



**UF ADMINISTRATION**

# UF leaders shrug off McCain endorsement

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Though UF President Bernie Machen's endorsement of a presidential candidate was unusual for a leader in public higher education, university leaders said Wednesday it's not a big deal — just Machen's opinion.

Although unaware of Machen's intentions before his weekend announcement that he is endorsing Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., in the 2008 presidential race, Provost Janie Fouke said she wasn't surprised by his decision to share his political views.

"I think it's clear that many public figures have private lives, and I think it's appropriate," Fouke said.

"Dr. Machen has the same free-speech rights as any of us."

**Dianna Morgan**  
UF Board of Trustees chairwoman

There should be no question of whether Machen's support for McCain would seem to represent

the views of the UF community, she said.

"I think he was clear that he was expressing his personal values," Fouke said.

Dianna Morgan, chairwoman of UF's Board of Trustees, UF's highest governing body, said Machen's announcement shouldn't come as a shock.

"Dr. Machen has the same free-

speech rights as any of us," Morgan said.

However, despite Machen's assertion that his endorsement is independent from his UF position, Morgan said she expects Machen's statement will reflect on the university no matter what.

People will make their own judgments, she said, but the endorse-

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## Medieval performers cross swords on Plaza

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Flashing sparks and clanking swords attracted about 200 people to a scene typical of the Middle Ages on the Plaza of the Americas on Wednesday afternoon.

Performers from Kissimmee's Medieval Times dinner show joined a small group of local falcon trainers and UF Juggling Club members for a medieval weapons demonstration.

Onlookers encircled the performers during two shows timed to attract students coming out of adjourned classes.

The event was sponsored by the UF Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies as part of its eighth annual Carnevale Symposium, a program that studies Carnevale, the celebration before Easter.

Two knights in full costume from Medieval Times entertained the crowd

during several choreographed sword fights.

Jason Jones, who played the "bad" knight in a green costume, provoked onlookers by doing the Seminole chop with his sword during the battle.

The few students who shouted "Gator bait!" and "You're in Gainesville!" in retaliation, however, did not satisfy the show's green-clad antagonist.

"I would have liked more boos in my direction," Jones said. "I don't care what these people in 'Swampville' think of me."

Parker Stevens, 6, was among a few children dressed in medieval costumes at the event.

"I wanted the green knight to win," Parker said after the last battle.

Frank Weber, who dressed in a royal blue outfit as a chancellor from Medieval Times, said he wasn't worried



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Medieval Times' Jason Jones, right, fights Kyle Watkins on the Plaza of the Americas on Wednesday as part of a UF Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies program.

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# State board to consider cap on incoming freshmen

**■ CAP COULD ALLEVIATE EFFECTS OF BUDGET CUTS ON UNIVERSITIES.**

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UF may have to limit the number of incoming freshman next fall if statewide recommendations are passed.

The Florida Board of Governors, the

State University System's highest governing body, will consider capping enrollment for the state's 11 public universities at its Tallahassee meeting today, said Bill Edmonds, the board's spokesman.

Edmonds said the measure aims to help universities cope with recent budget cuts and more slashes that would probably be imposed in the near future.

If the motion passes today, the board will set limits for each university in the spring after the Legislature finalizes its budget, he

said.

"We don't want to have students enrolled for whom we don't get that basic state support," he said.

He said the board hasn't yet decided how strictly it would enforce the enrollment regulation.

"My expectation would be that it would be binding," Edmonds said, "but that is up to the board."

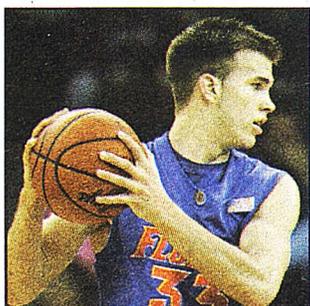
This would mark new territory for the

board, which he said has never limited enrollment before.

"It's an unpleasant task, really, but the board has to do what's best for the university system and what's best for the students," he said.

Florida's public universities have one of the worst student-faculty ratios in the country, and it takes students an average of 4.3 years to graduate, Edmonds said.

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■ The UF men's basketball team topped South Carolina 73-71 last night in Columbia to run its Southeastern Conference record to 4-1. Freshman guard Nick Calathes scored 21 points and hit the go-ahead 3-pointer in the second half to spur the Gators to the win. See story, pg. 24.

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■ An incumbent for City Commission District 3 is squaring off with two challengers, and we profiled all three. See stories, pg. 8.

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## News Today

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

## 'Affaires Du Coeur' Lunch Series

Institute of Black Culture, 11:30 a.m., today  
The IBC will be hosting a discussion titled "Chivalry is dead and women killed it." The "Things of the Heart" lunch series is a tentative monthly discussion of gender roles, relationships and interaction between the sexes.

## AmeriCorps — Alachua County Reads

Alachua County Headquarters Library downtown, 5 p.m., 6 p.m., tonight  
Alachua County Reads will be hosting two training and orientation sessions for students interested in getting involved with the program, which offers reading tutoring for students in at-risk elementary schools.

## Museum Nights

Harn Museum, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., tonight  
Starting at 6 p.m., there will be free training in Polaroid transfers using a Daylab photo processing system.

## 'How to Save a Life' presentation

Room 100 McCarty Hall C, 7 p.m., tonight  
City Commission candidate Robert Agrusa and a UF student who was injured by a drunken driver in an accident will discuss drinking and driving.

## Contemporary Art Discussion

Harn Museum, 3 p.m., Sunday  
UF professor Celeste Roberge

## FORECAST



will present a gallery talk of the exhibition "Vision/Revision: Contemporary Art from the Harn Collection."

## LOCAL

## Women's group questions city candidates

Women for Wise Growth held a public forum Wednesday evening and questioned Gainesville City Commission candidates on their ideas for energy conservation, development in East Gainesville and homelessness.

The group is known for supporting environmental protection and affordable costs for infrastructure and transportation.

One of the main focuses brought up by the audience was homelessness.

Candidates were asked about their policies regarding homelessness and the one-stop homeless center.

City Commissioner Jack Donovan, who is running for District 3 re-election, said his goals consist of getting the homeless back on their feet and contributing to society.

It takes a compassionate and healthy society to help the homeless as well as reduce the fear of neighborhoods from this

one-stop center, Donovan said.

All six candidates in attendance didn't agree with the proposed North Main Terrace location of the center.

The center shouldn't be close to an elementary school and day-care center, said Bryan Harman, District 2 candidate.

However, District 3 candidate Armando Grundy said it's an issue when people don't want the center in their area.

"If it's not in your backyard, what backyard?" Grundy asked.

About 30 people showed up to the forum at the United Church of Gainesville. Beverly Thomas, a founding member of Women for Wise Growth, said the unusually early city election had an effect on forum attendance.

Thomas said they have been inviting city, county and state candidates to participate in a public forum for the past 10 years. District 2 At-Large candidate Robert Agrusa and District 3 candidate Christopher Salazar were not in attendance.

— APRIL DUDASH

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# Academics give more to Dems

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UF students and faculty have given more than \$15,000 so far to candidates for the 2008 presidential election, with about 70 percent of the funds going to Democrats.

According to public records filed with the Federal Election Commission, a total of 29 people who said they were UF students or employees have contributed to presidential candidates.

At UF, Democratic candidates Barack Obama and John Edwards have received about \$5,000 each, while Republicans Ron Paul, John McCain and Mitt Romney have taken in between \$1,000 and \$1,500 each.

So far nationwide, Obama is the top earner among educators and students, pulling in about \$2 million. Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton, the next highest earner among students and teachers, has received about \$1.6 million, while top Republican earner Romney has only received about half a million from the same group.

Michael Heaney, an assistant professor of political science at UF, suggested Obama's educational background has played a big role in making him a favorite among educators.

"He's a very bright guy, he's highly educated, he's an author of two books and he's a law professor," said Heaney, referencing Obama's tenure as a senior lecturer at the University of Chicago Law School since 1993.

**Elections  
2008**

Nationwide, Democratic candidates have netted 71 percent of the money contributed by students and employees at America's colleges, the same percentage those Democrats received from UF students and employees. The statistics for other universities in the state, however, are different. Employees and students of Florida State University and the University of Miami have given more than 93 percent of their money to Democrats.

Though Obama earned the most money from UF employees, \$5,222, Edwards motivated the most individuals around campus to donate.

Eight of the 18 UF contributors to Democratic candidates gave to Edwards' campaign, including a \$2,300 donation from Provost Janie Fouke.

Clinton, who has earned the most out of all candidates in contribution money from across the country — almost \$91 million — has not been so favored in Gainesville. She has received only \$500 from those at UF, \$20 less than withdrawn Democratic candidate Bill Richardson.

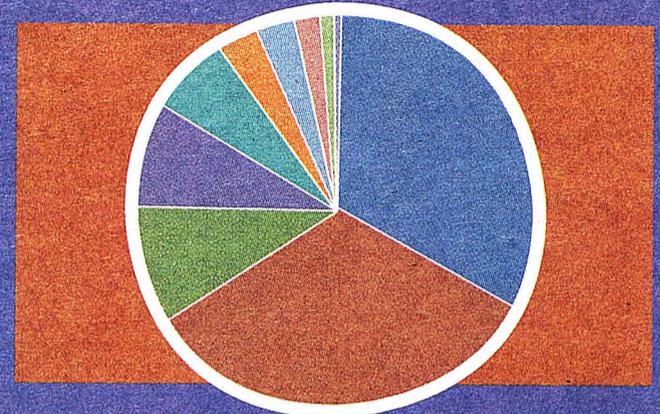
Another outlier is the amount of campaign contributions for Republican candidate Ron Paul. He earned the most out of any Republican from UF students and faculty, despite only earning about 2 percent of total contributions nationwide.

Though Heaney was unsure how campaign funds would change the election, he said this race has amassed a high level of energy from voters.

"In general, there's a lot of enthusiasm across the board about this presidential race," he said, adding that this is the first election since 1952 in which no incumbent president or vice president has campaigned.

