 157-foot-tall tower was finished in 1956, the \$200,000 carillon was not installed until 1979.

UF's carillon is a fully mechanical instrument composed of 61 finely tuned bronze bells that are affixed to the top interior of Century Tower. The bells are connected by rods, known as "clavier," to 61 keys called "batons" that are arranged like piano keys and played by hand. At the player's feet rest 25 pedals that ring separate bells. The playing arrangement is concealed in a small

room below the bells.

Ellis, in addition to her role as a carillonist, teaches a carillon class that gives students the opportunity to play the carillon of Century Tower.

Recitals are given almost every day between 12:35 p.m. and 12:50 p.m. Songs include classical selections such as Gian-Carlo Menotti's "Prelude from Six Compositions for Carillon" and more light-hearted tunes such as Richard M. Sherman and Robert Sherman's "Chim Chim Cher-ee" from the movie musical "Mary Poppins."

Ellis recently traveled to Australia to give performances and explore the three carillons in the country.

"My first few teaching jobs I really didn't have the opportunity to play very much," Ellis said after her performance Wednesday. "When I got here I was really excited because this is a really nice instrument."

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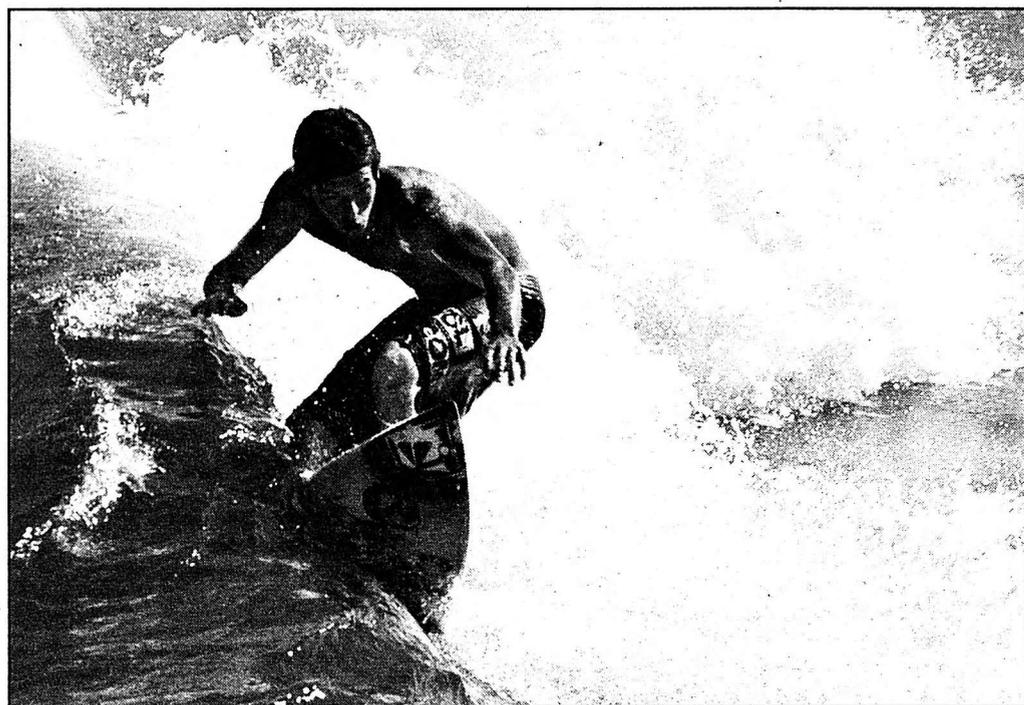
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A surfer catches a wave during the Eastern Surfing Association Competition on Saturday at St. Augustine Beach.

More than 800 attended

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front of that many people."

Musical group Unsigned Hype won the band/vocal group category for their performance, which featured several rappers, guitarists, trumpeters and a saxophonist.

In the dance group category, members of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority won with an acrobatic performance that featured skimpy Egyptian-themed costumes and music from the movie "Aladdin," as well as several pop songs.

The winners will perform at the 84th annual Gator Growl along with comedian Frank Caliendo and rock band Lynyrd Skynyrd.

Gator Growl, billed as the world's largest student-run pep rally, will take place Nov. 2.

A group of eight UF students, professors and administrators judged the competition, and students were also able to vote for their favorite performances by dropping change into bags marked with the performers'

names.

The results of the penny vote did not hold weight in the final decision, but proceeds went to St. Francis House, a local homeless shelter.

Aron Weingard, Gator Growl producer, said more than 800 spectators and performers filled the Reitz Union's Grand Ballroom during Talent Night, which was more than the room's capacity as well as the largest turnout ever at Talent Night.

Talent Night Director Aviah Crespin said the large turnout was due to the fact that it was the first time the event had been held for free and on campus, thanks to Taco Bell's sponsorship.

Crespin also said she was pleased with how the show ran and with the level of talent on display.

"We look forward to seeing the winners at Gator Growl," she said. "We know they're going to perform as good if not better with the adrenaline of performing in The Swamp."

Lotto looks for ways to bring in more education funding within constraints

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of student-teacher ratios, stated documents from Florida's Board of Governors — the State University System's highest governing body.

Tuition is only supposed to pay for about one-fourth of students' education fees at public universities, the board stated. The rest should come from state funding.

At the end of a 10-day special session Oct. 12, the Legislature cut \$400 million from state's public schools, community colleges and universities.

It trimmed \$22.1 million from UF's budget alone.

UF President Bernie Machen said he thinks the lottery is one revenue source that could be tweaked to bring more money to UF.

"Higher education needs a dedicated source of revenue so we're not subject to the whims of Florida's economy," Machen said.

Jackpot

The lottery was created by a constitutional amendment in 1986 to support public K-12 schools, school construction bonds, state community colleges and universities, and other financial aid. Its budget is about \$4 billion.

More than half the total revenue is used for prizes, advertising and other operating

expenses, and the rest is used for education.

"Our mandate is to generate money for education, period," said Jackie Barreiros, Florida lottery spokeswoman. "Honestly, it's the cornerstone of everything."

Barreiros said the lottery continues to search for ways to bring in more educational funds within the restraints of legislative statutes.

The lottery has recently reduced its number of paid employees, introduced several new games and increased the number of lottery-ticket retailers across the state from 13,000 to 13,500.

"But that's where it ends," Barreiros said. "It's kind of a double-edged sword. It's a wonderful thing we do, but we're limited in our role."

Clutching the purse strings

Attkisson, the state representative in charge of the House's lottery council, said it's unlikely the Legislature would make the lottery contribute a higher percentage to education.

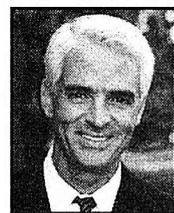
He said he still has ideas to maximize its profits.

Florida is one of seven states that do not collect income tax. Revenue from other sources, such as tourism, sales taxes and property taxes, are expected to make up the difference.

In the past few years, property values have

risen dramatically, causing property taxes to skyrocket.

Florida residents appealed to the government for financial relief. A promise for that respite came a few months ago from Gov. Charlie Crist, when he asked the Legislature to reduce the taxes.



