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SPECIAL REPORT

Machen nets highest pay

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There's a powerful man roaming campus. He's given thousands of dollars each year for the upkeep of his Audi. He makes more money than the governor.

The Chronicle of Higher Education recently released the salaries of every university president in the nation.

Guess who tops the list in Florida.

UF President Bernie Machen's base salary is \$411,037, according to the Chronicle's report.

On top of that, he gets a \$7,888 allowance for his car, \$22,924 for retirement pay, a \$75,000 annual bonus and a \$210,000 retention bonus.

All together, he gets \$726,849.

That's about \$25,000 more than Florida State University President T.K. Wetherell and \$593,917 more than Gov. Charlie Crist, who makes \$132,932 a year.

"It's a lot of money, you know?" Machen said after a meeting of UF's Faculty Senate on Thursday afternoon. "I feel, in some ways, lucky."

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 UF president

Machen flipped through the Chronicle's report, grinning and pointing when he found the page listing him as the sixth-highest-paid leader of public universities nationwide.

David P. Roselle, president of the University of Delaware makes the most — \$874,687 a year.

"Are university presidents worth that kind of money?" Machen asked with a laugh.

As for how it feels to make more than the governor, Machen just smiled.

"You're going to have to ask him how he feels," he said.

Each year, Machen gets a raise of about 2 to 3 percent, the same raise the rest of UF's faculty and administrators receive, said Dianna Morgan, chairwoman of UF's Board of Trustees.

The board serves as the university's highest governing body.

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Over the Top

UF freshman Michael Buchholz launches himself upward during a pole-vaulting practice Thursday afternoon in the James G. Pressly Stadium.

UF bucks trend in law-school apps

Levin is seeing more interest

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While law schools nationwide are experiencing a decline in applications this year, the number of applications to UF's College of Law is on the rise.

In an annual Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions nationwide survey of 190 law school admissions officers, half reported a decline in applications in the past two years.

Robert Jerry, dean of UF's Levin College of Law, said UF has not been affected by this trend in the last two years.

He said in 2006, the number of applications rose 10 percent, about 3,000 applications.

"It's fair to say that our law school is increasingly a popular first-choice destination," Jerry said.

Jerry said he expects the number of

applications to UF law school to continue to rise.

"People who take a close look at the university and especially those taking a look at the law school realize we've got some pretty good things going on here," he said.

Glen Stohr, assistant director of pre-law programs for Kaplan, said at a school like UF there would always be fierce competition regardless of national numbers.

Stohr said 79 percent of the admissions officers surveyed said the nationwide decline in applications hasn't made the admissions process less competitive, adding the trend implies the quality of applicants is getting stronger.

"While it's a good time to apply with a smaller cohort, you've really got to make sure the application is top-notch," Stohr said.

He said the decline wouldn't continue for long and is part of a cycle. In the past 10 or 15 years, there has been a steady increase in applications.

It's still enough of a decline for law school hopefuls to take advantage of, he said.

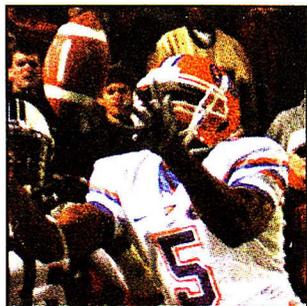
"What that means for students is that this is a really, really good time to apply," Stohr said.

Wendy Margolis, Law School Admission Council director of communications, said she doesn't think it's a significant decline. Margolis said the number of applicants has declined, but the Law School Admission Council has increased registrations for the law school admission test, known as the LSAT.

Stohr said those applying to law school should also be aware of changes that were made to the LSAT in June, but not to be afraid.

"Students shouldn't fear it, but respect that it's there and be sure to prepare in a way that you will be ready for it," Stohr said.

■ UF senior wide receiver Andre Caldwell will have to step up for the second week in a row without Percy Harvin in the lineup for Saturday's game against Florida Atlantic. See story, pg. 31.



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■ Former Attorney General Alberto Gonzales had a few special requests for his UF speaking engagement next week. See story, pg. 5, and check www.alligator.org for additional information.

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News Today

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Gator Nights

Reitz Union, 5:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., today
Gator Nights will include three showings of "Live Free or Die Hard."

AEPhi Afterdark

Alpha Epsilon Phi Sorority House, 1 a.m. to 4 a.m., Saturday
The sorority will be holding a party to raise money for the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation.

Ultimate Frisbee Tournament

Flavet Field, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday
Gator Smiles will be hosting an ultimate Frisbee tournament that will raise money to help pay for surgeries for infants with cleft lip and palate abnormalities. Registration is \$7 per person.

GatorWalk

Turlington Plaza, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday
UF March of Dimes Collegiate Council will host the walk, which will benefit March of Dimes to help prevent premature births and birth defects.

Three-On-Three Tournament

Florida Gym, 1 p.m. to 8 p.m., Sunday
The Gator Sport Management Club will be holding a tournament that will help raise money for the March of Dimes.

Evening Of Prayer

Reitz Union North Lawn, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday
Christian organizations on campus will be gathering for a night of prayer and worship.

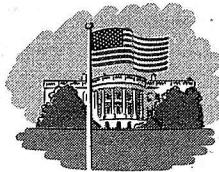
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We the People...

A list of the American public's top 10 priorities for elected representatives in Washington, D.C.

1. Iraq
2. Terrorism and National Security
3. The Economy
4. Energy
5. Illegal Immigration
6. Health Care
7. Education
8. Morality
9. Fixing Government
10. The Environment



*Based on an analysis of open-ended responses to questions in which Americans rate the priorities of the issues and concerns facing the nation today. Conducted by the Gallup Poll in November 2007.

Mikala Kuchera / Alligator Staff

FORECAST

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
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Meyer registers voters on campus

By **LYNDESE LEWIS**
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Bobbing his head to Led Zeppelin tunes, Andrew Meyer wasn't attracting too much attention Thursday afternoon.

As he manned a table on the Reitz Union Colonnade, Meyer blared music from a portable stereo and kept close watch over a stack of voter-registration forms. Meanwhile, dozens of students shuffled by without even giving him a second glance.

Call this the new normal for Meyer, the UF telecommunication senior famous for being Tasered. After spending about two months at the center of a media maelstrom, Meyer says he's trying to downplay his status and promote more important issues — namely, voter registration and Ron Paul.

To achieve his goals, he's launched a mini voter-registration drive on UF's campus.

Meyer has spent five days signing up new voters without the aid of Chomp the Vote, Student Government's registration drive. (The group did give him some free pens, though.)

Eyeing passers-by from his registration station on the colonnade, Meyer said he helped about 100 people sign up to vote during the first three days of his effort.

But he stressed that he's not trying to extend his 15 minutes of fame. Instead, he said, he and a friend were looking for ways to effect change.

"The apathy needs to stop," Meyer said.

So, armed with blank registration forms, he's planted himself on the colonnade to chat up voter issues to just about anyone who approaches him.

He's also been promoting Paul, his presidential candidate of choice.

Mainstream media outlets have ignored the GOP Texas congressman's message for too long, Meyer said.

"They don't want to put him on the cover of The New York Times," he said.

So this is a day in the new life of Meyer: chitchatting with students about political activism as he plays Zeppelin and Rage Against the Machine on his portable stereo.

Of course, fame doesn't always fade quickly. Although many passers-by steered clear of the registration table, Meyer admitted he'd been recognized "a couple times."

E-cards spread holiday cheer at UF

By **KIM WILMATH**
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Although UF's cuddly-as-a-cactus, charming-as-an-eel budget woes threaten to rob students of teachers and advisers, UF administrators just aren't ready to give up seasonal cheer.

This year, UF's holiday cards are coming without ribbons. They're coming without tags. They're coming without packages, boxes or bags.

Instead, UF President Bernie Machen has encouraged UF's faculty members to switch to electronic greeting cards to save trees and money, he wrote in a memo to UF's deans, directors and department chairs.

Each year, 2.65 billion holiday cards are sold nationwide, Machen wrote in the memo.

"That's enough to fill Ben Hill Griffin Stadium and Florida Field to the brim!" he wrote.

After a meeting of UF's Faculty Senate on Thursday afternoon, Machen said he didn't know how many cards his office sends out every year.

"E-mail is not the same as a personal card."

Bernie Machen
UF president

By motioning with his hand, he estimated the stack towers up to his shoulder.

Machen's office sends cards to financial donors, legislators and all the other state universities.

"Why do we do it? Because of tradition," he said. "I inherited a Christmas list."

When UF's Office of Sustainability brought up the idea of e-mailed greeting cards, Machen said he was skeptical whether it would be well-received.

When he asked around, he said no one objected. He said his main concern was that the e-mailed cards would seem unfriendly.

"E-mail is not the same as a personal card," he said. "It's not even the same as a letter."

In his memo, Machen included an example of one of the brightly colored, nondenominational cards available on UF's Web site.

"Of course, you can create your own design, if you prefer," he wrote.

On Thursday, Machen chuckled at the thought of choosing the card he'll send out.

"My wife picks them," he said, adding that she usually picks two or three cards of the 13 offered, and they

decide on one together.

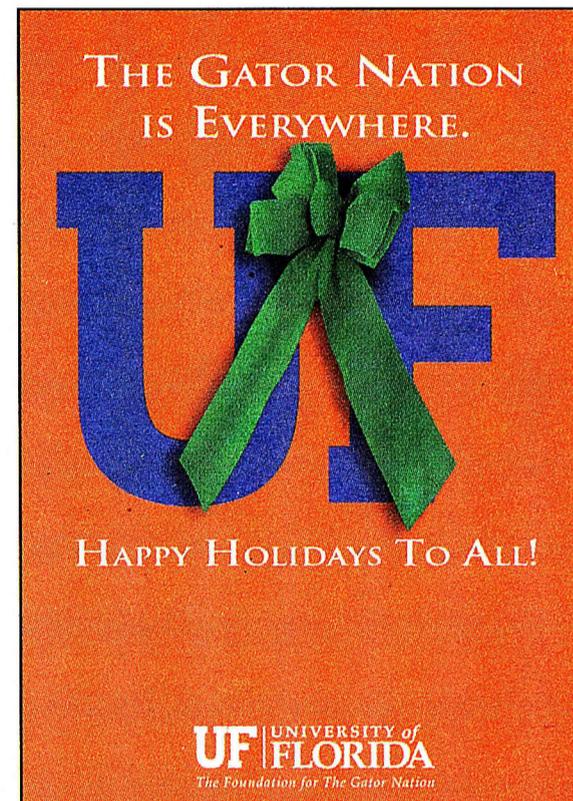
Chris Brazda, spokesman for the UF Foundation, which handles donations to UF, said most colleges at UF send out their own holiday cards to thank donors.

UF's Alumni Association also sends holiday cards to the association's 50,000 members each year, Brazda said. This year, the association will only send out electronic cards to the 30,000 members with available e-mail addresses, he said.

He said he didn't know how much money the association would save, but between printing and postal costs, it's a "considerable amount."

The 20,000 members without e-mail addresses won't get anything in their virtual stockings.

Still, the budget hasn't stolen Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa or any other holiday, for that matter. And Machen, with his jolly laugh and snow-white hair, is making sure of it.



Courtesy of UF

UF is providing e-cards, such as the one above, for administrators and faculty to send out.

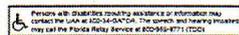
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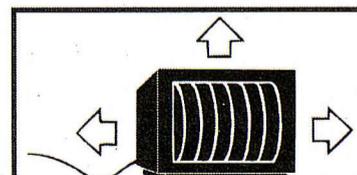
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Temperatures may fall below freezing this weekend

■ IT MAY BE 31 DEGREES TONIGHT.

By **APRIL DUDASH**
Alligator Writer

Temperatures are expected to fall to or below freezing late tonight into early Saturday morning.

Phil Peterson, a forecaster at the Jacksonville National Weather Service Forecast Office, said the office is projecting the temperature to be 31 degrees late tonight to early Saturday.

That is one degree below freezing, and a freeze watch is in effect for the Gainesville area, Peterson said.

Danny Hinson, Alachua County Emergency Management planner, said

Gainesville is in the southern area of the freeze watch.

It's mainly for southern Georgia and the northeast inland part of Florida, Hinson said.

Local News

People should cover up any fragile plants that cannot take a light freeze, such as tropical plants, Peterson said.

They should also make sure their heaters are working correctly, he said.

Hinson said to make sure the elderly are protected from colder weather.

If people live in mobile homes or older homes that might have exposed pipes, they need to make sure water runs through the entire system so the pipes don't freeze, Hinson said.

AROUND UF

Radio service cuts programs, upsetting some listeners

By **KORI FREDERICK**
Alligator Writer

Carol Massey wakes up every Thursday and waits to hear the grocery ads read over the radio. The Gainesville resident, who is blind, depends on the program to know where she can go to save money.

She's used the Radio Reading Service, which has been provided by UF's Classic 89, since its inception in 1992.

She has relied on the service for activities such as listening to a program called "Window Shopping," which reads ads from various stores in town.

The reading service still reads the grocery ads, usually twice on Thursdays, but Massey said it really "screws up her week" if they aren't read, which happened a few weeks ago.

"This is a really valuable service for me," said Massey. "I'm blind, so I can't get in the car and go look myself."

Massey and several others said they have noticed a decline in services provided by the Radio Reading Service, which has a listening audience of 650, she said.

Listeners are sent special receivers that pick up the low-frequency

signal the service is broadcast over. As part of the service, volunteers read newspapers, grocery ads, magazines and books to the listeners.

Massey said many programs, such as "Window Shopping," have been canceled. Weekend service has also been canceled.

"I would like to see more local service," Massey said. "I would like to see some of those old programs back on the air."

However, Jean DeFlumer, station manager, said "Window Shopping" and weekend service were cut because there weren't enough volunteers.

DeFlumer also said the station likes to use the Minnesota reading service when it finishes with local programming.

Massey said the service is relying too much on broadcasts from a Minnesota reading service, instead of having local programming.

One of the most recent issues bothering listeners is the cancellation of "Focus," a local program.

"Focus" brought on health professionals, doctors, nurses and people from agencies like the Veteran's Affairs and Hospice.

The program, a live broadcast, was ended last month because the host, Jo DeNicola, didn't want to record her show a week in ad-

vance.

DeNicola said it helped people respond to problems in their lives in a positive manner. She brought in guests who helped the listeners know what was going on in their community.

DeNicola said this was the only live local programming offered to them.

She said her program was canceled because she went in to do her show one day and discovered the station had been off the air. DeNicola said she had to find an engineer to help her, and later got her show started with the engineer's help.

After DeNicola complained about the incident, DeFlumer told her she would be required to record her show a week in advance and she could only have two guests per month.

"She wanted to change the format of the entire show," DeNicola said. "I didn't want her to do that, so I quit."

DeFlumer said it is common practice for shows to be recorded a week in advance. She said it did not pull the show off the air.

"There is a certain group of people who are malcontent," DeFlumer said. "Most of our listeners are very positive except this one group of people. We expected

a backlash from this show going off the air."

Joan Miles, a listener since 1993, said she has not received a schedule since DeFlumer took over in 1999.

Many long-time listeners have complained about not knowing the schedule. Both Miles and Massey said they haven't known the schedule for several years.

DeFlumer said programs are available and are sent out when they send out the receivers.

"Many people haven't gotten updated programming because they've had their receivers for years," DeFlumer explained.

Many listeners are upset about the lack of a representative voice.

When the service began, there was an advisory board of listeners, volunteers and workers who gave feedback and comments about the service, Massey said.