## Candidates by UF contributions

Money was donated by UF students and faculty members



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Democrats

Ron Paul — \$1,495  
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Mitt Romney — \$1,000  
Fred Thompson — \$300  
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Bill Richardson — \$520  
Hillary Clinton — \$500  
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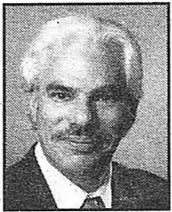
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UF President Bernie Machen said at a press conference the partnership would improve cancer care in Florida.



Goldfarb

The Moffitt hospital, based in Tampa, uses a patient-centered approach, which will

be used at the \$388-million Shands Cancer Hospital in construction on Southwest Archer Road, Machen said. The hospital is scheduled to be completed in 2009.

William S. Dalton, CEO of Moffitt, said with patients' consent, medical

officials could create a data warehouse to give the best care possible.

H. Lee Moffitt, former speaker of Florida's House of Representatives, said more than 100 Floridians die from cancer each day. The collaboration is essential to lessen the cancer crisis, Moffitt said.

"We must be prepared for the onslaught of cancer that we see growing on our horizon," he said.

Timothy Goldfarb, CEO of Shands HealthCare, said there was no better organization to team up with than the one started by Moffitt.

"His passion for the cure and the care of those afflicted with cancer is well-known," Goldfarb said.

"I wanted a bit of that to rub off on me, to rub off on our staff and to rub off on our state."

— ILEANA MORALES

# UF looking to improve alerts 4,400 texts not received

By KATIE SANDERS  
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UF officials are investigating why more than 4,400 students and faculty did not receive the first test of the university's emergency text-messaging system Jan. 15.

Mobile Campus, UF's text-messaging provider, reported that 35,727 out of 41,383 messages sent that day reached most cell phones in less than 30 minutes, according to a UF news release.

UF determined that some did not receive the message because they had full inboxes, gave an incorrect cell phone number or did not subscribe to a text-messaging plan.

About 1,241 messages failed for reasons still undetermined. Steve Orlando, UF spokesman, said UF is work-

ing to find out why.

"A lot of what we need is dependent on people reporting back to us, first of all, that they didn't receive the message," Orlando said.

He said one possibility for failed messages is that some people, including himself, updated their contact information after a list of everyone else's numbers was already sent to Mobile Campus.

**Public Safety** The contact information would now be updated every day to reflect the most current emergency contact numbers, Orlando said.

Reducing the time it takes for all messages to be received by 15 minutes is a priority for UF officials, he said, even though the test "went more quickly than anticipated."

He said the time delay

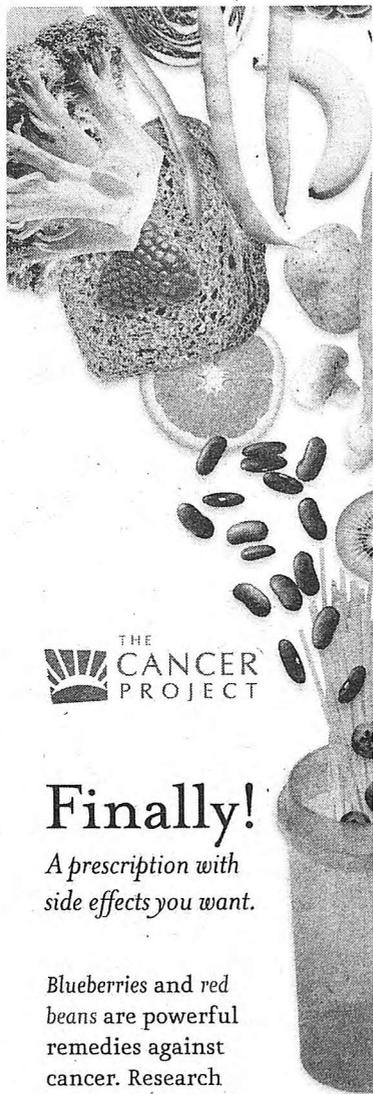
was due to a computer glitch in the first effort to send the text.

Orlando said UF has developed another tool for emergency situations that will address the threats of those living on campus.

The new system acts as a "reverse 911 service" because it allows the University Police Department and the Alachua County Sheriff's Office to call campus landlines and cell phones of on-campus students in emergencies, he said.

UF students were required to update their emergency contact information in the wake of the Virginia Tech massacre in April, when 32 students and faculty members were killed by a student.

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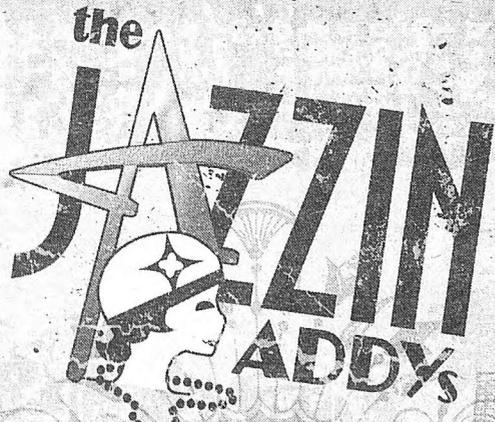
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## UF leaders unconcerned

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ment shouldn't be regarded as anything but only his opinion.

"I think it's a personal endorsement of an individual he's known for some time and an individual he greatly admires," Morgan said.

As for Machen's potential influence on public opinion, Morgan said she couldn't offer any predictions.



Machen

"I can't prejudge the influence that this endorsement may have," she said.

McCain now leads the Florida Republican primary race at 29 percent, and Mitt Romney is second at 22 percent, according to a Monday poll released by the American Research Group.

Rick Yost, chairman of UF's Faculty Senate and a chemistry professor, said he hadn't considered how Machen's opinion might influence others', but he has as much right as any other U.S. citizen to share his support for a political figure.

"I'm sure people will have opinions one way or another, but I don't think it's a big deal," Yost said.

Though it's rare, Machen wasn't the first university president to publicize partisanship with a presidential candidate for the 2008 race. University of Miami President Donna E. Shalala openly expressed her support for Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton in January 2007.

But Shalala's endorsement was less surprising than Machen's, as she held a Cabinet position in the Clinton administration and had worked with Clinton herself.

## Students participate in demonstration

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about any of the children hurting themselves while examining the weapons.

"Frankly, the children are much more respectful of the weapons than the adults," Weber said.

Will Hasty, UF professor of German Studies and co-director of the Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, said he was pleased with Wednesday's turnout, which he said was higher than last year's.

"I think it went extremely well," Hasty said.

He said the event was not solely meant to draw attention to medieval and early modern times but also to kickoff a colloquium on Monday that will explore the evolution of medieval gaming.

Kristen Perry, a UF freshman, was pulled from

the audience during the show to demonstrate the force of the bola, which is used to injure offenders by quickly flailing small steel balls attached to a steel chain.

"Frankly, the children are much more respectful of the weapons than the adults."

**Frank Weber**  
Medieval Times chancellor

Perry, holding a metal shield for protection and standing firm in high heels, prepared to take the brunt of a speeding bola thrashed by Jones, but Weber pulled her away at the last second.

"I was scared, but it was a lot of fun," she said.

## UF plans to enroll 6,600 freshmen in the fall

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Because the budget cuts will probably cause faculty layoffs, he said taking in too many freshmen next fall would cause the student-faculty ratio to grow and force students to stay in school even longer.

"That's the worst-case scenario," he said, adding that it's still a legitimate possibility.

Edmonds said the universities couldn't continue enrolling students without sufficient state funding.

The lack of money stemmed from a downturn in Florida's economy, which led to two rounds of budget cuts and anticipated funding problems next year. UF has planned to cut about \$40 million this year to make up for state

funding shortfalls.

UF Provost Janie Fouke said UF plans to meet its goal of admitting 6,600 freshmen in the fall.

Fouke, who learned of the proposal earlier this week, declined to speculate on how that number might change if the board sets enrollment limits.

As for her reaction if the regulation does pass at today's meeting, Fouke would not comment.

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## Editorial

# Selling Out

## Facebook pokes holes in privacy for profits

When it first launched in 2004, Facebook swept across college campuses and became forever embedded in our popular culture.

Just two short years later, anyone older than 13 could join, making the social networking site one of the most popular sites on the Internet with 60 million registered users.

It became so popular, in fact, that a 2006 study found that college students named the site as the second most "in" thing, tied with beer and sex — losing only to the ubiquitous iPod.

So how could something that became as popular as two of the most common college traditions go so wrong in just a few years after its creation?

Even though many of us enjoyed the welcomed distraction of friending, tagging and poking people for countless hours, it soon became apparent that Facebook was going to have to do more than connect us with our friends to hold our attention — and keep turning a profit.

And it was downhill from there.

Unfortunately, to accomplish its revenue goal, the creator of the billion-dollar Facebook decided it would have to sell our privacy to the highest bidder. And with the extremely profitable market that the site had captured so quickly, it wasn't unexpected.

Sure, students quickly caught on that maybe posting everything on Facebook wasn't such a good idea.

When public scandals involving inappropriate photo postings continued to make the news on campuses across the country, users became more selective about what they were posting on the site. After all, not everyone wanted the world to see documented proof of a typical weekend's worth of their debauchery.

However, the more clandestine, corporate violations of personal privacy that a Facebook account might allow were not so obvious to the millions of the site's devotees.

We can trace the beginning of the end of Facebook as we knew it to Nov. 7.

The site introduced Facebook Beacon, a marketing scheme that includes a system to allow users to share information about their activities on other Web sites.

When people realized that what they purchased or viewed on these "partner Web sites" was immediately published on Facebook without their permission, red flags went up across cyberspace.

Realizing the potential for destructive blows to his company's net worth, founder Mark Zuckerberg made yet another public apology for the way that a new application was launched.

Beacon was later changed to require that any actions transmitted to the site would have to be approved by the user.

But, by then, the damage was already done.

So, when it was revealed last week that Facebook is now the target of an investigation from the United Kingdom's Information Commissioner's Office, it came as no surprise to us.

The site is currently facing questions about how it protects users' data after someone complained that the social network did not fully delete their information even after they had terminated their account.

We won't try to deny the potential benefits of having a Facebook account, which is why we were so infatuated with it in the first place — hell, you can even friend the Alligator if you want. But we continue to be disappointed with the way the site is transforming into another tool for corporate America's quest to acquire more consumers at the expense of personal privacy.