Crist

Since the Legislature's revenue from property taxes is dwindling, it must depend on sales tax for much of its revenue.

Meanwhile, insurance rates in Florida are crippling high for many low-income residents, dissuading them from spending extra money and stripping the Legislature of revenue it needs to fund institutions such as state universities.

Until people have enough disposable income to gamble it on lottery tickets, the amount of lotto funding for education probably won't increase dramatically, he said.

Low income, high stakes

While members of low-income groups are more likely to buy lottery tickets, most of Florida's citizens who attend state universities and benefit from the funding belong to higher-income groups, Attkisson said.

"We're robbing Peter to pay Paul," he said.

"We take from the poor and give to the rich."

That trend is not likely to change, he added.

Attkisson said the best way to increase educational funding from the lottery would be to encourage low-income individuals to buy more tickets instead of changing the whole system.

"That's what the lottery is all about," he said. "It's a chance for hope. And who wants more hope? Affluent people don't have the need for hope."

Bright Futures doesn't consider the income of its recipients.

The program is completely funded by the lottery.

A gamble

The possibility of privatizing the lottery has been suggested to generate more education revenue by hiring a private company to create even more games and sell more tickets, but the Legislature probably won't shift in that way, Attkisson said.

If it wanted to expand the lottery, the Legislature could do so on its own, he said.

To him, the ethical costs of promoting more lottery participation outweigh monetary benefits.

"We probably have enough of an appetite for gambling," he said.

Supercenter plans receive mixed reviews from neighbors of 13th Street Wal-Mart

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Mart moving for years, Lam said.

"Wal-Mart is convenient for a lot of people," Lam said. "It's good for small businesses like us."

He said they get a lot of Wal-Mart customers who get their nails done after shopping.

However, Quenta Vettel, local Wal-Mart spokeswoman, said retail stores have made a major comeback in that area with the new Lowe's, Sam's Club and a furniture store.

"That part of 13th Street is going

to continue to grow and thrive," she said.

City Commissioner Rick Bryant said the shutdown can be a negative drag on the retail area, and he hopes the city can find a retailer to fill the empty building.

"We need to just work with them and see if we can find an adequate replacement," he said.

Bryant said he preferred the supercenter was built at a more southern location on US-441. However, he said he can settle with the decision.

"I'm very happy that they're staying within Gainesville city lim-

"That part of 13th Street is going to continue to grow and thrive."

Quenta Vettel

local Wal-Mart spokeswoman

its," Bryant said.

He said the Gainesville Development Review Board is evaluating the project.

"We felt for a long time now that we need to replace the 13th Street store," Vettel said.

The store is small and Wal-Mart doesn't own the property, which is

leased by another commercial developer, she said.

When Wal-Mart bought the development, it was already in the process of looking at places for relocation, she said.

"They have long-term plans that they have had in mind," Vettel said. "It wasn't a surprise that we were looking elsewhere."

Spaces in the front of the store, usually reserved for vision centers or nail salons, will be determined during construction, she said.

The potential construction site was already deemed commercial

development by the city, so that will minimize residential area problems, Vettel said.

The new Wal-Mart, which does not yet have a grand opening date, will introduce new solar panels that help produce energy for the store.

Vettel said the project, which was announced last week by Wal-Mart, Gainesville Regional Utilities and city staff, will have solar panels that create covered parking spots.

Wal-Mart agreed to pay up to 30 percent or \$1 million of the solar panel project. GRU will pay for the rest, she said.

RESEARCH

Fossil project needs volunteers

By KRISTIN NORTON
Alligator Contributing Writer

If you haven't signed up for the Tapir Challenge yet, the Florida Museum of Natural History has a bone to pick with you.

The museum's Division of Vertebrate Paleontology needs volunteers as it conducts a major fossil excavation about two miles northeast of Newberry from Tuesday to Dec. 20.

Dr. Richard Hulbert, the museum's vertebrate paleontology collections manager, said that the Tapir Challenge is an effort to collect as many fossils as possible at the site, which is called Haile 7G.

The excavation is called a "challenge" because the Gainesville site and a site in Tennessee have been in a competition to see which can find the most tapirs, he said.

The tapir specimens, the most common find at the site, are from about 2 million years ago, during the Pliocene Epoch, Hulbert said.

Fossils of more than 70 indi-

vidual tapirs have been found in Gainesville, Hulbert said, and hundreds of other fossils, such as fish, frogs and snakes, have also been dug up.

Hulbert said he would still like to find some more rare or unusual animals.

"It is a great opportunity to learn how to dig for fossils professionally, and you don't even need previous training."

Rachel Wendt
geology graduate student

He calls the excavation a salvage operation because there is "a limited amount of time to recover as many fossils as possible" due to erosion and mining that will soon take over the site.

Between September 2006 and May, 320 volunteers contributed more than 4,100 hours at the site,

according to the museum's Web site.

Rachel Wendt, a third-year graduate student in geology, said that fossils help geologists learn more about individual species, determine the ages of certain areas and rocks and understand what life was like in the past.

Wendt has collected fossils at many locations including Newfoundland and New Mexico, but not at Haile 7G yet. She is considering volunteering there this year.

"It is a great opportunity to learn how to dig for fossils professionally, and you don't even need previous training," she said. "Most people go to school for more than four years to get to do this stuff."

Hulbert said he depends on volunteers to get as much manpower in the field as possible.

Volunteers will be assigned to different areas from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. every day except for the Thanksgiving holiday on Nov. 22 to Nov. 23.

Beer festival held

By YVONNE AYALA
Alligator Contributing Writer

Local residents can drink to their hearts' desire Saturday at an event with unlimited beer from around the world.

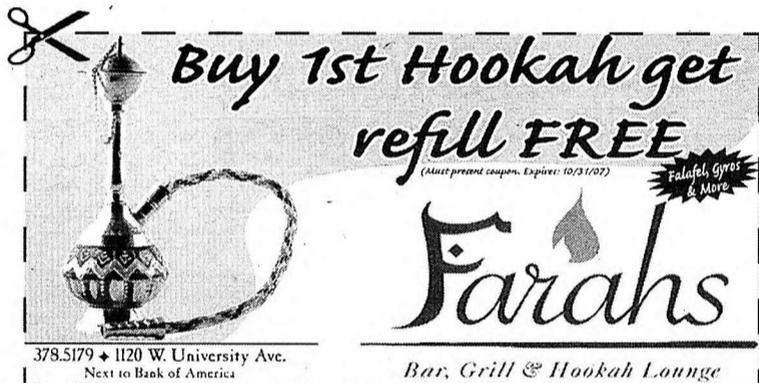
Ricki Black, the event coordinator, said the Greater Gator Beer Festival Part Two aims to redefine the ultimate tailgating experience at Magnolia Parke from noon to 4 p.m. This is the first time the event has been held in the fall.

The Greater Gator Beer Festival, usually held during the spring semester, offers a pre-party for the Kentucky game, which is \$25 at the festival and \$20 in advance at sponsor locations.

"We want people to know that we will be featuring 100 beers from all over the world," Black said. "We have beers from Armenia, China, Japan, England, El Salvador and Spain."

