



# SG parties spend big bucks

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The whirl of orange and blue stickers, fliers and T-shirts signals the start of Student Government elections today, but the campaign goodies come with a lofty price tag.

SG campaign finance records show that budgets for the two parties — the Gator Party and the Orange and Blue Party — total almost \$14,600, with the Gator Party's budget accounting for \$11,100 of the amount.

The money comes from donations made by party candidates and supporters. Spring SG elections, in which executive positions and roughly half of the Student Senate seats will be filled, will take place today and Wednesday.

**"It's the lifeblood of the Gator Party."**

**Steven Hoffstetter**

Gator Party president on campaign efforts

The Gator Party spent more than \$8,000 on campaign materials, including banners, stickers, T-shirts and glossy fliers, according to the records.

Frank Aguilera, Gator campaign treasurer, said the remaining funds would be spent on food and drinks for the party's nearly 1,000 volunteers during the campaign's last leg.

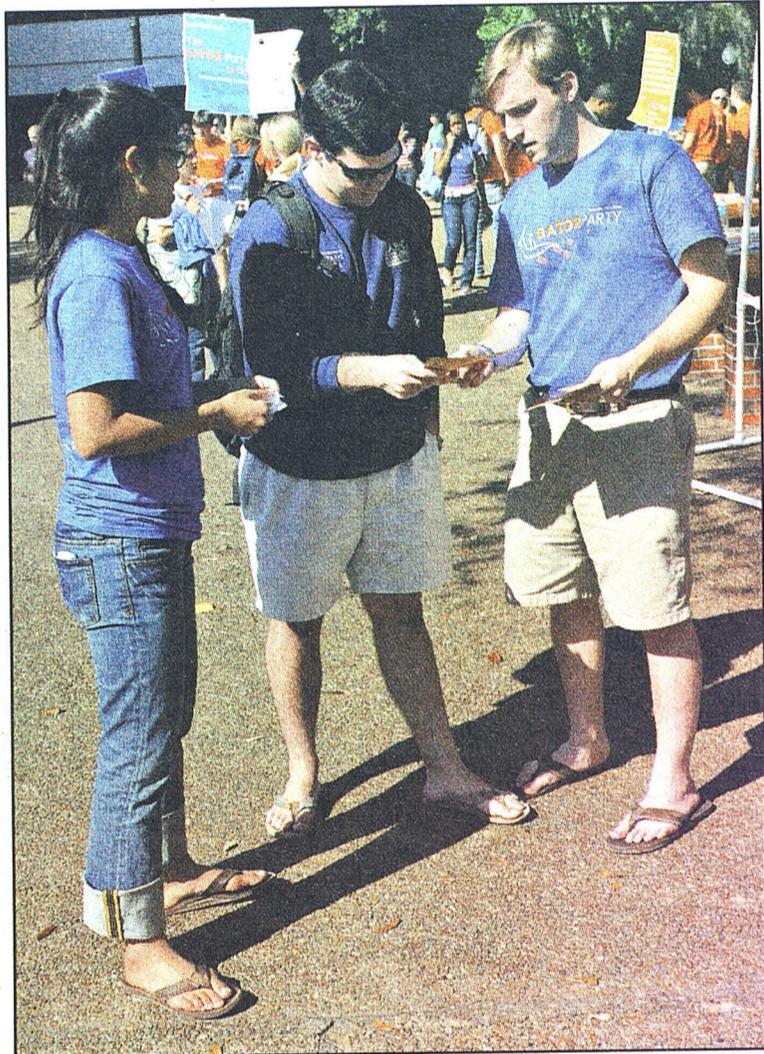
The Orange and Blue Party's budget is about \$7,000 less than its opponent's, standing at about \$3,500, but party officials said Orange and Blue doesn't need more money to get its message out.

"It's interesting how we're being just as visible," said Frank Bracco, the party's vice presidential candidate.

The Orange and Blue Party has about \$500 left unspent, records state.

Steven Hoffstetter, Gator Party president, said the

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Gator Party candidates, Yooni Yi, left, and Kevin Reilly, right, talk to UF senior Craig Thompson about their campaign.

# Women file complaints against city

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Two women have filed complaints against the city of Gainesville for sexual discrimination in the workplace.

The complaints could lead to lawsuits if investigations by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission find them to be justifiable.

Cpl. Paris Owens of the Gainesville Police Department filed a complaint charging that she was sexually harassed by a superior between January and June of 2007.

**Local News** The second complaint was made by Megan Grant, a former customer representative at Gainesville Regional Utilities.

Grant wrote in her complaint that her request to work from home was denied when her doctor placed her on bed rest in May 2007 for a high-risk pregnancy.

She was also not allowed to take personal sick leave, she wrote.

Both women charged they were discriminated against based on sex, violating Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

The complaints were filed with the EEOC district office in Miami, which will look into the charges.

The city received notice of Owens' complaint Feb. 8 and Grant's Feb. 12.

City attorneys were authorized Monday to represent the city in any legal action.

The city has until March 5 to respond to Owens' complaint and March 10 to respond to Grant's.

In Owens' case, the city was also given the opportunity to resolve the

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# City garage violence raises concern

■ MAN DIED AFTER BEING SHOT IN GARAGE IN NOVEMBER.

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A city-run garage that many UF students use as a starting point for a night downtown has also been at the center of two violent outbursts in the last few months, leading some to question whether something can be done to make the garage safer.

Located at the corner of Southwest First Avenue and Southwest Second Street, the Southwest Downtown Parking Garage was opened in December 2005 to alleviate the crowded parking situation, said Gainesville Public Works spokeswoman Gina Hawkins.

The five-story garage has 842 spaces, which, on busy weekend nights, fill up fast. And when the bars close at 2 a.m., departing club-goers and bar-hoppers try to leave even faster.

That congestion has led to tense and

violent encounters.

Andrew Arosemena, 22, died after he was shot in the head early one Sunday morning in November after telling the passengers of a car in front him to hurry out of the garage, police said.

