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UF ACADEMICS

Biology major surges in popularity at UF

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Anabelle Outar liked biology but said she thought some classes in UF's interdisciplinary biology program would do little to prepare her for medical school.

But with the creation of a new biology major this summer, Outar, a UF junior, decided to switch her major from biochemistry and molecular biology to biology.

Now, UF's biology major is already one of the most popular majors at UF, a UF news release stated.

The interdisciplinary major is being com-

pletely replaced by the biology major because of course overlap, said Margaret Fields, assistant dean and director of biological sciences in UF's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Outar, now in her first semester on the pre-professional track of the biology major, called the new biology program the "best preparation" for her future goals.

Spring will be the third semester for students to register for classes as biology majors.

About 4,000 students are taking the core courses required for biology majors, Fields said.

Almost 1,100 students are in the major, she added.

Before the creation of the major, UF was

the only university out of Florida's 11 public universities that did not offer a general biology degree.



Fields

Biology has many of the courses required for professional schools such as medical school, veterinary school and pharmacy school, making the major attractive to students seeking to enter those programs after graduation.

After the creation of an interdisciplinary biology major during the 2000-2001 school year, rapid growth of the program prompted the decision to create an

official biology major, Fields said.

Fields said the biology major was not necessary in the past because pre-professional students could take the biology classes they needed through the zoology and botany majors.

The main difference between the interdisciplinary major and the new biology major is transparency, Fields said.

She said the new major, which is being offered through both CLAS and the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, is easier to find and add because students do not have to complete an application process to get into the program.

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9-year-old joins local protesters

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Fiona Tennyson can't drive, get a tattoo or see a PG-13 movie by herself. But what's most frustrating to the 9-year-old activist is that she can't vote, she said.

"The president is kind of making lies," Fiona said as her tiny peace-sign earrings swung in the breeze Monday. "Sometimes it gets me annoyed."

Fiona joined about 75 other protesters on a march from the Reitz Union to Tigert Hall and finally to City Hall on Monday afternoon to rally against the Iraq war and global warming.

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Fiona Tennyson
 9-year-old activist

Members of UF's Students for a Democratic Society, a student protest group, led the demonstration, which had several goals.

Students wanted to remind UF President Bernie Machen that transparent and responsible investing should be a top priority, said Tina Steiger, a member of the group.

Steiger said the group also wanted to raise awareness about the Iraq war and global warming because many students don't care.

Four-foot-tall Fiona agreed.

"There's melting in the Arctic," she said. "The polar bears are gonna get extinct, and they can't really swim for a long time."

Diane Solmo, one of Fiona's two moms, said she and Fiona drove the nine hours to Gainesville from Key West to see a science program featuring her other daughter, Chelsea

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Nicole Safker / Alligator Staff

Stadium Study Session

Chris Allison, a UF sports management junior, studies in the stands of Ben Hill Griffin Stadium on Monday afternoon. When games aren't being played, the stadium is open to people who want to exercise or catch up on homework. Monday's warm and sunny weather drew numerous students to the stadium to relax and study.

■ While the UF men's basketball team showed some encouraging signs on offense in its scrimmage Sunday, the coaching staff was unimpressed by the defensive performance. See story, pg. 23.



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■ For the second year in a row, UF will have a "safety zone" set up in Jacksonville this weekend for fans attending the Florida-Georgia football game. See story, pg. 10.

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News Today

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Career Development Workshop
 Touchdown Terrace, 6 p.m., today
 UF's Department of Computer and Information Science and Engineering will be holding a career workshop.

Advance Screening
 Reitz Union Auditorium, 8 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., today
 The film "Lions for Lambs" will be showing. Tickets will be available on the third floor of the Reitz Union.

Housing Fair
 Reitz Union North Terrace, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Wednesday
 Student Government will be holding a housing fair to help students decide where they should live.

Fashion Show
 Reitz Union Rion Ballroom, 7:30 p.m. to midnight, Wednesday
 The Black Student Union will

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be hosting its Homecoming Fashion Show.

Free Concert
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 Nada Surf will be playing a free show.

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Circus to visit Gainesville

■ THE COLE BROS. CIRCUS IS HITTING TOWN WEDNESDAY.

By APRIL DUDASH
Alligator Writer

With pastel poodles and a "Globe of Death" in tow, Cole Bros. Circus will move its Big Top into Gainesville on Wednesday.

Shows will take place at The Oaks Mall on Wednesday and Thursday at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Renée Storey, vice president of administration for the circus, said Cole Bros. Circus is known for having the longest continuous history of any circus in the U.S. and was established in 1886.

Storey said Cole Bros. Circus staff and performers, who have come from all over the world, have created a tight-knit family.

She said their office manager is from the Ukraine and used to perform in a flying trapeze group.

The office manager is also the flying cannonball at the circus performance, Storey said.

Some of the ticket takers also juggle on horseback, she said.

Most of the employees have two to three jobs, she said.

"You're almost sure to find that they come

from someplace interesting, and they do something really fascinating and sometimes dangerous," Storey said.

The most popular circus act of the year has been the "ThunderDrome: The Moto-Globe of Death," Storey said.

"In our performance, the 'Globe of Death' opens the show," she said. "The kids just love it because it's got motorcycle riders."

Two motorcyclists ride around in a giant globe and do daredevil tricks.

People are encouraged to come out Wednesday while the circus is propping up the tent, she said.

Local News "I hope they have the opportunity to speak with some of our performers," Storey said.

Their season, which began in March, had scheduled stops in Louisiana, New York City and Washington, D.C.

The most recent performances have been in Tallahassee. Storey said she thinks that the circus is a great way for college students to unwind and take a break from their studies.

"It's perfectly OK to be a kid," she said. "There are not too many places like that left."

When purchased in advance, general admission tickets are \$12. Adult prices, for ages 13 and up, go up to \$17 on site.

Free children's tickets can also be found on the circus' Web site.



Jason Henry / Alligator

Perfect for a Pluckin'

Randy Hollinger, 33, practices the banjo outside Norman Hall on Monday evening while waiting for his wife, Amy, who attends class there. Norman Hall, located on Southwest 13th Street, houses many of UF's education classes. Hollinger teaches life science to seventh-grade students near UF at P.K. Yonge Developmental Research School. He spends about an hour every Monday plucking his banjo strings on a bench around sunset.



- Ukraine's Zarina as The Human Cannonball
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- Bungee divers from China
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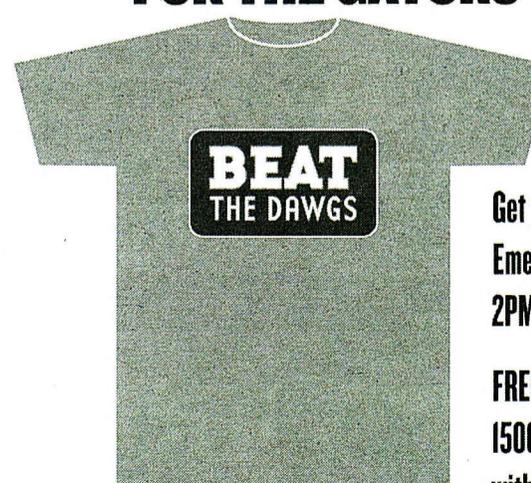
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Time drags for students waiting for CLAS advisers

By **MARIA FERNANDA CASTRO**
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Some people drool, some read and others have their ears plugged with headphones. Jessica Reddish just wishes her seat had a headrest to make her experience more bearable.

Reddish, an anthropology junior, had been waiting for 25 minutes to see her academic adviser last week. She was not the only one.

Twenty-six other students were also waiting to see an adviser with her at the Academic Advising Center of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Students are waiting between 45 to 90 minutes to see an adviser during one of the busiest times of the semester, Albert Matheny, director of the Academic Advising Center, wrote in an e-mail.

Many students are seeking advice before advanced registration for the spring semester

begins on Monday, often to get holds on their records removed.

The college has a student-to-adviser ratio of 1,200-to-1, while in other colleges the ratio is 250-to-1, Matheny wrote.

"We do remarkably well in the AAC [Academic Advising Center] when you consider this discrepancy," he wrote.

In the last few years, the number of students in the college has grown from 10,000 to 12,300, but the number of advisers stayed the same due to budget constraints in the college, he wrote.

This year, the center is getting help from graduate assistants and retired faculty members "who basically work out of the goodness of their hearts," he wrote.

The extra help is aimed at giving the center more advisers and staff members available to students, Matheny wrote, and if all goes as planned, an additional hired adviser will start working Jan. 1.

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vising bottlenecks," he wrote. "That would be very nice, and students would see a big impact on wait time."

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Albert Matheny
Academic Advising Center director

In order to avoid waiting, students should plan ahead by making sure they are seeing the right adviser and going to the center early in the morning, he wrote.