This board was extinguished in 2000 by Henry Pensis, station manager. He said the program didn't need a board because it had grown so much.

Many long-time volunteers quit helping at the station because they couldn't get in contact with DeFlumer, said Norman Jensen, a volunteer for five years.

Jensen said he quit because he could never get in touch with DeFlumer.

"A lot of people depend on this service," Jensen said.

A comparison of programs offered in the UF's Radio Reading Service's early days and now

Then

- Weekend Service
- Focus, a live, local program
- A program that read grocery ads
- Programs from the Minnesota reading room

Now

- No weekend service
- A program that reads AARP Magazine
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ON CAMPUS

Gonzales' requests turned down

By **DEVIN CULCLASURE**

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Former U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales will speak at UF on Monday, but his speech will not go exactly as he wanted.

Gonzales, who resigned from his White House position in August after a controversial tenure, made several requests that were refused by Accent, Student Government's speakers bureau.

He requested that his representatives choose which members of the press cover the event and that they not use television cameras and recording devices during his speech, his contract stated.

Gonzales also asked Accent not to disclose the amount he was paid for his speech — \$40,000, the contract stated.

Steven Blank, Accent chairman, said the requests were denied because they violated university policies

and possibly state statutes, but he didn't know the exact rules broken.

Beth Waltrip, director of student activities and manager of Accent's legal and contractual issues, could not be reached by press time.

Accent's refusal of the requests did not cause any negotiating problems, Blank said.



Gonzales

The speakers bureau did grant Gonzales the right to control the question-and-answer session after his speech.

Attendees must write questions on index cards, which will be collected and asked by a moderator.

A faculty member from the Levin College of Law will probably moderate the speech, though no final decision has been made, Blank said.

Gonzales isn't the first visitor to ask for special treatment, he said.

Elie Wiesel, a Holocaust survi-

vor who famously documented his experiences in his autobiography, "Night," requested a similar question-and-answer process when he spoke in March 2006.

"It doesn't impede students' ability to ask some hard-hitting questions, and hopefully he'll have some hard-hitting answers," Blank said.

Gonzales also asked that the venue be adequately lit so he can see the audience and that his lectern be positioned so the audience can't see his notes. But most of the requests Gonzales made were more ordinary, such as asking for a wireless microphone and a glass of water on stage, the contract stated.

Gonzales will appear at 7:15 p.m. at the Phillips Center for the Performing Arts.

Free tickets for students with Gator 1 Cards are still available today at the Phillips Center and the University Box Office.

Check www.alligator.org to see Gonzales' contract.

Seinfeld coming

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Jerry Seinfeld is coming to UF to make jokes about nothing.

Seinfeld, famous for playing a semi-fictional version of himself in the NBC sitcom bearing his name, is returning to Gainesville on Feb. 22. The stand-up comedian was a past performer at Gator Growl.

Seinfeld has won a Golden Globe and Emmy award for "Seinfeld," which he co-created, wrote for and eventually produced.

According to the show's Web site, it was ranked No. 1 on TV Guide's 2002 list of the "50 Greatest Shows of All Time."

Seinfeld was recently named "the master stand-up comic of his generation" and "the best comedian of our time" in a Washington Post article by Tom Shales, a UF press release stated.

Seinfeld will perform two shows, one at 7 p.m. and one at 9:30 p.m., at the Phillips Center for the Performing Arts.

Tickets go on sale today at noon and are available at the Phillips Center Box Office and through Ticketmaster.

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Editorial

Thank God — it's finally starting to feel like a season other than summer. It's time to put the sundresses and shorts in the back of the closet and break out the sweaters and scarves. It's time to put on a pot of chili and sip some hot cocoa. It's time to trade in the Corona Light for a dark, wintry ale. It's time to stop going to class and stay under the covers instead. But most of all, it's time to read this week's frost-covered edition of...

Darts & Laurels

First up, we send a this-just-sends-a-chill-down-our-spines **DART** to former U.S. Attorney General **Alberto Gonzales**, who will be speaking at UF next week. He wanted to limit the press at the speech, and he didn't want the amount he was being paid disclosed. He also didn't want video or audio recorders allowed at the speech.

Hey, Alberto: This isn't a classified speech to the CIA. You'll be talking to a bunch of college students. We've gotta ask, does he plan to say some things he doesn't want repeated? But we've got to give a that-warms-us-right-back-up **LAUREL** to **Accent** and **UF** for saying no to Gonzales' demands.

Next, we send a that-cold-blast-of-air-may-be-from-an-F-16-flying-over-your-head **LAUREL** to UF's Air Force ROTC program, which was ranked the No. 1 medium-sized unit in the country for the first time in the program's 65-year history. UF student-cadets lead the program and will serve the country. With this news, we know they'll do it well.

Also in UF and high-rankings news, we give a who-needs-a-Florida-winter-when-you-could-experience-one-in-England-Mexico-or-China **LAUREL** to the **UF International Center**. UF ranks 17th in the nation for international-student attendance, and it also ranks high in short-term study-abroad participation.

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Speaking of great places to study abroad, how about Sweden? It's the land of H&M, umlauts, Greta Garbo and the Celsius temperature scale. What could we be forgetting? Oh, yes. Here's a Momma-Mia-that's-a-spicy-Swedish-meatball **LAUREL** for **IKEA**, the Swedish furniture design company, which has taken Florida by storm, opening two stores in two months. The Orlando location opened Thursday morning, and several UF students ventured there in search of Vreta, Isig, Bestå Tofta and Läkt.

IKEA is a college student's dream furniture because of its modern design and low prices. It's like the SuperTarget of home design, with all the imported Swedish food you could ever want. Pickled herring, anyone? We hear it's a great breakfast on a chilly winter morning.

Someone at UF doesn't need to save money by buying **IKEA** furniture, and for that we have a how-about-buying-a-sweater-for-every-UF-student **DART** to UF President **Bernie Machen**, who earns a startling \$726,849 a year, including benefits. That's almost five and a half times what Gov. Charlie Crist earns. Assuming Bernie worked 40 hours a week (but we know he must work more), he's earning \$350 an hour. Damn.

Meanwhile, UF is facing huge budget cuts. Maybe Bernie's salary could be put to better use? Read more from us on this issue soon — if our fingers aren't frozen.

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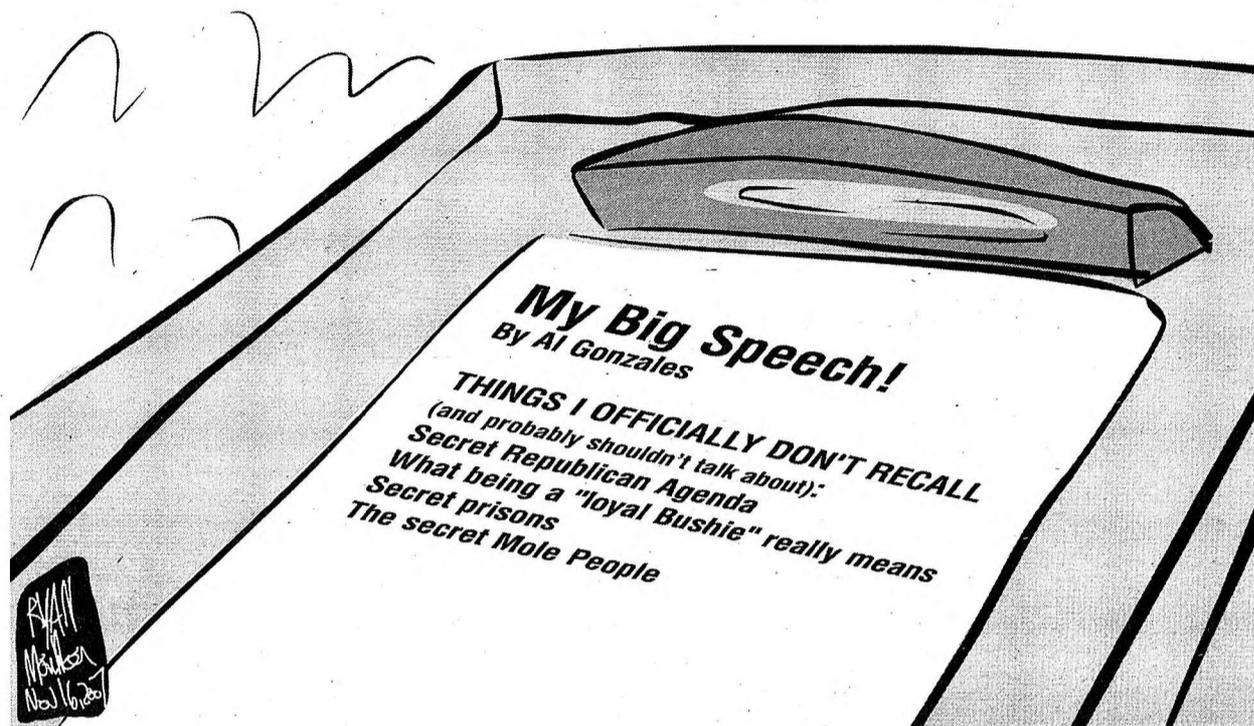
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One of former U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales' requests to Accent was to position his lectern so the audience wouldn't see his notes.

Why doesn't Alberto Gonzalez want YOU to see his notes?



Column

Get your mind off of holiday weight gain

Why is everyone on a diet all of a sudden? Maybe I'm imagining things, but it appears there has been a recent outburst of weight-loss frenzy among college students in the weeks before Thanksgiving.

It could be fears of going home and seeing friends for the first time in several months have prompted students to panic about weight.

Or perhaps the coming holiday season is scaring students into thinking if they don't lose weight now, they will be twice as heavy once holiday feasting has ceased.

But whatever the reason, self-deprecating rants about unwanted body fat and drastic goals to lose 15 pounds by Christmas seem to be on a lot of people's agendas — and it's starting to piss me off.

I say this mainly because lately, I have been assigned the position of Designated Moderator of my friends' daily Flab Competitions.

"Look! Look at my stomach. I have a muffin-top now," one of my skinny friends complained as she lifted her shirt in disgust, to which another of my fit friends replied, "Oh, you think that's bad? Look at my legs. You'd think I'd be long in a forest with these tree-trunks."

It drives me nuts because there is no reason for any of my friends to be upset about their bodies.

I know my friends aren't the only people who feel insecure about their weight but unfortunately, most of us are. Preoccupation with weight is commonplace in college. We are bombarded with warnings of weight gain from the beginning.

I remember thinking, "Oh man, I don't want to gain the Freshman 15," as I waved goodbye to my family on my first day of college.



Colleen Shea
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But really, it's OK if you've put on a few pounds in college. It's not the end of the world. What's not OK is the way college students complain about their bodies.

When will people finally stop stressing over the little flab around their arms?

When will women finally stop trying to win Flab Competitions?

Instead of getting frenzied about losing a pants size before fall semester ends, maybe what we should do is start feeling good about the way we look — as we look now.

My mom gives pretty good advice. When I had a pity party last year about the way I looked, she told me, "Always be thankful for what you have. I used to look in the mirror and hate myself. Now I look back at old photos and think, 'Damn! I was a sexpot!'"

So let's try to feel good about ourselves and enjoy our young bodies. So what if you put on a few pounds this semester — it happens. So what if your belly hangs over your pants a little bit — it's not going to kill you.

Now don't get me wrong, I'm not saying it's OK to eat junk food and sit around all day. I'm just saying that extreme diet and exercise habits aren't OK, especially around this time of year, when people should be enjoying time with friends and family.

Plus, who honestly wants to think about calories on Thanksgiving?

Wear your elastic pants and eat an extra slice of pumpkin pie. Love your body.

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 typically gain weight over the holidays?

Thursday's question: Do you plan to attend the UF-FSU football game next weekend?

57% YES
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Letters to the Editor

Meyer doesn't deserve our attention

In response to Thursday's guest column, I challenge Andrew Meyer to keep his mouth shut for once.

He is a fluke and just another misguided miscreant begging for attention who somehow cluelessly stumbled into an undeserved moment of celebrity.

His column contained nothing new or inspiring, and his attempt at flair made it all the more annoying. What makes people think they should listen to him? What wisdom could we expect to come from him?

The Andrew Meyer has done enough damage to UF.

Michael Bosworth
UF graduate student

Meyer's call for voters filled with irony

I can only hope Andrew Meyer's guest column was published with ironic intent. The guy who helped perpetuate the idea that political protesters are shrill, self-im-

portant fools wonders why more students aren't involved?

The guy who, through his selfish, attention-whoring antics, has probably made it more difficult for Accent to convince speakers to come to UF is now challenging Accent to bring better guests?

The guy who has now twice advanced the stereotype that all college students are apathetic Facebook junkies is wondering why that stereotype is alive and well?

Yes, we should be more politically active than we are. But hearing Meyer extol the virtues of civic responsibility is like hearing Pat Robertson preach about the Bible's message of tolerance and love.

Someone please disabuse Meyer of the notion that he's in any position to speak for his generation, let alone challenge it to do anything.

Taylor Clarke
2EG

Don't perpetuate stereotypes, Alligator

I found myself a little surprised after reading "Overheard in Gainesville" in Thursday's Avenue section. The final quote, by a "sorostitute," would have little apparent humor apart from the girl presumably being in a sorority. Some people might find it funny, but why not throw in hilarious quotes about other people?

I have one for you: Black guy: "But seriously, I really like fried chicken now."

I'm obviously exaggerating, but both quotes are loaded with stereotypes too easily perpetuated by this kind of lax cultural dialogue. The Alligator should be more conscious of what it prints. I feel the Alligator takes an unnecessary anti-Greek stance far too often. I am in a fraternity, and the stereotypes are true only to the extent that race and gender stereotypes are also true, though racist and sexist articles are rarely printed.

Sean Hipworth
4LS

Online SG voting should be an option

During the fall Student Government election, UF students again resoundingly expressed the opinion that the voting system at UF needs an overhaul. When 14 percent of the electorate trudges through the rain to the polls, it is time for a change.

Students For Online Voting offers UF that change. Instead of having to find a polling station and deal with the bureaucratic gridlock of the current system, students would be able to roll out of bed and vote on their computers. Increased participation could make SG more likely to respond to the needs of the student body and the administration more likely to listen to SG. It is all too easy for the administration to get its way when fewer than 7,000 students make their voices heard at the polls.

Online voting would offer an innovative way to make UF more democratic. We already take classes, register and pay fees online. Why shouldn't we vote there, too?

Mark McShera
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Guest column

Lack of rain in Georgia needs real solutions, not prayer

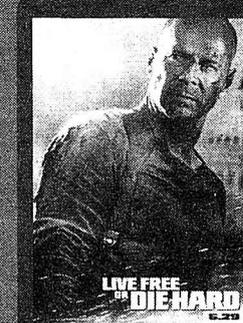
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Campaign aims to limit some credit-card marketing

By NICOLE FINEO

Alligator Contributing Writer

Enticements of free food and merchandise when applying for credit cards could be a thing of the past if a consumer advocacy group has its way.

The U.S. Public Interest Research Group recently launched a nationwide campaign, "Truth About Credit," in an effort to limit aggressive credit card marketing

to college students.

Ed Mierzwinski, the consumer advocate for the group, said he is working to get the support of lawmakers, including lobbying Congress to pass laws that regulate credit card offers to full-time students.

Every campus has its own policy, he said, but in most states card marketing on campus is legal.

In Florida, there are very few, if any, laws regarding marketing on

"It is a challenge to get the attention of today's students."