The once genius idea generated from a Harvard student's dorm room has become a corporate pirate holding hostage something some people would be willing to pay any price to have access to — our information.

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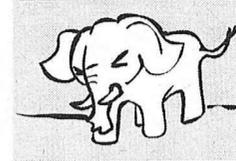
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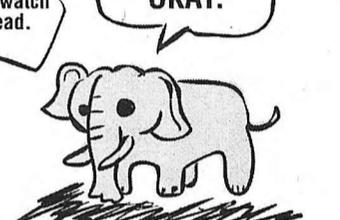


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## Guest column

# Celebrity news culture clouds issues

I might vomit if I see another popup window advertising links to images of Britney Spears' crotch. Unless that thing is housing a population about to vote in a presidential primary, I don't think it is important.

It's no secret that over the past five years our country has become more and more infatuated with anything Hollywood related. If you are familiar with the phrase "Brangelina," then you know exactly what I'm talking about.

So who is to blame for our celebrity-obsessed culture? Is it the media? Or, dare I even say it, the public?

Magazine covers have been plastered with celebrity faces since The National Enquirer popularized the tabloid in 1967 and switched to covering celebrity culture due to the rise of the movie industry.

The '70s brought such publications as US Weekly and Star magazine, both of which fueled the rise of celebrity culture in America. From there, is the snowball effect of reality TV, celebrity talk shows, clothing lines, endorsements and I need not even mention the E! Entertainment Television.

People magazine alone supposedly paid \$4 million to have the rights to publish the first photos of the Jolie-Pitt baby. Celebrity babies, or "Celebabies," are making more headlines in magazines than people who are actually important.

Since the media are supplying us with so much useless information, you would think the demand's coming from somewhere.

And unfortunately, it's coming from our own wallets.

A recent article in Conde Nast Portfolio magazine explained what they call the Britney Industrial Complex, or BIC. No, it's not a factory where panties are made for the rich girl who can't seem to actually wear them. It estimates how much she is worth annually to the economy: \$110 million to \$120 million.



Rebecca Ganzak

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Not bad for a girl who only pockets about \$9 million a year.

The BIC is calculated by the press Spears elicits, the money she is paid for just showing up at an event or how much people are willing to dish out to have the table next to hers at a Vegas nightclub.

When contemplating the No. 1 most popular Yahoo! search subject for the past seven years, you might think of the following words: global warming, 9/11, President Bush, Iran, Iraq or oil prices.

But you would be wrong. Of course you probably guessed what it is by now: Britney Spears.

Oh, wait. It was only six out of seven years. We must not forget 2004, the year of Paris Hilton.

And these are just two celebrities of the dozens and dozens.

So, how do we wean off our obsession with celebrity news and get back to what is important?

If we are so starved to read about other people's lives, why don't the celebrity media write real, human-interest stories instead? You know, a story that the average human would be interested in? I would much rather read an in-depth profile of Natalie Portman's political causes than a story about J.Lo's pregnancy.

As the Britney train wreck continues, I may just have to make my peace with the fact that this might never change. In a culture driven by money and status, what editor wouldn't want their magazine flying off the shelves?

Unfortunately, this crap is what keeps selling.

Rebecca Ganzak is a journalism senior. Her column appears on Thursdays.

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

## Reader response

**Today's question:** Should the Board of Governors cap the number of freshmen next fall?

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Letters to the Editor

**Endorsement hurts UF's image**

UF President Bernie Machen's decision to endorse John McCain is an unusual move for a university president. The job of the university president is to serve as an impartial representative of UF, not a partisan politico.

This move serves as a distraction from Machen's real job — running UF to the best of his abilities. Supporters of Democrats and other Republican candidates in Tallahassee may be less likely to work with Machen on crucial issues like UF's budget deficit after this public endorsement.

Democratic donors might think twice before cooperating so readily with UF's Florida Tomorrow fundraising campaign.

Machen cites McCain's immigration policy as particularly impressive. If anything should have swayed the president's choice, it should have been a candidate's commitment to education. It's important to remember that President Machen speaks only for himself with this endorsement, not for UF as a whole. Students should still make an informed, independent decision

on the candidate they support, and then vote for that person on Election Day.

Mark McShera  
College Democrats Editorial Chair,  
2LS

**Machen statement hypocritical**

As a private citizen, President Machen has every right to express his opinion about political candidates and should be able to endorse whomever he wishes. But Machen should not be able to utilize his title as UF president to support a presidential candidate.

How can we expect UF to be an institution garnering free thought void of partisanship if our president publicly takes such a strong political stance?

Last March, when 500 students stood on the steps of Tigert Hall bearing a list of demands that asked for UF to publicly denounce the war in Iraq, they were told that the university could not take a public stance on political issues.

Even though Machen has repeatedly mentioned that his decision does not speak for the entire univer-

sity community, headlines across the nation are giving the image that UF has endorsed McCain.

On the eve of the Florida primaries and McCain's scheduled visit to Gainesville, an endorsement by Florida's largest and most prestigious university will have substantial impact on the senator's electoral success throughout the state. Perhaps President Machen should consider directing his outrageous salary toward solving UF's budget crisis instead of publicly advocating for a candidate.

Tina Steiger  
3LS

**President has right to opinion**

Despite its placating claims, the editorial board clearly does not understand that Bernie Machen retains his right to political expression.

Few of the points raised in Wednesday's editorial would withstand honest scrutiny. Labor unions, politicians and even newspapers regularly endorse candidates just before elections. There was nothing unusual about Machen's timing.

And suggesting that he should

keep quiet out of fear of retribution comes awfully close to championing censorship.

Worst of all was the idea that a university president is somehow wrong to share his opinions just because his students might not like them. Remember: the Constitution guarantees more than just a person's right to cast a vote.

It also protects his right to defend himself in the public sphere.

Salisha Ali  
2AG

**Bush presidency tragic mistake**

Wednesday's letter from Wayne Jespersen is disheartening in its apologies for a failed administration. The way Jespersen characterizes the presidency was the way it was intended when the Constitution was written. Reality could not be further from the truth, however.

Bush has wielded more executive power than perhaps any president in history, so to say he has nothing to do with economic policy is, on the face of it, laughable.

The president is the elected head

of his party, as well as its most recognizable face. Much lesser known members of Congress know this and trail on his coattails when he is popular. That is what we saw during Bush's first six years in office. All of his policies, economic and otherwise, were rubber-stamped by a Republican Congress that was more than happy to bend to his every whim. Even now, with a Congress that is closely divided, budgets must get passed, so the threat of a veto makes Congress shape its legislation to the president's liking.

To say we could all just get jobs to pay for our education is also ludicrous. I challenge you to look around Gainesville and show me a job that pays someone without a degree much of anything above minimum wage. And we're supposed to finance an education with that? At some point, people have to realize that Bush has been one of the worst mistakes the voting public has made in a very long time — possibly ever. We must take responsibility for our mistakes and stop making excuses for this tragedy of a presidency.

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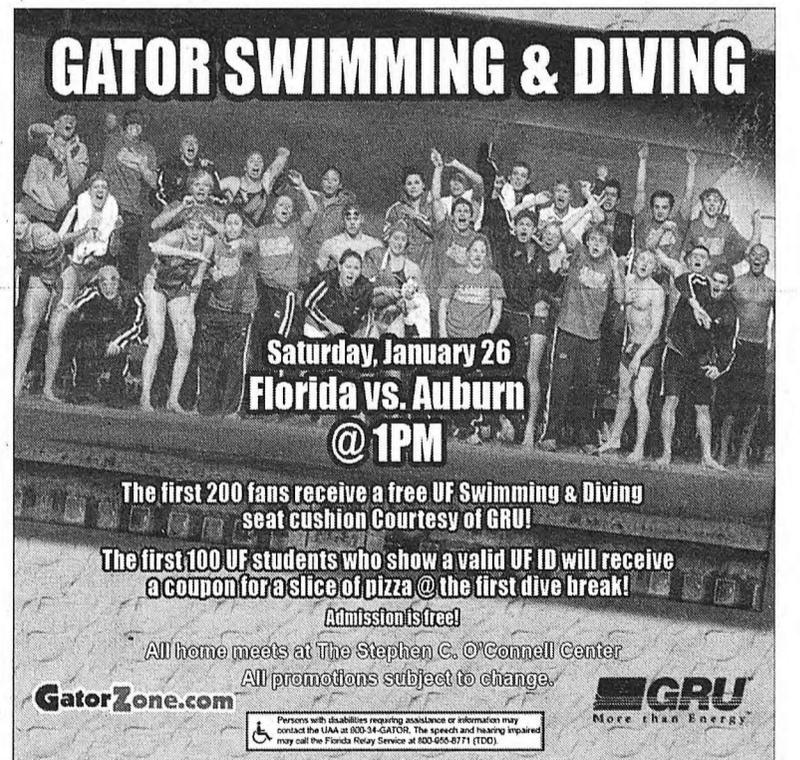
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# Donovan proud of past term

By **KATIE GALLAGHER**

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As the only candidate running for re-election on the Gainesville City Commission District 3 ballot, Jack Donovan is proud of what he has accomplished in his three-year term.

"We've changed the city in a lot of ways that are really great," he said.

He's most proud of his work with the homeless, energy conservation, neighborhood code enforcement, and traffic congestion.

Donovan said he has helped bring in an \$18 million grant to improve traffic synchronization from the Florida Department of Transportation. Donovan also stopped other commissioners from voting for a coal-burning power plant that would have harmed the environment, he said.

"Before I got on the commission, it was a go deal as far as I can tell," he said.

Donovan said he hopes to continue his work in those areas for the next term, as well as to focus on the quality of life, the environment and the city's economic development. He said he also wants to improve the city's road grid so drivers can better avoid congested areas.

Donovan said he discourages development in West Gainesville and favors building downtown. He has voted for financial incentives for large-scale building projects in the downtown area.

"It's a worthwhile thing to partner with the developer," he said. "It's not so much providing a tax incentive as it's providing a partnership."

He supports development in East Gainesville as well, he said.

The divisions between east and west Gainesville show a problem he said few candidates address

— race and class divisions. Segregated housing patterns result in segregated schools, which is a problem he wants to address if he is re-elected, he said.

Donovan would also like to see police in the east work with juvenile offenders to find alternative punishments to jail.