Coming between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. is not recommended because most students plan to go during those times, he wrote.

The center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., but many students are

in class during those times.

"I don't mind waiting, but I hate to miss class," said Stephen Phillips, an anthropology junior. He had to miss class after he was waiting for more than one hour for advising last week.

The college's debt may also be a factor slowing down the advising process, Matheny wrote.

The recent proposal by the Florida Legislature and the Board of Governors for a tuition increase will directly benefit students because the money will go toward hiring more advisers, he wrote.

"CLAS understands that we are short-handed, and I believe that help will soon be on the way," he wrote.

In the meantime, students like Reddish will have to linger in the waiting area at the center.

Computer outlets could help encourage students to be patient, she said, but now all she does is "stare obliviously at other people" while she waits.



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LOCAL

First new fire station in 28 years could be coming

By **KATIE GALLAGHER**
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Gainesville Fire Rescue could soon be getting its first new fire station since 1979.

The City Commission passed three petitions Monday night that will allow for the construction of Fire Station No. 8 on 4127 NW 34th St.

The land is part of a parcel that belongs to A Child's Place child care center, owned by Desjam Enterprises Inc.

The petitions authorized splitting the lot and changing land use and zoning classifications for the fire station.

Commissioner Ed Braddy and Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan brought up concerns about noise at the meeting. The proposed location for the

station borders a residential area.

"You may have retirees, you may have stay-at-home parents, you may have people who are not gone during the course of the day," Hanrahan said. "You need to work hard at that. We want to be good neighbors."

Gainesville Fire Chief Bill Northcutt, who also spoke at the meeting, said the station will try to keep noise down, especially at night.

"We want to be good neighbors."

Pegeen Hanrahan
Gainesville mayor

"I think the intent will be not to use those sirens until absolutely necessary," he said.

Chris Dawson, a planner with Causseaux, Hewett, & Walpole Inc., said at the meeting that planners

will do what they can to prevent disruption to the neighbors. The organization would be building the station.

This includes constructing the building back from the edge of the property and surrounding the property with vegetation, he said.

In planning the vegetation, the planners will try to retain as many of the property's current trees as possible, he said.

Faculty Senate may overhaul Student Honor Court

■ A COMMITTEE WANTS MORE FACULTY INVOLVEMENT.

By **DEVIN CULCLASURE**
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Students charged with cheating might lose the chance to have their cases heard in front of the Student Honor Court.

A report from a committee of UF's Faculty Senate at its Thursday meeting would eliminate the handling of academic dishonesty cases by the court, citing the lack of faculty involvement as "problematic" and "of significant concern."

Neil Patel, Student Honor Court chancellor, said he met with Student Body President Ryan Moseley on Monday and said they were still working on a response to the possible change.

Patel said removing the court would take away an important avenue of student involvement in academic conduct cases.

Kim Tanzer, a UF architecture professor who co-chairs the committee, said the Senate is not looking to dismantle the court.

Mainly, the committee's research showed that faculty members want additional input in cases involving academic conduct, Tanzer said.

Because of this, some professors were taking matters into their own hands when it came to discipline, the report states.

Generally, students charged with academic dishonesty can choose to have their cases heard by the Student Conduct Committee, which is composed of students and faculty, or by the Student Honor Court.

Other venues for hearing cases include an administrative hearing, the Greek Judicial Board, or the Health Science Center's and the Levin College of Law's student conduct committees.

In the Student Honor Court, law students act as the defense and prosecution, each presenting a case to a panel of students.

The panel determines whether the accused student is responsible for the charge

and recommends an appropriate punishment to the Dean of Student's Office, which makes a final decision.

Tanzer said faculty could only participate in the process as witnesses.

She said the purpose of her committee was not to specifically target the Student Honor Court but to streamline the different methods of handling academic conduct cases.

The committee recommended limiting

the investigation of academic conduct cases to faculty hearings, the Student Conduct Committee and the Health Science Center and law school committees.

Tanzer said the Faculty Senate will vote to endorse or reject the committee's findings at its Nov. 15 meeting.

If the Senate endorses the recommendations, Vice President for Student Affairs Patricia Telles-Irvin could make the changes.

Functions of the Student Honor Court



To hear cases of students' academic dishonesty.

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Editorial

Hate to Wait

More CLAS advisers needed

It's UF's eternal problem. No, not too few season football tickets. Not Friday's crossword puzzle being too hard for you to finish during your chemistry lecture. Not when your professor schedules an exam for the morning after Halloween.

We're talking about the lack of advisers for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

If you've ever been lucky enough to be awarded a hold or if you accidentally forgot to take some critical tracking courses, you might know what it's like to have to sit in the hell that is the Academic Advising Center lobby.

We shudder just to think about it.

Academic advising, and presumably the center, are supposed to be lucky recipients of some of the money from the Tuition Differential Program, which will begin bringing in funds next fall. UF President Bernie Machen has said he would use some of the money to hire new advisers.

Hopefully CLAS' student-to-adviser ratio will improve from 1,200 to one. But in order for CLAS' ratio to be comparable to UF's other colleges' ratios of 250 students to one adviser, CLAS would need a total of 49 advisers.

Right now, it only has 11.

We know that is completely unrealistic, but even doubling its number of current advisers would mean only one adviser for every 560 students.

For now, students are advised (ha!) to avoid coming to the Academic Advising Center right before registration begins, but for students with holds or who have no clue what to take next term, that may not be an option.

We suggest you exhaust all your other options — your department, phone calls or e-mails, your Preview staffer — before you trudge down to the center. If you absolutely must go, make sure you bring along an iPod, your laptop, some homework, a pillow or a crossword puzzle — just not Friday's.

Zone Coverage

Planning on getting wasted in Jacksonville this weekend for the Florida-Georgia football game?

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And it's nice to know that if your friend — or you — has a few too many of those drinks that are served in a fishbowl, you'll have

a place to charge your cell phone, catch a cab or just drink something without alcohol in it.

Of course, students shouldn't depend on the zones or drink to the point of blacking out because they know the zones are there.

Last year, UF, the University of Georgia and the city of Jacksonville partnered to provide two zones for the intoxicated, with the aim of reducing accidents and violence.

We hope students who drink themselves into oblivion take advantage of the safety zones, and we hope everyone stays safe this weekend.

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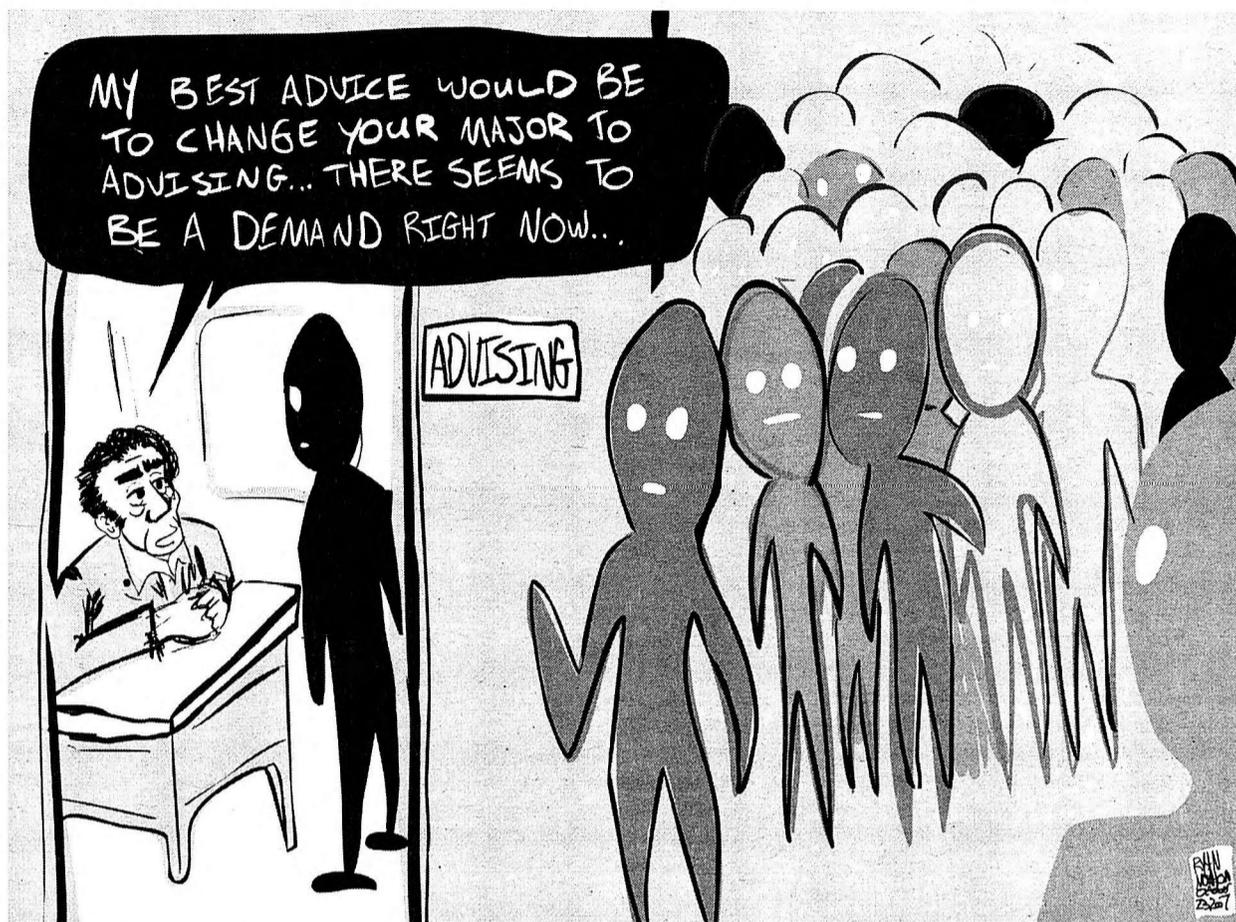
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Column