Also, officers and bystanders at the site of a parking lot brawl next to the garage Feb. 16 came within 10 feet of a man firing a handgun. No one was hit by the bullet.

According to police reports, both instances occurred within minutes of the

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■ Kosovo's declaration of independence on Feb. 17 hit close to home for some UF students. See story, Page 10.

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■ With four regular-season games left, the UF men's basketball team is on the bubble for the NCAA Tournament. Chandler Parsons and the Gators will travel to Georgia on Wednesday. See story, Page 20.

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UF Supreme Court Chief Justice Brian Aungst was not contacted for the online voting lawsuit story in Monday's Alligator. The story stated he had been contacted and declined to comment.

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# SG hopefuls square off over spending, online voting

By ILEANA MORALES  
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Student Body presidential candidates found one thing to agree on — "Family Guy" is better than "The Simpsons."

But when it came to Student Government issues, candidates' answers to student-submitted

questions were distinctly different at a debate hosted by the Freshman Leadership Council on Monday night in the Reitz Union.

Kevin Reilly, presidential candidate for the Gator Party, said he's worried that if his opposition — the Orange and Blue Party — takes office, it would bring a platform "full of half-truths and

whole-lies."

Tommy Jardon, presidential candidate for the Orange and Blue Party, said if the Gator Party wins, he fears SG would retain the same problems it currently faces, such as wasteful spending.

However, Reilly, who is now Student Senate president, said improving SG wouldn't be a

problem.

He said his biggest weakness would be "taking on too much at once."

With Florida State University students using online voting for the first time in their Student Government Association elections Wednesday, students asked the UF candidates how they felt about a recent UF Supreme Court ruling that an online-voting amendment would be unconstitutional.

Jardon, president of Students for Online Voting, said he didn't agree and questioned how the court could reach that decision when no state court has ruled it out at other universities.

Students for Online Voting filed a lawsuit against UF on Friday denouncing the ruling.

Jardon said online voting would raise voter turnout and called the court's decision "shameful."

Reilly said low voter turnout in SG elections could be increased in other ways, such as educating students through on-campus events.

"It's important students do come to campus and interact with candidates on some level," Reilly said. "It's a shame if they just read a paper or a screen online and cast their vote based on that."

Along with low voter turnout, candidates disagreed about why some students feel that SG doesn't affect them.

Reilly said the effects of SG are

everywhere.

"Any student who has ever been to the gym, ever walked into the Reitz Union or gone on the buses in their lives has been affected by SG," Reilly said.

Jardon said the main problem is that SG leaders don't represent most students.

"It's not a government reflective of them but rather speaks to them and down to them," Jardon said.

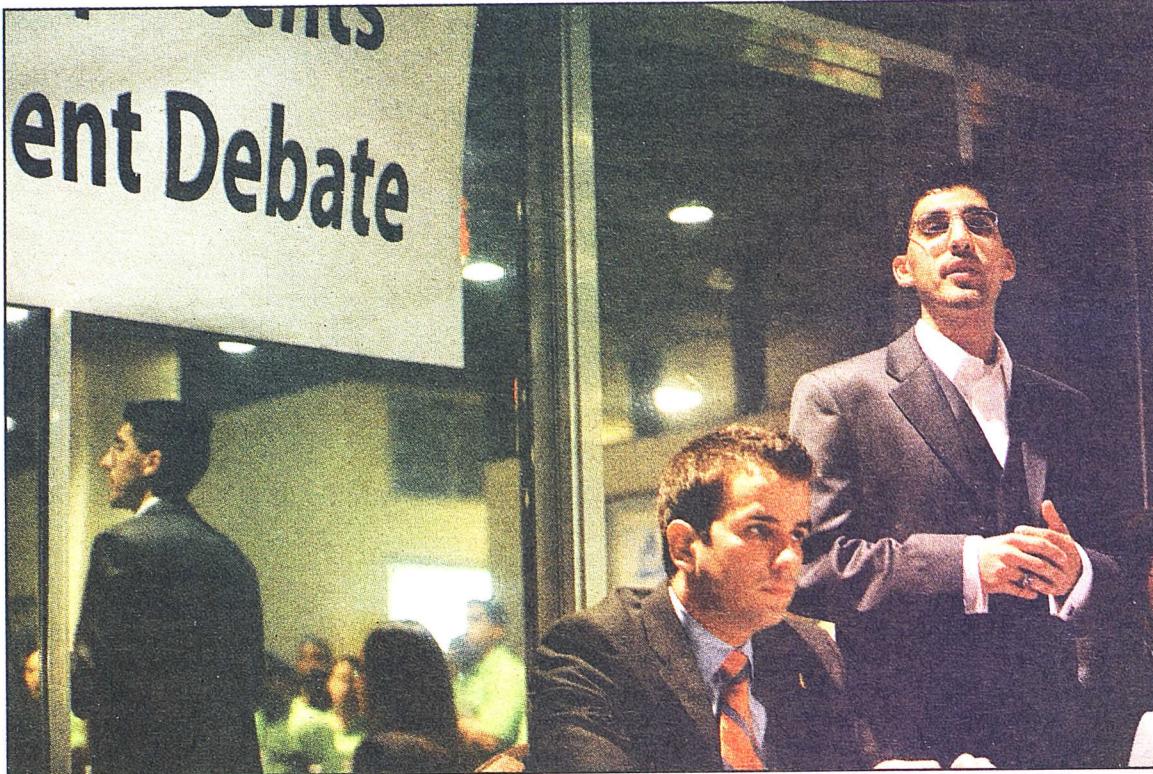
In response to a question about potentially hiking tuition to help UF deal with budget cuts, Reilly said he is for it.

He said UF needs more money to provide a better education to students.

But Jardon said SG should focus on protecting the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program before discussing tuition hikes.