A Gainesville resident for 21 years, Donovan is a former min-

ister and has worked with UF students to create internships with the city commission.

He graduated from Harvard University and has a daughter at SFCC, a daughter at UF's Levin College of Law and a son who graduated from UF.

"Even though my education was up north, my family are Gators," he said.



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Jack Donovan, a candidate for Gainesville City Commission District 3, poses on the Downtown Community Plaza on Monday.

# Salazar focuses on city's energy needs

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*Editor's Note: Christopher Salazar could not be reached for a photograph.*

Christopher Salazar first became interested in politics as a child watching the news.

Now, Salazar, 21, is hoping to make news by running for the Gainesville City Commission District 3 seat.

"The biggest thing I'm worried about is our infrastructure and energy need," he said.

Salazar would like to build a new power plant and install solar panels on all city buildings.

If funds could be made available, he wants to run Regional Transit System and school buses on biodiesel — a renewable, clean-burning fuel.

"With the right equipment we could theoretically gather waste cooking oil from our local restaurants and fast food places," he said, to create the fuel for as little as 70 cents a gallon.

If possible, all city vehicles should be replaced with hybrids, too, he said.

As far as infrastructure, Salazar is concerned with congestion on the roads.

He said he would continue to work on synchronizing traffic lights but would also consider changing speed limits and creating more connecting streets to relieve busy areas like Newberry

Road and Archer Road.

Salazar is also concerned with the communication between different homeless ministries.

He would like them to refer homeless people to the appropriate organization that would best suit their individual needs.

"Everyone's working on their own piece of the puzzle, but that's a problem," he said. "It's just the piece. It's not the whole picture."

Salazar, who studied general science and engineering before he went on leave from SFCC,

also wants to work on problems that are important to

students, such as binge drinking.

If it were up to him, clubs and bars would still stay open until 2 a.m. but would stop serving alcohol at midnight or 1 a.m.

"If you keep playing the music, people will stay," he said. "If you just close down at 2 a.m. and turn everyone out, everyone's out there staggering and doing whatever."

He also plans to mandate minimum numbers of visitor parking spots in apartment complexes.

A Gainesville resident all his life, Salazar first experienced the local political system at a commission meeting last year when he spoke out against the closing of Tent City, a homeless camping area near South Main Street.

"I've always been political," he said. "Ever since I was a young child, I followed politics."

## ELECTIONS 2008

# Grundy runs on public-safety platform

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To Armando Grundy, taking care of his southwest Gainesville voting district means not spending public funds on downtown development projects.

"It's important to be concerned about all of the community, but never allow your homefront to fall to the wayside," Grundy said.

Grundy is running for the Gainesville City Commission District 3 seat.

He's particularly against the \$802,000 the city voted to give to the Hampton Inn project downtown.

"That's more money we could put toward public safety and fighting violent crime," he said. "That's more money we could put toward making sure our firefighters have every tool available."

Tax cuts could have been acceptable, he said, but not spending public dollars that could have gone toward improving public safety.

Grundy, in hopes to reduce violent

crime, said he plans to ensure that police and fire rescue forces have the resources they need.

In order to make sure public safety departments have those funds, Grundy said he wants to eliminate unnecessary projects such as building brick sidewalks and roundabouts in roads.

**"It's important to be concerned about all of the community, but never allow your homefront to fall to the wayside."**

**Armando Grundy**  
City Commission candidate

Grundy would also like elected officials to be more accountable for their actions. Voters should not accept commission decisions to spend public funds on development projects, he said.

"We cannot afford another three years of Jack Donovan," Grundy said, referring to the current District 3 commissioner.

To improve the economy, Grundy

would like to relax government regulations and decrease tax burdens for small businesses. He said he hopes this will also increase the number of jobs.

"In order to have a better Gainesville, you have to have better access and opportunity for everybody," he said.

Though Grundy has lived in Gainesville for just under a year, he said he feels connected to District 3.

Like many of the people in District 3, Grundy said he, too, has struggles.

"I've always been told that the odds have been stacked against me," he said.

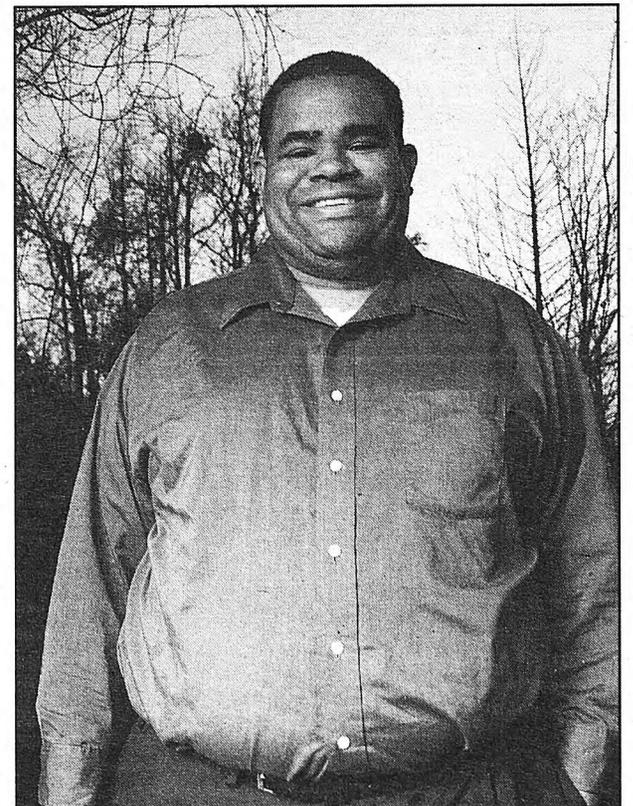
He came to town after spending eight years in the army to finish his education at SFCC.

"I wanted to be part of The Gator Nation," he said. "It has, so far, surpassed any expectations I have had."

He decided to run for the commission after noticing a lack of accountability by the commissioners, he said.

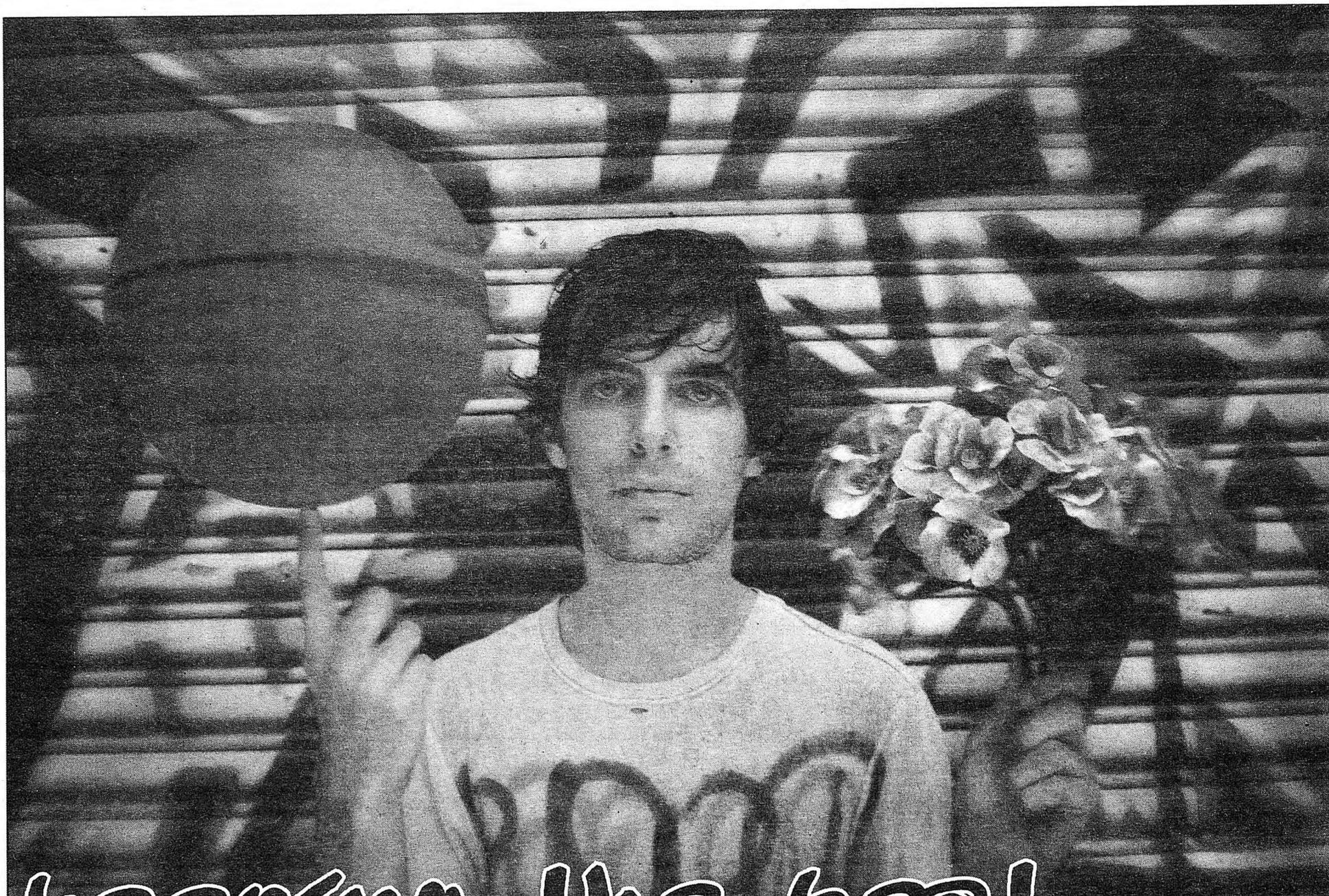
"Before you can lead, you have to be a servant first," he said.

"I have learned how to serve and be a selfless leader."



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Armando Grundy, a candidate for Gainesville City Commission District 3, poses outside his home Monday.



# keeping the beat

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Girl Talk is a sellout.

No, he hasn't sold his music for car commercials or various steak houses, nor has he whored his soul to megacorporations.

Girl Talk has merely sold all 450 tickets to his upcoming show in Gainesville.

Gregg Gillis, Girl Talk, the messiah of mash-up - whatever you want to call him - will be bringing his aural orgy of '70s one-hit-wonders, '80s hip-hop and '90s pop to Common Grounds on Jan. 30.