A minor proposal for registration season

It's already time to register for classes, and we're all too busy with this semester to care about the next.

Isn't that the way it always happens? Registration has a tendency to pop up right in the middle of exams, so we don't spend enough time choosing classes.

Each and every semester, we naively feel like we'll be able to sign up for exactly the courses we need when we want to attend them. Too bad it doesn't work like that.

If war is hell, registration must be hell's musty basement.

It's time to use those extra credits for something worthwhile. General education classes would be great fillers for your credit quota, but they're no more than fillers. Gen-ed courses are the most worthless classes offered.

Be honest with me: How many of you actually remember anything from Age of Dinosaurs? How much are you really going to learn from the newly required "diversity" credits? If the classes weren't so blasted easy, people might actually show up.

I'm petitioning the university to add a new minor that students could choose in lieu of gen-ed requirements. The minor would give students just as liberal an education and actually equip them for the real world.

Ladies and gentlemen, you could be among the first in the country to study Argumentative Theory.

This course of study will subject the student to a number of diverse opinions on an equally diverse amount of subjects. These 16 credits will validate a candidate's ability to effectively justify their many different opinions.

In your first semester, you'd be required to take four credits of Theory vs. Theory. This class would highlight the differences between scientific theories, which a large number of scientists agree upon, and everyday theories, which are backed by no factual data.

Evolution and gravity would not be debated.

Next, you'd have a choice between Actual Statistics and Media Statistics, either course for four credits. Both

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Kyle Cox

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classes would tackle the same issues, but only one of them would correctly analyze the facts.

The other would prepare you for a career at Fox News.

Twenty-first Century Economics, another four-credit course, will benefit nearly everybody on campus because there's nothing more disturbing than

hearing a chemistry major talk about the trade deficit.

Topics would include "Minimum-wage and its actual effect on society" and "Prohibition of sex and illegal drugs, and not being able to gain tax revenues from either."

The most controversial class, two-credit Race and Culture, would be unlike any ever offered. For each week of study, students would be asked to prepare a presentation on members of a different culture.

Any student receiving lower than a B on any project will be required to spend the rest of the semester living in the country where that culture is most prevalent.

The student would be dropped off without food, money or language lessons and be expected to adjust to the culture accordingly. Students may not want to skip week seven, when North Korea will be covered in detail.

Note that Race and Culture would have a two-credit corequisite titled Immigration: Your Family Did at One Point, Too.

In successfully completing the minor, students will be able to make legitimate decisions about how the world works.

I'd like to think all of us would sign up for the minor, but I know better. It's too hard to research an issue prior to forming an opinion.

Good luck with your gen-ed courses!

Kyle Cox is a junior majoring in anthropology and marketing. His column appears on Tuesdays.

Reader response

Today's question: Have you ever had to wait an hour or longer at the Academic Advising Center?

Monday's question: Would you vote for Stephen Colbert for president?

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Letters to the Editor

Protesters still active regarding Taser incident

I am writing in response to the DART issued Friday to protesters who didn't show up at the policy forum regarding Andrew Meyer's Taser.

Come on, Alligator editors. I want to see some more effort, some more vision in expressing those opinions before I see some attempt at that lovable Colbert-ish wit. I know the new activism on campus has presented you a rotund, inviting, already-basted-by-television-talking-heads-past rump to sink your salivating sarcasm into. But I dare say, have some more taste! Demonstrate that journalistic hunger for credible research and authorship!

Darts & Laurels once again derided students alarmed at a fellow student's Taser for only seeking the unstructured, attention-getting path of protest, instead of the public forum. I ask the editorial board, was it aware that the meeting established as a consequence of the protest was held and well received last week between UF President Bernie Machen and a delegation of protesters? Did they stop to consider there's reason for little faith in the Student Government crony-laden review panel? Steps were taken. Check your facts.

John Griffin
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Aborted fetuses have no stance on abortion

In response to Lawrence Mackey's stance on abortion being a selfish choice: Had my mother aborted me, I wouldn't have had to respond to such a stupid argument.

Katie Stephens
UF alumna

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One team eliminated from SFCC internship contest

■ FOUR TEAMS ARE LEFT TO COMPETE IN THE CONTEST.

By EVA MAE SMITH
Alligator Contributing Writer

There were squeals of joy from Team White Bengals and disappointed looks from Team Krackerjacks on Monday.

Five teams, each with four SFCC students, crowded into a conference room at Charles Perry Construction, where the first

team was eliminated in an SFCC contest for internships throughout the state called The Interns.

At the elimination ceremony, Breck Weingart, president of Charles Perry Construction, announced the teams that would be moving on for three more tasks.

"This is a promotion," he said. "We're not firing anyone, we're promoting four teams."

Weingert announced Team Bombsquad, Big Red, Intellectuals and White Bengals would move on. Team Krackerjacks was eliminated

from the competition.

The teams were each assigned a construction project from Rebuild Gainesville that took place Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., said Aerial McKenzie, an SFCC student and project coordinator for The Interns.

Projects included building front porch stairs and creating a swing set, McKenzie said.

At the elimination ceremony, Alan Rezaei, co-coordinator of the project, an-

nounced the next task.

The second task focuses on journalism skills and is hosted by The Gainesville Sun. Rezaei said it is called "Reporting the News, Building a Newspaper."

The objective of the assignment is to create a one-page spread in the SFCC Saint Sentinel that focuses on the skills necessary for students entering the journalism workforce, he said.

Essence Glover, 17, a member of team White Bengals, was so happy that her team made it through that she let out a scream.

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LOCAL

City Commission discusses development project

By KORI FREDERICK
Alligator Writer

A proposed development near Gainesville Regional Airport continued to cause controversy Monday night at a City Commission meeting:

East Gainesville Development Partners, headed by its petitioner Ronald Carpenter, has asked the city to rezone land near the airport for residential and commercial use in its development.

Though some were in favor of the development, others protested against the developers, East Gainesville Development Partners, before the commission heard the group's proposal.

The land, located at 2100 NE 39th Ave., surrounds the Ironwood Golf Course and includes 90 acres of Gainesville wetlands and part of the Murphree Wellfield.

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Milford Griner
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Developers want to change from an area that is reserved for industrial, commercial and single-

family use to a multipurpose planned use district.

This will allow developers to build up to 1,500 units, where at least one resident must have at least 55,500 assisted living units, 100,000 square feet of office space and 100,000 square feet of commercial and retail space, according to the meeting agenda.

The Rev. Milford Griner, president of the Alachua County Ministerial Alliance, said that as a resident of East Gainesville, he believes the area is being overlooked for developments.