Larry Ciaccia
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college campuses, he said.

Larry Ciaccia, president of AuthenTec Inc., said college students are a main target group for credit card companies.

"Students are impulse buyers, more likely to keep a credit balance and in many cases do not have an existing credit card," he said.

Alex Randon, an electrical engineering student at UF, said a free pita got him to sign up.

Pita Pit had a credit card representative in the restaurant twice last year, said Dan Beechner, a manager at the restaurant.

Students who applied for a

specific card received a pita that was paid for by the credit card company. During the one-week promotion, more than 100 pitas were given to applicants, he said.

Similar promotions go on at other restaurants in Gainesville.

The reason companies promote with free food is because it works, Ciaccia said.

"It is a challenge to get the attention of today's students," he said.

Homeless coalition raises concerns about Gainesville

■ SHARING FOOD IN FRONT OF CITY HALL IS ILLEGAL.

By APRIL DUDASH

Alligator Writer

Gainesville was added to a list of 22 cities that restrict providing meals to the homeless in a November homeless advocacy report.

In a conference call Thursday morning, the National Coalition for the Homeless and

National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty discussed the increase of cities punishing those who feed homeless people.

Gainesville city ordinances make sharing food in front of City Hall illegal and require food distribution centers for the homeless to obtain a permit, the report stated.

Michael Stoops, executive director of the coalition, said it named Gainesville the fifth-meanest city in the country toward the homeless in 2004.

"Gainesville is kind of self-nominating

themselves to be on the mean city list," he said.

Concerns were also raised because the future Gainesville one-stop homeless center will be located 33 blocks north of the downtown area, the report stated.

City spokesman Bob Woods said the City Hall ordinance was created in 2003 by the city manager.

The city has allowed for some flexibility, Woods said.

However, Stoops said the homeless cannot get three hot meals seven days a week in Gainesville.

"I think there's an effort in Gainesville and elsewhere to drive the visible homeless out from the downtown area," Stoops said.

Woods said the center, which would be located on 3335 N. Main Terrace, would provide various services in addition to meals.

"We think we can do better, and the citizens in our community deserve better," Woods said.



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Senate collects food for homeless

■ MONEY DONATIONS ARE BEING COLLECTED, TOO.

By ILEANA MORALES

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Turkeys, cans of corn and green beans are what the Student Senate has been thinking about since Monday.

Sen. Anita McNulty, who represents UF sophomores, said the Senate is collecting canned foods, nonperishable food items and money donations for homeless shelters and families.

McNulty said she has been collecting contributions from student senators and anyone involved in Student Government since Monday.

She said all donations will be given to Bread of the Mighty Food

Bank, a part of America's Second Harvest, which is the largest charitable hunger-relief organization in the United States.

She said the Senate has a service project each semester, but this is the first year it has sponsored a Thanksgiving food drive.

Student Government
About 40 or 50 cans of food and at least \$75 in donations have already been collected for the

drive, she said.

McNulty said she expects to have about 200 cans of food and \$100 to donate by Tuesday, the last day of the drive.

"I think that we're all so blessed in certain ways to have homes, and there's a lot of people less fortunate," McNulty said. "It's just a great way to give back to the community."

Interest in languages rising

By KIM WILMATH

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While numbers of UF international students and study-abroad participants are on the upswing, many students are also opting to learn foreign languages from the comfort of Gainesville.

Enrollment in UF's language courses is on the rise, following national trends of booming Spanish classes and fast-growing interest in learning Arabic and Chinese, said Dennis Jett, director of UF's International Center.

He said the growing interest in Arabic began after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Students want to be able to understand the changing world they live in, he said.

Enrollment in Arabic

classes nationwide has more than doubled from 2002 to 2006, according to the latest findings from the Modern Language Association of America.

"I think it's one of the biggest gifts."

Janie Fouke
UF provost

The findings state that Arabic has, for the first time, jumped into the top-10 list of the most popular languages.

"Almost all the language courses have benefited somewhat in recent years as people understand the importance of having an international experience," Jett said.

Over time, some courses, such as French and German, may have had reduced enroll-

ment, Jett said, but he's still pleased with students' overall international interest.

"I wish I'd done it when I was young," UF Provost Janie Fouke said about learning a foreign language. "I think it's one of the biggest gifts."

Fouke said she thinks too many students are only focused on taking the classes they need to graduate and get a job right away.

Instead, they should try to learn a new language and become a "multi-dimensional" person, she said.

Many UF colleges don't even have foreign language requirements, she said.

But she said she didn't think those requirements would change anytime soon. If students want to take language classes, they're able to, Fouke added.

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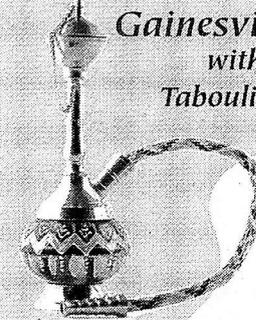
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Cars drive by the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity house on Southwest 13th Street on Thursday night. The fraternity may be punished for a party thrown in August.

Board suggests punishments

By DEVIN CULCLASURE

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The Greek Judicial Board has recommended multiple punishments for a UF fraternity following an Aug. 30 party at its house where members served alcohol to minors.

At a meeting Tuesday, the board recommended UF's chapter of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity be placed on conduct probation through fall 2008, said Steve Orlando, UF spokesman.

In addition, the board suggested that the fraternity, known as Phi Delt, be prohibited from recruitment during spring 2008. The fraternity will also be barred from recruitment through fall 2008 unless it meets certain requirements.

The sanctions include performing community service, not holding socials through summer 2008 and only holding dry socials during fall 2008. Phi Delt is allowed to participate in intramurals and philanthropic events.

Gene Zdziarski, UF's dean of students, has the final say on the suggestions. If he approves them, Phi Delt can appeal the decision to Patricia Telles-Irvin, vice president for student affairs.

The board had already warned the fraternity about a similar incident, Orlando said.

Matt Helgeson, Phi Delt president, said the fraternity has offered to work with UF in whatever way possible.

UF students become mentors at elementary school

■ VOLUNTEERS DEDICATE 30 MINUTES TO KIDS EACH WEEK.

By JACKIE HORSTMANN
Alligator Contributing Writer

Children at Metcalfe Elementary School giggled with excitement Wednesday when a group of UF students stepped into their cafeteria.

Since October, UF students have been paired up with students from Metcalfe as part of Project MASCOT, Mentoring Alliance: Students and Communities Outreaching Together.

The project is a one-year, nonprofit program for UF student volunteers interested in helping and motivating elementary-school children in the Gainesville area, according to its Web site.

Every week, the volunteers dedicate 30 minutes to mentor children who are "at risk," and as of Monday, every third- and fourth-grade student at Metcalfe has a mentor, said Kelley Bonds Kostamo, partnership specialist for Alachua County School Volunteer Program.

"I'm surprised college students would be willing to put in their time and miss getting sleep to mentor these kids," said Nathaniel Jones, student specialist at Metcalfe.

At Metcalfe, about 75 percent of the students receive free lunches, Jones said. He said the majority of these children come from low-income households.

"I tip my hat off to students who come and mentor."

Nathaniel Jones
student specialist at Metcalfe

The children at Metcalfe have problems identifying good role models, he said. Project MASCOT will be able to keep the children interested in not only their schoolwork but also in developing hopes and dreams for their

future, Jones said.

"I tip my hat off to students who come and mentor," he said.

While some UF students are required to participate in community service, others take the initiative because they want to make a bigger difference in Gainesville.

Andrew Schneider, a 20-year-old UF biology major, said he decided to participate in Project MASCOT because he thought it would be fun and rewarding to help at-risk children.

Schneider and his student, George, meet every Wednesday at noon to hang out, play sports and just talk about life.

"He smiles every time I visit him," Schneider said as he gave George a high-five.

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Faculty Senate moves closer to altering honor court

■ THE COURT MAY NOT HEAR DISHONESTY CASES.

By DEVIN CULCLASURE

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UF's Student Honor Court is one step closer to losing its ability to hear academic dishonesty cases, which is its primary responsibility.

UF's Faculty Senate passed a resolution Thursday urging Patricia Telles-Irvin, vice president for student affairs, to cut the number of ways UF handles student academic dishonesty cases.

Generally, students charged with academic dishonesty can choose to have their cases heard by the Student Conduct Committee, which comprises students and faculty, or by the Student Honor Court, where faculty only participate as witnesses.

Other venues for hearing cases include an administrative hearing, a resolution meeting with faculty and students, or student conduct committees at the Health Science Center and the Levin College of Law.

The Senate suggested removing the honor court and administrative hearings because they did not have adequate faculty and student repre-

sentation, respectively.

Gene Zdziarski, dean of students and co-chair of the Senate committee that made the sugges-

tions, said another concern was the low number of cases heard by the honor court.

In the last six years, the court

handled 22 of 1,095 academic dishonesty cases at UF, Zdziarski said.

Faculty members and students said the court setting was inap-

propriate for most of the cases, and it generally created hostility, he added.

But some students expressed displeasure with the possible removal of the court.

Fairuze Sofia, a third year UF law student and the court's chief defense counsel, said she thinks faculty members wanted to remove the court because they felt slighted by their lack of involvement.

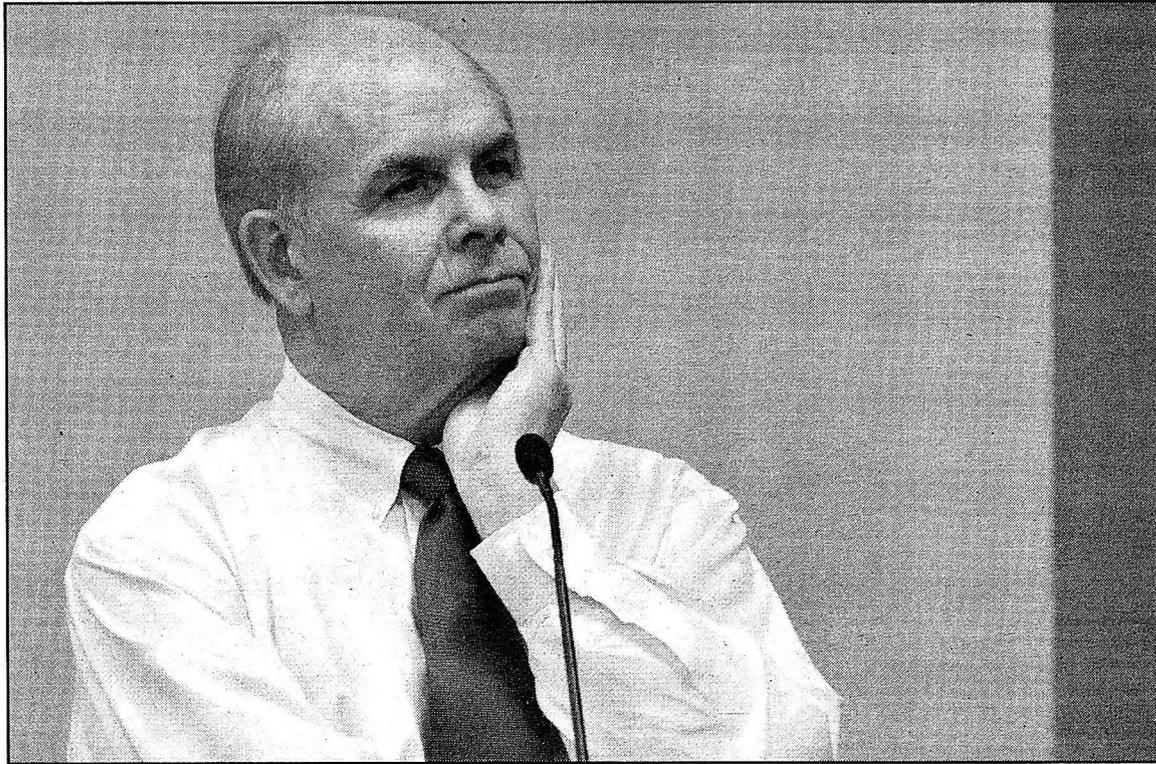
"The whole point of honor court is to give students a fair hearing," Sofia said. "Other processes might not help much if a teacher already thinks a student is guilty."

In addition, Yooni Yi, Student Body President Ryan Moseley's chief of staff, and Vanessa Goodwin, Student Body vice president, presented Student Government's concerns and suggestions.

SG's recommendations, which will also be sent to Telles-Irvin, suggested reforms to the court instead of its removal.

Possible changes included appointing faculty advisers to the student attorneys and having the Dean of Students Office review the cases.

"We're not saying the Student Honor Court doesn't have problems, because it does," Goodwin said. "But it has been a part of us since 1914."



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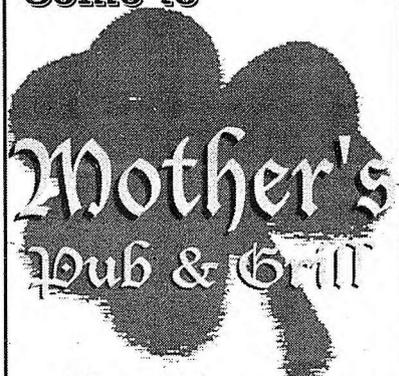
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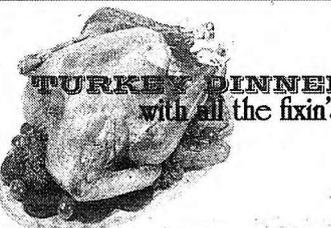
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UF celebrates Gatorade history

■ A CEREMONY WILL BE HELD OUTSIDE THE O'CONNELL CENTER TODAY.

By **KIM WILMATH**
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Like a lime-green, sticky flagship, Gatorade led UF to research greatness.

Now, after enjoying more than 40 years of electrolyte-laced hydration, UF is venerating the drink with a historical marker and a ceremony outside the O'Connell Center today at 1:30 p.m.

The dedication will be the first in a series of three-foot-tall markers to honor UF's triumphs in research, service and education, states a memo from UF's History Advisory Council to UF's deans, directors and department chairs.

About 200 people were invited to the event, including Gatorade's original researchers.

The historical marker program is sponsored by the UF Alumni Association, and the first marker cost \$1,460, said Carl Van Ness, UF's historian.

"When it came time to pick the first one, Gatorade was easy," Van Ness said. "It combines everything—in-ovation, research and, of course, the sports program."

Sweet roots

In 1965, four researchers in UF's College of Medicine created a drink to replenish fluids, electrolytes and carbohydrates lost during exercise or sports.

Van Ness said the UF football team first tested the drink during practice.

On Campus The first time players guzzled it during a game was when UF played then-fifth-ranked Louisiana State University, he said.

"We were heavy underdogs, but we ended up beating them," he said. "We outlasted them."

Van Ness said LSU team members and spectators were amazed by the amount of energy the Gators team sustained throughout the game.

Rewards and concerns

The rest is Gatorade history, and UF still reaps the monetary benefits of sweet, liquid success.

Over the last five years, UF received about \$12.58 million in royalties from Gatorade sales, wrote Steve Orlando, UF spokesman, in an e-mail.

But that piece of the pie could crumble if national health regulations call for public schools to remove the sports drink from their cafeterias.

Sen. Tom Harkin, a Democrat who represents Iowa, recently introduced a bill that would set new nutritional standards in public schools, according to a report from The Washington Post.

Public health advocates are pushing to ban sports drinks and sweetened waters, citing high sugar, sodium and calories as nutritional downfalls.

Janis Mena, GatorWell Health Promotion Services nutritionist, said removing Gatorade from school cafeterias could help curb obesity at a young age.