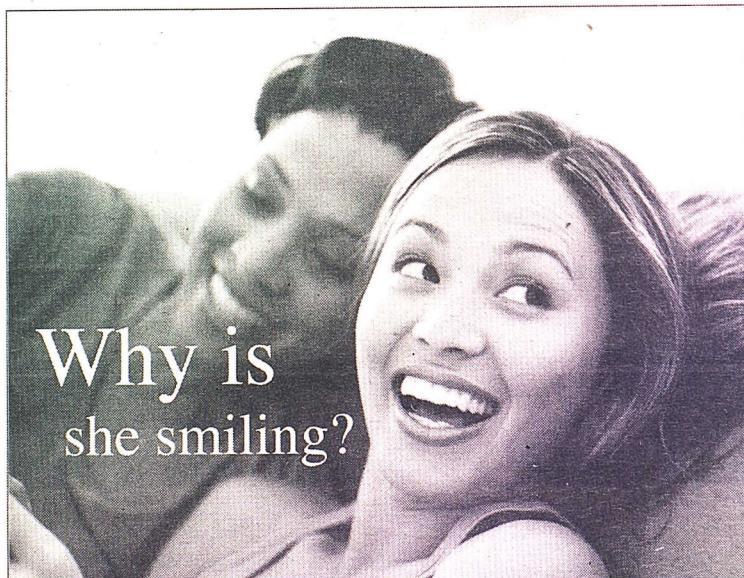
Vice presidential candidates — Frank Bracco from the Orange and Blue Party and Yooni Yi from the Gator Party — each promised that their plans for SG would help a wide variety of UF students.

Treasurer candidates, Shea Parrish from the Orange and Blue Party and Paul Drayton from the Gator Party, listed their qualifications and agreed on a goal of "streamlining" the process for providing money to student organizations.



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Tommy Jardon, seated, the presidential candidate for Student Government's Orange and Blue Party, listens while vice presidential candidate Frank Bracco answers a question at a debate Monday night.



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# Spicy Steps

## Salsa dancing sees rise in popularity locally

By **RACHEL ARROYO**  
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For a horse trainer with a Southern drawl, 60-mile treks to attend salsa classes might seem unusual.

Still, Gordon Adair is willing to make the trip so he can squeeze in two good hours of salsa dancing at a Gainesville studio.

Nestled among the bistros and bookstores on West University Avenue is Salsa Caliente, a school that holds classes in the Unified Training Center.

Pulsating, percussive "1-2-3" rhythms stream from underneath the door, where space is reserved for salsa students to share their spicy steps with anyone who wants to learn.

Adair didn't develop a taste for salsa music and dancing right away. But now he's hooked, and he's not the only one.

Salsa's growing popularity has attracted a wide variety of students in recent years. Darren Stuart, owner and director of the salsa school, said he first noticed the salsa boom in 2004.

Professors, students, local residents and retirees pack the room, letting their feet give in to the music as the shrill blast of the trumpet comes through the speakers.

The instructors are from a diverse set of ethnicities, which was Stuart's goal. He said he wanted to create a dance studio that not only employed but catered to dancers from all backgrounds.

Stuart was born and raised in Barbados, and the assistant director, Karen Young, is Chinese-Jamaican.

The 12 other instructors hail from the U.S., Lebanon, Italy, Cuba, Puerto Rico and Venezuela, to name a few.

Born and raised in Michigan, Adair is a salsa master in his Wrangler high-waist jeans and flannel shirt. Accustomed to training horses, Adair has a knack for leading, and he sweeps his partner in a snappy set of loops. For more than two years, Adair has been making the commute from his home and equine center in Ocala to Salsa Caliente. What keeps him coming is the fact that even at the most advanced levels, there is still a new turn or style to be learned, he said.

With Los Angeles-style salsa steps like the Suzie Q, tap loco, alley cat, magician and Jimbo, there's no end to the learning process.

Plus, the workout helps him stay in shape.

"It keeps me young," said Adair, who would only reveal that he's in his 50s. "I guess most people my age just want to sit on the couch and get fat."

Wearing dress pants and a sweater, Chris Aytug, a director of marketing and sales, takes the floor.

As soon as she starts twirling, her face glows and she tosses her head back.

Aytug, a Gainesville resident, has attended classes for the past three years. Her interest in salsa began when she dated a Hispanic man.

"Now, I keep on coming back just because I love to dance," she said.

While her husband doesn't share in her love of dance, Aytug is never in need of a partner. Men

and women are evenly matched on most nights.

Jose Bello, a fourth-year UF anthropology student, dances salsa because it's an integral part of his Colombian heritage and also because it gives him something else to do when he goes out at night. Bello, 26, pointed out that many people go to nightclubs with the intention

of dancing, but sit around drinking instead.

"Sitting around and drinking gets boring," he added. "Salsa gives me something else to do."

The art of the dance also appeals to Bello because it's sensual while still classy.