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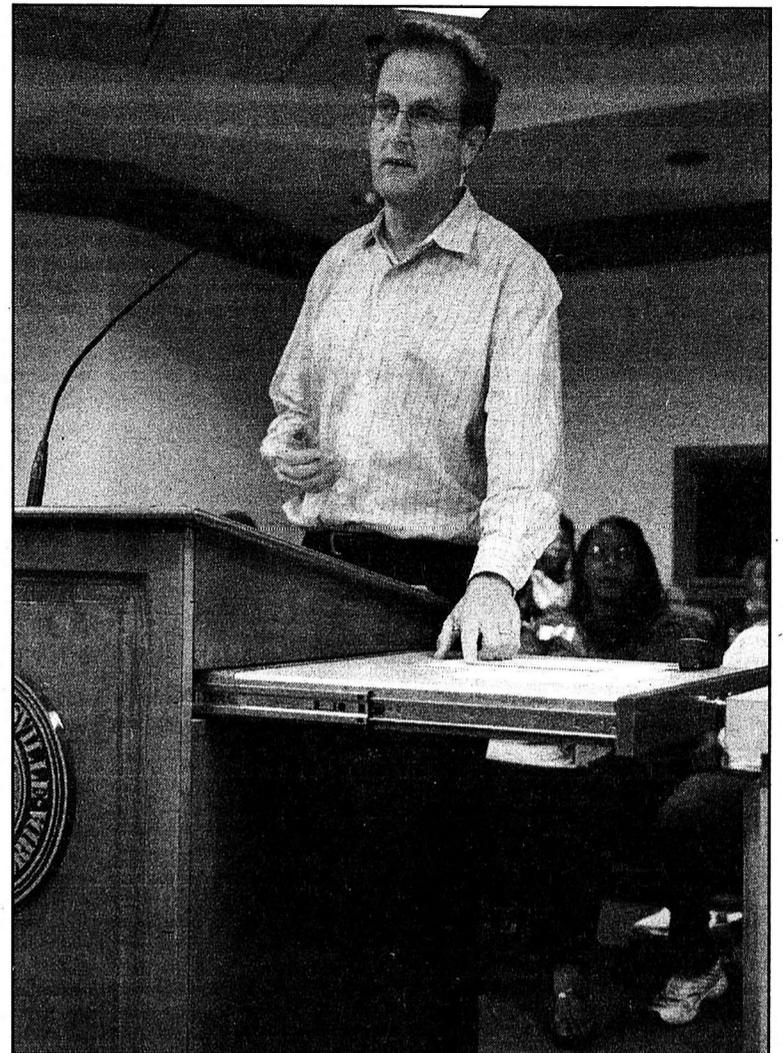
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"I want students to see what goes on outside the campus borders," Emenhiser said. "There's so much going on in this community that they need to be aware of."

The city planning board has advised the City Commission to deny the developers' first petition to change the industrial land located close to the airport to the Planned Use District category, but wants the commission to approve the other petitions to change the single-family and recreation land to planned use.

Dean Mimms, a Gainesville city employee, informed the commission about the environmental issues and potential noise problems if the commission approved all the zone changes.

He said 359 acres of the property are in areas where residents would be affected by the noise levels.



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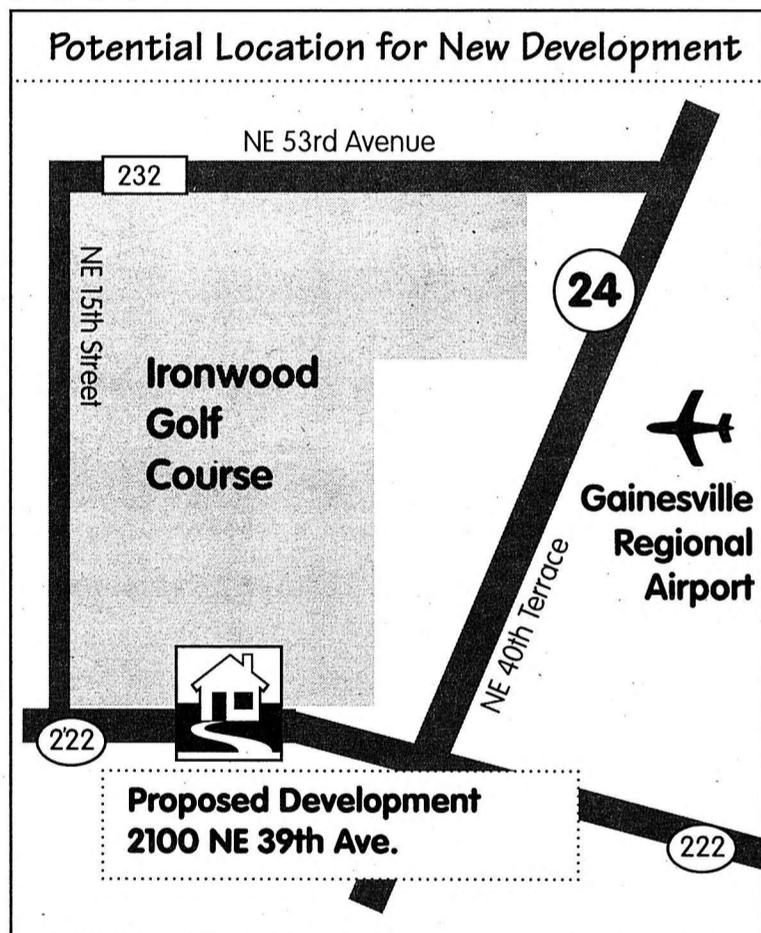
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The commission will make its final decision today at 3 p.m.



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Critics complain obesity ads don't send clear message

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Alligator Writer

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STUDENT SAFETY

Safety zones return for game

By **KIM WILMATH**
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UF will host three Sideline Student Safety Zones near The Jacksonville Landing on Friday and Saturday in Jacksonville, a news release from Gene Zdziarski, UF's dean of students, stated.

That's one more zone than there was last year, the first year the zones were established.

They were created by UF, the University of Georgia and the city of Jacksonville.

UF students who need first aid, telephones, water, coffee, snacks or computer access at the Florida-Georgia game will have three safe havens where legal trouble is no threat, the release stated. Taxi service and trolleys will also be available.

The goal of the zones is to minimize violence and accidents over the weekend. Two UF students died during Florida-Georgia game weekends in 2004 and 2005.

Representatives from UF and the University of Georgia and volunteers from Jacksonville will staff the zones.

Jacksonville and UF's University Police Department officers will also be on duty Saturday night, but students visiting the zones

don't need to worry about legal repercussions for alcohol issues, the release stated.

"We're not here for that," Zdziarski said in the release. "We're there strictly to help people."

The three zone locations will be behind the Starbucks inside The Landing, at the intersection of Laura Street and Independent Drive and behind the Welcome Center across from Jacksonville Municipal Stadium.

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UF's dean of students

The zones will be open from 4 p.m. Friday to 3 a.m. Saturday and from noon Saturday to 3 a.m. Sunday.

The turnout at the zones in 2006 was successful, said Steve Orlando, UF spokesman. UF still made some minor changes.

The locations will have more phone chargers and outlets available, Orlando said, in addition to more computer access.

It's important that students understand the guarantee that they won't face punishment if they show up intoxicated, he said.

That's why the coffee is there, he added.

Growl adds to lineup

By **DEVIN CULCLASURE**
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Following its theme of "Nation of Champions," Gator Growl has added another championship-winning guest to its lineup of entertainers and UF athletes.

Billy Donovan, UF men's basketball coach, will appear with the team at Gator Growl.

The 84th annual Gator Growl, billed as the world's largest student-run pep rally, will kick off Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. in Ben Hill Griffin Stadium.

Aron Weingard, Gator Growl producer, said this is the first time he's heard of the basketball team and its coach appearing at the pep rally.

"I know the students will be pumped up to see Billy and Urban in the same night, live," Weingard said.

Weingard said his staff started looking into Donovan's appearance in the summer and made the final arrangement about two weeks ago.

The appearance only made sense, given the pep rally's theme, he said.

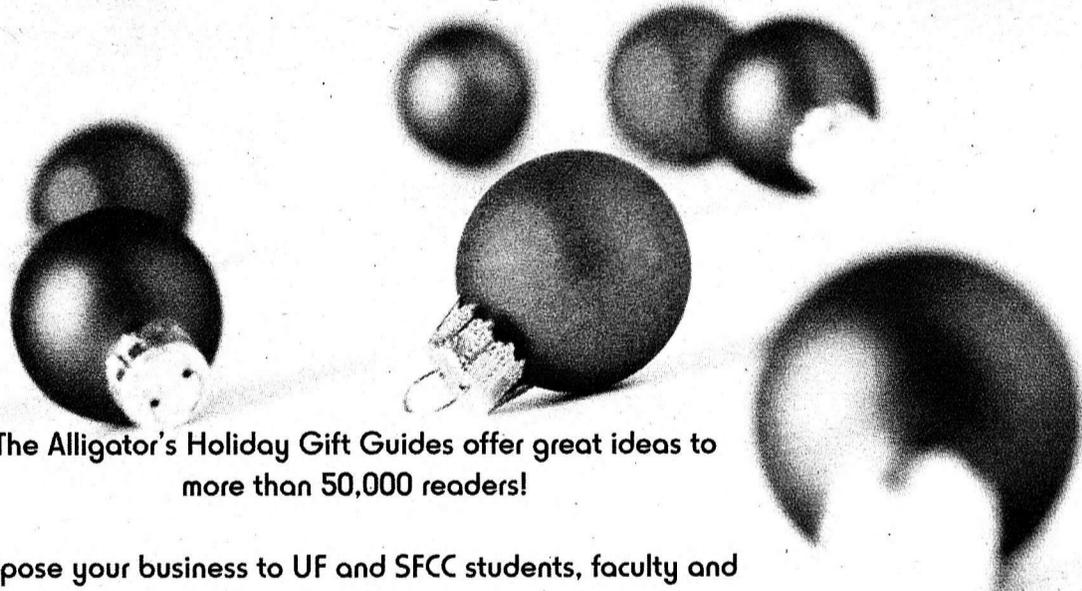
"It's a great opportunity for the students of UF to meet the new faces of Gators basketball," he said. "We're celebrating championships, and it wouldn't be complete without them." In a Gator Growl news release, Donovan said the team was excited about its scheduled appearance.