Event sponsors like Gator's Dockside, Hungry Howie's Pizza and Burkhardt Sales and Service offer a variety of wings, pizza and beer. Black estimates 1,000 people will attend, and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Alachua County Humane Society.

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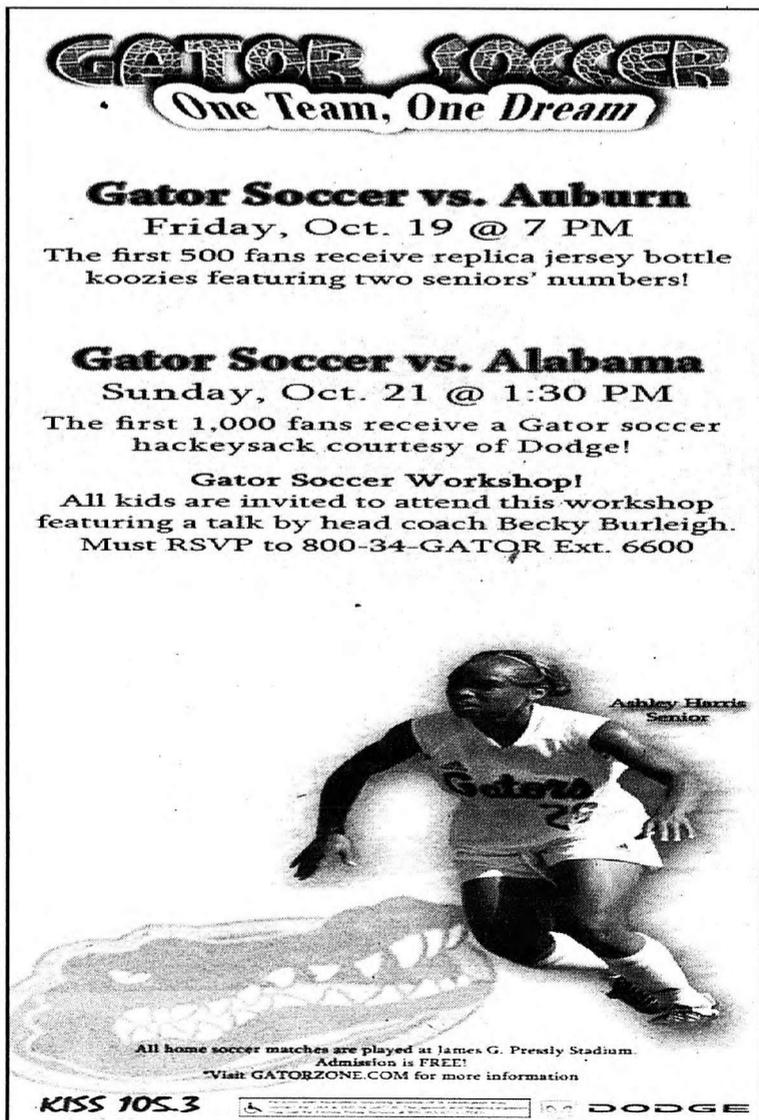


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2 For Rent unfurnished

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3 Subleases

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3 Subleases

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4 Roommates

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Female roommate for one/two female UF students. Quiet. Responsible. 60 second walk to UF. Old house charm with all amenities. Avail Now. \$400 - up. 352-538-2181. LV message. Private Owner 12-5-71-4

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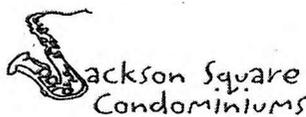
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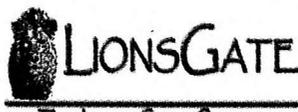
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Parker Road Baptist Church
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Wednesday
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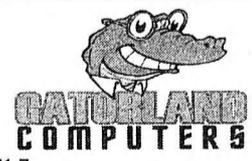
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UF RUN vs. KENTUCKY RUN DEFENSE

UF rushes for 202.8 yards per game; KENTUCKY allows 194.7 yards per game.
KEY PLAYERS: UF: So. QB Tim Tebow (105 attempts, 500 yards, 4.8 avg, 9 TDs), Jr. TB Kestahn Moore (68 att - 365 yards, 5.4 avg, 4 TDs); UK: Sr. LB Wesley Woodyard (77 tackles, 8 TFL), So. LB Micah Johnson (35 tackles, 3 TFL).
ANALYSIS: Despite returning all its key players from last year, Kentucky's defense is very suspect, especially against the run. LSU ran the ball 50 times last week for 261 yards. The Tigers' leading rusher, Charles Scott, averaged better than 13 yards per carry. Arkansas' duo of Darren McFadden and Felix Jones combined for more than 300 yards against the Wildcats. It remains to be seen whether Tebow will get a consistent backfield mate to share the load, but this could be a big opportunity for somebody to step up and have a big day.
ADVANTAGE: UF



UF PASS vs. KENTUCKY PASS DEFENSE

UF passes for 246.7 yards per game; KENTUCKY allows 186.6 yards per game.
KEY PLAYERS: UF: So. QB Tim Tebow (1,455 yds, 13 TDs-3 INTs, 65.5 pct, 173.05 rating), So. WR Percy Harvin (32 rec, 513 yds, 16 avg, 3 TDs); UK: So. CB Trevard Lindley (32 tackles, 2 INTs), Jr. FS Marcus McClinton (20 tackles, 1 INT).
ANALYSIS: When the Gators decide to take a break from running it down Kentucky's throats, wide receivers will likely find open space in the secondary. Look for Tebow to pad his stats as he tries to keep pace with Heisman contender counterpart Andre' Woodson.
ADVANTAGE: UF



KENTUCKY RUN vs. UF RUN DEFENSE

KENTUCKY runs for 200 yards per game; UF allows 94 yards per game.
KEY PLAYERS: UK: Jr. TB Tony Dixon (53 att - 328 yds, 6.2 avg, 3 TDs); UF: So. LB Brandon Spikes (57 tackles, 6 TFL), So. LB Dustin Doe (41 tackles, 2 FR).
ANALYSIS: For the second straight year, Kentucky will go up against UF without top tailback Rafael Little. Replacements Tony Dixon and Alfonso Smith did not fare well last year, combining for 56 yards in a loss at The Swamp. Dixon will get a shot at redemption Saturday, but he does not possess the same explosiveness as Little, who may be the second-best running back in the SEC when healthy.
ADVANTAGE: UF



KENTUCKY PASS vs. UF PASS DEFENSE

KENTUCKY passes for 260 yards per game; UF allows 230.2 yards per game.
KEY PLAYERS: UK: Sr. QB Andre' Woodson (1,786 yds, 21 TDs-4 INTs, 63.7 pct, 149.93 rating), Sr. WR Keenan Burton (39 rec, 511 yds, 13.1 avg, 5 TDs), Sr. TE Jacob Tamme (22 rec, 236 yds, 10.7 avg, 3 TDs); UF: Jr. DE Derrick Harvey (23 tackles, 5 sacks), Sr. SS Tony Joiner (22 tackles, 1 INT).
ANALYSIS: Woodson doubled his interception total for the season by throwing two picks against top-ranked LSU last week. Since he escaped with a win, Woodson will gladly take the stat hit. The Wildcats like to beat teams with short passes, and they have plenty of options to throw at UF's young secondary. Burton and Tamme are established stars, and Dicky Lyons Jr. and Steve Johnson have emerged as consistent options this season.
ADVANTAGE: KENTUCKY