Gatorade wasn't created for children, Mena said. Even when used during exercise, it should be diluted and consumed in small amounts.

Orlando said UF officials would not comment about whether stopping sales of the drink at elementary or high schools could severely hurt UF's revenue but said UF would certainly not remove Gatorade from campus.

Making history

UF hopes to erect three to four historical markers on campus each year, Van Ness said.

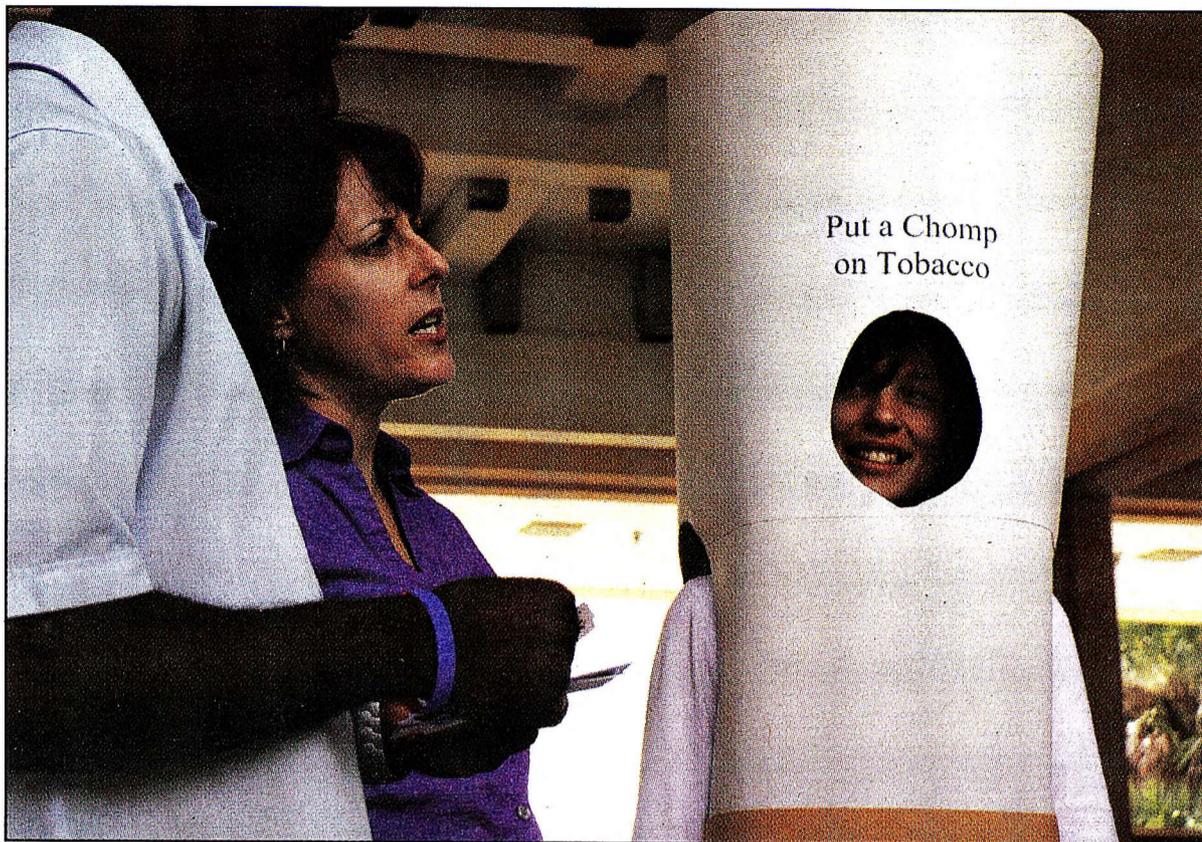
The next two will commemorate UF's Everglades research and the UF Baldwin Library of Historical Children's Literature.

He said the idea for the marker program came from a similar one at Penn State University.

Like Penn State, UF will eventually offer walking tours from marker to marker around campus to showcase UF's historical contributions, he said.

He said he couldn't estimate how many posts might someday dot UF's campus because the number will continually grow.

"As long as we keep making history, we'll continue to put in historical markers," Van Ness said.



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All Dressed Up And Nowhere To Go

Jane Emmerée, the chair of Healthy Gators 2010 Programming Work Group, speaks while Terina Lopez, a GatorWell intern in a cigarette costume, stands by during The Great Gator Smokeout on Thursday.

STUDENT LIFE

Fly-fishing brings students together

By **ILEANA MORALES**
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Seven UF students will drive 10 hours today to go fishing.

The students are members of the UF Fly-Fishing Club, and they're heading to North Carolina, where the fishing is good.

Brian Kasten, the Fly-Fishing Club president, said fly-fishing is the old-fashioned way to fish.

He started the club because he didn't want to make the long trips for fishing by himself. The club has 27 active members.

Kasten said he has been fishing since he was 10 years old and taught himself how to cast.

Now he's teaching novice fishermen the special casting style of fly-fishing over on the fields by Hull Road on UF's campus.

"It's more difficult so it's more rewarding when you catch something," said Kasten, a UF biology junior.

One of the main differences between fly-fishing and regular fishing is the equipment, he said.

For fly-fishing rods, the fishing line is thick and bright green instead of a clear.

"We give the fish every single advantage," he said.

Fly-fishermen also use waders — special pants used when they stand in the water — and waterproof boots.

He said living in Florida is a barrier for practicing the sport he loves. So the group travels to places like North Carolina and Georgia.

Kasten and the six other students will spend the weekend in a riverside cabin owned by Davidson River Outfitters. The cabin is about 20 miles from any grocery store, he said.

The group will spend eight-hour days

fly-fishing for rainbow trout on a private river.

Kasten said as a student group, they have been welcomed by different fishing outfitters and been given special discounts. For Kasten, that's another advantage of the club.

"Fly-fishing could be a very expensive sport kids won't be able to do without an

outlet like this," Kasten said.

Kyle Humphreys, vice president of the Fly-Fishing Club, said fishing locations charge about \$160 a day per person to fish. For him, fly-fishing is more special than regular fishing.

"The casting in itself is very neat," Humphreys said. "It's almost like an art."

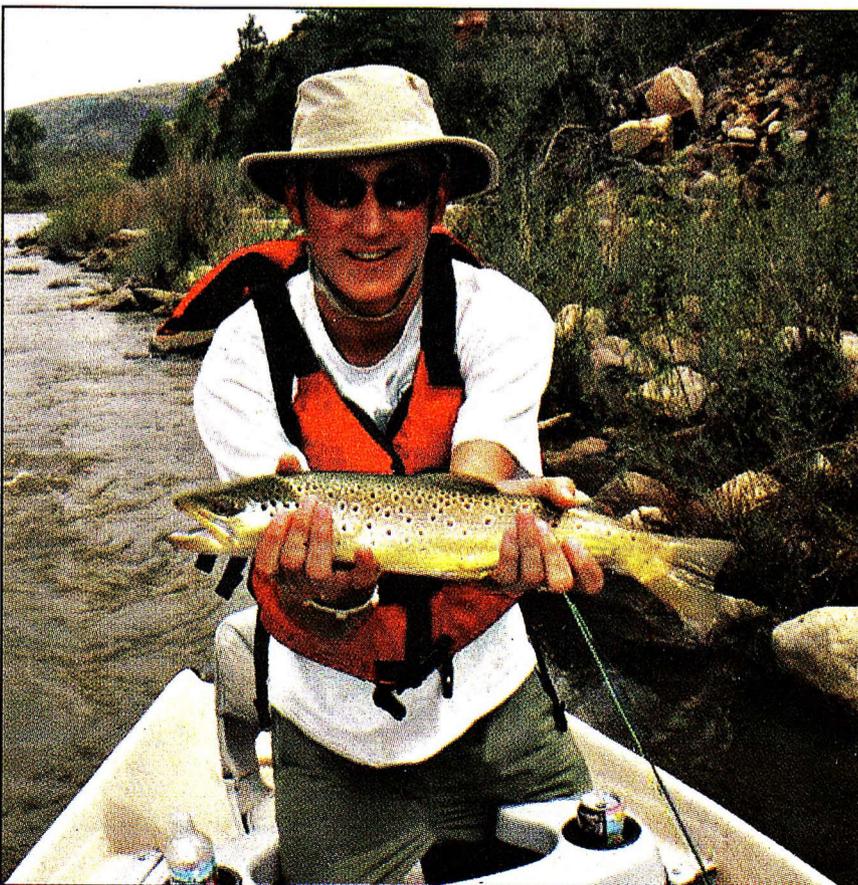


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Brian Kasten, the Fly-Fishing Club's president, holds a brown trout on a summer fly-fishing trip in Colorado.

Small changes can help reduce water consumption

■ CHANGING SPRINKLER SCHEDULES CAN HELP.

By **STEVEN WEINER**
Alligator Writer

UF researchers have found that going green to protect the water supply doesn't mean sacrificing a green lawn.

Two recent studies from UF's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences reveal that simple changes to lawn-watering practices can drastically reduce water use.

Researchers found that homeowners could save a significant amount of water and money by changing automated sprinkler schedules and using soil moisture-sensor technology.

The sensor can monitor how much moisture is in the grass' roots and shut off the lawn's irrigation system accordingly.

Melissa Baum Haley, research coordinator and a graduate student in the department of agricultural and biological engineering, worked with seven other researchers on the studies, which were led by Michael Dukes, associate professor of agricultural and biological engineering.

For the first study, the research team worked with 27 Florida homeowners to determine the best settings for automated in-ground sprinkler systems.

The team concluded that homeowners could cut monthly water usage by 30 percent by

changing their sprinkler settings seasonally.

The average amount of water saved for the homes in the study was 13,000 gallons per month.

These changes would be easy to implement, Haley said.

The study also found that homeowners who used short-range sprinklers on ornamental plants along with the adjusted watering schedule cut water usage in half.

In its second study, the team asked if soil-moisture sensors

could also be used to control the amount of water a lawn receives.

A soil-moisture sensor is a small device placed in the dirt beneath the root bed of the grass.

By testing a variety of moisture sensors on the market, the

team found that it conserved an average of 69 to 92 percent of water.

In both studies, the lawns undergoing the experiments remained healthy and green, indicating that less water did not decrease plant health.

These studies also indicate that most people are significantly overwatering their lawns.

Haley compared the grass root zone, where grass absorbs water, to a gas tank.

Although people may think more water will equate to healthier grass, like a gas tank, the root zone can only hold so much.

"By irrigating for one or two or three hours, you're not going to have more water stored in that root zone," she said.

Haley said 45 minutes is more than enough time to water any one area.

As Florida continues to grow at breakneck speed, the need for water conservation will increase, she said.

As the state's population increases, construction of family housing increases.

These houses will most likely come with automated sprinkler systems.

If every house with these automated systems adopted the seasonal scheduling changes, enormous amounts of water would be saved, Haley said.

She encouraged homeowners to look into making these changes and being more responsible about water conservation.



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Mary Shedd, a graduate student in the department of agricultural and biological engineering, and Bernard Cardenas-Lailhacar, the research coordinator, install a soil-moisture sensor.

Irrigation Revelation: UF researchers have found that homeowners can save money by saving water. Here's a breakdown of the research by the numbers.

30% amount seasonal water usage will be cut by resetting automated sprinkler systems

69-92% amount of water usage cut by utilizing soil moisture sensors

20% amount of water saved by utilizing a drip irrigation system with ornamental plants

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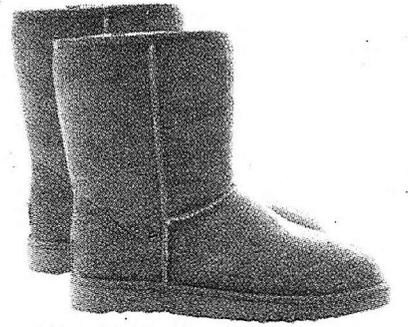
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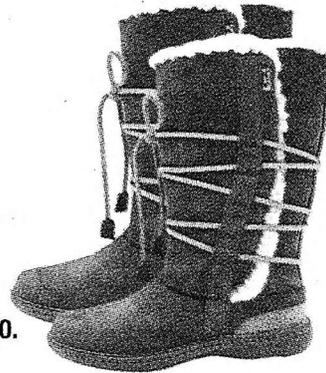
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SFCC student organizes campus self-defense panel

■ STEPS FOR VICTIM SUPPORT WERE DISCUSSED.

By **KATIE GALLAGHER**

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When walking alone at night, stick to well-lit areas. Keep your hands empty. Be aware of your surroundings.

But above all, don't talk on your cell phone, Cpl. Jaime Kurnick of the Gainesville Police Department said at the Safety 101 Panel Discussion at SFCC on Thursday night.

The panel also included speakers on sexual abuse, domestic abuse, UF resources for students

and self-defense.

The panel was put on by Dianna Ordway, a SFCC student, as an assignment for the Community Advocates Program, a seven-week course that bridges students to the community.

Her assignment was to do a safety or crime prevention program, she said. Though she's been planning it for weeks, recent assaults in Gainesville have made topics of rape, self-defense and victims' services appropriate, she said.

The program had special meaning to Ordway, who said she was sexually abused as a child.

She said she wanted others to know about resources that she

did not.

Kurnick said at the panel that people should not hesitate to call police when they see something suspicious.

"We want to be bothered. We want to know what's happening. We want people to be safe," she said.

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Tanja van der Veen, a victim's advocate with UF, brought up safety resources offered by the university, such as the Student Nighttime Auxiliary Patrol van service and the blue-light poles on campus.

Women can also participate in a free three-day Rape Aggression Defense course, she said, of-

fered once a month through the University Police Department.

Denise Guerin, a self-defense instructor at SFCC, also suggested a self-defense course being offered at Unified Training Center.

Laura Kalt of the Alachua County Rape Crisis Center, suggested what to do in case a crime does occur.

"First and foremost is to believe that person," she said. Victims also need to know the crime is not their fault, talk to a professional and see a doctor, she said.

The first 48 hours to 72 hours after the crime are the most crucial for getting evidence, she said, when many victims are still unsure of whether to report the

crime.

In Alachua County, she said, victims can now get a forensic exam immediately and take 90 days to decide whether to submit any evidence.

Policies have also changed in regards to domestic violence, GPD Detective Bruce Ferris said.

"There was a time when an officer would show up and there'd be a woman beaten up, and he'd say, 'Johnny, quit drinking and go stay at Bubba's house tonight,'" he said.

Now, GPD has a Domestic Violence Unit, which Ferris works with, dealing only with domestic abuse.

"Nobody has the right to hurt anybody else," he said.

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Machen's earnings top Crist's

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"It's all based on a market analysis to ensure we're paying our president fairly," Morgan said.

However, Machen said this year, he's making the same amount he made last year.

According to state law, only \$225,000 of Machen's salary can come from state-appropriated funding, Morgan said.

"It's all based on a market analysis to ensure we're paying our president fairly."

Dianna Morgan
chairwoman of UF's Board of Trustees

The rest is funded by UF's athletic program and the UF Foundation, the institution that handles donations to UF, she said.

"When you think about the fact that UF is a \$4.3 billion enterprise rivaling some of the largest companies in the nation, it's a very complex institution," Morgan said.

Given UF's wide scope of educational programs, as well as a major health science program and hospi-

tal, she said Machen's compensation is appropriate.

The board determined his salary by researching similar institutions in the nation and in the state, Morgan said.

She said parts of his salary are only paid if he meets certain goals, which are laid out by the board.