"We're thrilled and honored to take part in such a prestigious and time-honored tradition as Gator Growl," Donovan said. "It's one of the truly special events for this community and for the entire Gator Nation."

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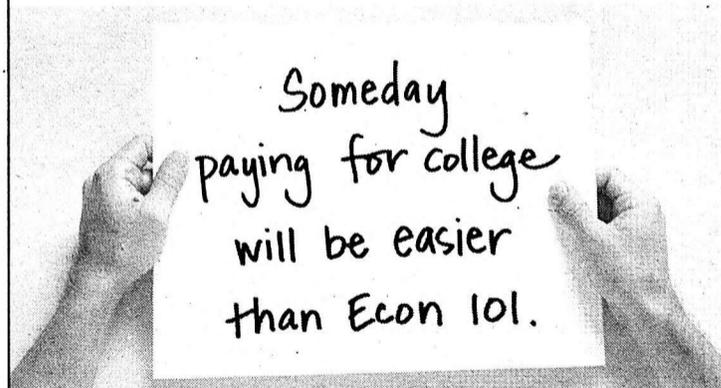
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Project Vote Smart tour makes stop in Gainesville

■ A MOBILE CLASSROOM CAME TO A LIBRARY.

By CASEY BROOKE LAWSON
Alligator Contributing Writer

A patriotically painted bus transformed into a teaching vessel for voters educated passersby Monday about a political education project.

Project Vote Smart parked its mobile classroom outside the Tower Road Branch Library during its first nationwide tour.

Milagros Ruiz, 40, learned about the project for the first time after bumping into a project representative.

"This is great, because its goal is to educate voters, and there is nothing worse than a blind voter," said Ruiz, a Gainesville teacher.

Jan Gaines stopped at the Project Vote Smart bus while on her way into the library.

"The 2008 presidential election is very important and informed voters are the key," Gaines said. "This project will help get voters information easily."

Jon Arnold, national bus tour coordinator for the project, wearing the project's purple polo shirt, led six people onto the red, white and blue bus and began a presentation inside the mobile classroom, which seats 22 people.

He demonstrated how to use the

Project Vote Smart Web site and introduced a 10-minute video.

A patriotic melody began playing in the background of the video, which detailed the history and current functions of the project.

Gainesville is the 18th stop on the tour, which began in Melbourne three weeks ago.

The tour, which was conceptualized in June, is meant to teach voters about the project and provide a

means to educate Americans about political candidates and lawmakers, Arnold said.

"Florida has been such an important state in the last few elections," Arnold said. "That is why we

started here."

The project was created after two politicians spent an evening discussing the negative direction of politics and how candidates spent most of their time attacking each other rather than informing voters, Arnold said.

Sixteen years and 6,000 people later, U.S. Sen. Barry Goldwater and Project Vote Smart President Richard Kimball's creation has built the country's first voter's self-defense system, Arnold said.

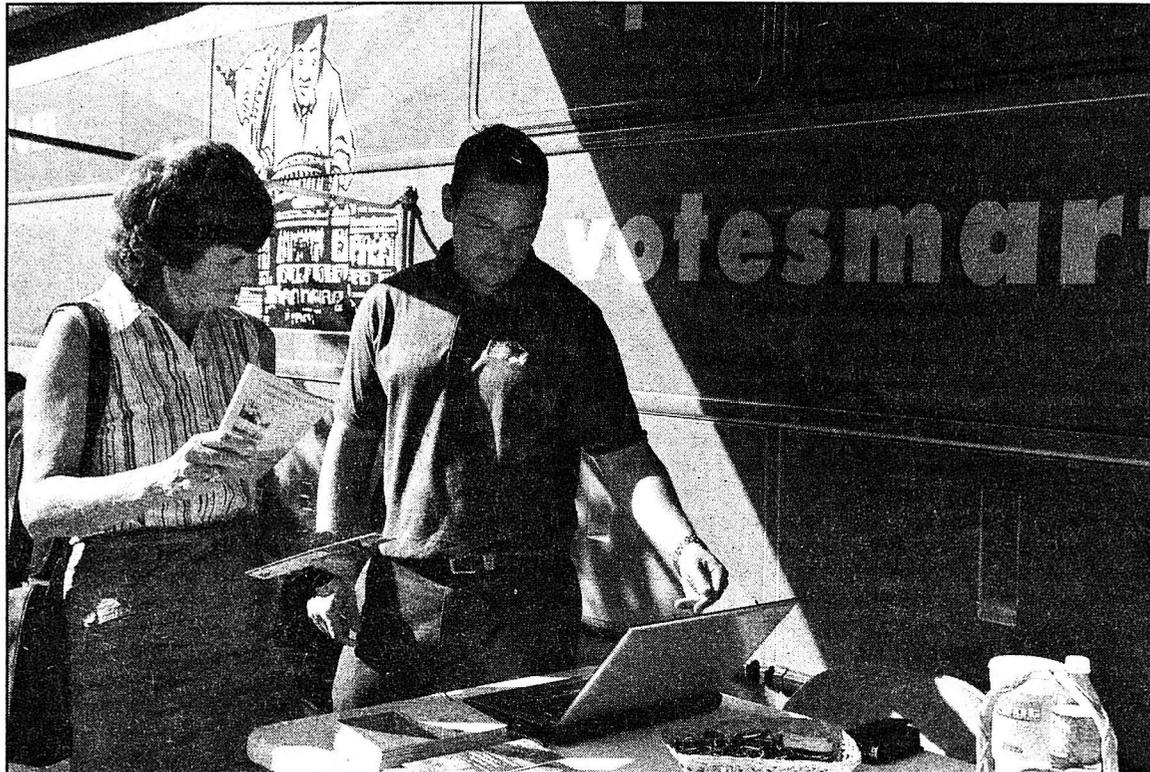
The voter's self-defense system researches, investigates and confirms relevant facts about 40,000 or so U.S. political candidates and lawmakers year-round.

The project provides information like voting records, issue positions, speeches and public statements, said Jeremy Clemens, legislative research director for the project.

The information compiled by the project is uploaded into a public online database, which has received as many as 16 million hits per day, Clemens said.

"Our Web site is the just the objective, un-biased facts, a 'meat and potatoes' kind of place, where a voter can go to find information about candidates and lawmakers," Clemens said.

The project does not accept help from special interest groups, corporations or the government, Arnold said.



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Jan Gaines receives information from Jon Arnold, Project Vote Smart national bus tour coordinator, on Monday at the Tower Road Branch Library.

Many students do not use phone book

By JENNIFER BINGAMAN
Alligator Contributing Writer

Andrea Booher owns a phone book, but she never uses it.

"It's a waste of paper," Booher said.

The 20-year-old aerospace engineering student said she usually uses the Internet when she needs to look something up.

While some students say they do not use their phone books, a new edition of The Talking Phone Book hits the streets of Gainesville this month with a 15-page guide to UF as well as local maps, coupons and restaurant guides with menus.

Sharon Blansett, assistant director of housing at UF, said the university doesn't distribute a lot of phone books for on-campus housing because students don't use them.

She said UF used to receive thousands of phone books to distribute on campus. There would be enough for each room, suite and apartment, plus extras.

"We would have all these stacks of phone books in the lobby areas," Blansett said.

Only about 10 to 20 students would use the phone books distributed, she said. Students began to complain about the books sitting in the lobbies collecting dust.

"They would say 'What a waste — we have piles and piles of phone books,'" Blansett said.

Eventually, housing officials recycled the phone books at the end of the spring semesters and told the phone companies to significantly cut their distribution.

Around Gainesville

Blansett said she thinks most students use the Internet to replace their need for a phone book.

Greg Garrick, vice president of marketing for The Talking Phone Book, said the name for the phone book being distributed this month comes from a feature the company used to offer.

People could call a number listed in their phone book that would direct them to recordings of their daily horoscopes, sports updates and scores, he said.