All the tickets have been gone for almost a week and the outside bar will be closed to passersby.

"It seems insane that any show would sell out in advance, and I'm completely honored by that," Gillis said in a phone interview. "I can't

even really think of a band that I would buy an advanced ticket for."

So what is it about the biomedical-engineer-turned-musician Gillis that sells so many tickets?

## Smash Your Head

It's impossible to talk about Gillis's sample-based music without also addressing his live performances

Girl Talk shows have proven to be a very sweaty, cathartic and altogether exhausting experience, but not just for the energetic Gillis.

Because he is the only performer, audience members take it upon themselves to dance vigorously, often on stage with him, as he performs with his laptop.

"When I'm playing a gig - it's

really nerdy - but I have to click the mouse literally every 15 seconds to keep up with it," Gillis said.

It's not like he just sits there like a computer geek while everyone else gets down. He also slams and jams, occasionally removing his clothing all the way down to his underwear.

Regarding his shows, he may have put it best: "body parts everywhere" and "chaos."

## Once Again

Gillis made his last appearance in Gainesville fall 2006, while touring in support of "Night Ripper," his breakthrough album released in the same year.

While he hasn't released any full-length mash-up material since then, his persistent touring has given him a chance to improve the content of his live act.

He said his set will be longer and

almost all of the content of his performance will be new.

"Musically, it's a whole new mix and every night is very different as to what I'm going to experiment with and what I choose to play," he said. "Compared to a year and a half ago, I think a lot of the shows these days are pretty insane just as far as the give and take between me and the audience goes. That's a good thing, from my perspective."

Common Grounds bar manager, Jeremy Murdoch, hopes things will be calmer though.

"We prefer to not have people dancing on the stage," he said, "but it's not something that we're going to be that concerned about."

## That's My DJ

Although he had two other albums, Girl Talk's rise to "I'm-not-a-DJ" stardom didn't begin until the

press picked up "Night Ripper," his third release.

He never intended for the album to become as big as it did. His idea of success was for "a couple people come out to my show to be entertained and for a couple people to buy a CD," he said.

But Gillis was successful enough to able quit his job in June as a biomedical engineer and pursue music full-time.

"When all the press hit for 'Night Ripper,' it was great for me and I've really enjoyed it, but at the same time it took me a really long time to quit the job because I never considered this something that would make money or that I could quit a job over," he said. "I had a hard time stomaching the fact that, 'Okay, I'm going to quit this engineering job

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- Check out our review of "There Will be Blood" on page 12

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### QUOTABLE



"I would refuse."  
 — "Project Runway" host Tim Gunn on what he would do if asked to makeover Britney Spears

# Top 40 mash-up artist 'talks' number ones

KRISTIN BJORNSEN ▸ AVENUE WRITER

**AVENUE:** What is your number one song of 2007?

**GIRL TALK:** I'm going to have to go with UGK with Outkast and "International Player's Anthem."

**AVE:** Your number one album of 2007?

**GT:** The album I listened to the most was probably Bone Thugs-N-Harmony's "Strength and Loyalty."

**AVE:** Number one jam for January?

**GT:** The past few weeks have been so swamped. It's crazy because I just got Sirius Radio, and that's been what I've been obsessed with. Outside of that, I don't know if I've actually thrown in a CD because I've been listening to Sirius Radio so much.

**AVE:** Your number one city to play in the U.S.?

**GT:** I really like playing Pittsburgh just 'cause it's where I'm from. I can hang out with my friends and hang out there and it's just very natural, and I've been playing there for years.

**AVE:** Your number one food to eat on tour?

**GT:** Um, I eat a lot of [expletive]. Like, a lot of horrible things. So, I'm trying to think, the most normal thing for me would just be Wendy's. I don't know if it would be my favorite, but just because it's everywhere. My favorite thing to eat? Well, I fly so much that I actually eat this specific brand of hot and spicy trail mix almost every weekend just hanging out in the airport.

**AVE:** Your number one drink on tour?

**GT:** I drink a lot of whiskey. I do Jack Daniels a good bit.

**AVE:** Number one artist or band that you'd want to tour with?

**GT:** That's a tough question. [Pause] I would love to tour with Andrew W.K.

**AVE:** Number one thing to do while off tour?

**GT:** I really enjoy laying in bed and watching movies and going to the movies and bringing food in and wasting all my time there.

**AVE:** What's your number one recent purchase?

**GT:** I went to the zoo in Sydney, Australia, and you had to pay an extra \$20 to get your picture taken with this koala bear and they print out a nice big version of that. That would probably be the best purchase I have.

**AVE:** I know that you like to strip on stage sometimes. What would you say is your number one brand of underwear?

**GT:** I shop at K-Mart hardcore for my underwear, so I'm pretty Hanes. I'm pretty straight up. I wear anything. Sometimes it's tough because, like tonight for instance, all my underwear were dirty from going to Australia, and I haven't done laundry yet. So I'm wearing holey underwear tonight. Hopefully I don't take my pants off.

**AVE:** And finally, who would you consider to be the "numba one stunna?"

**GT:** I would have to go with Bird Man: Baby [Bryan Williams] on that one.

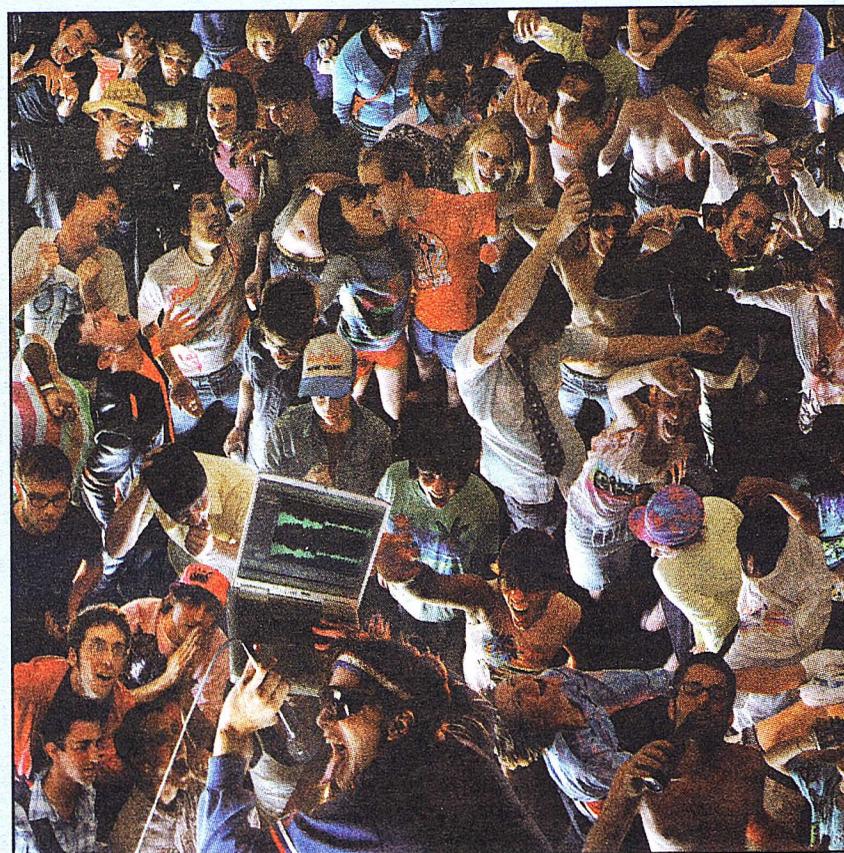
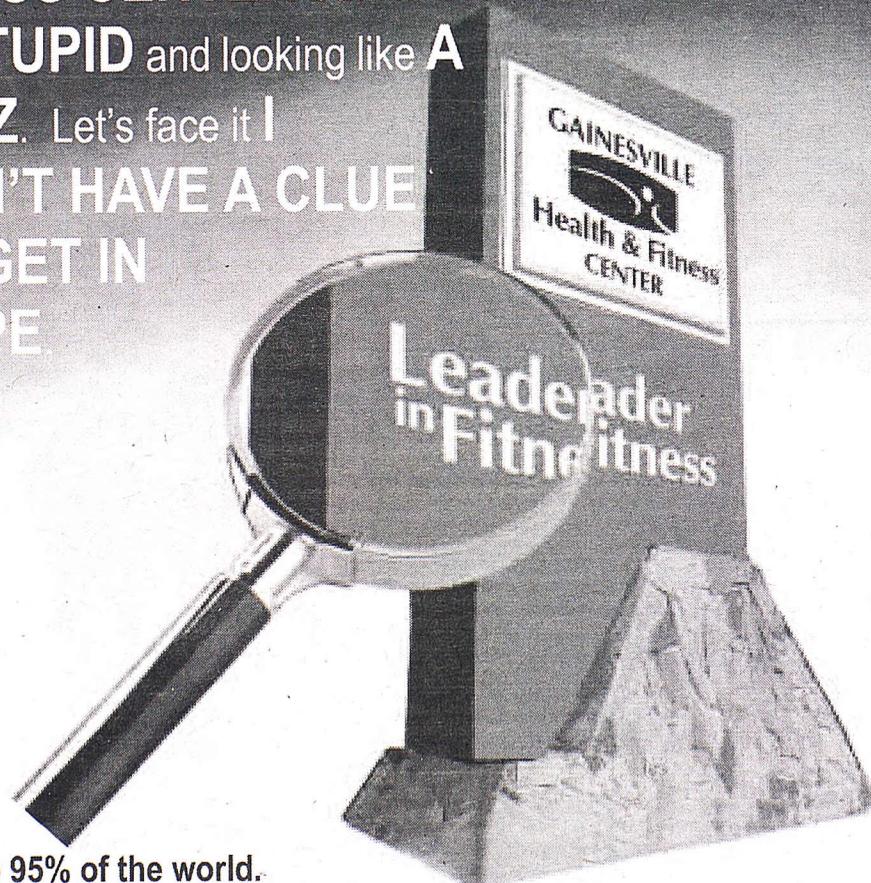


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# Cruise bio pulls punches

STEPHANIE ROBERTS  
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The release of "Tom Cruise: An Unauthorized Biography" is a timely one, coinciding with recently leaked video clips of the star's intense (read: insane) 2006 IAS Freedom Medal of Valor acceptance speech.