Most of Machen's goals this year were focused on cutting universitywide costs and reducing the budget.

UF has to cut \$34 million from its budget because of a recent tax-revenue shortfall.

His contract covers five years with a provision to extend it for an additional three, Morgan said.

Machen assumed his position at UF in January 2004.

Given UF's recent budget woes, Morgan said it's even more important to have a competent president.

She added that UF would not consider lowering Machen's salary to compensate for budget shortfalls.

"When times are tough, as they are, I think it's more important that you have great leadership," Morgan said. "That's when you need the very best."



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In The Driver's Seat

Karen Driscoll, a UF occupational therapy graduate student, checks how Nancy Sever's car "fits" her Thursday afternoon. The UF occupational therapy department organized "CarFit" to help adults be sure that their mirrors are adjusted properly and the driver's seat is placed correctly.

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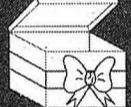
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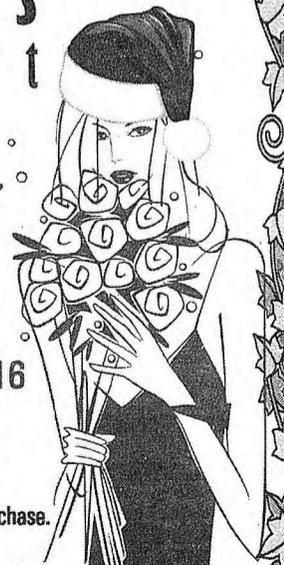
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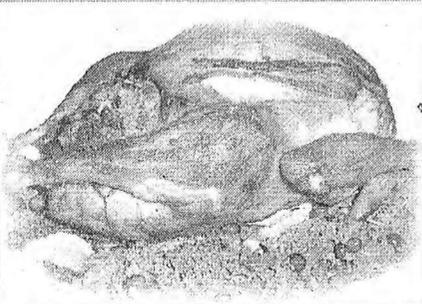
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Rutgers to test undefeated UF

By **DANNY KLEIN**

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For one Gators player, Saturday's matchup against Rutgers is turning into a family affair.

As the 7 p.m. tipoff nears, UF freshman Chandler Parsons is fully aware that his grandfather will be in Gainesville, and in the wrong locker room.

Parsons' grandfather, Don Parsons, played for Rutgers from 1946-1950 and was a sixth-round draft pick of the New York Knicks.

"He'll definitely be there in the (Rutgers) locker room," Parsons said. "He was bothering me, but I'm not a New Jersey guy. I'm not about all that cold weather."

Parsons said his grandfather tried to push him to go to Rutgers, but in the end the decision was a no-brainer.

"Florida's the best place to be," Parsons said. "I know he played there, he did his thing there. But I'm a Gator, and I'm proud of it."

When asked if his grandfather would use his relationship against him to help Rutgers prepare for the 6-foot-9 forward, Parsons said he hoped not.

"That would be dirty if he did, but I doubt it," he said.

Parsons is coming off an impressive performance against North Carolina Central, where he led the Gators with 22 points, grabbed eight rebounds and dished out seven assists in 18 minutes.

Parsons said Rutgers (3-0) poses the biggest challenge for the young Gators squad (3-0).

"They're a great team," Parsons said. "The Big East is a great conference. ... We'll be ready for Rutgers."

UF coach Billy Donovan seconded the notion.

"Certainly the most talented team we're playing up to this point is Rutgers," Donovan said. "That's going to be a heck of a challenge for us on Saturday."

As part of the Blue Ribbon Challenge, Rutgers and UF have both played the same opponents thus

far. Although both are undefeated against the bunch, Rutgers barely edged Tennessee Tech 70-64 at home, whereas the Gators dominated the same Golden Eagles team 93-65.

Rutgers is averaging only 74 points per game during the event, compared to the Gators' 91.

The Gators have impressed Donovan so far. After UF's 105-51 win against North Carolina Central, Donovan said that although the competition has been minimal, he's proud of the way his team has played.

"I'm very happy with how we've shot the ball, and how we've passed the basketball so far. It's encouraging to see them play together."

Billy Donovan

UF men's basketball coach

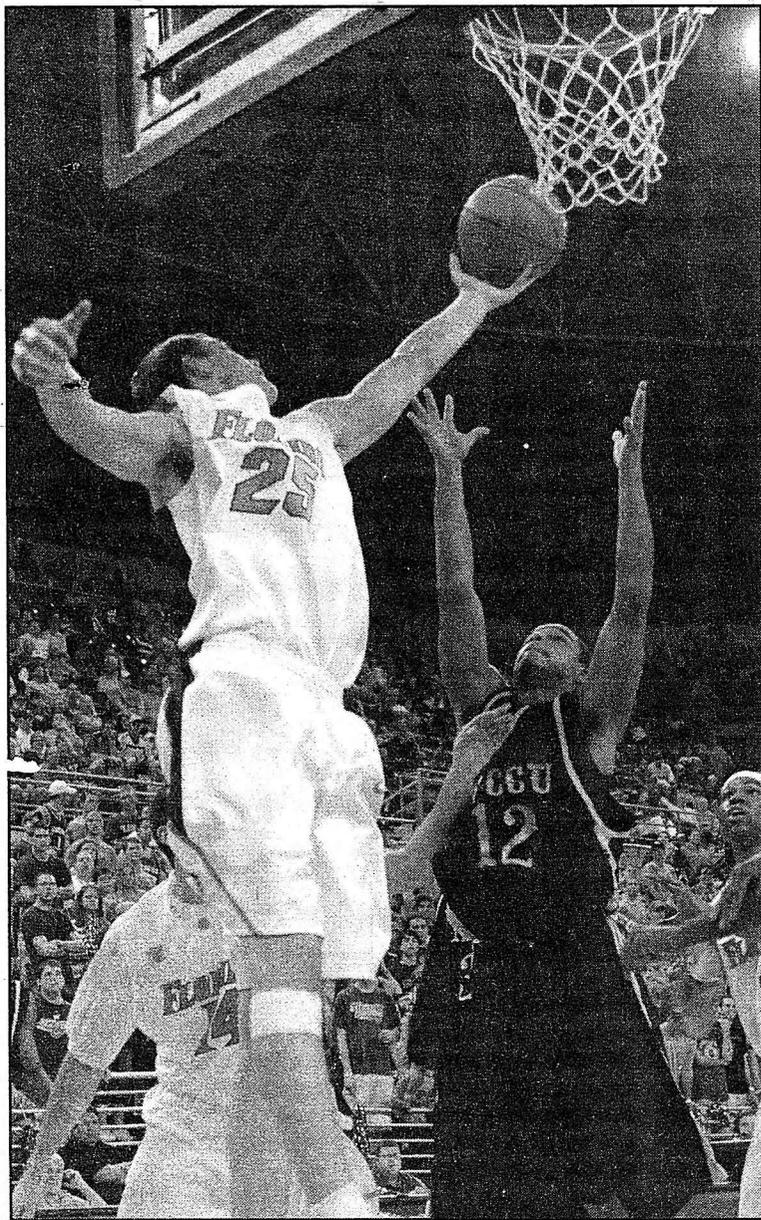
"I thought the last two games they had a reason to feel good about themselves," he said. "I think that if I was sitting up here telling you our team came out complacent, selfish and didn't play together, you know what, I would be upset. I would be saying there was youthfulness, but after this game I can say we've showed some maturity, which is good to see."

The Gators are averaging almost 21 assists per contest so far, a trend Donovan thinks has been the key to their early season success.

"I'm very happy with how we've shot the ball, and how we've passed the basketball so far," Donovan said. "It's encouraging to see them play together."

After breaking a school record for consecutive wins at home against Tennessee Tech last Sunday, the Gators will aim for a new milestone in Saturday's contest.

With a win, Donovan will have 300 career victories, 265 of which he amassed during his tenure at UF.



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UF forward Chandler Parsons rebounds during UF's 105-51 victory over North Carolina Central on Wednesday at the O'Connell Center.

Gators head to Nebraska for season's first road game

■ BROOKS HOPES TO IMPROVE ON POOR SHOOTING PERFORMANCE.

By **PHIL KEGLER**

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The UF women's basketball team is going to find out this weekend if it can play as well on the road as it has at home.

The Gators (2-0) travel to Nebraska for their first road game Saturday at 6:05 p.m.

The Cornhuskers (2-0) are coming off an 80-59 victory against another Southeastern Conference team, Mississippi, which was projected to finish higher than UF in the

conference's preseason polls.

Players and coaches talked about the importance of staying focused while playing away from home.

"You can't be distracted by sleeping in a hotel," UF coach Amanda Butler said. "You can't be distracted by travel and just things that are different from our day-to-day routine."

Senior guard Depree Bowden hopes to help talk her team through the hostile environment.

"There's going to be a lot of fans and everyone's going to be against us," she said. "We gotta keep together as a team and just try to be a family."

After a scoreless 0-for-10 shooting night against Robert Morris on Monday, junior guard Sha Brooks put in some extra shooting

time before each practice in an attempt to improve against Nebraska.

"I most certainly don't want to have another game like I did the other day," Brooks said. "I was getting good shots, they just wouldn't fall. You have bad games like that."

The game poses yet another challenge in the post for the Gators.

Cornhuskers senior Danielle Page earned Big 12 Conference Player of the

Week honors Monday after totaling 24 points and averaging 8.5 rebounds in her first two games.

The 6-foot-2 forward came off the bench against the Gators in the Cornhuskers' 81-73 victory last season and scored 15 points and added seven rebounds in just 18 minutes.

Meanwhile, junior forward Marshae Dotson comes off one of the better games of her career, racking up 25 points and 16 rebounds against Robert Morris.

Butler looks to the team's experience against high-quality post players to help them through yet another frontcourt challenge.

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UF SOCCER

Abdullah hits scoring stride in time for NCAA Tournament

By **KARL HYPOLITE**

Alligator Writer

Finally, there's been an Ameera Abdullah sighting.

After a quiet season offensively, it appears the preseason first-team All-Southeastern Conference player is regaining her 2006 form.

Abdullah scored two goals in UF's 4-1 win over Georgia in the

SEC title game.

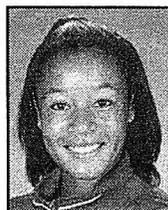
It was the first multiple-score game of the year for the junior, who finished the regular season with just two scores.

The third-seeded Gators open the NCAA Tournament at 7 tonight against Miami, and Abdullah is expected to play a major role offensively.

UF features three players who have scored at least seven goals

this season.

If Abdullah can recapture the offensive aggression she displayed in her sophomore season when she scored 11 goals, it would make the Gators even tougher to defend.



Abdullah

"On any given day, anyone can score," forward Ashlee Elliott said. "Shana (Hudson) scored, I've scored, Lauren Hyde's scored. Honestly, you can't scout this team, because we're all capable of scoring and we can score from anywhere on the field."

"Ameera scoring is an awesome thing. I'm glad she got those goals because if she takes it into the NAAs, she could be

unstoppable."

In a way, it seems Abdullah's season is just beginning.

The Denver native injured her left peroneal tendon in the third match of the season against South Florida.

The injury caused Abdullah to miss the Gators' next four matches.

Though she returned to the

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UF VOLLEYBALL

Gators intend to say goodbye to seniors with ceremony

By **EVAN DREXLER**
Alligator Writer

When the UF volleyball team takes the court Sunday for its last home match of the regular season, the Gators might have a hard time keeping it together.

That's because UF will hold a post-match ceremony to say goodbye to seniors Marcie Hampton, Kisy Killingsworth, Amber McCray and Angie McGinnis, whose names litter the school's record book.

"Any one of those four could be the poster child for our program, and you would stand here and be so proud of it," Coach Mary Wise said.

They'll wrap up their home regular-season careers when the No. 7 Gators (24-1, 17-1 Southeastern Conference) play tonight at 7 against Alabama (15-12, 12-6 SEC) and then Sunday against Mississippi State (12-15, 7-11) at 1:30 p.m.

"It's crazy, because I remember my freshman year watching the four seniors go, and it was like, 'Wow, that day is so far away for me,'" fifth-year senior Amber McCray said. "It's amazing just how quickly time passed, and that day is here."

Now that she'll be playing in her last matches, she has mixed emotions.

"It's a joyous day, but it's sad,

too, because you love playing in the O'Dome, and I'm definitely going to miss it," McCray said.

"Any one of those four could be the poster child for our program, and you would stand here and be so proud of it."

Mary Wise
UF volleyball coach

During her career, she has won five SEC championships and was a member of the team that played

in the 2003 national semifinals, but what she'll remember most is her teammates.

"I got a chance to play with three other amazing players, amazing women, and just being able to reflect on our careers that we've had here, I think is a huge deal for us and everyone else," McCray said. "You can't explain it. It's a bond like no other and I'm happy to be a part of it."

Hampton has been described as the face of UF volleyball, starting strong by making SEC All-Freshman team in 2004 and working her way into the record books in four years.

Killingsworth has been a force

in her four years here, as well, and made the All-SEC first team in 2005.

McGinnis earned a starting role in her first season, acquired the most assists in UF history by a setter and took home SEC Player of the Year honors last season.

Put all that together, and you have one of the best senior classes in Gators history.

Libero Elyse Cusack, a sophomore, knows she'll cry when the seniors are saying their goodbyes to the O'Connell Center crowd.

"This senior class has been amazing," Cusack said. "They're all great people, they're great teammates, and I'm going to miss each of them."

Recruits sign letters of intent

By **EVAN DREXLER**
Alligator Writer

True, one of the greatest senior classes in UF volleyball history is leaving school after this season.

But the volleyball program announced it is reloading Wednesday, as an outstanding class of recruits signed national letters of intent for next season.

"This group has the same opportunity to leave their mark all over our program before they're done," UF coach Mary Wise said. "We're excited about getting them all."

The class includes PrepVolleyball.com's overall No. 1-ranked player, setter and outside hitter Kelly Murphy, who comes from Joliet Catholic Academy in Joliet, Ill.

Wise said Murphy will likely see action both as a setter and a hitter.

Her list of achievements is well worth drooling over for Gators fans: Her high school won regional crowns all four years, she helped the USA Junior National Team to a fourth-place finish at the 2007 FIVB Junior National World Championships and she helped her team win national titles in the 2007 and 2006 Junior Olympics.

Middle blocker Cassie Anderson signed from Bakersfield High in California.

Wise sees Anderson being one of the quickest middle blockers in UF history and someone the setters will look forward to assisting.

"Cassie will remind people of perhaps Kelsey Bowers in being very elite off one foot," Wise said.

Anderson will be joined in the middle with 6-foot-2 Betsy Smith from Wesleyan School in Atlanta, who won state titles in all four years of high school.

Smith also played on the Junior National A2 squad with UF freshman Kristy Jaekel, who is redshirting this season, so there should be some chemistry present when they start to play.

"They got to be good buddies, and Kristy, because she was redshirted, goes right into that class, and that is another added bonus of that class," Wise said.

Rounding out the class is pure setter Cindy Bathelt, who comes to Gainesville from Pine Creek High School in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Bathelt will likely split time setting with current UF sophomore Alli Cecchini. In a phone interview, Bathelt said she was heavily recruited by Louisiana State and Washington State, but chose UF knowing she would get to play with athletes who could kill the ball.

"I expect to get a lot sharper, and just to grow and become a more seasoned player," she said.

She had not spoken with any of the other recruits as of Thursday night, but said she will when all four have their official visit to Gainesville today.

"From all the hype I've been hearing ... I'm really excited about it."