Now, the company only provides information through its phonebook distribution and its Web site.

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UF Voices

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Energy may be the defining issue of this century. Our quality of life, economy, standard of living and security depend on clean, affordable and reliable energy. The limited supply of fossil energy, its accelerated consumption, and a dependence on unstable countries for fossil fuel supply are major U.S. economic and security issues. Moreover, due to Florida's unique coastal geography and southern latitude, it is the state with both the most to gain by harnessing its abundant renewable energy resources, and the most to lose if it doesn't.

We are rich in renewable energy resources, particularly biomass and solar, yet we're currently dependent on fossil fuels. This dependency contributes to global warming and the associated increased risk of violent weather and rising ocean levels that threaten the residents living near our 1,350 miles of coastline.

More than 150 University of Florida faculty are hard at work each day developing new technologies — from fuel cells, batteries and solar cells, to biofuels, nuclear power and green building construction, to name just a few — in order to provide a sustainable energy future for Florida and the world. This year, the Florida Institute for Sustainable Energy (FISE) www.energy.ufl.edu was created to coordinate and promote the vast energy research across campus.

In addition, we were able to secure a \$4.5 million Florida Center of Excellence award to create the FISE Energy Technology Incubator. This incubator, currently under construction in Rhines and Rogers Halls, is a user facility for faculty, staff and students, to accelerate commercialization of UF's energy research so that it can have the greatest impact on society.

It is my hope that someday soon we will be driving hybrid cars based on UF's fuel cell and battery technology, and operating on biofuel created from UF technology.

*Eric D. Wachsman
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Top Stories

UF celebrates National Campus Sustainability Day

For the third year in a row, the University of Florida's Office of Sustainability will celebrate National Campus Sustainability Day. The event starts at 10 a.m. on Oct. 24 and features a number of activities designed to raise awareness of campus sustainability efforts.

The day will begin on the Reitz Student Union North Lawn, with President Machen addressing the annual Sustainability Report Card. Following the address, the Student Government Environmental Affairs Cabinet will hold a forum on the renewable energy fee that was passed in a recent student government election, said Melissa Karr, Office of Sustainability intern. The 50-cent per credit hour fee passed with 78 percent approval last spring.

Throughout the day, a variety of student groups and community organizations will provide food, games and information. Visitors can use the Eco-Footprint calculator provided by "Gators for a Sustainable Campus" to learn about their individual impact on the environment, and learn ways to lessen it. Another group, the American Solar Energy Society, will provide a solar-powered tricycle, the "Photon."

"The basic goal of the day is to raise awareness, show support to organizations making a difference and enjoy being sustainable," Karr said.

Groups such as these are educating the Gator Nation and paving the way for a university of the future, one with a



Ray Carson, UF News Bureau

The rooftop of the Perry Construction Yard Building is green in more ways than one.

in Energy and Environmental Design) silver or higher certification," Prizzia said. If successful, these efforts would result in the high certification — based on environmentally friendly and sustainable criteria — as designated by the U.S. Green Building Council.

One UF building already is not only "green" in the figurative sense, but also literally. The Charles R. Perry Construction Yard Building has a roof which contains soil and growing plants. The green roof helps reduce storm runoff, insulates the building against heat and sound, and improves the aesthetic

value of the building.

Waste reduction is another effort to meet the 2020 campus goal. With the help of concerned students, staff and faculty, the solid waste output has been greatly reduced.

"We've partnered with gatorlist.net to offer people a free way to give away things they might normally throw away," Prizzia said.

Besides the more direct, people-to-people recycling, the Office of Sustainability and its volunteers and interns also work on programs such as collecting recyclables on game days, when they are often thrown in with other refuse, Prizzia said. These programs show the commitment of the Gator Nation to sustainability, and the dedication of the volunteers.

"The student commitment is really amazing," Prizzia said. "We really couldn't do it without them."

By Alex Stern

negligible impact on the environment, said Anna Prizzia, outreach coordinator with the Office of Sustainability.

"President Machen's goal for the university is complete carbon neutrality by the year 2020," Prizzia said.

While it may appear to be a lofty goal, UF is making great strides through many different methods.

All over campus, cleaning crews have switched to "green" cleaning supplies and all paper towels and toilet paper are made of 100 percent recyclable materials, Prizzia said. Also, campus buildings are using paint and carpet which is low in VOCs, a volatile type of chemical which is harmful to the environment.

While efforts are being made to increase sustainability in existing buildings, new construction takes that effort one step further.

"All new construction on campus will be designed to receive a LEED (Leadership

Happenings

Listings in this section are a sampling of events at the University of Florida compiled from entries listed in the full calendar that appears on the Web at calendar.ufl.edu. To submit an event online, send an e-mail to calendar@nersp.osg.ufl.edu with the following information in this order: event date; event name, brief description and sponsor; time; location; costs; and contact information to include name, phone number and e-mail. Events, dates, times and programs are subject to change.

Oct. 24

Walt Disney World College Program Presentation, Stuzin Hall 200, 6 p.m. Free and open to the public.

National Campus Sustainability Day, Reitz Student Union North Lawn, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Oct. 25

Murray Perahia, Phillips Center, 7:30 p.m. Reserved seats \$30-\$50.

Oct. 27

UF Step Show: Battle of the Greeks 2K7,

Phillips Center, 6 p.m. \$13 in advance or \$15 day of show.

Third Annual Florida Bat Festival, Lubee Bat Conservancy, 12 – 3:30 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Oct. 28

Soulfest presented by UF Homecoming, Dickinson Hall Courtyard, 5 – 9 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Opera Potpourri, Phillips Center, 7:30 p.m. Free for UF students, \$15 general admission.

In Focus

UF asks students to submit emergency information at registration

Starting this fall, all University of Florida students will be asked to provide emergency contact information when they register for classes.

UF is the first institution in the state and one of the first in the country to adopt this policy.

Each student who logs on to ISIS, UF's Web-based registration system, now will be able to access the emergency contact information update form.

The form was first available yesterday.

Students are advised

to complete the form before their assigned class registration times to avoid delays.

Students will be asked for their current street addresses, e-mail addresses and cell phone numbers, as well as the contact information of a parent, relative or other trusted individual. This information will

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have to be updated each semester during registration.

In an emergency, administrators will now be able to immediately send text or voice messages to the entire student body or students located in a specific campus building.

Because the addresses and phone numbers will be used only in the event of an emergency, they will be kept private and are exempt from Florida public records laws.

The collection of contact information is one part of a larger emergency notification program designed to ensure the instant communication between UF administration and students needed in any crisis.

Also included in the new response plan is a system of bullhorn-like mobile warning devices that can be mounted on university police vehicles.

These measures are additions to the emergency communication methods already in use, such as e-mail messages, press releases and posts on the UF home page.

Note This

Homecoming offers fun for all

Each year, students, faculty, staff and alumni pack Ben Hill Griffin Stadium and flow through the streets of campus for a weekend of football and festivities, in celebration of the University of Florida's Homecoming.

Gator Growl, featuring performances by comedian and impressionist Frank Caliendo and legendary rock band Lynyrd Skynyrd, will once again headline the list of events. The world's largest student-run pep rally kicks off at 7 p.m. on Nov. 2 at The Swamp.

In addition to Growl and the football game, Homecoming 2007 offers many activities. Here are just a few:

- **Gator Gallop**, at 10:30 a.m. on Nov. 2, is a two-mile run which will immediately precede the Homecoming Parade. Gator fans of all ages are invited to begin at Percy Beard Track, and then walk, roll or run. Pets are invited, too. Contact the Florida Blue Key office for entry information and other details.
- **Homecoming Parade**, starting at noon Nov. 2 on University Avenue, promises a good time as Gators celebrate Homecoming and the parade's 84th year.
- **Florida Blue Key Alumni Reunion**, 5 to 7 p.m. on Nov. 2 is exclusively for FBK members and their guests. The event will honor 50-year members. Admission is \$15, and a silent auction is included.
- **Post-Growl VIP Reception**, 10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Nov. 2 at the UF Hillel, will offer an opportunity to mingle with young alumni and Gator Growl talent. The cocktail atmosphere will include catered snacks, drinks and live entertainment. Tickets \$10 at the door.
- **Homecoming Alumni Barbecue**, beginning two and one-half hours before kick-off on Nov. 3 at the O'Connell Center, will provide an air-conditioned tailgating experience, along with food, performances by the Dazzlers and Albert and Alberta, prizes, games for all ages and kid-friendly face-painting. Advance tickets \$8 at the University Box Office; \$10 at the door.

For additional Homecoming information or tickets, visit ufhomecoming.org or contact the Florida Blue Key office at 352-273-0829.