SPECIAL TEAMS

KEY PLAYERS: UF: Jr. Kicker Joey Ijjas (5-7 FGs, long 32), Fr. Punter Chas Henry (19 punts, 36.9 avg, long 50); UK: So. Kicker Lones Seiber (10-12 FGs, long 48), Jr. Punter Tim Masthay (23 punts, 42.9 avg, long 63).
ANALYSIS: UF's special teams have been lacking punch. Ijjas has been better than Chris Hetland, but that's not saying much. Henry needs to get better. Return man Brandon James is very dangerous, but teams are kicking away from him now. Seiber came up clutch for Kentucky last week, nailing a pair of fourth-quarter field goals and one to keep the team alive in the second of three overtimes.
ADVANTAGE: KENTUCKY



INTANGIBLES

Uh-oh, UF is going on the road again. The Gators performed dismally at Mississippi and blew a late lead at LSU. Uh-oh, Kentucky has to bounce back from the LSU win and face another SEC powerhouse. What do the Wildcats have left? The key here is UF coming off a bye week. Despite the distractions, the Gators have had two weeks to regroup and refocus. Can Urban Meyer really lose three games in a row?
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UF SOCCER

Gators finish up regular season with homestand

By **KARL HYPOLITE**
Alligator Writer

Finally, there's rest for the road weary.

After playing four of its first five Southeastern Conference matches on the road, the UF soccer team (7-4-2, 3-2 SEC) enters the stretch run of its season with a home-heavy schedule.

The Gators play five of their final six games at Pressly Stadium beginning tonight at 7 against Auburn and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. against Alabama.

"I'm excited about being at home," UF coach Becky Burleigh said. "It's always nice to not have to travel and sleep in your own bed, play on your own field in front of your own fans."

UF opened SEC play with tough losses to Georgia and Tennessee.

The 0-2 start left the Gators reeling, and a season that began with hopes of a national championship appeared to be on the brink of disaster.

With three consecutive shut-out victories and a remaining favorable schedule, UF looks to be headed in the right direction.

Or, at least, that's what the team hopes.

"We're starting to click right

now," goalkeeper Katie Fraine said. "As long as we can keep putting goals in the net and keeping them out of our net, I think we'll be just fine. I mean, none of us have been too worried about it. There have been a couple a times

when we've come out with a loss or a tie when we wanted to come out with a win, but I don't think any of our hopes ever fell too far."

The Gators' winning streak has them rising in the conference

standings after opening play at the bottom of the division.

UF is currently in third place in the SEC East, trailing Georgia and Tennessee.

The Gators' swift rebound following such a dismal start leaves

them in prime position to make a run at the division title.

Maintaining their current momentum is the key for the Gators, but don't tell Burleigh the home schedule makes it easier.

"Winning," Burleigh said. "Winning is the best way to keep it going. Whether it's on the road or at home, it doesn't really matter."

Winning will keep the momentum going, but the prevailing sentiment among the players is the home stretch can only help them.

Fraine believes UF's stretch of home games make the rough patch almost worth it.

"Definitely," Fraine said. "Obviously you want to be playing your best soccer at the end of the season, and to be able to do that on your home field in front of your own fans is great."

The Gators are careful not to get too far ahead of themselves.

Even though they have done so much to lift themselves out of the bottom of the conference, the Gators realizes there's still work to be done.

"There's six games left, so there's still a long way to go," Burleigh said. "The SEC is a marathon, not a sprint, so we've got to win these two games to keep that momentum going."



Andrew Stanfill / Alligator Staff

UF goalkeeper Katie Fraine kicks the ball during a 3-1 exhibition victory against Texas A&M on Aug. 25. The Gators return home for five of six matches to end the regular season.

Tyus spurns Buckeyes for Gators

■ HE GUARDED GREG ODEN IN A REEBOK TOURNAMENT.

By **DANNY KLEIN**
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Alex Tyus was only hours away from being a Buckeye.

Playing for Harmony Community High School in Cincinnati, the freshman forward admitted he struggled with the decision to dismiss UF for a chance to compete at Ohio State.

"I was really close," Tyus said. "I was less than 24 hours from committing to Ohio State. I'm glad I didn't. I always wanted to go to Florida. Since I lived in Cincinnati, I took a lot of trips up to Ohio State. Obviously, now I realize that would have been a huge mistake."

The idea of traveling so far away from home does little to scare Tyus, who said his heart always resided in the sunshine state.

"I always liked Coach (Billy) Donovan's style of play," he said. "The way he always taught his players. And I always wanted to get out of the Midwest."

The ties to Ohio State extend further for the athletic big man.

Tyus knows first-hand what it's like to guard former Buckeye and No. 1 pick in last summer's NBA Draft — Greg Oden.

In July 2005, Tyus participated in the Reebok Big Time Tournament in Las Vegas, where he was a member of the D1 Greyhounds, a team that featured current Southern California freshman O.J. Mayo.

On a marquee Friday-night matchup, Tyus' squad squared off against the Spice Indy Heat, a team comprised of a slew of talent, including current NBA players Mike Conley Jr., Daequan Cook and Oden.

Tyus, at 6-foot-8, drew the assignment of the 7-footer. He allowed Oden to tally 18 points and 13 rebounds.

Tyus' team would lose 73-67, but he remained optimistic about his performance.

"(Oden's) team was so good he didn't have to do much," Tyus said. "I just had to concentrate on keeping him from getting the ball and offensive rebounds. I did pretty good."

Tyus' decision to come to Gainesville will prove vital for the Gators. One of the most notable problem areas for the team is in the frontcourt, where a lack of an inside presence is likely to haunt the young squad.

Donovan said Tyus is sure to see a lot of time at forward, and may even see time at center if sophomore Marreese Speights begins to tire or runs into foul trouble.

The two have been locked up in practice thus far, and Donovan likes what he's seeing from Tyus.

"It's impressive how much foot speed he has," Donovan said. "It worries me sometimes when he's beating Marreese up and down the court all the time, but you have to give him his credit."

Tyus and the rest of the Gators will have a chance to showcase their talent Sunday when they host Fan Appreciation Day in place of Midnight Madness, which was scratched from this year's schedule.

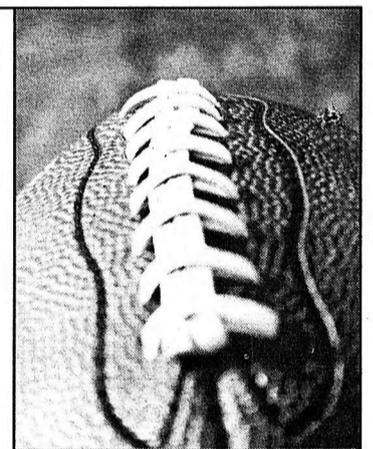
Tyus is looking forward to the opportunity and said he should have no problem adjusting to the attention.