Volleyball

Last season's 13-game losing skid began with Huskers

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challenge.

In the team's 82-71 win against Xavier, the Gators gave up 21 points to star forward Amber Harris but held freshman Ta'Shia Phillips to just 6.

"It's definitely something that we hope we can draw some confidence from," Butler said.

But the Cornhuskers will push the ball, as well, and like the up-tempo style of play.

Last year's loss to the Cornhuskers, the teams' first-ever meeting, began the downward spiral for UF,

which ended in a school-record 13-game losing streak.

The team hopes things will be different this season, and two solid home wins show the Gators are certainly capable of producing a positive result.

Now it's up to UF to execute on an opponent's floor.

"Keep the Gator mentality," junior guard Kim Critton said. "We gotta bring all our thoughts and things we learned on the road with to see if we can bring back a W."



Critton

Forward regains confidence after recovering from injury

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lineup, Abdullah never appeared to regain the explosiveness that made her so dangerous.

Abdullah didn't score her first goal of the season until Oct. 21 in a match against Alabama.

Following Sunday's outburst, Abdullah feels she's fully recovered from her injury.

"It's a real confidence booster," Abdullah said. "I've obviously been pretty average this year and having that type of game kind of sends me back to the level I'm used to playing at. I definitely like how I'm playing now."

After missing four games and multiple practices, Abdullah had to readjust to the game's speed. She readily admits her reactions were slower than in prior seasons.

"My reaction to a lot of things was slower," Abdullah said. "My preparation for when a ball got sent to me was a little behind. And how comfortable I was with my body and my ankle wasn't the strongest, so I was cautious when I got the ball."

Abdullah's return to form could be a deciding factor for a team hungry to stay alive this weekend.

UF is currently on a 12-game winning streak, despite getting little production from Abdullah offensively.

Adding her to the mix may put the team over the top, and UF coach Becky Burleigh appears excited by that.

"She's been playing well for us," Burleigh said. "She hasn't been scoring as much, but she's been doing other things. For her to get on the board offensively makes us that more dangerous of a team."

And if you look at who scored for us on Sunday, it's the big three in terms of our offense, Ameera, Stacy (Bishop) and Keleigh (Hudson). I think that's a pretty intimidating group for us."



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UF junior forward Ameera Abdullah battles for the ball against Kentucky defender Julie Hull during the first half of the Oct. 7 match.

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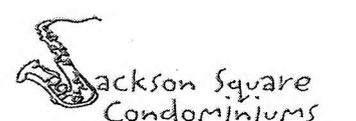
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Gators consider effects of injuries

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Maurkice Pouncey may understand more than anyone how much one injury can impact a football team.

The right guard was injected into the offensive line when senior Phil Trautwein suffered a season-ending stress fracture during preseason workouts.

Pouncey himself suffered a high-ankle sprain against South Carolina, but he is expected to see considerable playing time against Florida Atlantic this Saturday.

Dealing with injuries is as much a part of a college football player's life as the playbook, and players spend countless hours devoted to getting healthy for an upcoming game.

When the aches and pains pile up again, the players just repeat the cycle.

It's a rough routine, but the long-term effects of the process can be truly horrific. A football career can leave a player's body in ruins and result in brain damage, crippling or even death.

Looking that far down the road can be difficult in college, especially for members of the UF football team, who are locked in a heated battle for the Southeastern Conference crown.

"It's a tremendous concern," UF wide receiver Percy Harvin said. "Just playing sports, you have to treat yourself like a professional

athlete."

Harvin, a sophomore, has sustained several injuries since arriving in Gainesville, including tendinitis in his heel that slowed him for several weeks.

"I had bad tendonitis earlier this year that came from last season," he said. "I just kept blowing it off and it came back to haunt me this year."

It took a talk with some team trainers to make Harvin realize the potential consequences of his injury, he said.

"My trainer told me that something like that happened to (NFL defensive end) Simeon Rice, that he kept putting it off to the side and it came back to get him," Harvin said. "The trainers always told me that even if I have a little nick and I think it's nothing, to get it treated anyway."

The team's trainers and doctors must do more than just treat injuries.

Dr. Peter Indelicato, head physician for the UF Athletic Association, said it is always tough to tell an athlete he is unable to play because of health reasons.

"Often there is a player who wants to play, but you feel that it isn't in their best interests to play," Indelicato said. "Sometimes they find that difficult to accept initially, but that's where you pull them in the office and explain the risk-to-



Football



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Percy Harvin runs during the Gators' 42-30 loss against Georgia in Jacksonville on Oct. 27. In his first two years, Harvin has suffered several injuries that have forced him to miss practices and games.

benefit ratio to them.

"After they understand it better, the vast majority of them are thankful that there is somebody looking after their interests."

While the players may get caught up in the emotions of their season, Indelicato and his staff must treat them like any other patient.

"I think that we as doctors and athletic trainers, that's our job, to inform them of the potential consequences of continuing their activities," he said. "It's no different than

any other patient that we have."

The consequences for some past players have been dire. Many NFL players sustain head, back or joint injuries that leave them impaired for life.

ESPN analyst Jesse Palmer, a former Gators quarterback, can attest to the effects of a playing career on a body.

Palmer, 29, said he gets pains in his knees and back occasionally, despite never injuring either seriously.

"It's easy to forget, especially in

this sport," he said. "You just take your body for granted. It's important that you take care of yourself, do preventative things and listen to the training staff."

After a brief career in the NFL, Palmer knows the potential harm that can be done to a body.

"Everyone feels indestructible, especially at this age in college," Palmer said. "You just feel like you won't get hurt or that you are young and can recover. At the end of the day, it can come back sometimes."

SATURDAY in the SEC



No. 22 Kentucky (7-3, 3-3 SEC) at **No. 8 Georgia** (8-2, 5-2 SEC) 12:30 p.m.

Star watch: Kentucky QB Andre' Woodson (232-365, 2,653 yards, 29 TDs-7 INTs)
Georgia RB Knowshon Moreno (200 carries, 1,104 yards, 11 TDs)

Vanderbilt (5-5, 2-5 SEC) at **No. 19 Tennessee** (7-3, 4-2 SEC) 2 p.m.

Star watch: Vanderbilt WR Earl Bennett (67 rec, 739 yards, 4 TDs)
Tennessee QB Erik Ainge (223-348, 2,266 yards, 17 TDs-5 INTs)

Mississippi State (6-4, 3-3 SEC) at **Arkansas** (6-4, 2-4 SEC) 2:30 p.m.

Star watch: Mississippi State RB Anthony Dixon (235 carries, 914 yards, 13 TDs)
Arkansas RB Darren McFadden (244 carries, 1,431 yards, 12 TDs)

Louisiana Monroe (4-6) at **Alabama** (6-4, 4-3 SEC) 2:30 p.m.

Star watch: Alabama WR DJ Hall (57 rec, 886 yards, 6 TDs)

No. 1 LSU (9-1, 5-1 SEC) at **Mississippi** (3-7, 0-6 SEC) 3:30 p.m.

Star watch: LSU WR Early Doucet (30 rec, 335 yards, 4 TDs)
Mississippi RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis (189 carries, 967 yards, 5 TDs)

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Meyer, Zook could meet in bowl game

UF, Illinois both have three losses

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Urban Meyer succeeded Ron Zook at UF, but lately Zook has followed Meyer's recipe for success while at Illinois.

They might chase each other down and meet in a New Year's Day bowl game, either the Capital One Bowl or the Outback Bowl.

A potential matchup of Zook against the school that fired him could be the most talked-about non-BCS game of the postseason, giving incentive to bowl organizers to make it happen.

"It's certainly intriguing and adds something to it," said Steve Hogan, the executive director of Florida Citrus Sports, which runs the Capital One Bowl. "We are always interested in who is the highest-ranked team, got the best resume and is going to give us the best game on the field. That's No. 1 for us."

"After that, if there's an interesting story like that, it just makes it that much better."

Before the season, you could have likened Illinois' chances of sniffing a January bowl game to Tim Tebow's odds of winning the Heisman Trophy.

But here we are.

UF and Illinois have the same amount of losses, three, and are separated by

seven places in the latest BCS rankings.

The Capital One Bowl pits the No. 2 Big Ten team against the No. 2 Southeastern Conference team, unless the BCS nabs at-large teams from the conferences.

The Outback Bowl gets the third pick from each league and generally chooses an SEC East team.

Both bowls have leeway in their picks and can take any team within one game in the overall standings of the best available school.

"That would hurt Gator Nation a lot, Zook coming here and beating us."

Andre Caldwell
UF wide receiver

Barring multiple upsets, a handful of Big Ten and SEC teams will be available to both bowl games.

But no other matchups carry the same appeal as UF-Illinois.

"Would that create addition conversation? Sure it would," said Jim McVay, president and CEO of the Outback Bowl. "We wouldn't try to match the teams unless they would be deserving. These are deserving, good teams."

Like Meyer did at Bowling Green and Utah, Zook has laid a foundation for foot-

ball success at basketball-driven Illinois since taking over in 2005.

The Illini will play in a bowl game for the first time since the 2001 season, and with strong recruiting, they likely aren't going to fold any time soon.

Just last week, Zook joined Meyer as the only coaches to beat Ohio State in the last two years.

Everyone has taken notice, even the bowl fortune-tellers.

ESPN.com and CBSSports.com have Zook penciled in to face his former team in Orlando.

A trip back to the Sunshine State for Zook would aid recruiting and allow him to see guys he recruited play their final college game.

However, the Gators would have just as much to lose as Zook has to gain.

UF athletics director Jeremy Foley, who fired Zook before the end of the 2004 season, will not comment on possible bowl matchups.

He will not talk about the humbling possibility of losing to Zook.

But the players will.

"That would hurt Gator Nation a lot, Zook coming here and beating us," said wide receiver Andre Caldwell, one of the few current Gators who played for Zook in 2003 and 2004.

"He's a great coach, and he's made them a great team. But we still think we have the advantage with better players and better athletes."

Caldwell looks for record with Harvin sitting out

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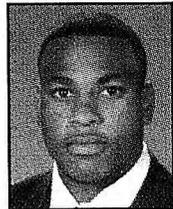
Meyer said. "We're playing a really good team that is competing for a conference championship. I think our guys are just game to game trying to get better, and they're facing a good team."

Since the Georgia and Tennessee games will be underway during the Gators' game, there will be some considerable scoreboard-watching from the UF sideline.

"I'll probably be peeking up there to look and see what's going on," Caldwell said. "But I've got to focus on what I have to do."

Caldwell is expected to make up for the absence of star wideout Percy Harvin for the second straight game.

Harvin did not practice this week, and spent several days receiving IV treatments in an infirmary.



Harvin

Without Harvin in the lineup, the Gators will have to diverge from the usual plan on offense.

"It'll probably be a lot of what you saw at South Carolina — getting the ball to me a lot more and using some of our

other weapons to take up the slack," Caldwell said.

Caldwell has set career highs in catches in each of the last two games, with nine against Vanderbilt and 11 against the Gamecocks. If he duplicates that success Saturday, he can break Carlos Alvarez's all-time receptions mark at UF with nine catches.

Having Harvin out could help Caldwell break the record, but it's a trade he isn't happy to make.

"I'm never excited when [Harvin] isn't in there," Caldwell said. "He takes a lot of stress and a lot of pressure off of me."

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ginning," Fake Howard said. "It wasn't the juggernaut that it is now."

Fake Howard gave the show the spark it needed. Earlier this year, Tim Hardaway went on the show and announced to the world his hatred for gay people. But, in the end, the bread and butter of the show is Fake Howard, who has actually spoken with the real Howard in a couple of segments.

"If I were to talk to him again, I guess it would really be to tell him to win a few games," said Fake Howard, who did the entire phone interview in character. "I'm concerned that this could be his final stop. If he doesn't start winning soon, he's going to be out of the coaching ranks, which means I'm out of a job doing my Fake Howard."

Fake Howard discussed everything from the greatness of Urban Meyer to keeping Tim Tebow in check.

"Beverlee hasn't seen me much in the bed," Fake Howard said. "I've been staying up late trying to figure out a way to stop this guy."

Fake Howard picked the Owls to beat the Gators 2-0, and his pre-game speech could spark his predicted upset.

"I'm going to tell them when you come out on that field and see all those players, you just hoot, and that's the key to winning — just hoot," Fake Howard said. "They won't know what hit them. They'll think that you're trying to play football. But instead, I just want you to hoot. That's the advice I'd give them. I'm all about the hoot."

If only the Gators gave a hoot about FAU.

Onto the picks!

Leading off with a record of 58-42, which is worse than the guest pickers combined, is alligatorSports.org Editor Brian "Schnellenberger's their star safety, right?" Steele, whose butt has turned rosy red from all those Telly Concepcion post-practice slaps that leave him smiling with glee.

In second at 57-43 is Sports Editor Bryan "I hate this job" Jones, who is contemplating sleeping in and skipping Saturday's game after his exhaustive week of work.

Next up with a record of 54-46 is Assistant Sports Editor Jenna "I hate this job, too" Marina, who doesn't understand how the Navy Midshipmen can play in those sailor uniforms.

Falling in fourth at 53-47 is Mike "I want to be a male model" McCall, whose no-shave November plan fell through when an overzealous stylist encroached on his peach fuzz.

And rounding out this sorry group in dead-ass last place with a piss-poor record of 49-51, that's right, under .500, is Nick "Microsoft Office 2007 can go to hell and die" Zaccardi, who is using that as the cover for the real reason he hates his new laptop — it doesn't have the massive cache of shirtless Ron Zook photos that lived on his old computer.

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UF-FAU	UF	UF	UF	UF	UF	UF

BJ: UF 59-20; JM: UF 56-21; MM: UF 49-10; BS: UF 58-10; NZ: UF 56-17; FH: FAU 2-0

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This is the perfect opportunity for them to dominate a game from beginning to end. They've all had spurts.

It just hasn't happened for a complete game yet.

Even though it is against a Sun Belt Conference team, a dominating performance would give this young defense the confidence it needs heading into bowl season, not to mention next season.

Players have continually said youth is no longer an excuse this late in the season.

The Gators will still win handily no matter how the defense plays — Tebow alone will make sure of that — but the Owls don't have that bad of an offense.

It's at least up there with Troy, which scored 24 points on UF in the second half. While Tebow and the offense will be able to rest in the second half, this defense still needs to play with a fire.

The Gators have something to prove, and it takes more than one half to do that. The smallest amount of points they've allowed has been 3, and that was in the season opener against Western Kentucky. Sorry, doesn't count.

But this will, even if you don't stay for the entire game.

The players won't know it initially, but walking off your home field knowing that you are capable of dominating someone gives you a sense of confidence that wasn't there before.

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Florida Atlantic, isn't that the school that fought Miami in the Orange Brawl?

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Because of one man: FAU coach Howard Schnellenberger.

Or, in the case of the alligator-Sports Brand Picks Column, the Fake Howard Schnellenberger, aka Howard Schnellenfraud, aka South Florida attorney Barry Kowitz.

The real Schnellenberger started coaching at Alabama during the George Wallace administration and later won a national title with Miami in 1983, his major claim to fame.

The fake Schnellenberger attended Thug-U with famous Miami Herald columnist Dan Le Batard during the Schnellenberger reign and picked up on the nuances of the coach, especially a unique deep, gruff voice.

"If you look at him, he looks like he's stuck in a bit of a time warp," Fake Howard said. "He's a bit of a relic, if you will. Of course the white hair, the white mustache and smoking a pipe. You don't see many pipe smokers. That really gives me an opportunity to I guess find things to exaggerate the caricature."