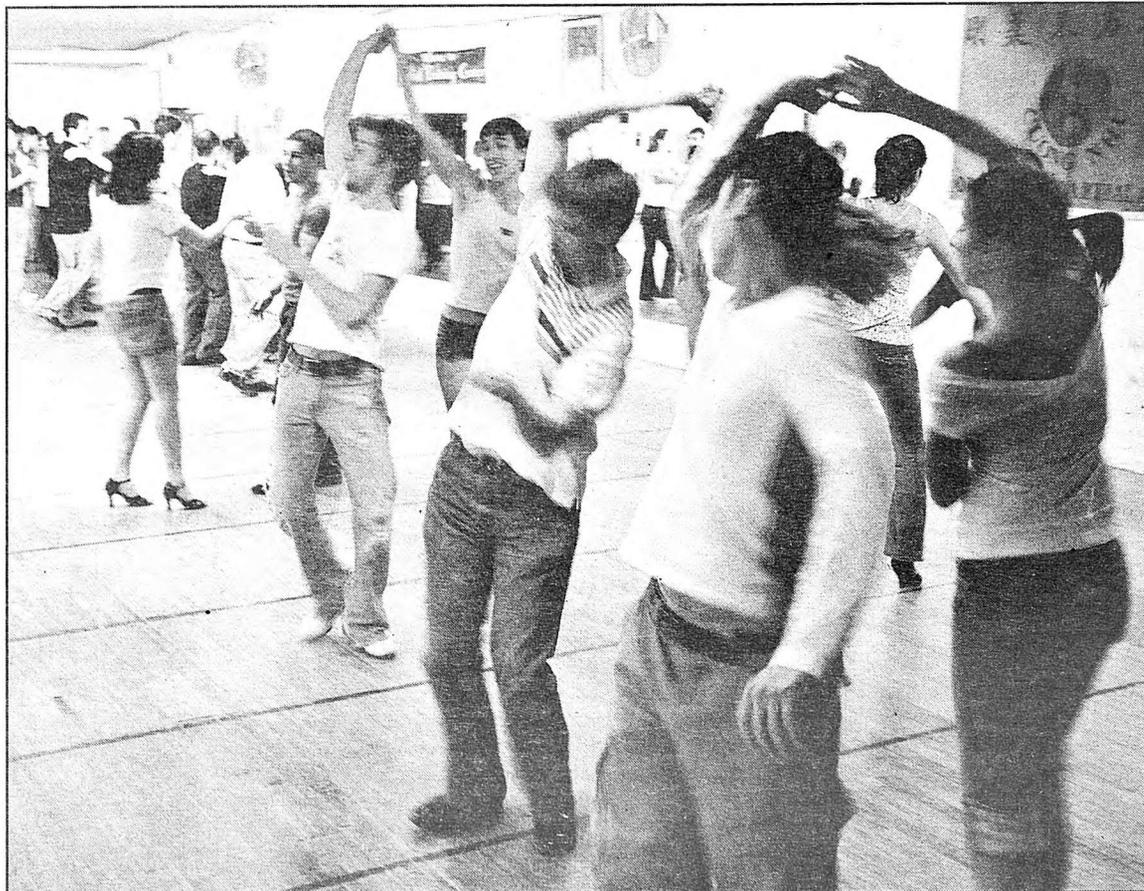
"When you dance salsa, you're doing something more coordinated than bumping and grinding," Bello said.

As the congas fade into the back-

ground and the dancing dies down, people of all ethnic backgrounds stroll out of the studio after another night of salsa. Adair slips back into his Southern drawl as he says good-bye. Some already begin discussing their next lesson.

Young, one of the dance instructors, smiles as she watches them leave.

"It's not about whether you're Hispanic," she said. "It's about a passion for dance."



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Dancers participate in a salsa class hosted by Salsa Caliente at the Unified Training Center Feb. 19.

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## UF ADMINISTRATION

# UF begins charging students for transcript copies

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UF began charging students and former students for transcripts Monday, and though university officials said things went smoothly, some students were still left grumbling.

Mary Ann Hagler, associate university registrar, said no students seemed surprised by the new charge, which is \$6 for current students and \$12 for former students. Hagler said the payment process was tested beforehand, so there were no technical problems either.

But sophomore Jeff Goetz said he had to

visit the registrar's office twice before his transcript order went through successfully.

Goetz said when he visited the registrar's office at 4:10 p.m. the first time, he was told the payment system was unavailable.

Employees told him the system is unavailable every day from 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., he said.

"I told them if it's not working, it should just be free like it used to," Goetz said. "If I'm paying a fee, it should be better. It should be easier."

It wasn't until almost 5 p.m. that he received his transcript, but he said he didn't mind paying.

"I told them if it's not working, it should just be free like it used to."

**Jeff Goetz**  
UF sophomore

However, Haley White, a history senior, said she disagrees with charging the fee.

"It seems like a lot for something that was originally free," White said.

The fee was implemented after UF's Board of Trustees, the university's highest governing body, discussed the issue in November and December.

Provost Janie Fouke said the fee would pay for producing the transcripts — a cost formerly covered by the general university budget.

With the new fee, general university funds could be put toward hiring faculty, Fouke said.

Student Body president Ryan Moseley said the Board of Trustees originally told Student Government the transcript fee would be \$10, and it was renegotiated to \$6.

Before this fee was approved, UF was the only public state university that didn't charge students for transcripts. Under Florida law, a university can charge up to \$10 for transcripts.

## Bush continues push for terrorist surveillance law

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WASHINGTON — President George W. Bush on Monday continued his push for a new law that would allow the federal government to tap into the phone records of millions of Americans without a court order.

The law, known as the FISA Amendments Act, would allow the government to collect and store the records of phone calls made by millions of Americans, including those who are not suspected of terrorism.

The law would also allow the government to share the records with other agencies, including the National Security Agency and the Department of Justice.

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## Editorial

# Power Play

## Politician's appointment presents conflict

Apparently, state Sen. Mike Haridopolos is such a riveting lecturer that UF couldn't let a silly thing like an appearance of conflict of interest get in the way of offering him a position — even if he is poised to become the Senate president in 2010.

It seems that consulting the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences faculty might have let this tremendous opportunity pass the entire college by — and who has time for that when a former Florida Apartment Association Legislator of the Year needs to find work?

Sure, Haridopolos will have to report to his "part-time job" representing Floridians in Tallahassee come spring and has no plans to move to Gainesville, but that won't really affect his ability to teach and be available to the students he has been given the opportunity to instruct.

After all, he'll be offering them real-world advice about how to make it in politics and working on securing them government internships.

Well, we gave it a try, but there's just no way to make this sound good.

The recent decision by the college's Interim Dean Joe Glover to appoint Haridopolos to a position that places him on the university payroll is not only misguided, but it is also putting UF's reputation at risk — again.

When a proposal to grant former Gov. Jeb Bush an honorary UF degree was rejected last year, some within the Faculty Senate expressed reservations because the nomination had come so soon after Bush had left public office.

So who's to say that faculty within the political science department wouldn't have some similar concerns?

It seems that they'll never have the chance to voice those, though, and that couldn't have been a coincidence.