Seen & Heard

Team Gator Nation drives into semi-finals

Team Gator Nation recently won a spot in the 2007 DARPA Urban Challenge semi-finals after University of Florida engineers turned a 2006 Toyota Highlander Hybrid into a fully autonomous driving machine for this year's competition.

On Oct. 26-31, Team Gator Nation will compete in the Urban Challenge National Qualification Event. If the team qualifies as a finalist, they later will compete in the Urban Challenge final event on Nov. 3. The cash prizes are \$2 million for first place, \$1 million for second place, and \$500,000 for third place.

DARPA, the research and development organization for the Department of Defense, has sponsored the challenges since the first race in 2004 to encourage the development of autonomous robotic vehicle technology to help save lives on the battlefield.

Competing vehicles will conduct simulated military supply missions. As part of the challenge, vehicles must merge into moving traffic, navigate traffic circles, and avoid moving obstacles "as well as someone with a California driver's license," said Tony Tether, director of DARPA.

Oct. 30
Paul Taylor Dance Company, Phillips Center, 7:30 p.m. Reserved seating \$25-\$35.

Nov. 1
Museum Nights – Day of the Dead Celebration, Harn Museum of Art, 5 – 9 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Nov. 2
No classes/Homecoming



Pharmacy wins Crystal Apple Award

The University of Florida College of Pharmacy has been named one of eight pharmacy schools to receive the Academic-Practice Partnership for Learning Excellence Award. Also called the Crystal Apple Award, the designation from the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy was created to improve pharmacy education and practice by encouraging quality professional experience programs. UF was selected for the award for an exemplary partnership with Shands that helps produce quality educational experiences and patient-care teaching environments for pharmacy students.

Physics professor makes high temperature discovery

Distinguished professor of physics Arthur Hebard has been named one of three recipients of the 2008 American Physical Society's James C. McGroddy Prize for New Materials for the discovery of high temperature superconductivity in non-oxide systems.



Arthur Hebard

Recurring Events

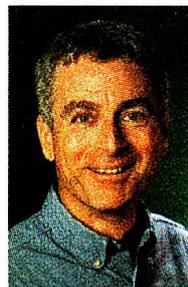
The George A. Smathers Libraries presents "The Afterlife of Alice in Wonderland exhibit" on display through Dec. 15. Free and open to the public.

Grinter Gallery, College of Fine Arts presents "A Private Eye: Latin American Prints from the Collection of Efrain Barradas" on display through Jan. 11. Free and open to the public.

Harn Museum of Art presents "From Dürer to Renoir: European Prints from the Harn

Professor earns arboricultural research award

Ed Gilman, a professor of environmental horticulture, was recently named by the International Society of Arboriculture as the recipient of the 2007 L.C. Chadwick Award for Arboricultural Research. The award recognizes research that has contributed valuable information to arboriculture. Gilman has published more than 60 peer-reviewed research studies and authored six books; his current work focuses on tree response during strong winds.



Ed Gilman

Archer family health care opens new center

The University of Florida College of Nursing recently held a ribbon-cutting ceremony and open house for Archer Family Health Care's new location at 16939 S.W. 134th Ave., Archer, Fla. The nurse-managed comprehensive health care center was previously housed in a historic house in Archer. The new location triples the amount of patient-care space.

Museum Collection" on display through Jan. 6. Free and open to the public.

College of Fine Arts presents "Just Suppose: Photographs by Jerry Uelsmann & Maggie Taylor," on display at the University Gallery through Nov. 9. Free and open to the public.



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UF's new biology major has six tracks

BIOLOGY, from Page 1

The new biology major has six tracks. The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences offers three: natural science, biotechnology and applied biology. CLAS offers biology and biology secondary education. The fast track is pre-professional, which is offered through both colleges. The previous interdisciplinary major only offered three tracks. Walter Judd, a UF botany professor and a co-chair on the committee that created the new major, said the high number of biology students going on to professional or graduate school after getting their undergraduate degrees was an important factor in creating

the biology major. This broad base now provides a good foundation for students going on to professional school, he said. The new design of the major, with added electives and multi-college collaboration, allows students to choose from an array of biological science classes, Judd said. The addition of advisers specifically for the biology major caters more specifically to students' interests as well. The advisers make adjustments to the program as needed, he said. Fields said the curriculum of the new major is flexible. "It's not something that is set in stone and will never change," she said. "It will change relative to needs, the needs of our students for graduate school."



Fiona Tennyson, 9, marches in a protest against the Iraq war and global warming on the way to Tigert Hall on Monday.

Protesters spilled symbolic red liquid on Tigert's steps

PROTEST, from Page 1

Solmo, a member of Students for a Democratic Society. Diane Solmo said Fiona begged her to stay an extra day to participate in the protest. "She said to me, literally, 'This is more important than the fourth grade,'" Solmo said. When she's not trying to change U.S. foreign policy, Fiona said she likes to paint and read. She said she's already on the sixth Harry Potter book. On Monday, it was all business. Fiona hiked alongside her sister, Chelsea, as they chanted in unison, "One, two, three, four — we don't want this oil war. Five, six, seven, eight — stop the war, stop the hate." As protesters gathered on the steps of Tigert Hall, leaving behind scents of patchouli and sweat, Clifton Hicks took the megaphone.

Hicks, a 22-year-old Iraq war veteran and SFCC freshman, served in the U.S. Army from October 2003 to July 2004. He was granted an honorable discharge in December 2005 because he was named a Conscientious Objector. "When I was in Iraq, me and the other guys always swore that when we got home, we'd fight against this war," he said. "Most of them have tried to forget about it, but I want to keep that oath." After protesters gave several more speeches and symbolically spilled red liquid on to Tigert's steps, protesters were back on the road. This time, they marched the 1.25 miles to Gainesville's City Hall to speak out against Gainesville's proposal of using wood and waste products for energy. As for UF's reaction, Steve Orlando, UF spokesman, said Machen has been cooperative with protesters this semester. "Isn't free speech a great thing?" Orlando said.

Here's Your chance to win six tickets to Gator Growl 2007!

Where's Albert?

Starting today and ending Friday, October 26, Albert will be taking a tour of the University of Florida. See how well you know the UF campus by figuring out where each photo was taken, and then help Albert keep track of his tour by entering each of the 5 locations into the photo log below. Once completed, deliver or mail your form to *The Alligator*. All entries must be received by 4 pm Monday, October 29, 2007 for the prize drawing.



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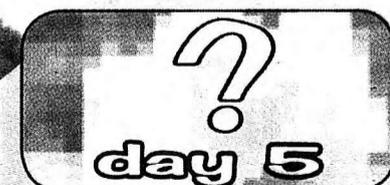
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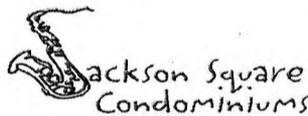
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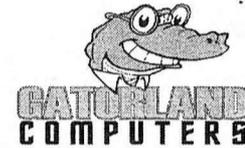
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I don't care if he's only a sophomore, Tebow went into the house of an opposing senior Heisman candidate and won.

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"He'd probably be my first draft pick," UF coach Urban Meyer said of his quarterback after Saturday's win at Kentucky. "If they said, 'coach, you get one pick,' I'd say, 'I've got mine.'"

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Sorry, but you can't be on one of the worst teams in your conference and expect to be considered among the nation's elite.

McFadden has tons of talent, but come talk to me when his team is bowl eligible and can actually beat a respectable SEC opponent.

Colt Brennan's Hawaii squad is still undefeated, but his four interceptions against San Jose State — even with a bad right ankle — look bad.

Louisville's Brian Brohm needs to stop losing, period.

The Cardinals just lost to Connecticut, and they have plummeted in the rankings since the season started.

Don't even start with Michigan's Mike Hart. Hart's great, but Tebow's nearly as big as most of Appalachian State's defensive line.

You can't be the leader of your team and lose to a I-AA squad and expect to be considered among the nation's elite.

Gators show inexperience, doubles show promise

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played a part in the tournament, as four of eight that made the trip were freshmen.

Jackson indicated this was the source of his encouragement.

"We have a lot of talent," he said.

"We just don't have a lot of experience. We can definitely do better, but we're on the right track."

UF brought plenty of youth to the doubles court with more encouraging results.

Two pairings, made up of three freshmen and a senior, won three matches and advanced to the quarterfinal round before bowing out.

Senior Nestor Briceno teamed up with freshman

Alex Lacroix on one team, and freshmen Johnny Hamui and Jeff Dadamo comprised the other.

"To have two teams in the quarters without your best guy, it's definitely encouraging," Jackson said.

"We're going to be better in doubles this year than we were last year."

Jackson said individual tournaments like this will help the Gators prepare for their upcoming season and Southeastern Conference play.