Fake Howard got his big break during the early years of Le Batard's fledgling radio show.

"It needed a little boost in the be-

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UF FOOTBALL

Gators will eye SEC scoreboard Saturday

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No. 14 UF's matchup with Florida Atlantic on Saturday won't be the most important game of the day for the Gators.

Instead, the games with the biggest

impact on UF's season will take place in Athens, Ga., and Knoxville, Tenn., where the two teams ahead of the Gators (7-3, 5-3 Southeastern Conference) in the race for the SEC East will play.

Georgia (5-2 SEC) will host Kentucky at 12:30 p.m., and Tennessee (4-2 SEC) will welcome in-state foe Vanderbilt for a 2 p.m.

kickoff.

UF needs both the Bulldogs and Volunteers to lose a conference game, and if Georgia is successful this weekend, the Gators' dreams of returning to the SEC Championship Game will be crushed.

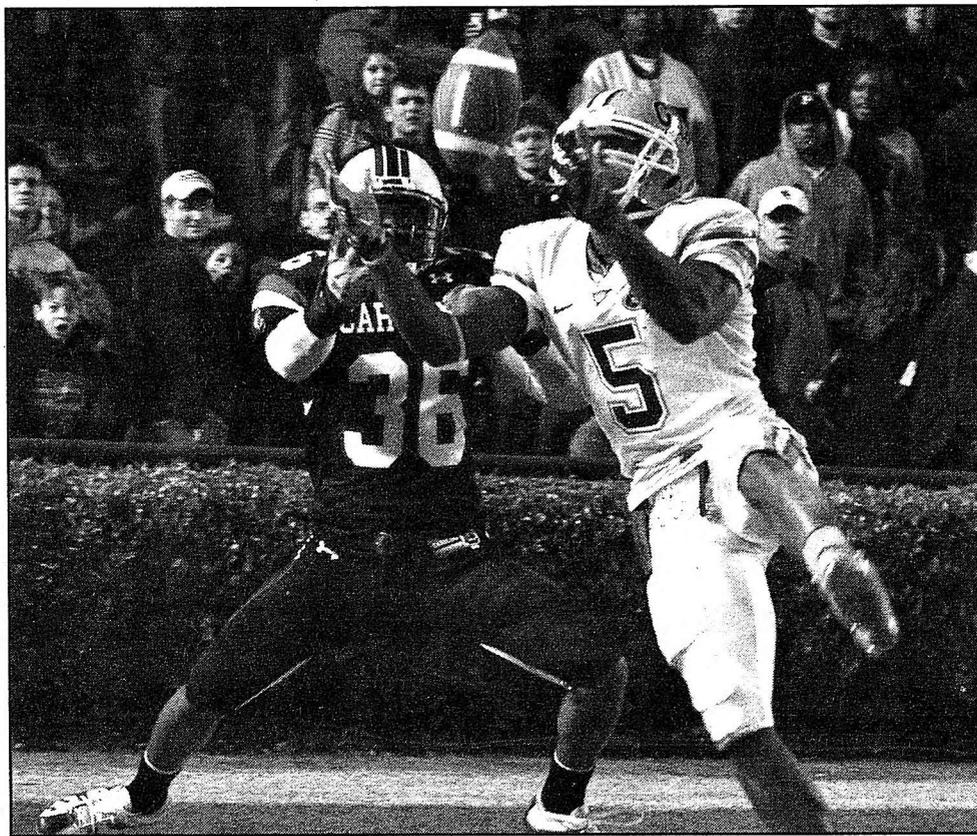
The magnitude of these games is almost enough to overshadow UF's game against FAU.

"There are some big games going on for us with Georgia and Tennessee," receiver Andre Caldwell said. "We need them to lose, but every game we go into, we're playing to win and blow a team out. You may not think it's a big game, but it is to us."

"I always look at the talent level.

And this team has excellent talent on defense. I compare them a lot to Troy."

Urban Meyer
UF coach



Jeremiah Stanley / Alligator

UF senior wide receiver Andre Caldwell goes up for a catch during the Gators' 51-31 win at South Carolina on Saturday night.

The Owls (5-4, 4-1 Sun Belt) are locked in a battle for the Sun Belt title with Troy, whom UF defeated 59-31 in its second game of the season.

The Gators are heavily favored in the game, but they aren't overlooking FAU. The Owls are comparable to the Trojans, who outscored UF 24-10 in the second half.

"I always look at the talent level," UF coach Urban Meyer said. "And this team has excellent talent on defense. I compare them a lot to Troy."

Meyer isn't worried that his team will take FAU lightly.

"The film doesn't lie, that's the thing,"

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Shutout would give defense confidence for 2008

See Timmy run.

See Timmy pass.

Oh, look, Timmy scores another touchdown!

Scoring is not the issue for this team.

The Gators can dominate at will on offense, and they showed that last week.

Dropping 51 points in any Southeastern Conference team's house is impressive — especially without their most electric player in Percy Harvin. Now it's time to see something else.

Now it's time for the defense to dominate.

Throughout most of the season, the defense has been the weak link.



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The fledgling group has had its strong games against Tennessee and Vanderbilt, but it's time for them to take the next step — even if it is against Florida Atlantic.

It's time for a shutout.

FAU quarterback Rusty Smith needs to be able to sniff Derrick Harvey's toothpaste after a sack and know whether he uses Crest or Aquafresh.

Running back Charles Pierre must be

able to recite Brandon Spikes' breakfast menu to him just from the stench of Spikes' breath.

Wide receiver Cortez Gent needs to be look into Tony Joiner's hazy blue eyes and truly know fear.

Mike Pouncey — all 313 pounds of the new defensive tackle — needs to force a fumble and return it for a touchdown, leading to the debut of the first-ever Pouncey Shuffle (every 300-pound man has to have a name for his dance).

Joe Haden needs to pick off a pass and leave every chasing Owls player in his dust.

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Florida Atlantic coach motivates Owls with reputation

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Every time Florida Atlantic quarterback Rusty Smith has a chat with Coach Howard Schnellenberger, he sees them.

"On one hand there's the national championship ring, on the other, the Super Bowl ring," Smith said. "He always has them on."

Schnellenberger hasn't won a national championship during his seven years at FAU, but if you peer back into the early '80s — before any statewide team was regularly contending for national titles — you'll see Schnellenberger as the architect of the Miami football program.

He took over a Hurricanes pro-

gram in 1979 that was in shambles. It was on the verge of being shut down by administration.

Then, just four years later, Miami won the national championship.

After deciding to leave Miami, Schnellenberger went to Louisville, and nearly did the same thing. The Cardinals never won the national championship, but Schnellenberger did lead them to the program's first national ranking and a 34-7 upset of Alabama in the 1991 Fiesta Bowl.

"He's rebuilt the University of Miami," said Smith, who has 20 touchdowns to seven interceptions on the season. "He's rebuilt the University of Louisville. Then FAU came to him, and he said, 'How awesome would it be to do something nobody's ever done before?'"

So far, so good.

FAU's football program started in 2001, but the Owls are 5-4 and 4-1 in the Sun Belt Conference and are on course to play Troy — which UF throttled 59-31 earlier this season — for the conference title.



Schnellenberger

"I've gotten to develop a football team — the greatest coaches in America haven't always had this opportunity. To get to do that in my senior years was a great motivating factor," the 73-year-old Schnellenberger said. "There are only a handful of coaches that have ever had the opportunity to do

something like this: Steve Spurrier, Bobby Bowden, Bear Bryant, Woody Hayes. All these guys developed programs that came in on the ground floor."

With more than 45 years in the coaching field, his experience has become invaluable to his players.

"Every time I see the rings, I can't believe I'm playing for a legend," Smith said. "You're playing for a guy that's experienced everything there is to be experienced. You know everything that he has in the playbook is going to work."

When Smith was first recruited, Schnellenberger took him into a room and showed him pictures of the quarterbacks he has coached. Smith recalled seeing clips of Jim Kelly and Bernie Kosar.

Schnellenberger contributed to the Miami Dolphins' undefeated team in 1972 as the offensive coordinator. He then coached the Baltimore Colts from 1973-74.

As if he doesn't already boast an impressive track record, he was also the offensive coordinator at Alabama under Bear Bryant and was part of three title teams.

That's where the rings come in. After all these years, it's safe to say Schnellenberger's earned them.

"Some people may think I'm pretentious to do that," he said. "But it's been a major asset for me to recognize that I've been associated with those kind of things, especially when you're developing a tradition."

"It's important that I wear the rings."

WR to miss second game

■ **PERCY HARVIN IS STILL RECEIVING IV TREATMENTS.**

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UF wide receiver Percy Harvin will not play against Florida Atlantic on Saturday. He continued to undergo IV treatments as he battles persistent migraines.

Coach Urban Meyer said the sophomore was in the infirmary all day Thursday, which makes his stay about four days running.

Meyer said his parents came to Gainesville three days ago to be with their son.

"He's feeling a little bit better," Meyer said. "We're all hoping. ... I imagine sometime we'll have a release, I guess."

Harvin was originally diagnosed with a sinus infection and migraines more than a week ago.

This is not the first time one of Meyer's players has been incapacitated with migraines.

During Meyer's tenure at Utah, the team's captain, Morgan Scalley, also suffered from headaches.

"I've seen them shut [a player] down for four days before," Meyer said. "It's awful."

POUNCEY TO PLAY: Even though Harvin is out, the Gators did receive the good news that right guard Maurkice Pouncey will be able to play Saturday.

Pouncey suffered a high-ankle sprain during the first quarter of the South Carolina game last week and was questionable until Thursday.

"I've seen [migraines] shut [a player] down for four days before. It's awful."

Urban Meyer
UF football coach

"He had a great day today," Meyer said. "He heals well and he works at it. He spent all day in the training room. He did a really good job."

Meyer wasn't sure if Pouncey would return to his starting role. Pouncey will likely split time with redshirt freshman Marcus Gilbert.

"He's a guy that's stepped in, doing a very nice job," Meyer said of Gilbert.

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Got it Covered

Haden handles first year's trials

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Joe Haden's life is all about speed. From his lightning-quick feet and flashy cars to his rapid adjustments and ever-changing roles on the football field, everything about Haden seems to be fast.

But months into his first season with the Gators, the freshman sensation learned just how fast tragedy can strike and just how quick one's life can take a dramatic turn.

As the 18-year-old cornerback, whom UF teammates refer to as "rock star," continues to live his life in the fast lane, he now has his own star to look up to.

And as her inspiration lingers, Haden attempts to put his grief behind him and move on — as quickly as ever.

Rock Star

To his father, also named Joe, he is a perfect son.

To Meyer, he's a "primo."

But to his teammates, Joe Haden is a rock star.

"He's a crazy little guy," senior defensive tackle Clint McMillan said. "He's rocking the tight jeans and extra-medium shirts. So he's always got some crazy stuff going on. He's got a little chain on his wallet. I guess he's a little rock star. I can see it."

To be a rock star, you have to party like one. Haden said he picked up the nickname because he enjoys the nightlife, but he was quick to say football and academics come first.

"Since the season started, I've calmed down," Haden said. "When the offseason comes back, I'll get to partying again."

Apparently, Haden's moves aren't limited to football. He's also a hit on the dance floor.

When you get props on your dance moves from two-stepping offensive lineman and self-proclaimed best dancer on the team Drew Miller, you know you've got skills.

"He's a pretty good dancer," Miller said. "I've seen him at the club on the dance floor getting down ... all the girls surrounding him."

Haden's reputation is no secret to his coaches, but he said the staff trusts him enough to know he'll be responsible. The same goes for his parents.

"He goes out and enjoys life," Haden's father said. "He's the first guy on the floor and the last guy off the floor."

Like any true rock star, Haden has souped-up wheels.

Haden's parents promised the freshman they would bring down his red 1995 Mercedes-Benz from Maryland after his first semester had concluded.

But being the man of style that he is, Haden had a better idea.

"When I came down here and I saw all the other cars, I was like, 'I don't want to bring my Benz down here. I want to get another car,'" Haden said. "I want a Crown Vic."

Haden's father couldn't believe his son would give up the Benz, but he helped Haden search for his dream car anyway.

Haden's father has a special fondness for Mercedes because he collected the German-brand cars while growing up.

"To me, it's ridiculous," Haden's father said. "I look at it, and to me, it's no comparison. I think it's just kind of a fad thing."

When Haden stumbled upon a 1997 Ford Crown Victoria that was already painted Gators orange, it was love at first sight.

Haden and his father pimped out the car with 22-inch chrome rims, 12-inch speakers and three television sets.

Haden's father said his son more than earned it by performing well in school as well as on the field.

"The amount of money I put into that Crown Vic pales in comparison to the money I saved on his education," Haden said.

Haden's little brother Jordan now drives the Mercedes.

And if Haden's new ride didn't stand out enough already, his car also sports a plastic gator head and some Gators magnets.

"It's sick," teammate John Curtis said. "He's got a different type of style."

Perhaps it's his different style that makes him adapt so well on the football field.

Mr. Versatility

Haden set a Maryland public high school record with 7,371 career passing yards and tied a state record with 80 touchdown passes.

Not surprisingly, college teams across the country recruited the athletic standout from Fort Washington (Md.) Friendly High hoping to land a talented quarterback. But Haden wasn't just your typical quarterback.

Aside from taking snaps, he remembers playing at least seven other positions in high school: wide receiver, running back, safety, kickoff returner, punt returner, kicker and punter.

"I think that's what made me more even more recruitable — that I could play any position," Haden said.

The Gators took notice, and Haden committed to UF in July 2006.

When UF's staff asked Haden's high school coaches for game film of the standout as a receiver, the Friendly High coaching staff didn't have any.

So they put Haden in at wideout for the first time in the first quarter against Central High.

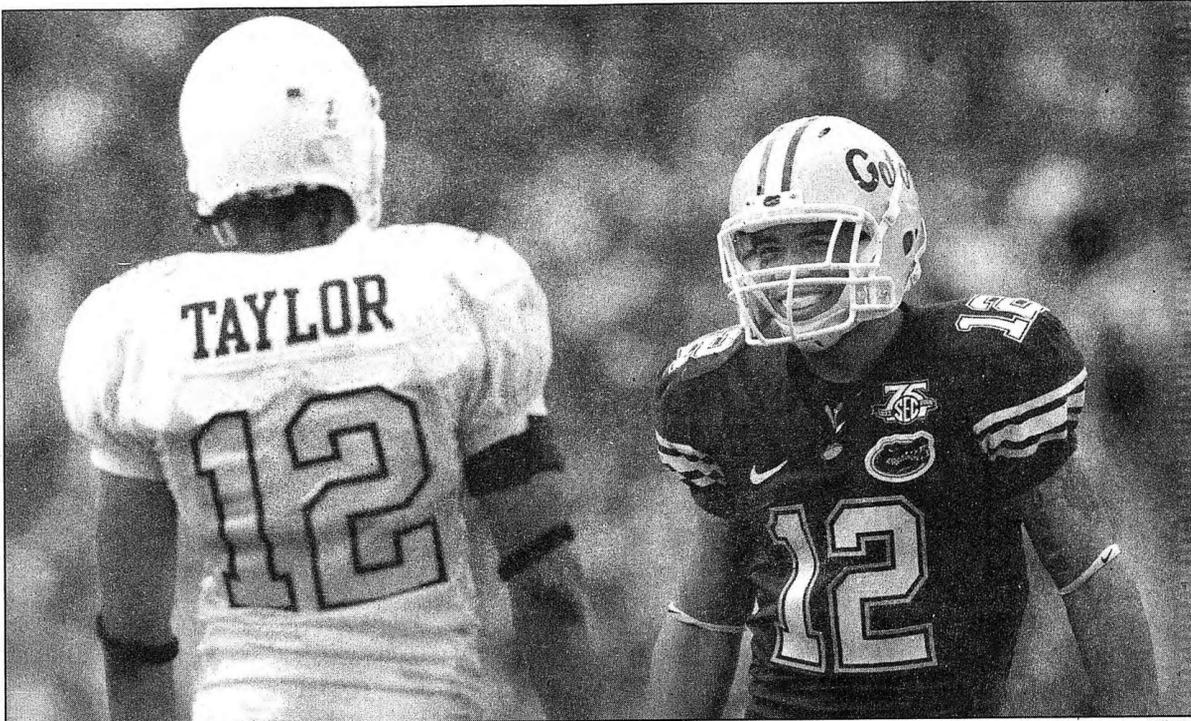
He responded with five receptions for 143 yards and two touchdowns. He then moved back to quarterback for the remaining three quarters, passing for three scores and rushing for another.