It's no secret that Haridopolos is likely to acquire tremendous influence on the university's budget in the upcoming years within the state Senate and may ultimately hold control over what UF does and doesn't get from the Legislature. Florida Trend Magazine even featured him as someone "who could shape Florida politics."

Naturally, any indication that Haridopolos would be a lobbyist for UF interests has been contested, but it would be hard to determine how anyone could keep the two interests separate once the paychecks start rolling in.

But beyond all these obviously suspicious appearances, this new-found nepotism also sets a dangerous precedent for other university appointments.

By not consulting the department where the senator will be working, the interim dean created unnecessary strife in a college where a pressing budget crisis and faculty discontent have already generated a negative academic climate.

And the fact that Haridopolos came with a \$75,000 price tag doesn't help anything either.

The nature of the hiring also casts doubt — justified or not — upon Haridopolos' academic qualifications.

The third-ranking legislator in the Senate acquired the one-time, non-tenure track position with a resume consisting of community college experience and no doctoral degree (though he's working on it).

Granted, Haridopolos was promoted to chairman of the Liberal Arts Department at Brevard Community College. Still, that hardly warrants an unchallenged appointment at the state's flagship university.

Perhaps the most disappointing thing to come out of all of this will be that the strongest real-world lesson students will learn from Haridopolos is that more often than not, it's not what you know, but who you know.

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# Opinions

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Column

## American dream is still alive and well

Has an authority figure ever forced you to try something you were almost positive you couldn't do? An unreasonable distance to run, some type of math, a food you knew would be gross — we as humans absolutely hate futile actions taken and time wasted.

I mention this human trait because we would do well to remember it as we discard the notion of class mobility. There are gaps between classes, but people can move between them.

It has become quite popular to remark on the growing disparity between the social classes, and you're even cooler if you point out the virtual impossibility of climbing out of poverty.

We need to recognize that the more popular that belief becomes, the more discouraged impoverished people will be to try at all. If the nature of the American economy is going to keep them down, why should they try? So we better make certain we're right on this issue.

At least until we do, we need to stop treating those who still think that the American dream is possible like they believe in Santa Claus.

Many of you might be wondering why so many people would think something were true if it were false. That is worth asking, but it's foolish to do so before you decide if it's true or not in the first place. If you start with figuring people out first, you may never discover its inaccuracy for yourself. Bottom line: The majority has been proven wrong a lot in history, so figure out what you believe first.

The main piece of evidence suggesting "the rich are getting richer and the poor poorer" is tax brackets. To be specific, the top 20 percent of households in the U.S. possessed 44.1 percent of the national wealth in 1980, and that figure rose to 50.4 percent by 2005. The bottom 20 percent



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fell from 4.2 percent to 3.4 percent. Well, isn't that an open-and-shut case?

Hardly.

The fundamental misconception is equating people with percentages. The top 20 percent may have a greater proportion, but there's nothing wrong with that if

the individual people across the board can move around.

That's what mobility is, and that's what's happening.

To throw out more illuminating numbers, in the same period mentioned above, 56 percent of the people in the country moved from one quintile to another, and that movement was pretty much across the board.

Most pertinently, roughly half of the people that were in the bottom 20 percent moved up. Of course there still is a bottom 20 percent — it's just made up of different individuals. We do still care about that, right?

The above numbers come from a U.S. Department of Treasury report from November 2007.

If you don't trust the government to report on itself, check out the University of Michigan's "Panel Study on Income Dynamics." It found that only 5 percent of the people who were in the bottom income quintile in 1975 were still there in 1991.

Almost 30 percent of that group had made it into the wealthiest 20 percent of the country.

If these numbers give you a headache, I empathize.

But until you know exactly what they mean, it'd be best to stop assuming that the rich are evil and the poor are hopeless.

Gerald Liles is a history and religion senior. His column appears on Tuesdays.

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

### Reader response

**Today's question:** Should UF have hired state Sen. Mike Haridopolos to be a lecturer?

The results of Monday's poll are unavailable due to a technical error.

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Letter to the Editor

**SG should be left to students, not admin**

As a UF student, I have been interested in the controversy with online voting that has unfolded in recent weeks. I sympathize with both sides and see valid points all around concerning the issue.

One aspect of the current debate that is a bit unsettling to me, though, is the response of Vice President for Student Affairs Patricia

Telles-Irvin and her continued abuse of power through activism on student political issues. The latest installment of this recurring story now involves the online voting lawsuit.

Telles-Irvin's conduct is disappointing. I plead with her to refrain from her interventionist actions in areas of university life that students have possessed a level of autonomy over since the inception of this fine institution.

Student Government and the laws that direct this democratically elected entity are to be respected, even if one disagrees with them.

In a time of budget cuts and other pressing issues, Telles-Irvin should be concentrating on solving real problems and not forcing her political activism down the throats of students. We do not need our "mommy" to come and save the day by telling us how to think

through "independent" committees that she will appoint.

For a moment, let us put aside our differences on the issue of online voting and stand against Telles-Irvin's attempt to violate SG's sovereignty. If we truly believe in liberal ideals, let us put an end to this abuse of power.

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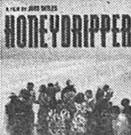
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# U.S. Starbucks to close for training

BY ANDREA ASUAJE

Alligator Contributing Writer

All company-operated Starbucks coffee stores throughout the country will close their doors to latte lovers earlier than usual tonight in order to train employees in the "Art of Espresso."

The popular coffee chain is going back to its core, "all things coffee," according to an e-mail sent to all employees by Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz.

**Local News** Teaching its baristas how to pour the perfect shot of espresso is just one of the steps the company is taking toward its "renewed focus on the customer experience."

The company sees the retraining as an investment rather than a loss of profits during the store closings.

The Starbucks located downtown will close at 7 p.m., and the store located on Archer Road will close at 8 p.m. Both stores will not reopen for the rest of the night.

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# UF forum features discussion of 'radical Islamism'

By **RACHEL ARROYO**  
Alligator Writer

The chairman of the American Islamic Forum for Democracy's board of directors said "radical Islamism" is a threat to everyone, including the Muslim community,

in a Monday night speech on UF's campus.