"I played in one game where there was 9,000 people there," Tyus said. "I've played in a couple with 4,000."

"I don't know if there's going to be that many on Sunday, but when the real games start and (at) other places, there's going to be a lot of people there."



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UF VOLLEYBALL

First loss motivates Gators

By **EVAN DREXLER**
Alligator Writer

The Gators are still mad about losing to Arkansas, and Auburn happens to be the unfortunate team in their path.

The No. 10 UF volleyball team (16-1, 9-1 Southeastern Conference) heads to Auburn today at 8 p.m. to play for the first time since their loss last week.

UF also plays at Georgia on Sunday at 2 p.m., and the Gators are more than ready to get back into the win column.

"Friday can't come soon enough," senior opposite hitter Amber McCray said. "Especially coming after a loss, the first thing you want to do is get back in the gym and get to play another team. So I'm definitely excited about this weekend."

UF coach Mary Wise doesn't expect there to be any lack of effort from her players this weekend, either.

"If we aren't more motivated, I'll check the heart rate," Wise said. "We certainly can't wait to play again, get it out of our system."

The Tigers (10-11, 2-8 SEC) took UF to four games at Auburn last season, but they are currently tied for the worst record in the conference.

The Tigers' offense has not been very productive this year. They rank 10th out of 11 teams in the SEC for kills per game and hitting percentage. Plus, their blocking is 10th in the conference.

Still, don't expect UF to take Auburn lightly — the team learned its lesson last week.

"I don't think going to Auburn or Georgia are any different than going away at Arkansas," Wise said. "There have been years where there was a gap between Florida and the rest of the

league. We could go on the road and not play well and still win. That's not 2007. That's just not reality."

UF has not lost to Auburn since 1990, over a span of 25 straight matches. Wise also holds a 23-0 record against the Tigers during her tenure at UF.

The Gators played four road matches in a row earlier this season, and both matches this weekend are also away from the O'Connell Center's comfortable surroundings.

The strain of competing in enemy territory is weighing on sophomore libero Elyse Cusack.

"If we aren't more motivated, I'll check the heart rate. We certainly can't wait to play again, get it out of our system."

Mary Wise
UF volleyball coach

"We're back on the road again," Cusack said. "It's kind of like we're always on the road this season."

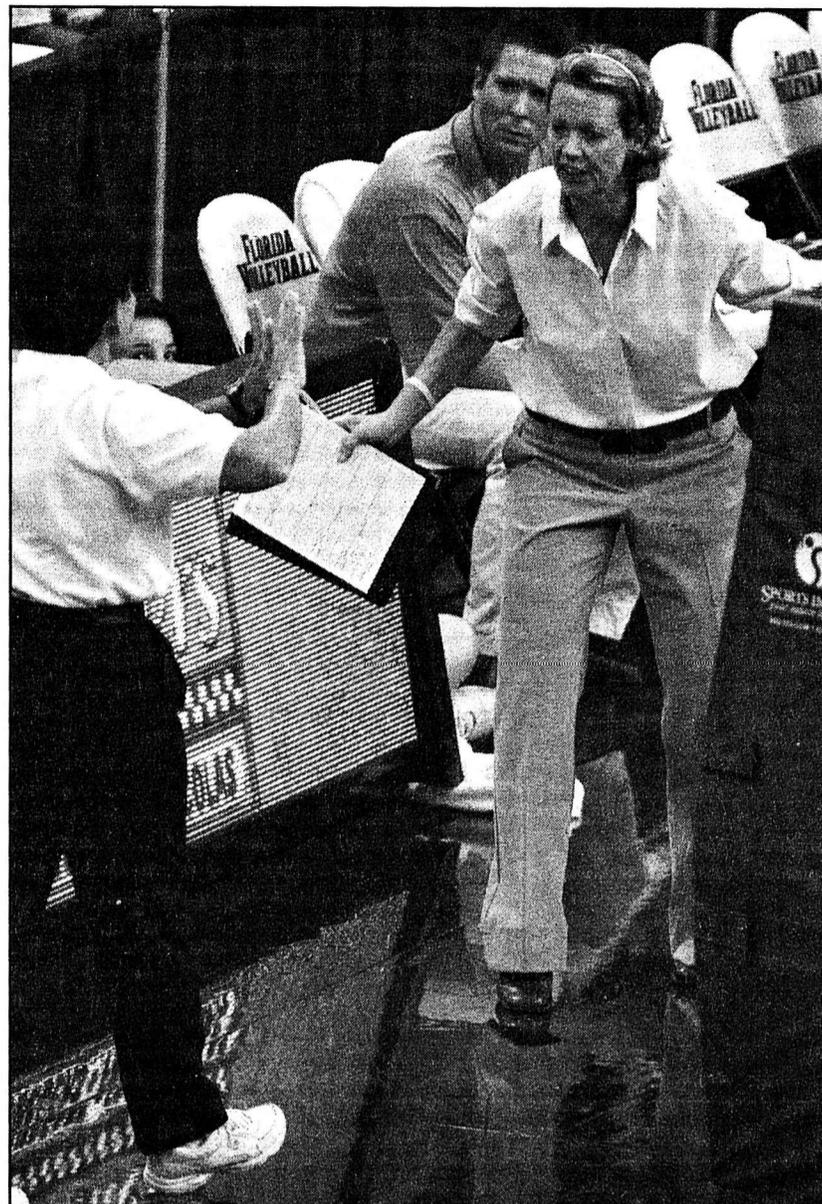
UF has already played both of this weekend's opponents this season, sweeping the Tigers on Sept. 16 in Gainesville and downing Georgia on Sept. 14 by a score of 3-1.

Georgia (13-7, 4-6 SEC) is home to powerful attacker Maria Taylor.

Taylor leads the SEC in kills (347), kills per game (4.89) and is 10th in the conference in blocks per game with 1.18.

Even though UF held her to only 10 kills in four games in September, the Gators won't let their guard down come Sunday.

"I think we're just going to keep getting better," McCray said. "We're still in the middle of the season, definitely haven't peaked yet. ... We're excited to ... see just how far we can go."



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UF volleyball coach Mary Wise argues with an official during the 3-1 victory against Georgia on Sept. 14.

CB still recovering

By **BRYAN JONES**
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UF cornerback Markihe Anderson is still questionable for Saturday's game against Kentucky, Coach Urban Meyer said Thursday.

"He's still limping," Meyer said. "It's day-to-day, and preparation ends when the foot hits the ball at 3:30 on Saturday. We're still trying to get him right."

Anderson, who was supposed to be a starting corner for the Gators this season, has not cracked the starting lineup yet because of groin and knee problems. He last suited up against Tennessee and even grabbed an interception, but he was pulled from the game by halftime.

Meanwhile, UF's receiving corps is also getting healthier. Senior Andre Caldwell and sophomore Riley Cooper have been playing through injuries, but both expect to be fully healthy for the first time in weeks on Saturday.

"Cooper's full speed," Meyer said. "[Caldwell], I'd say he's got to be close to 100 percent, and Cooper's 100 percent. He looked real fast today, too."