"I thought for a second, when I came to Florida, I just thought that I wanted to play receiver," Haden said.

Meyer praised Haden as a receiver early in spring practice, but the Gators had more depth there than any other position on the field.

Finding people to guard the talented receiving corps in spring drills, however, presented a problem.

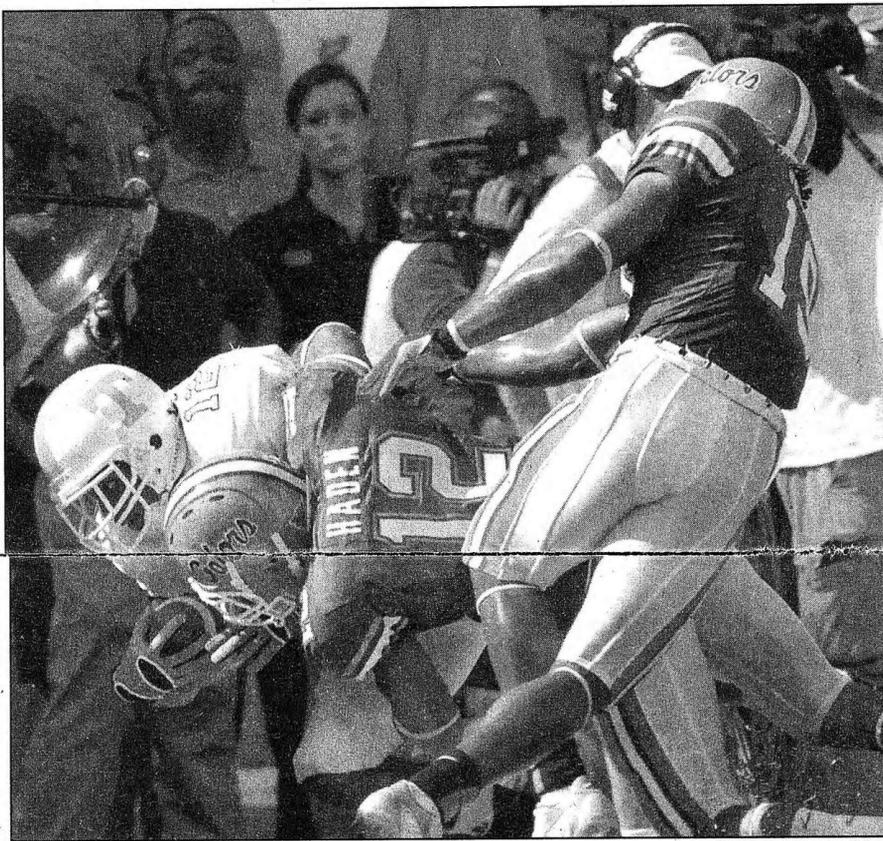
The Gators lost their top three corners from the previous season and entered the spring with Wondy Pierre-Louis and Markus Manson as the No. 2 and No. 3 corners behind sophomore



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(Above) Joe Haden stands with Tennessee player Lucas Taylor during UF's 59-20 win against the Vols on Sep. 15.

(Right) Joe Haden tackles Tennessee's Lucas Taylor during the same match.



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arkhe Anderson.

Pierre-Louis played exclusively on special teams in 2006 and had never even heard of football until he moved to Naples from Haiti in 2002.

Meanwhile, Manson was in the process of converting to the position after being lost in the shuffle at tailback.

Desperate for help in the secondary, the coaching staff approached Haden and asked him to make the transition to one of the few places on the football field that he had never played.

Months later, he became the first true freshman in UF history to start at cornerback in the season opener.

"I felt good about it because I knew it was going to get me on the field," Haden said. "And having the chance to start — they were talking about starting, and I was like, 'What?'"

Haden said adjusting to the speed has been the hardest part. Though he played some safety in high school, he wasn't prepared at first to deal with the talented receivers on the college level.

"In high school, if I guard somebody in practice, I was faster than them and stronger, so I could just bully them around," Haden said. "But here, everybody is the same speed. You have to do it with your technique."

With Anderson hampered by injuries all season, Haden has not only become a starter — he is the Gators' top corner.

"Joe Haden has turned into a real football player for us," Meyer said. "He is going to be one of the better corners in the SEC as he grows up."

And it's not just his coach who is taking notice of Haden's emergence.

When the Gators played Vanderbilt on Nov. 3, Haden matched up against Earl Bennett, the all-time leading receiver in Southeastern Conference history.

"Our coaches always tell us we're about to face a real dude, a real good wide receiver," Haden said. "But they didn't tell me he was the all-time leading SEC receiver. I didn't know all that until the day before the game when we

went to the hotel. I looked in the newspaper, and it said, 'Joe Haden is going to have his hands full with all-time leading receiver Earl Bennett.' I was like, 'Oh, shoot.'"

But when Haden held Bennett to just five receptions for 31 yards and no scores, the receiver wasn't afraid to let Haden know just how well he was playing.

"After each play, he'd be like 'good job, good work,'" Haden said. "He was real cool. He never talked trash the whole game."

"It felt good. I just kept reassuring myself that I do have that ability, and if I play my best, I can basically guard anyone."

Haden occasionally misses playing quarterback, but it didn't take long for the freshman to realize he's better off playing somewhere else.

"I saw (Tim) Tebow, and I was like, 'Yeah, I might be a little better receiver or corner,'" he said.

Special Genes

Physically speaking, few families are as blessed as the Hadens.

Haden's father is a former football player, track star and professional body builder. He now works as a personal trainer and runs his own business, Body by Haden, where he works with elite athletes, including his own sons.

Haden is blossoming at UF, and his brother Josh, one of the most highly sought-after recruits in the country for the class of 2008, committed to play running back at Boston College.

But it doesn't end there.

Haden's father is confident that two more of his sons, Jonathan and Jordan, will also play Division I football in the years to come.

Jordan, a sophomore in high school, is 6 feet tall and 200 pounds and runs the 40-yard dash in 4.4 seconds, Haden's father said.

And with three athletic sons to compare him to, Haden's father said that 11-year-old Jonathan also has what it takes to be a star on the gridiron.

Then there's 14-year-old Jacob, who has a developmental disorder. But

though Jacob may never play ball like his brothers, Haden's father said Jacob is their biggest supporter.

Among his sons, Haden's father said Joe is the most versatile.

"He could play every skill position," he said. "He could play it all. And not only play it all, but play it all well. Joe's football IQ is off the meter."

While his mental toughness is clearly an asset, it doesn't hurt that Haden is a physical specimen.

On paper, Haden doesn't look like anything special — he is listed at 5 foot 11, 181 pounds — but don't let that fool you.

"His body fat is so low and his metabolism is so fast, all he puts on is muscle," Haden's father said.

"He could play every skill position. He could play it all. And not only play it all, but play it all well."

Haden's father said.

He has about 2 percent body fat. He looks like a human anatomy chart."

Haden can bench press 370 pounds, Haden's father said. That's twice his body weight.

"He's still a baby," Haden's father said. "I really think next year he's going to be a forced to be reckoned with."

But here's the scary part. At Haden's age, his father was about the same size and build as his speedy cornerback son before he transformed into a Speedo-wearing, oil-greased body builder a few years later.

"He just all of a sudden got way bigger," Haden said. "I think about it sometimes. If I got that big, I might have to move to strong safety or linebacker."

"I'd start hitting people like Major (Wright)."

Coping with Tragedy

Despite the glitz, glamour and on-field success, Haden's first year at UF also provided a cold dose of reality.

From the moment Haden met Ashley Slonina, the two were inseparable. They started dating, and wherever Haden went, Slonina followed.

"I was with her for like three months straight every single day," Haden said. "Not a day went past where I wasn't with her."

But Oct. 11 would be their final day together.

In the early hours of Oct. 12, friend and scout team quarterback Michael Guilford decided to give Slonina a ride home from a party on his motorcycle.

Guilford struck a median at high speed on Old Archer Road and SW 23rd Terrace. The two died instantly.

Haden learned of the accident from a teammate, and he frantically searched to find out if Slonina was all right.

"I was like, 'Oh my God, what hospital is she at?'" Haden said. "I was calling around, calling every hospital around here. And nobody knew. They were like, 'There's no Ashley's at any of these hospitals.'"

At around 3 a.m., Meyer called Haden and broke the news.

Devastated, all Haden could do was weep. He decided to head back home to Maryland to take his mind off of the tragedy.

"As a young man, this was Joe's first personal tragedy," his father said. "I just thank God it was a bye week and he was able to be around the family. Things like that — you don't get over it. You learn to live with it."

Haden's family didn't realize just how close he and Slonina were until he returned home. But with the support of his loved ones, Haden recovered.

Haden's mother, Zakiya, returned to Gainesville with him and spent about a week by his side. He had something else to help him keep his mind off of Slonina's death: football.

Haden played the next week against Kentucky and was satisfied with his performance. In fact, in the weeks since the accident, Haden has played some of his best games for the Gators.

"It's therapeutic for him," Haden's father said. "He said the hard part was when he goes back to his dorm at night — the quiet moments."

But since then, Haden said he is no longer haunted by that tragic night. He said he knows Slonina is in a better place.

He now uses his fond and loving memories of her as inspiration.

"If anything, it made me work harder," Haden said. "We never try to settle anymore. We just try to do our best at whatever we do. ... Tell everyone you love that you love them. Don't try to have any grudges. Just try to live life good, because that's the way Ashley did it."



Andrew Stanfill/Alligator Staff

UF defensive back Joe Haden looks up at the scoreboard after a Kentucky touchdown in the third quarter of the Gators' 45-37 win against the Wildcats on Oct. 20 in Lexington, Ky.



UF RUN vs. FLORIDA ATLANTIC RUN DEFENSE

UF rushes for 193.8 yards per game; FLORIDA ATLANTIC allows 190.1 yards per game.

KEY PLAYERS: UF: So. QB Tim Tebow (170 attempts, 718 yards, 4.2 avg, 19 TDs), Jr. RB Kestahn Moore (93 att - 524 yards, 5.6 avg, 4 TDs); FLORIDA ATLANTIC: Jr. LB Frantz Joseph (95 tackles, 8 TFL), Sr. LB Cergile Sincere (87 tackles, 7 TFL).

ANALYSIS: Five rushing touchdowns - and that's by the quarterback. Florida Atlantic has an experienced line and returns 10 starters on defense, but no amount of experience is going to make up for the threat Tebow poses. Luckily for the Owls, they might have a little mojo working in their favor. FAU coach Howard Schnellenberger said he's hoping to perform a seance and invoke a deity to stop the Heisman contender.

ADVANTAGE: UF



UF PASS vs. FLORIDA ATLANTIC DEFENSE

UF passes for 256.4 yards per game; FLORIDA ATLANTIC allows 218.9 yards per game.

KEY PLAYERS: UF: So. QB Tim Tebow (2,532 yds, 23 TDs-5 INTs, 67.8 pct, 177.1 rating), Sr. WR Andre Caldwell (35 rec, 501 yds, 14.3 avg, 4 TDs); FLORIDA ATLANTIC: RFr. CB Tavious Polo (42 tackles, 7 INTs), Jr. DE Robert St. Clair (25 tackles, 3 sacks).

ANALYSIS: Percy Harvin may be the Gators' most dynamic weapon, but they proved last week that they can win without him. Tebow and the receiving corps dissected South Carolina - the nation's No. 1 pass defense - with 304 yards. If the Gamecocks can't keep up with the Gators, how are the Owls supposed to?

ADVANTAGE: UF



FLORIDA ATLANTIC RUN vs. UF RUN DEFENSE

FLORIDA ATLANTIC runs for 119.9 yards per game; UF allows 101.8 yards per game.

KEY PLAYERS: FLORIDA ATLANTIC: Jr. RB Charles Pierre (119 att - 547 yds, 4.6 avg, 6 TDs), So. RB Willie Rose (47 att - 232 yds, 4.9 avg); UF: So. LB Brandon Spikes (101 tackles, 10 TFL), So. LB Dustin Doe (67 tackles, 2 FR).

ANALYSIS: Pierre is the Owls' premiere running back, and he has flirted with several 100-yard games this season. UF built on its solid defense against Vanderbilt by limiting the Gamecocks to 68 rushing yards. As the season progresses, Spikes is emerging as a force to be reckoned with at middle linebacker.

ADVANTAGE: UF



FLORIDA ATLANTIC PASS vs. UF PASS DEFENSE

FLORIDA ATLANTIC passes for 276.8 yards per game; UF allows 249.1 yards per game.

KEY PLAYERS: FLORIDA ATLANTIC: So. QB Rusty Smith (2,441 yds, 20 TDs-7 INTs, 55.7 pct, 129.2 rating), Jr. TE Jason Harmon (44 rec, 594 yds, 13.5 avg, 3 TDs); UF: Jr. DE Derrick Harvey (36 tackles, 6.5 sacks), Sr. SS Tony Joiner (49 tackles, 2 INT).

ANALYSIS: UF allowed 316 passing yards against South Carolina, and the Gators have only mustered three sacks in the last three games. The Owls rank second in scoring offense for the Sun Belt Conference behind Troy, who outscored UF 24-10 in the second half on Sept. 8. Still, Smith has thrown four of his seven interceptions in the last two games, and interceptions seem to be a specialty for the Gators' secondary as of late.

ADVANTAGE: UF



SPECIAL TEAMS

KEY PLAYERS: UF: Jr. Kicker Joey Ijias (8-11 FGs, long 43), Fr. Punter Chas Henry (28 punts, 38.5 avg, long 53); FLORIDA ATLANTIC: Jr. Kicker Warley Leroy (15-22 FGs, long 46), So. Punter Keegan Peterson (35 punts, 40 avg, long 63).

ANALYSIS: Ijias doinked an extra point off the upright against South Carolina, but the Gators' special teams have not missed much other than that recently. John Curtis came up big against South Carolina with a punt block, and Brandon James continues to give opposing coaches nightmares on returns. Leroy ranks in the middle of the pack in the Sun Belt in kicking accuracy.

ADVANTAGE: UF



INTANGIBLES: Now that their conference schedule is done, the Gators have a chance to breathe before they take on Florida State.

Percy Harvin and right guard Maurkice Pouncey are doubtful, but UF proved it can win without them. Still, the Gators need to be on upset watch because Florida Atlantic has nothing to lose and everything to gain. Still, after a tumultuous year, Urban Meyer will not allow his team to drop another one at home.

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