Dr. Zuhdi Jasser, a retired decorated U.S. Navy officer and physician, highlighted the importance of working toward moderate Islam by separating politics from religion within government in a lecture in

Carleton Auditorium in front of a crowd of about 50.

"Islamism," or extreme political ideologies stemming from the Islam religion, became a hot topic of discussion at UF in December after campus organizations publicized a screening of the documen-

tary "Obsession: Radical Islam's War Against the West." An advertisement for the documentary featured the slogan, "Radical Islam Wants You Dead."

The UF administration called for a formal apology to be issued to the Muslim community, but retracted its request after the attorney general of Florida, Bill McCollum, contacted the university concerning students' freedom of speech rights. Tom Jensen, director of the Florida Security Council, gave a synopsis of the events.

The film was shown for the second time on campus at the forum, which was sponsored by the Law School Republicans and College Republicans. Following the film, Jasser and David Rutherford, a retired Navy SEAL, presented their viewpoints on radical Islamism and its effects on the U.S.

"If Islam was synonymous with terror, the world would have perished a long time ago," Jasser said. "At the core of terrorism is corruption."

Jasser's emphasized that Muslim leaders must confront the epidemic of radicalism. He compared religious extremism to a cancer eating away at his community.

Islamic governments dominated and influenced by religious radicals are at the source of corruption and acts of terrorism, Jasser said.

Rutherford, who served as a Navy SEAL for eight years, agreed with Jasser, saying that church and state need to operate separately in order to eliminate radical fundamentalism.

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**Dr. Zuhdi Jasser**  
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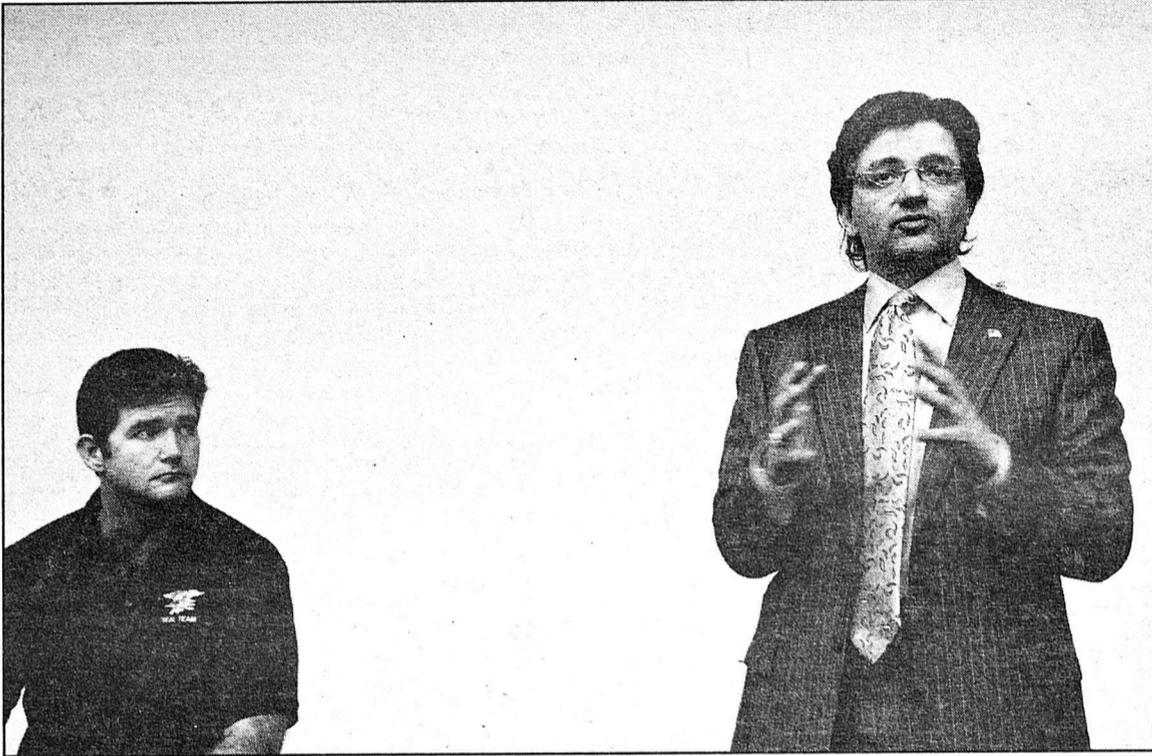
"This is a war that is going to continue as long as Muslims are dedicated to their cause," Rutherford said.

Muslims must take a stance by challenging the extremists and students must take a stance against terrorism by learning more about the issue, he added.

Asghar Syed, a second-year law student, attended the presentation. He expected it to be antagonistic since he felt "Obsession" was inflammatory in its portrayal of Islam.

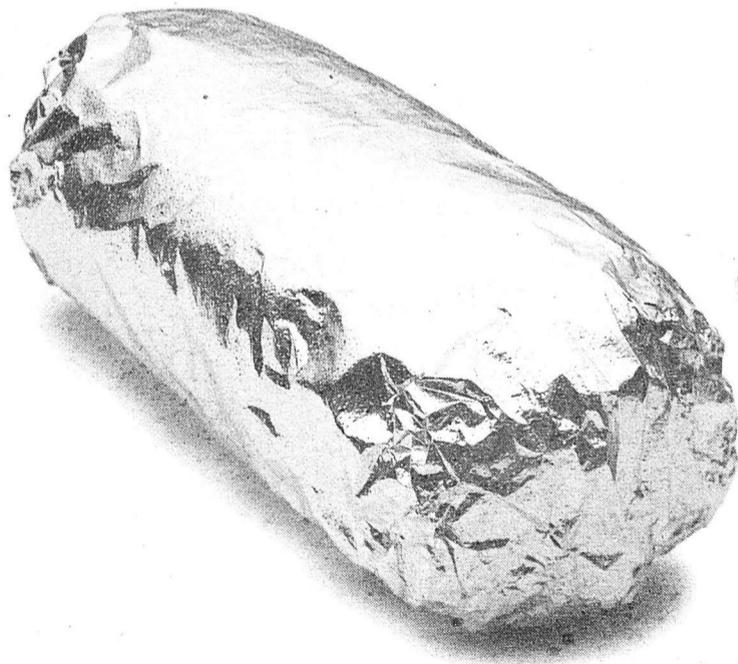
But after the discussion, Syed said he left feeling "satisfied."