TOUGH TIMES: With the Gators reeling from back-to-back close losses and the death of scout-team quarterback Michael



Football

Guilford, Meyer said this might be the toughest few weeks of his coaching career.

But he said getting to coach football is what is helping him through it.

"The hardest thing is the tragedy you have to deal with, that's the hardest thing," Meyer said. "I'll hear people say things like there's some people that have some real issues to be out there. I'm a very fortunate guy to be able to [coach this team]. I can't wait. I love getting up every day. My greatest three hours of the day are [football practice]. I love every minute of it."

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UF ROUNDUP

Women travel to Georgia for ITA South Regionals

By **CHRISTOPHER YAZBEC**
Alligator Writer

The UF women's tennis team is on the rise, much to the delight of Coach Roland Thornqvist.

Thornqvist said the Gators' improvement is a result of facing tough competition each week, and he hopes it will all pay off down the road during tournament play.

"I think we really turned a corner as a team this week," Thornqvist said.

The players must demonstrate their improved play Saturday at the ITA South Regionals in Athens, Ga., if they want to advance to the ITA National Intercollegiate Indoor Championships in two weeks.

The event lasts until Tuesday.

During Thornqvist's six-year tenure at UF, the coach has had players advance to the indoor championships every year.

"It's a great opportunity for us," he said. "It's obviously going to be a tremendous challenge for us to have somebody go deep, but ... I think

we have players that are playing very well and competing well."

Thornqvist will experiment with the doubles teams this weekend, hoping to find the right chemistry.

Senior Diana Srebrovic will pair up with fellow senior Whitney Benik. They will make up the top doubles team, but the other pairings have not been determined yet.

Thornqvist said the players are looking forward to this tournament because it is one of the three biggest events of the year.

He noted that the competition will be very strong at the top but a little weaker at the bottom.

"Once we get to the quarters and on in this tournament this week, you're going to play pretty much the same level of players you saw deep in the tournament two weeks ago," he said.

The men's tennis team will also be in action this weekend.

They will travel to Lexington, Ky., for the ITA Regional Indoor Qualifying, which lasts until Monday.

The players will try to qualify for the ITA National Indoor in Columbus, Ohio, in two weeks.

"I think we really turned a corner as a team this week."

Roland Thornqvist
UF women's tennis coach

Senior Greg Ouellette won the championship in the singles draw last year to ensure his spot in the national tournament.

SWIMMING SHOWDOWN: The UF men's and women's swimming and diving teams will host Big Ten power Michigan in an anticipated matchup this weekend.

The Gators are coming off sweeps of their first two meets of the season at Virginia and Minnesota.

Michigan enters this weekend's matchup after holding its annual alumni meet.

Star Olympian Michael Phelps is a volunteer assistant coach for the

Wolverines.

The meet's long course will help prepare athletes from both teams for the upcoming Olympic trials.

Caroline Burckle is UF's lone U.S. National Team member while Michigan boasts four on their roster, three men and one woman.

Matt Patton, Scott Pann and Alex Vanderkaay all made the national team in their respective events.

Emily Brunemann will represent Michigan and Club Wolverine.

The most anticipated women's matchup is between Brunemann and Burckle in the 800-meter free-style as both swimmers were named to the national team in the event.

Burckle is currently ranked third in the event with a time of 8:35.10, which she set in her gold-medal performance at the Pan American Games.

Brunemann is ranked sixth with a time of 8:39.57 that she set at the World Swimming Grand Prix.

The UF women boast an undefeated record against the Wolverines.

During last season's opener at Michigan, Burckle recorded three NCAA provisional times, and Leah Retrum returned from a 15-month layoff to earn first place in the 200 back with a time of 2:00.86.

The men have not shared the same success. Last season marked the first time the Gators defeated the Wolverines since 2000.

Tobias Work will likely face off against Patton in the 400-meter free.

The duo earned medals in the event in the Pan American games last summer.

Work took the silver and Patton finishing ahead of him for the gold.

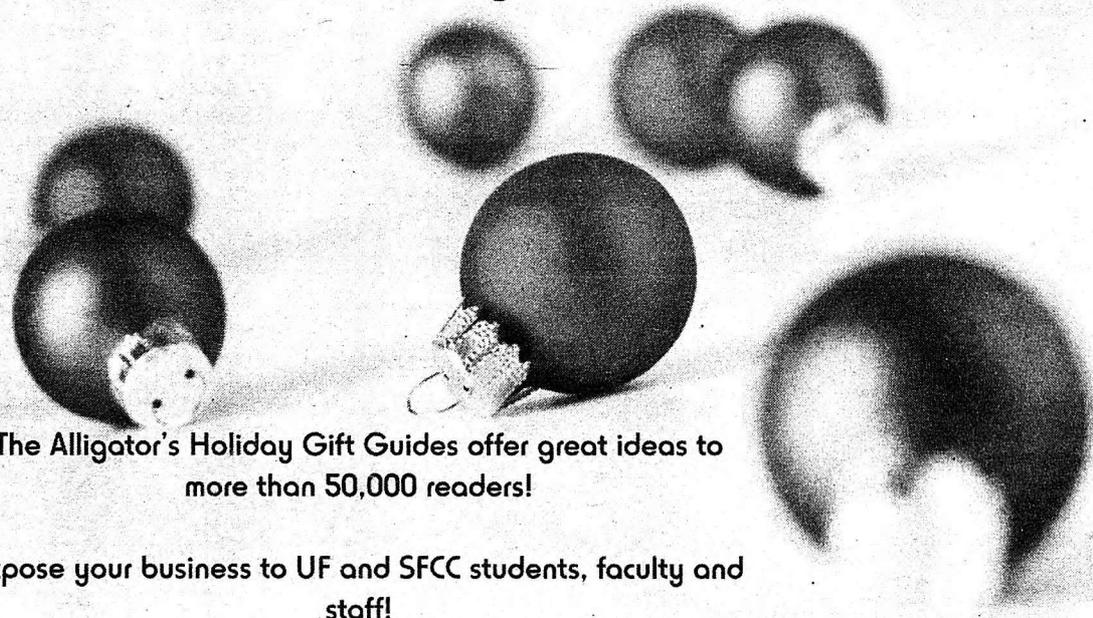
Events will begin at 5 p.m. on Friday with the women's one-meter diving event, and five swimming events will follow, kicking off at 7 p.m.

The meet will continue Saturday morning with the 200 medley relay beginning at 10 a.m. with diving starting at 1 p.m. The remainder of the swimming events will start at 7 p.m.