Author Andrew Morton's narrative, though for the most part irritatingly unbiased, does a fair job of reaffirming how far gone Cruise truly is.

Morton, the British journalist who also penned the No. 1 New York Times best-selling biographies of Princess Diana and Monica Lewinsky, once again delivers a thorough and surprisingly intriguing glimpse into the life of a celebrity.

"Why anyone would want to read the 323-page tome about this particular celebrity, however, is rather beyond me.

Yes, Cruise is a Hollywood icon, with three Oscar nods, three Golden Globes and a wealth of movie-inspired catchphrases to back him up. Lately, however, the hype surrounding Cruise has not been in regards to his talent, but to his fanatical devotion to Scientology and purported brainwashing of "Dawson's Creek" sweetheart Katie Holmes.

As alien as he may seem now, Cruise did have a childhood and a tough one at that. Morton spends much of the first half of the book describing Cruise's upbringing of being the only male among four sisters and being frequently bullied because of his small stature and academic and financial hardships.

It becomes hard to feel sorry for him, though, when Morton recounts the time Cruise tried to pick a fight with a group of boys who referred to his "do as a "hair cut" rather than a "hair style."

The author is also quick to point out that

Cruise was a womanizer even as a youngster, charming ladies on the playground with his trademark grin.

As he grew older, his wily ways landed him many a girlfriend and made him a husband three times, even though his repeated wooing patterns seem to reflect the modus operandi of well-known serial killers.

Morton's account of Cruise's business savvy and commitment to his roles is actually fascinating at points, illustrating what a natural talent and drive the actor possesses.



Morton

The rest of the book reads like a creepy sci-fi novel as Cruise's life eventually becomes an extraterrestrial soap opera. Morton details his dysfunctional, religiously charged relationships with halfhearted wit. Moreover, any attention

he gives to the highly controversial allegations that Cruise is homosexual is fleeting.

By the time Tom settles down with Katie, all you can do is pray that little Suri won't someday wind up as the offering in some bizarre religious sacrifice.

(As crazy an idea as that may seem, let us not forget that Cruise did indeed at one point claim he was going to eat his baby's placenta.)

The biography is certainly a testament to Morton's investigative and literary prowess, but the subject of his study is less than enthralling.

Had Morton taken a few more obvious jabs at Cruise, the book may have had enough edge to absorb average readers, not just die-hard fans.

As it is, it just inspires more browsing of YouTube for the "Trapped in the Closet" episode of "South Park."

## Gillis now working on new album

### GIRL TALK, from page 9

that I went to school for and play this laptop live and party full time."

#### Minute by Minute

With "Night Ripper" almost a year behind him, Gillis is now working on his next album.

"I literally have two minutes of it done," he said.

He does have a tentative title though: "Feed the Animals."

The idea came from his 2007 tour with Dan Deacon when Gillis would release inflatable props into the crowd before he went on. The audience would "swallow them up ... like animals."

"We were joking about how me playing music was the equivalent of feeding these party animals that need this music to have a good time for one evening," he said.

Although he hasn't set a release date, Gillis hopes to have the album done by April. He said it will be an extension of his current live show.

"I know the people who pay money and come out to see the shows are going to enjoy [the new album]," he said. "It's already been tested [at the shows]."

#### Peak Out

Having established himself as a full-time musician, Gillis is now simply going with the flow in his newfound success.

"Now I'm kind of just riding this wave," he said. "[A music career] is a turning point in my life, but I don't think it's really changing much."

He said he's just busier and working on music more intensely, but even if "Night Ripper" hadn't blown up, he would still be working on an album. He just wouldn't be making as much or playing as many shows.

One thing that has changed however, much to own Gillis's surprise, is the attention he's getting from some celebrities and musicians, like rapper Big Boi.

"The celebrities are just fun and interesting," he said. "Big Boi - it was a complete honor for him to come out to

the show in Atlanta, so I really enjoyed talking to him for a bit."

"Paris Hilton is kind of like, 'Well, that's interesting.' It's like going to see the Statue of Liberty, where you can see it on TV but it's nice to check it out in person."

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#### Give and Go

While Gillis is optimistic for his future music, he is already at peace with what he's achieved. Even if things do go south for him in the future, he is just fine with it.

"If it would tank and people all of the sudden would just decide that everyone hated me immediately, and no one wanted to come to the shows anymore, I would be perfectly satisfied and say 'that was a good run,'" he said. "I had that insane year and experienced all these crazy things."

**"A music career is a turning point in my life, but I don't think it's changing much."**

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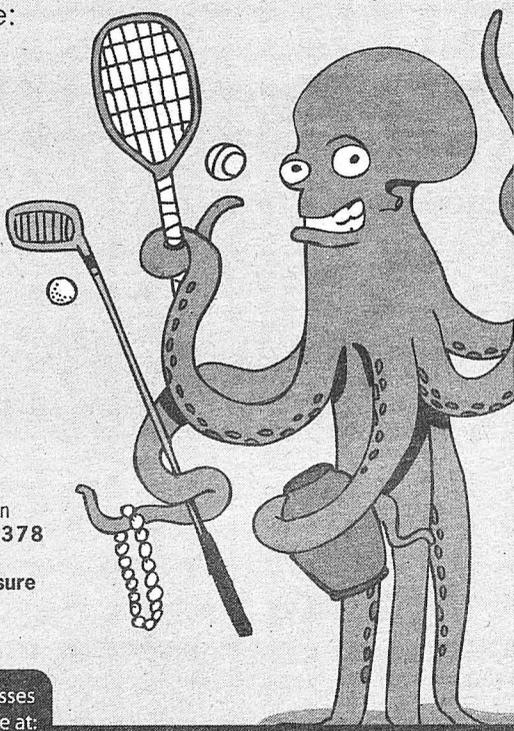
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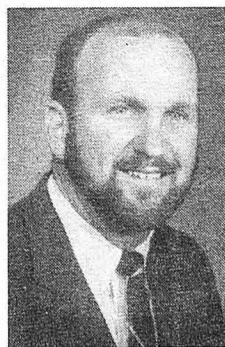
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# Day-Lewis gives intensely scary performance in 'Blood'

DANNY DJELJOSEVIC AVENUE WRITER

My movie-geek friends were surprised to find out that I had never seen anything with Daniel Day-Lewis in it.

I can't be completely at fault here because Day-Lewis has been in eight films since "My Left Foot" in 1989.

It's not like he's Samuel L. Jackson or Christopher Walken. Thus, unlike those two, when he appears in something, it's actually special rather than a sign that he should

have more discretion in the roles he takes, and that he's a shell of what he once was.

Day-Lewis is the star of "There Will Be Blood," the new film directed by Paul Thomas Anderson ("Magnolia", "Boogie Nights") that was seemingly made to tell me just what I was missing.

Day-Lewis plays Daniel Plainview, a prospector who discovers oil at a mining site and soon be-

comes a successful oilman. With his success grows his greed, his misanthropy and his violent tendencies.

He brings to Plainview an intensity simmering just below the surface, creating a businessman who'd threaten to kill you in your sleep between "hello" and "how are you." One simply waits for the moment when he suddenly becomes unhinged and murders someone.

He's scary.

Paul Dano plays dual roles as

twins Paul and Eli Sunday, and after a gimmicky role as the mute son in "Little Miss Sunshine," he is given a chance to actually act.

The score, by Radiohead guitarist Jonny Greenwood, is fantastic and haunting. One may have expected some disparate art rock sound to go against the film's period setting, but Greenwood, a multi-instrumentalist, employs violent, pounding string arrangements that create an appropriate dissonance.

The film itself is a departure for Anderson. Instead of a somewhat-contemporary film about personal relationships, Anderson has delivered a beautiful-looking period film that paradoxically depicts sprawling southwestern vistas and violent acts.

Ostensibly a character study of Plainview, one could easily interpret the film as a meditation on the violence inherent in the desire for natural resources, money and power.



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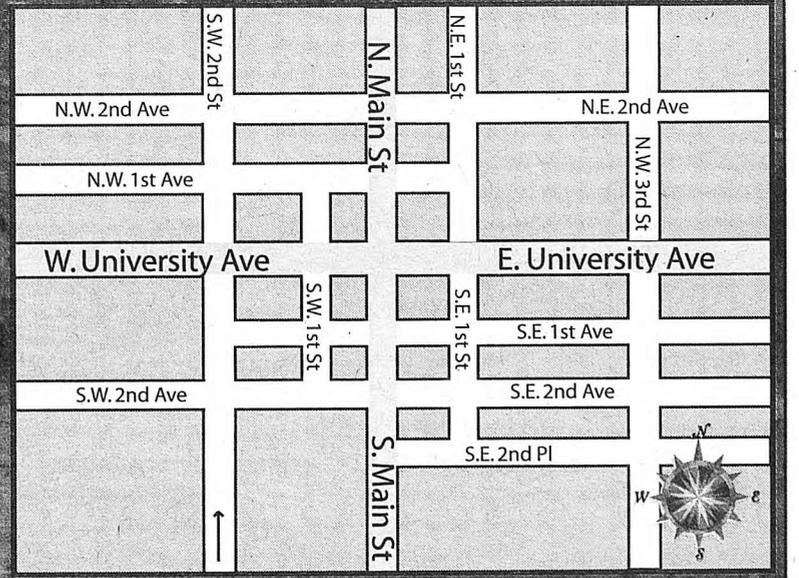
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# Tights a sexy look for many occasions

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 AVENUE WRITER

Last year's black leggings trend was all the rage among celebrities and college students alike, but this year, as the old adage says, it's out with the old and in with the new.

It's time for something a little sheerer and a little more sophisticated. It's time to toss out your favorite pair of leggings and slip on a pair of black opaque tights.

This trend is incredibly versatile. You can wear the tights for a night out on the town, to an interview or even around campus.

For a dressy night look, pair the black opaque tights with a colorful mini dress or curve-hugging frock.

Celebrities like Nicky Hilton choose black platform pumps for footwear, but you could wear T-strap heels, Mary Janes or ankle boots for an equally stylish effect.

Bring it down a notch for business attire by choosing pieces that are a little less dressy.