"What Dr. Jasser is doing is exactly what is needed to confront biased perspectives," Syed said. "I think he is opening a forum for more critical discussion of the issues."



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Dr. Zuhdi Jasser, right, answers audience questions as David Rutherford, a retired Navy SEAL, looks on in Carleton Auditorium during a lecture about "radical Islamism" Monday evening.



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# Kosovo situation hits close for some

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Kosovo's recent independence and subsequent Serbian protests hit close to home for some UF students.

Kosovo, a former province of Serbia made up of more than 90 percent Albanians, declared its independence Feb. 17 after fighting for self-rule for decades.

Although Albanians constituted the majority of Kosovo's population, they were forced out by the Serbian government in the Kosovo war of the 1990s. Still, Serbs make up only about 10 percent of the population.

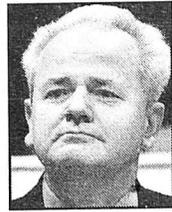
Serbs, who consider Kosovo the country's birthplace, protested the event by attacking the U.S. Embassy in Belgrade, Serbia's capital, on Thursday.

Petar Dimitrijevic, a UF political science senior, said Kosovo's secession from Serbia would be like California leaving the U.S. because of

its high Hispanic population.

Dimitrijevic, who was born in Serbia, said he disagrees with Kosovo's independence.

Despite the Albanian majority today, he said Kosovo remains the cradle of Serbian civilization. The country's oldest cultural sites are in the now-independent province, he said.



Milosevic

"You have to understand why people are angry and as impassioned as they are," Dimitrijevic said.

Dardan Tigani, a computer science and economics senior and Albanian Kosovo native, said Serbian demonstrators overreacted, but the reaction was inevitable because Serbian leadership adds fuel to the fire.

Tigani said Serbia's brutality toward Kosovo over the past two decades makes it impossible for its

inhabitants to trust the Serbian government.

Kosovo was an autonomous region of Yugoslavia from 1945 to 1989, when Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic revoked the country's independence. The process was complete by 1990 with the dissolving of Kosovo's parliament.

Tensions escalated to war in 1996 as Kosovo fought to separate itself from Serbia, leading many Albanians to flee the country.

Tigani was one of the displaced Kosovo Albanians, and after living in Montenegro and Albania, he moved to the U.S. in 2001.

The U.S. is one of at least 18 countries that recognize Kosovo as independent.

"Most Serbs have never been to Kosovo, and that's the irony," Tigani said. "Kosovo was never Serbian. Kosovo belongs to its people."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

## City attorney says complaints are rare

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complaint through the EEOC's mediation service. The EEOC will take the city's response and any supporting evidence into consideration while conducting the investigations.

Elizabeth Waratuke, the city's litigation attorney, said the city had not yet decided how to respond. Sexual discrimination complaints have been made before, Waratuke said, but are a rare occurrence.

"It doesn't happen every day; it doesn't happen every week; it doesn't happen every month; it doesn't happen every couple of months," she said. "But it does happen."

Spokesmen for GPD and GRU said they had not been informed of any complaints.

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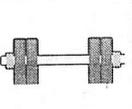
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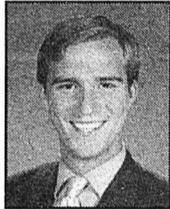

## Lone independent candidate has spent no money

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senators would campaign from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. during the final days of the party's five-day campaign.

"It's the lifeblood of the Gator Party," Hoffstetter said, adding the party encourages its volunteers to leave students with more than just a flier or sticker but an understanding of the party's platform too.

Mark McShera, Orange and Blue Party chairman, said about 40 volunteers have helped pass out T-shirts, fliers and stickers, and some supporters have donned promotional sandwich boards on their backs.



Reilly

The party's grassroots, "indie" campaign kicked off Feb. 17, Bracco said.

He said the party released its campaign "secret weapon" Monday afternoon: four orange-and-blue posters with messages against Gator Party officials. The laminated signs display quotes extracted from student senators' e-mails, obtained via a public records request by the Orange and Blue Party.

One sign's message states "The Gator Party is old" — attributed to Kevin Reilly from a Hispanic Student Association event — with "Tomorrow Started Yesterday" underneath, a twist on the Gator Party's slogan, "Tomorrow Starts Today." McShera said the signs on Turlington Plaza against Gator members sitting a few feet away were provocative, and most students said they liked them.

Hoffstetter said he disagreed with the Orange and Blue Party's tactics. The Gator Party's policy is not to "point the finger" at its opposition, he said.

Joshua Rosenauer, an independent candidate, has spent no money in his bid for a seat in Student Senate, according to SG records.

## GPD doesn't plan on increasing patrols at garage

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city's mandatory bar closing time.

The shooting this month occurred at about 1:50 a.m., as a large group funneled out of the back exit of downtown club The Venue. November's shooting took place at about 2:20 a.m., as the garage swelled with people trying to leave.

The problems related to the gunfire at the garage mirror other concerns for Gainesville's downtown — the use and

abuse of alcohol, overcrowded downtown areas and a police force stretched thin by the city's size and budget.

Gainesville Police spokesman Lt. Keith Kameg estimated that, on a typical weekend night, the police have about 20 officers dedicated to patrolling downtown. Those officers, he said, are instructed to look for crowds and not concentrate in special areas like the garage.

"As for keeping an officer on each floor [of the garage], we've done it,"

Kameg said. "Do we do it all the time? No."