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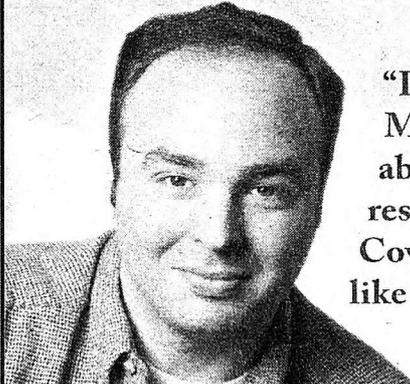
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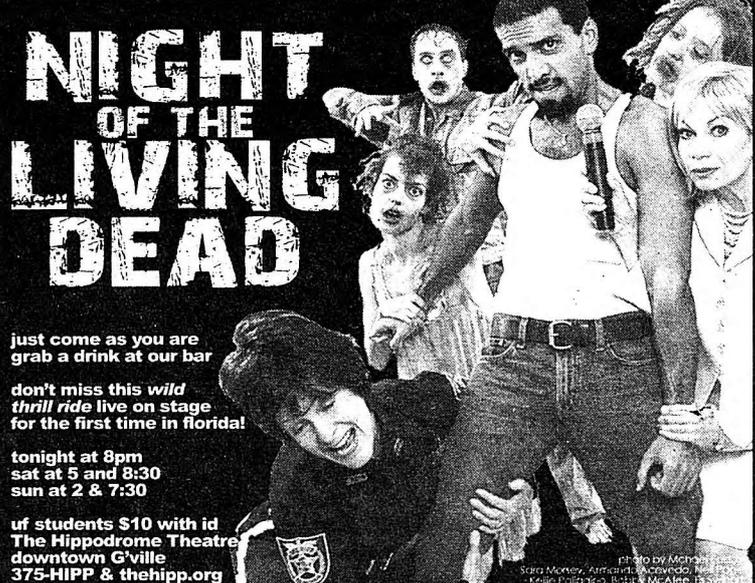
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sight for Parker, who works with several Gators fans in his job as a software engineer.

Thanks to Kentucky's fast start this year, Parker has avoided some of the usual razzing from his co-workers.

"I think they actually realize that Kentucky is decent this year, rather than the total disrespect I usually get," he said. "I don't think they think that Florida will come in and humiliate Kentucky like usual. It would be a good game."

The Wildcats aren't the only team Parker sings about. The Cincinnati Reds and Cincinnati Bengals are his other main topics.

He has written songs like "Blame It On A Bengal" in reference to the team's many arrests over the last few years.

He was shown singing "Who Dey Day" during a Monday Night Football game between the Bengals and Baltimore

Ravens.

He was also invited to sing at a Reds' Hall of Fame induction banquet.

"That was the coolest thing I have done because I got to meet all of these former Reds — people that I watched growing up," he said.

Parker has been a hit at Wildcats tailgates, but his musical talent has been outshined by that of UK safety Marcus McClinton, whose rap song "We Believe" is played in Commonwealth Stadium before each game.

"It's not bad," Parker said laughingly of the song. "They did a good job, so I can't say anything bad about it. They're trying."

At least Kentucky football is good for something.

On to the picks!

Leading off with a 38-22 record is Bryan "I'm not secure enough in my manhood to name my fantasy team 'Lola Bunny'" Jones. Bryan's self-esteem took a big hit recently

when he realized the song he had been singing for two weeks was called "A Bay Bay," not "Bang, Bang, Bang."

Batting second with a 37-23 record is Brian "I think Sarah Silverman is the greatest thing the Jewish people have ever accomplished" Steele, who doesn't mind being in love with a woman who resorts to (pretend?) licking her dog's butt on television for humor. Steele would dive right in for a passionate kiss immediately after, and then call it delicious.

In third at 33-27 and about to fall off the leaderboard because East Carolina blows is Mike "Mike" McCall, who spent his Friday night at an exhilarating high school football game.

	BJ	JM	MM	BS	NZ	RP
Lville-Conn	Lville	Lville	Lville	Lville	Lville	Lville
Tenn-Bama	Tenn	Tenn	Bama	Tenn	Bama	Tenn
NC St-ECU	ECU	NC St.	ECU	NC St.	NC St.	NC St.
Mia-FSU	FSU	Mia	FSU	Mia	Mia	FSU
Kan-Col	Col	Kan	Col	Col	Col	Col
Mich-III	III	Mich	Mich	III	III	Mich
TT-Mizz	TT	TT	TT	Mizz	TT	TT
ArkSt-MTSU	MTSU	MTSU	MTSU	ArkSt.	MTSU	MTSU
Cal-UCLA	Cal	Cal	Cal	Cal	Cal	Cal
UF-UK	BJ: UF 35-24;	JM: UF 30-24;	MM: UF 35-17;	BS: UF 38-31;	NZ: UF 42-38;	RP: UK 40-34

Afterward, he made a break for his parents' liquor cabinet for a hidden stash of Zima then played World of Warcraft until bedtime.

Also in third, with a record of 33-27, is Jenna "Why is everyone all worked up over The U? It's just a letter of the alphabet" Marina, who is angry that basketball season is near because it sends her into fits of separation anxiety from Joakim Noah.

In last with a piss-poor record of 32-28 is Nick "Don't call me Andy Milonakis" Zaccardi. Nick made sure the alligator-Sports staff would fly through Chicago en route to Lexington this weekend so he could sneak away and offer Ron Zook an oily, full-body massage.

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When the least of UF's problems is losing, the Gators are in a hole.

My money's on the Gators pulling through — barely.

At the beginning of the season, I thought Kentucky could easily upset UF.

It would be Andre' Woodson and the Wildcats' stage, the date they had circled on their calendar.

But the big game came a week earlier than expected.

Now they're trying to repeat the performance of their lives.

It has happened before, but it's easier to get back to a high than to sustain that level of play.

The Wildcats have earned respect, and nobody can say they aren't a great team.

Just ask LSU. Now it's up to UF to win respect back.

The Gators have gone through as difficult a three-week period as anybody, and they must prove their maturity Saturday.

Meyer won't have to talk about the youth in the postgame press conference because it won't be apparent after Saturday's game.

UF doesn't have a shot at the national title this season, but next year the Gators will point to this game as their turning point.

They're playing a highly ranked team on the road, and this Gators team is too determined not to find a way to win.

Kentucky fans should enjoy today, because they are not going to be smiling come Saturday night.

Tebow: UF emotionally ready to respond to losses

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a dogfight."

The two teams have been heading in different directions as of late.

The Wildcats are coming off a triple-overtime victory against then-No. 1 LSU.

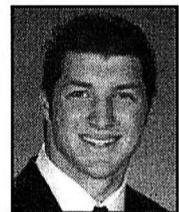
Meanwhile, the Gators have lost two straight games, falling to Auburn and LSU. Still, some things never change.

Despite going on the road against the No. 8 team in the country, the reeling Gators are favored to win by about a touchdown.

Caldwell agrees with the assessment

of the oddsmakers.

"They're on the rise and getting better every year, but Florida is the powerhouse of the SEC, and we have too much skill and talent to be losing to them," he said.



Tebow

Kentucky came close to breaking the streak in 2002 and again in 2003 but came up short.

In 2002, Kentucky erased a 19-0 halftime deficit to take a 28-25 lead in the third quarter, but UF came back to win a tight game 41-34.

In 2003, Kentucky held an 18-point lead in the fourth quarter, but the Gators

scored 21 unanswered points to earn a 24-21 victory.

For both UF and Kentucky, a lot more than just the streak will be on the line.

Both teams are very much in the mix to win the wide-open SEC East.

The winner of Saturday's game will have a clear leg up on the other in the race. The Gators will also be trying to avoid picking up a third straight loss.