"In the SEC — where basically every team's in the top 25 — you need to learn in a hurry," Jackson said. "Otherwise we're going to be losing."



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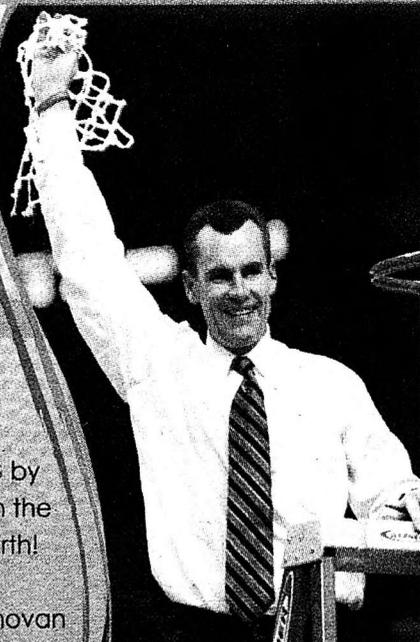
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Gators scrimmage lacks standout defensive play

■ IT WAS THE TEAM'S FIRST PUBLIC APPEARANCE.

By **DANNY KLEIN**

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One day after its public debut, the UF men's basketball team has yet to make an impression.

Associate Head Coach Larry Shyatt is unsettled following Sunday's scrimmage at the Alltel Wireless Fan Appreciation Day in the O'Connell Center.

"We just finished watching the tape, and there's a lot of mixed emotions, a little disappointed really," Shyatt said Monday of the three-period, fifteen-minute scrimmage. "We had a couple of players stand out offensively. I think the disappointment was that we really didn't have a lineup or a group of players that stood out defensively."

The afternoon event replaced UF's annual Midnight Madness. The women's team played one five-minute scrimmage following an autograph session. The men practiced a set of drills before competing in their own intrasquad matchup.

The sides were shuffled throughout, and the final score ended in a 30-30 tie. Highlights of the scrimmage include two outside shots by center Marreese Speights and a put-back dunk by forward Chandler Parsons, who led all scorers with 11 points.

Shyatt said he was impressed with Parsons' performance, especially the 6-foot-9 freshman's physical style of play.

"The good thing was that he took the ball to the hole and did follow up some offensive rebounds," Shyatt said. "We've been physically weak in terms of getting to the glass, so that was a good thing."

Freshman Nick Calathes made a mark of his own by adding 7 points, which included a buzzer-beating 3-pointer that gave his team the advantage after two quarters. Other standouts included Jai Lucas, who scored 7 points, and Speights, who contributed 9.

One of the more intriguing lineups featured a three-guard setup of Lucas, Calathes and junior Walter Hodge.

Sophomore Dan Werner, who scored 7 points, said the trio proved difficult to handle.

"It was tough," Werner said. "You had to help pressure the ball a little bit. They had two McDonald's All Americans and a guy who won two national championships, so it was difficult, but I thought we handled it really well."

"We just finished watching the tape, and there's a lot of mixed emotions, a little disappointed really."

Larry Shyatt

UF men's basketball associate head coach

Sophomore Jonathan Mitchell said he believes the team has already begun to develop an identity.

"We're going to run and gun," Mitchell said. "We don't have the size down low, so we're just going to go out there and run. ... It's a lot of fun, and it's obviously easy for the coaches because they don't have to call any plays."

After his first taste of action, Mitchell said he can't wait for the season opener against Flagler College on Nov. 1.

"I think it was good for us," he said. "It was the first time we got to put on a uniform and be out there in front of a crowd, especially with us being a young team."

"I just came out there and tried to get everybody involved and tried to teach the young guys. ... It was just good to finally be out there."



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UF freshman forward Alex Tyus scores a breakaway dunk during the Gators' scrimmage at Basketball Fan Appreciation Day on Sunday afternoon.

Tebow a cut above the rest

I've searched.

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The results: I don't think Tim Tebow will win the Heisman, but I haven't found a player in the country better than him.

And in a season where a No. 1 ranking is fleeting to say the least, we may not see an undefeated Troy Smith-like candidate to compete with him.

But voters won't make him a Heisman winner because he's only



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a sophomore — Boston College senior Matt Ryan will be in the meld — but he's still the best.

"He's play-ing quarterback at Florida. I think he has got to be [one of the] top two to three best quarterbacks in the nation just to be able to run our offense," said UF defensive tackle Clint McMillan.

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UF MEN'S TENNIS UF 'encouraging' without star

By **CHRISTOPHER YAZBEC**
Alligator Writer

It wasn't the performance he had in mind, but UF men's tennis coach Andy Jackson was encouraged by his team's play during the weekend at the ITA Southeast Regional in Lexington, Ky.

The Gators put four players in the tournament's singles round of 32 and one in the round of 16, but despite some close matches, they never achieved the breakthrough win they had hoped for.

"Across the board, most of the guys had something that was encouraging," Jackson said.

"And even when we were losing, we were losing close."

The Gators were without their likely

best player, senior Greg Ouellette, due to food poisoning and a recurring ankle injury.

Because Ouellette had already qualified for the upcoming ITA National Intercollegiate Indoor Championships, Jackson said he did not want to push him during the weekend's tournament.

Freshman Tyler Hochwalt went the farthest into the draw, winning two straight-set matches before falling in a three-set battle to LSU's Ian Zelezny, 7-6 (0), 4-6, 6-4.

The Gators' youth and inexperience

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Jackson

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TODAY IN UF SPORTS HISTORY

■ 2004: The Ron Zook-led Gators are upset by Mississippi State 38-31 in Starkville, Miss. Two days later, UF announced Zook's firing, effective at the end of the season.

I DID NOT KNOW THAT

■ UF defensive end Jermaine Cunningham was named the Southeastern Conference Defensive Lineman of the Week, the league office announced Monday.

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UF FOOTBALL

Meyer lauds kickoff return team as key to victory

By **NICK ZACCARDI**
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In UF coach Urban Meyer's opinion, the most important play of Saturday's win against Kentucky came with quarterback Tim Tebow on the sideline.

Before Tebow connected with Percy Harvin for 40 yards and rumbled into the end zone from 2 yards out on the Gators' final drive, the quarterback's former high school rival, Brandon James, delivered the real backbreaker.

With the Gators up 38-31 with 3:35 left and Kentucky kicking off, James returned the ball 26 yards to the UF 43-yard line.

That's not normally all that impressive. But on this occasion the return team deserved credit, given that James was the only member of the unit who had not inched into Kentucky territory to prepare for a possible onside kick.

"I still can't get over that happening," Meyer said. "I can't believe that happened. That changed the whole dynamic of the football game."

With room to spare, UF offensive coordinator Dan Mullen then called more aggressive plays, leading to a touchdown on the fifth snap of the series that put the game out of reach.

James also set up a score at the end of the first half with a 61-yard kickoff return to the Kentucky 38-yard line.

"If I had to say what won that game, the kickoff return team won that football game," Meyer said.

James' special teams performance since

taking the return job from Reggie Nelson early last season has forced Meyer to incorporate the sophomore into the offensive game plan as well.

James currently backs up starting running back Kestahn Moore and lines up in

five-wide receiver sets, but his role could expand.

"We are having that discussion," Meyer said. "We do over and over again."

INJURY UPDATE: Freshman free safety Major

Wright underwent surgery on his broken thumb Monday and is questionable for Saturday's game against Georgia.

If Wright plays, he will likely wear a cast on his right hand.

If he does not play, look for senior Kyle Jackson to make his fifth start of the year.

Sophomore wide receiver Riley Cooper and offensive tackle Carlton Medder are also listed as questionable.

Cooper broke a finger early on against Kentucky, and Medder was replaced late in the game by Marcus Gilbert after sustaining a heel injury. Medder left UF's practice on crutches Monday.

CHAMPIONS CLUB: Tight end Cornelius Ingram, quarterback Tim Tebow, fullback Eric Rutledge and wide receivers Louis Murphy, Percy Harvin and Andre Caldwell made Meyer's weekly Champions Club.

On defense, defensive tackle Javier Estopinan, linebacker Brandon Spikes, cornerback Joe Haden, safety Tony Joiner and defensive ends Derrick Harvey and Jermaine Cunningham made the cut.

Meyer named Caldwell the offensive player of the game, but he said the coaching staff chose not to name a defensive player of the game due to the number of yards the defense allowed against Kentucky.

GAME TIME ANNOUNCED: UF's home game against Vanderbilt on Nov. 3 will start at 12:30 p.m. and will be broadcast by Lincoln Financial Sports.



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UF kick returner Brandon James breaks through coverage on a 61-yard kick return during the Gators' 45-37 victory against Kentucky on Saturday in Lexington, Ky.



Cooper

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