Pair your tights with a high-waisted, black pencil skirt and a crisp, white button-up shirt. If you prefer dresses, take a tip from Katie Holmes, who wore her tights with a chic, knee-length black dress and black patent ankle boots.

For everyday wear, try more casual dresses with your tights, like a cable-knit sweater dress. Try flats and boots for casual footwear.

Mind Lindsay Lohan's fashion mishap, though. Don't wear these tights as pants. Unlike leggings, tights are see-through, and everyone will be able to see what you're wearing, or not wearing, underneath.

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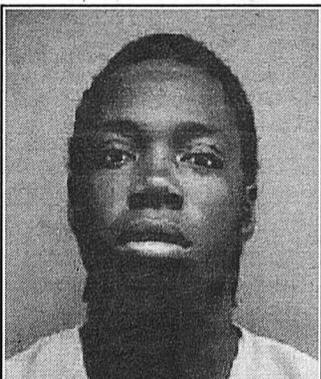
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Merrill Management Inc  
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Nat Gas ht. \$625/Mo  
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immediate occupancy  
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Magnolia Place 2 bedroom 2.5 bath, new,  
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\$900/mo 4872 N.W. 42nd Rd. #107, call  
Maria  
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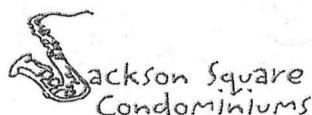
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placed for new tenant call Maria 494-2407.  
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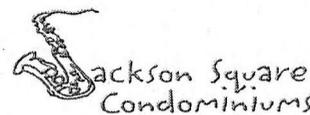
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# Gators stomp Stetson in season-opening shutout

## UF coach Roland Thornqvist earns win No. 150

By **CHRISTOPHER YAZBEC**  
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The UF women's tennis team dropped just 13 games and played as though it was in mid-season form in its 7-0 season-opening win against Stetson on Wednesday.

UF coach Roland Thornqvist said he was pleased with his team's play, but he was mostly excited to have finally played a true opponent.

"We're off and running," said Thornqvist, who collected his 150th win at UF. "I'm very, very pleased with the first day."

Newcomers Julia Cohen and Marrit Boonstra helped lead the

way for UF in their first career matches as Gators.

Cohen paired with senior Lolita Frangulyan in an 8-1 victory on the doubles court, and Boonstra played alongside sophomore Megan Alexander, winning 8-2.

Senior Whitney Benik and sophomore Csilla Borsanyi made quick work of their opponents on the doubles court as well, posting an 8-0 win that took just 25 minutes.

On the singles courts, Boonstra and Alexander each shut out their opponents 6-0, 6-0 in timely fashion, while Cohen and Benik dropped just one game each.

"It was my first college match and it felt great," said Cohen,

who played in the No. 1 slot in the Gators' lineup. "I'm so happy to be a Gator, and I'm so happy to be here. I'm around great coaches and great teammates."



**Tennis**

After the match, Boonstra expressed her satisfaction to finally play for the Gators and take advantage of her opportunity to see some action on the court.

"I really enjoyed it because it didn't look like I was going to play, and this is so much better than sitting outside the court," she said.

Thornqvist noted the smooth transition that Cohen and Boonstra made in their first collegiate

matches.

"Julia beating her 1 and 0 (6-1, 6-0) in an hour — that to me is a good grade off the bat," he said. "Neither one of them looked that nervous first time in a Florida uniform."

Frangulyan dismissed her opponent on the singles court in straight sets, 6-3, 6-2, without much difficulty. Borsanyi wrapped up the singles play for the Gators with a 6-2, 6-1 victory on the No. 2 court.

Of the eight players on UF's roster, two didn't play due to injury, including senior Diana Srebrovic (back) and sophomore Anastasia Revzina (wrist). Thornqvist said Revzina should return for Saturday's match, while Srebrovic's status is day-to-day.

The Gators will not have

much time to sit back and relax, as they will host Central Florida on Thursday at 5 p.m. at the Ring Tennis Complex. UF is 5-0 all-time against the Knights, including a 7-0 win last year.

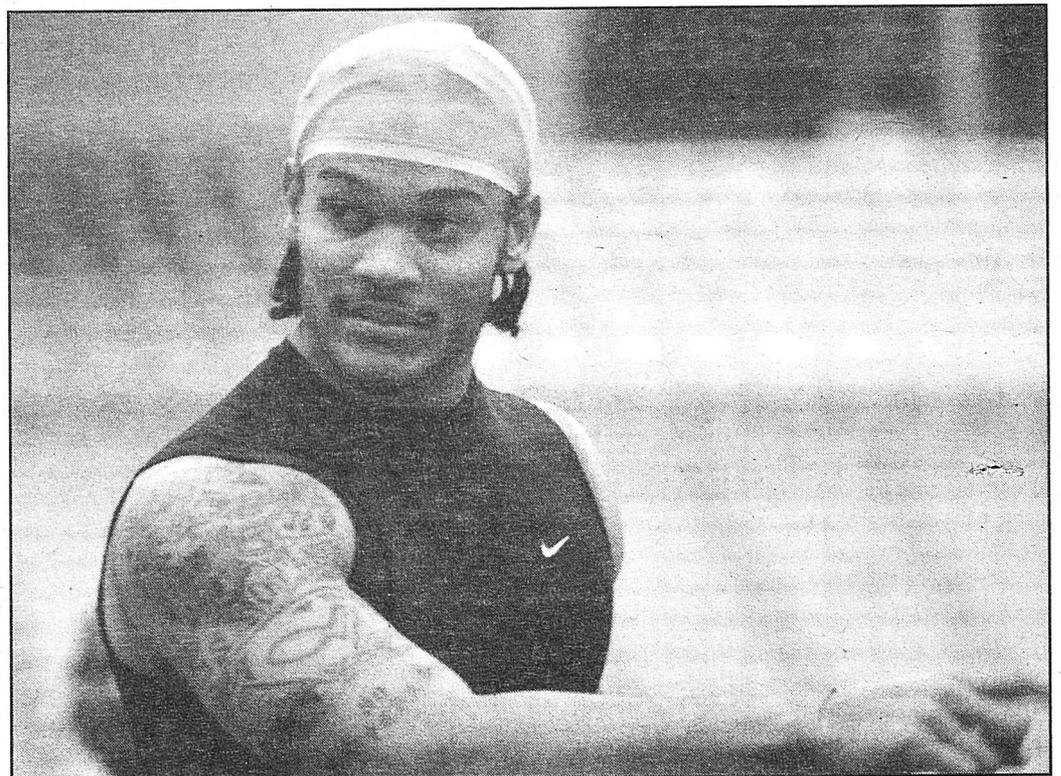
The team will get a day off following that match before competing against South Alabama on Saturday, which will be its third match in four days.

Thornqvist said these early-season matches give his team more chances to improve certain aspects of its play and get a better feel for dual-match play.

"We really see how good we are and comfortable we are in a match setting," he said. "So tomorrow's an opportunity for us to call some plays in doubles that we're not comfortable with and just to work on."

## Crowder flees crash site

*[Faded text from a news article about Channing Crowder's truck crash.]*



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Former UF and current Dolphins linebacker Channing Crowder, seen here at the Gators' 2005 Pro Day, lost control of his truck, struck a tree and fled the crash scene Wednesday.

## Jaguars coordinator accepts Falcons head coaching spot

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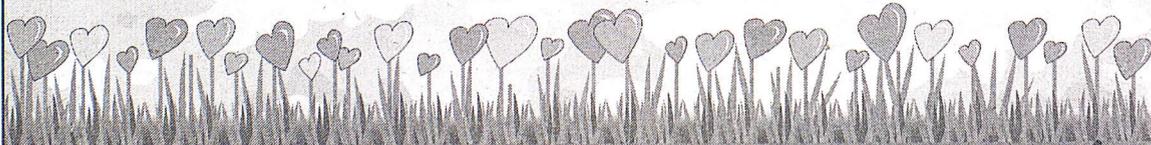
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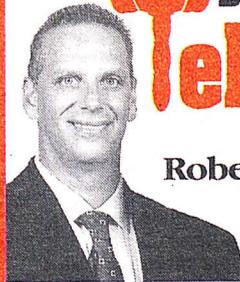


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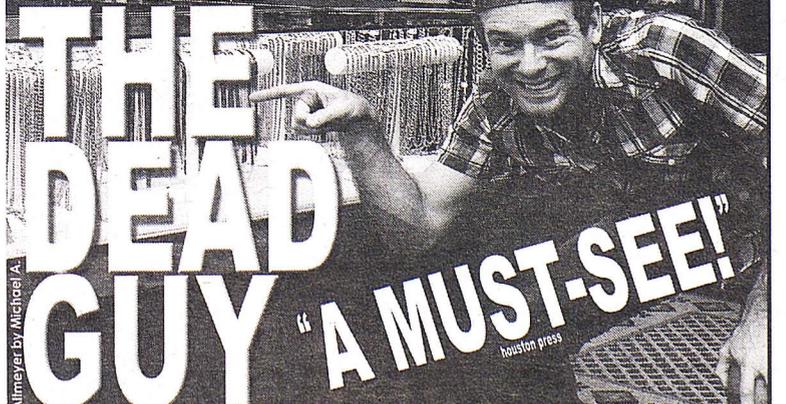
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## Gators overcome 'Cocks' red-hot, long-range shooting

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ignited by freshman Jai Lucas. Trailing 38-30, Lucas hit a 3-pointer as he fell into the Gamecocks bench.

UF's full-court press then forced a turnover, and Speights closed out the half with a thunderous and-one dunk over the Gamecocks' Brandis Raley-Ross.

"I just saw him standing there and I knew I could dunk," Speights said. "So I did."

The Gators opened the second half on a 7-3 run to take a 43-41 lead before allowing South Carolina to reel off 11 straight points to open a 52-43 lead.

UF then displayed the heart and competitive nature that has characterized the young group all season.

The Gators scored 8 straight to pull within 1 before South Carolina guard Devan Downey hit a 3-pointer to turn the momentum back the other way. But UF wouldn't back down and continued to hang around.

With just less than five minutes remaining, Lucas pulled up and hit a 3-pointer to tie the game at 65.