"It's hard to bounce back from a loss — especially two in a row — but our team has done a good job with that," UF sophomore quarterback Tim Tebow said.

"The guys are working hard and getting ready for Kentucky, so I think we'll be fine emotionally bouncing back."

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"Rich Brooks is the worst football coach in the nation, bar none."

This was one of the last comments left on FireRichBrooks.com, a Web site dedicated to pursuing the unemployment of Kentucky's football coach.

The site all but died after Brooks led the Wildcats to a bowl win last season, but we at the alligatorSports Brand Picks Column don't feel Brooks was given just praise for turning his program around.

We turned to Ryan Parker, the singer of "WeLoveRichBrooks.com," which includes the lyrics, "We Love Rich Brooks dot com is the website [sic] to bookmark to show our pride and support, Cause he's created excitement that's usually reserved for the basketball court."

For the past few years, Parker — a Kentucky native and Wildcats fan — has used his guitar and humor to honor his favorite sports teams, and his songs have been met with acclaim on the Internet.

Listening to his fellow fans bash Brooks led Parker to release the song on his Web site, RyanParkerSongs.com.

"A lot of people wanted him out of there, but a lot of people believed in him, too, including myself," Parker said. "I thought this year would be a good year, so I put this song out there before the season."

While he did show his support for Brooks, he wasn't always on board with the coach.

The 2004 season was especially poor, as the Wildcats managed just two wins, over Indiana and Vanderbilt.

"When they lost to Ohio University at home, that was probably my lowest point," Parker said. "I doubted him a little bit, but he rebounded."

When UF fans invade Kentucky this weekend, it will be a common

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UF FOOTBALL

Gators look to keep streak over UK alive

By **BRYAN JONES**
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Kentucky not only has home-field advantage heading into Saturday's matchup against UF, but the Wildcats also have a clear edge in momentum.

But when the No. 14 Gators (4-2, 2-2 Southeastern Conference) travel to Lexington, Ky., to take on the No. 8 Wildcats (6-1, 2-1 SEC), they'll have history on their side.

Kentucky has suffered 20 straight losses at the hands of

the Gators, last pulling off a victory against UF in 1986.

In other words, not only has no current UF player has played in a loss to Kentucky, but the vast majority of the Gators' roster also was not even born the last time the Wildcats

bested UF.

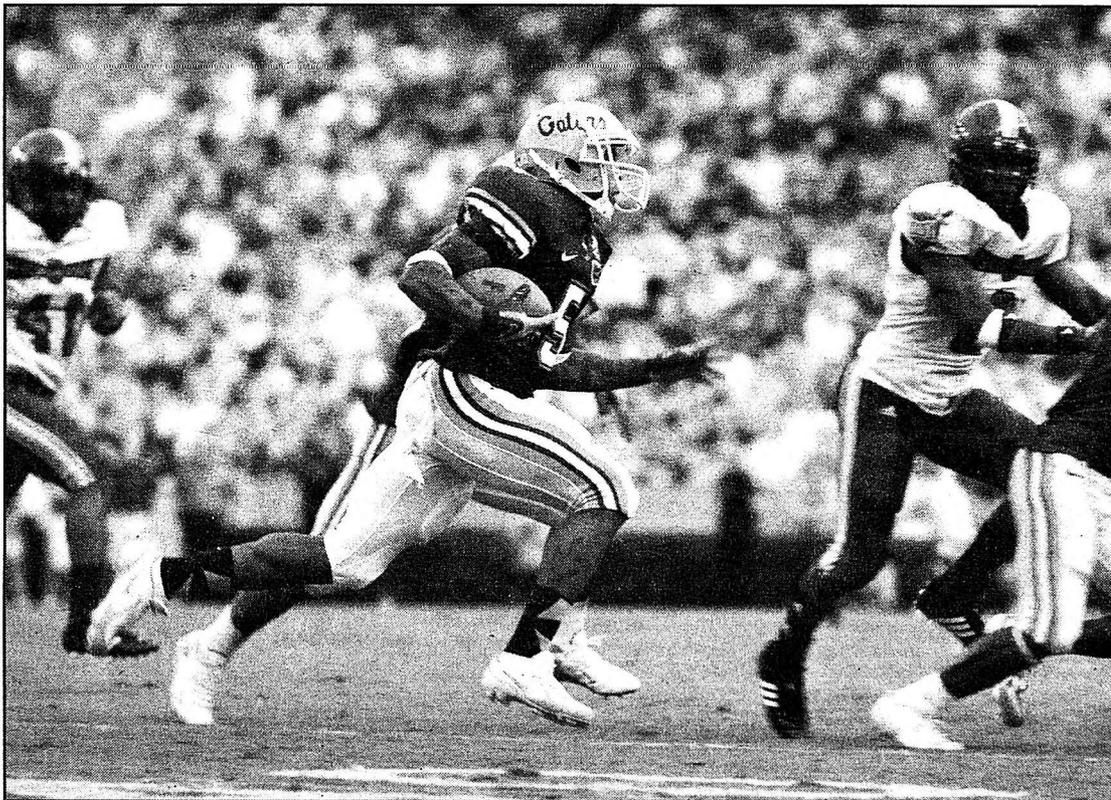
"I don't want to be on that team that broke the streak and didn't hold up its end of the bargain," wide receiver Andre Caldwell said. "It'll make me work a little harder and push harder to keep that streak going."

But this is probably the best Kentucky team in that span.

Led by Heisman-contending quarterback Andre' Woodson, the Wildcats have torched opposing defenses with their high-octane offense.

"I don't want to be on that team that broke the streak and didn't hold up its end of the bargain."

Andre Caldwell
UF wide receiver



Andrew Stanfill / Alligator Staff

UF senior wide receiver Andre Caldwell runs with the ball during the Gators' 59-31 win against Troy on Sept. 8 at The Swamp.

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UF gets chance to show what it's made of Saturday

As of Saturday night, you'll know what type of men are on UF's football team.

That's when the final score in Lexington, Ky., will be up, and it will show what the Gators are made of.

These players have a decision to make.

Will they let these circumstances devour them from within or will they become men and start becoming who they are for the rest of their lives?

Basically, it's gut-check time, and it's time for UF's younger players to grow up.

I believe they will.

Urban Meyer has never used youth as an excuse this season.

But he has still said it takes time for a



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young team to grow up.

When game time comes around, time's up.

Contrary to the past two games, however, the Gators are ready this time.

They've gone

through too much to not be ready.

The Gators have lost two straight games, had one of their senior captains arrested and lost a teammate.

That's a lot.

A humongous lot.

Especially when you're dealing with

a team full of 18- and 19-year-old kids, kids who soon need to become adults if the Gators want to turn around this skid — their first pair of consecutive losses since the Zook Era in 2004.

Kentucky and UF enter the weekend with huge amounts of intangibles, but in opposite ways.

While the Wildcats were drunk with fans-storming-the-field ecstasy Saturday night, the Gators were inebriated with grief.

One team is strutting around as kings.

The other is just trying to make it through a week without an arrest or another tragedy.

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WEEKEND GAMES

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■ **Swimming:** Michigan vs. UF
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TODAY IN UF SPORTS HISTORY

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