Soon after, Calathes hit a shot from several feet beyond the arc to give UF the advantage at 68-67.

A missed free throw by Calathes gave South Carolina one final chance, but a half-court shot came up empty, and the Gators squeezed by with the victory. UF coach Billy Donovan commented afterward on his team's unlikely confidence and its ability to stay focused in the face of adversity.

"The one thing I'd say about our guys is that they have a belief in themselves," Donovan said. "Adversity doesn't seem to affect them. As coaches we've all been in the huddle with young teams on the road and you look in their eyes and nobody's home. I haven't had that problem with these guys."

Speights continued his strong play, hitting 10 of 13 shots en route to scoring 22 points and grabbing 13 rebounds. Calathes added 21 points and four assists. UF walk-on Shane Payne made his first SEC appearance of the season. Donovan put Payne in with 5.6 seconds left in the first half to guard Downey, South Carolina's leading scorer.



Donovan

## Smith considered Gainesville before choosing UCLA

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"I always had a drive to be a Gator, so when I had quit gymnastics and started up again, I contacted Rhonda back in February 2007," Smith said. "So then I was like, 'I'm getting back in the sport and might be interested in coming to Florida.'"

"[Faehn] was like, 'Oh well, send me videos and keep me updated on how your training is going.' So I continued to do that all last year while I was getting back my skills from the injury."

In December, Smith again contacted

Faehn about a scholarship she said was available in the spring. She committed to UF later that month.

Smith refuted the idea that she and Moore were a package deal.

"Of course we wanted to come to the same school, but we never decided that we are going to go the same school," she said. "We looked at our own individual lives and careers and had decided."

Initially, Smith committed to competing at Arizona before she felt she was at

a high enough level of gymnastics to attend UF.

There was one incident when Faehn and Meyer discussed Smith.

"He did ask me if she was talented, if she was good, and I said absolutely she's good enough for Florida," Faehn said. "We wanted her. We wanted her from the very beginning."

Despite the recent attention, Smith has stayed focused on her gymnastics.

"She's great. She's focused simply on doing her job and training and getting ready," Faehn said. "She is going to be competing in bars for us this weekend and doing floor exhibition again."



Gymnastics

## UF gets chance to see where it ranks among SEC's best

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Thursday's game limping, having lost three of its last five and holding a 1-3 road record. All three road losses have come by double digits, and the Bulldogs' sole win away from home was at Florida International, a member of the Sun Belt Conference.

Butler rejected the notion that UF might be able to steal an easy victory.

"It'll be a big indicator as to if they really, really believe that we're supposed to win every game we play here or just sometimes."

**Amanda Butler**

UF women's basketball coach

"You can't look at what happened in their last game and think that's going to be any indication of what's going to happen in their next game," she said during the SEC teleconference Tuesday. "We fully expect to get their best effort."

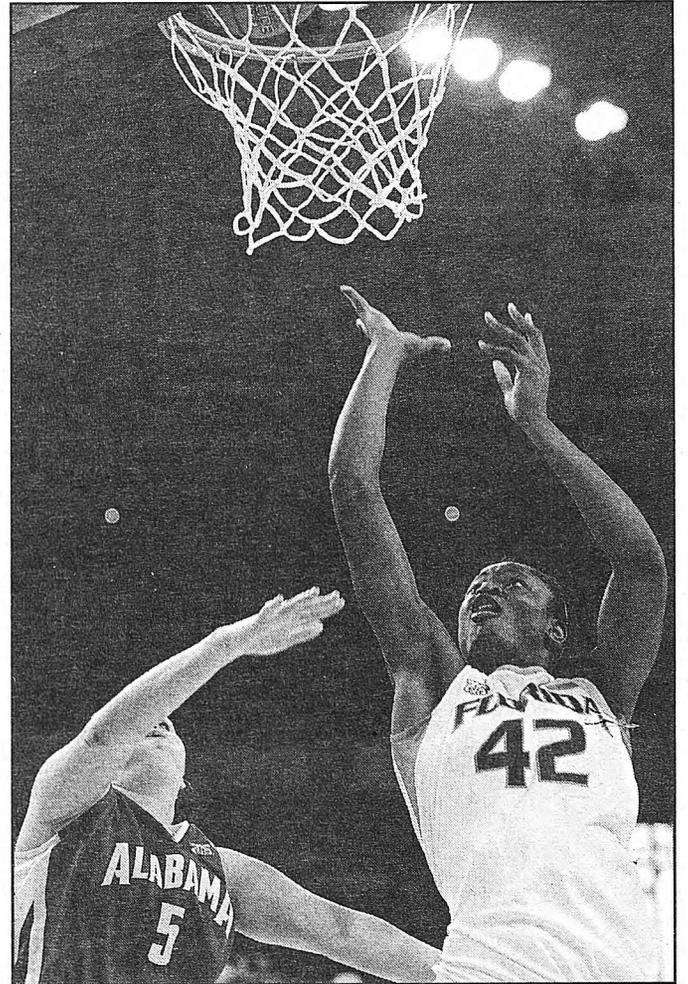
But don't count UF out just yet, as the team has won nine of its last ten games and comes in riding an eight-game home winning streak.

The Gators have three players scoring in double digits and the team has excelled in pushing the tempo as well as utilizing its deep bench.

Butler has preached to her players about "protecting the home court" since setting foot in Gainesville, and they have responded with an 11-1 home record.

She realizes, however, that Georgia will be the most talented team to visit the O'Dome so far.

"It'll be a big indicator as to if they really, really believe that we're supposed to win every game we play here or just sometimes."



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UF center Aneika Henry scores during the Gators' 80-65 win against Alabama on Jan. 13 in the O'Connell Center.

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## UF squeaks by South Carolina

■ THE GATORS USED A 13-8 RUN TO SEAL THE VICTORY.

By **DANNY KLEIN**  
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COLUMBIA, S.C. — In a back-and-forth game against lowly South Carolina, the Gators showed they can play with anybody, both good and bad.

On the road against the struggling Gamecocks (9-9, 1-3 Southeastern Conference), UF had to rely on a late run to slip past an inspired South Carolina club that gave the Gators (17-3, 4-1 SEC) all it had.

UF closed the contest on a 13-8 run, narrowly grabbing a 73-71 victory in a game where it spent most of its time clawing and fighting for survival.

The young Gators showed their surprising maturity in the late stages of the game, answering big runs with outside shots and key defensive stops.

"We lost to a team that plays well above their age," South Carolina coach Dave Odom said.

The Gators' performance was a tale of two halves, and they seemed to grow as the game progressed.

UF was lucky to trail by just two heading into intermission after shooting a woeful 3 of 14 from beyond the arc in the opening period. The Gamecocks hit six of their 10 attempts from 3-point range.

Marreese Speights and Nick Calathes kept the Gators alive, combining to score 23 of UF's 36 points in the opening 20 minutes.

The Gators once again ended the first half surging. UF scored 6 straight to climb back into the game,

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## Gymnast clarifies talks with Meyer

By **BOBBY CALLOVI**  
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Gymnast Maranda Smith denied Wednesday that she had regular telephone contact with UF football coach Urban Meyer while he was recruiting her boyfriend to play wide receiver.

On Jan. 11, Smith said she had spoken with Meyer "every day" during the recruitment of Carl Moore, a receiver from Sierra (Calif.) College who is now enrolled at UF and will play football in the fall.



Smith

"[Meyer] kept asking how Carl was doing, and he wanted me to come to here and do gymnastics," Smith had said. She transferred to Gainesville with Moore to compete for the Gators.

The remarks sparked an investigation by the UF compliance department to see if Meyer committed a violation, as coaches are not allowed to recruit players from other sports.

Smith recanted her earlier statements Wednesday, saying she only had contact with Meyer when he was calling for Moore.

"We never had real phone conversations," she said. "I never even had a conversation with him. I mean, he sounds like a nice guy saying 'hi' and 'bye,' but that's all I really know."

She blamed the misinterpreted quote on her exaggerating how often she talked to Meyer.

Smith was recruited by UF when she was a junior in high school but chose to go to UCLA instead.

She had retired from gymnastics in November 2006 after she needed a titanium rod and three screws to mend a broken shin.

Although Smith had met Moore in her senior year of high school, the couple did not start dating until she returned home after her surgery.

Her injury began a journey that led back to the Gators when she decided to return to the sport in 2007.

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## UF WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Gators look to end Bulldogs' dominance, extend home streak

By **PHIL KEGLER**  
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Depree Bowden remembers the last time Georgia came to town. She called it "a nightmare."  
"We just didn't play very well," Bowden said. "We're looking forward to playing them on Thursday."  
The Bulldogs destroyed the Gators 77-54 in the O'Connell Center on Jan. 28, 2007,

and it wasn't as if the outcome was all that shocking.  
Georgia leads the all-time series 40-10 and has won the previous seven meetings, the last six by a margin of 19 points or more.  
On paper it seems Thursday's matchup may unfold similarly, considering the No. 17 Bulldogs (15-3, 2-2 Southeastern Conference) start three players at 6-foot-3 or taller and rank higher than the Gators (13-5, 2-1 SEC) in every statistical category except steals per game. UF has lost its last 11 games against

ranked teams.  
All-American forward Tasha Humphrey leads the Georgia attack with 16.7 points and 8.6 rebounds per game.  
"We just didn't play very well."  
**Depree Bowden**  
UF senior guard  
"You can't stop her from scoring, but you can box her out," UF coach Amanda Butler

said. "You can limit her second-chance opportunities."  
Sophomore guard Ashley Houts makes a powerful companion in the backcourt, scoring 12.6 points and dishing out 4.6 assists per game.  
The duo, both listed at 6-foot-3, combined to light up UF for 35 points in last year's blowout.  
It may be suggested that Georgia enters

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- The No. 4 UF women's tennis team dominated its season-opening dual-match against Stetson yesterday. The Gators continue action today as they host Central Florida. See story, pg. 21.

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- The UF men's track and field team swept the Southeastern Conference weekly awards Wednesday. Terrell Wilks was named Male Runner and Male Freshman of the Week, while junior Beau Burroughs won male event athlete honors.

**SCOREBOARD**

Men's basketball (18) Villanova	68
Rutgers	80
NBA	
Orlando	112
Memphis	85