Some say the city and the police should be more active in safeguarding the garage. After Arosemena was killed, his family and a Tallahassee law firm said they intended to sue the city for, among other things, negligence in maintaining a municipal facility.

Attorneys at the firm Erickson-McDaniel & Kelley, P.A., said they are still investigating the case and will be pursuing it further in July. City Attorney Marion Radson did not reply to several messages left at his office.

Dre Graham, a UF graduate student who said he has seen the downtown area get "pretty crazy," said there should be more officers present at the garage and other areas that have experienced recent gun violence.

"Is it more important for them to give out speeding tickets, or to make inhabitants of the city they work for feel comfortable and safe?" Graham said.

But Kameg said the two incidents near the garage were both uncommon and impossible to prevent.

"Short of having a cop right there, that could have easily happened anywhere," he said, alluding to the November murder. "The garage didn't cause that and law enforcement couldn't prevent it. That is a serious, just — that's a society-in-general travesty."

According to Hawkins, the fully automated garage features its own security.

Each floor has a call box that sounds alarms and flashes lights when pressed to alert officers and passersby.

The garage also features a police annex, which Kameg said serves as a staging area for officers to do paperwork and organize arrests.

But because of how big the downtown area is, Kameg said the garage wouldn't receive any other special attention from police.

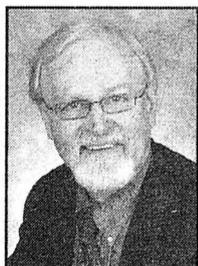
"Officers get deployed wherever they think the crowd is," Kameg said. "We have a whole city to watch."



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Friday night bar-goers pack the stairs of the Southwest Downtown Parking Garage Jan. 12 after the bars closed at 2 a.m.

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## UF Voices

### Budget woes loom in new year

The budget news across the state is not good and could potentially become worse in coming months.

We took a \$22 million reduction last fall and implemented other initiatives such as a hiring freeze to help offset the state's revenue shortfall.

We also created a campus Task Force on Cost Reduction and Efficiency, which has recommended several initiatives: a new transcript charge, consolidation of print vendors, transitioning print publications to electronic publications, a comprehensive motor vehicle management plan, and the recently announced direct deposit/debit card plan. Implementation of these initiatives will continue to be part of our overall strategy.

Additionally, we expect the Legislature to reduce our appropriations by another \$16 million this fiscal year. The governor actually has withheld this amount from the semi-monthly payment of appropriations to the university. Taken together and calculated on an annualized basis, this represents more than a \$47 million reduction from fiscal year 2007.

We will use several one-time funds to address the \$16 million reduction for the remainder of this fiscal year to limit the impact on departments. For this reason, we will not ask colleges and other units to make more cuts this fiscal year.

Even so, we expect another round of appropriation reductions beginning July 1.

At this point, I have asked each vice president and dean to prepare a plan to reduce their FY09 state-funded budget by at least 6 percent. I do not anticipate across-the-board reductions. Rather, each unit needs to develop a reduction plan that could support both programmatic and general reductions.

As we move through the legislative session, we will gain a better understanding of the full impact to the campus. But we must prepare now.

This continues to be a very difficult time for our entire community and I appreciate your ongoing teamwork and collaboration.

For more information, please see <http://www.president.ufl.edu/budget-reduction>.



J. Bernard Machen

J. Bernard Machen  
President

## Top Stories

### New steak is a cut above many others

Next time you cut into a juicy steak, think about this: Thanks to a new preparation developed by a UF researcher, a cut of meat that was once used mainly for ground beef now can be served as a tasty and tender "top blade" steak.

Dwain Johnson, a professor of meat science with the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences helped co-develop the new cut along with the University of Nebraska and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

The steak has steadily risen in popularity since it was first introduced, and is now selling more than 90 million pounds per year, said Johnson. This makes it the fifth best-selling steak in the country, putting it in the company of more traditional cuts.

Like a hybrid of those traditional cuts, the top blade steak has the tenderness of a strip steak combined with the flavor and lean character of a sirloin.

While it maintains the flavor and tenderness of more expensive cuts, the top blade steak has the major benefit of costing much less, since it is cut from what was traditionally considered to be a less-desirable portion of meat, said Johnson.

According to Johnson, the most difficult obstacle to this cut becoming a great steak was removing a flaw in the middle. There is a piece of connective tissue running through the center of the cut which is very tough, but once Johnson and his fellow researchers discovered a way to cut around the tissue, the steak was born.

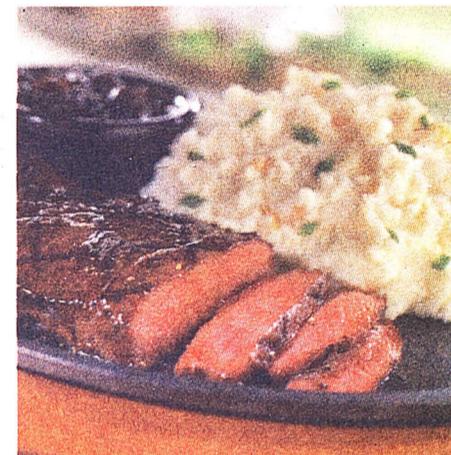
The steak has found its way onto the menus of a number of restaurants. TGI Friday's has been serving the cut since September 2004, said Scott Randolph, senior

director of culinary, T.G.I. Friday's.

"TGI Friday's was the first casual dining chain to offer this cut of meat," said Randolph. "Since the T.G.I. Friday's rollout, the steak has become a mainstay on casual dining menus and is widely available in retail meat counters nationwide."

The steak often is referred to as the top blade, but TGI Fridays, among others, refers to the cut as a flat iron steak, Randolph said. Friday's menu further describes the steak as "an unbelievably tender flavorful steak...aged and hand-cut especially for Friday's."

The flat iron is listed on Friday's Steakhouse Selects menu page, as well as the Jack Daniel's Grill Entrees page.



TGI Friday's

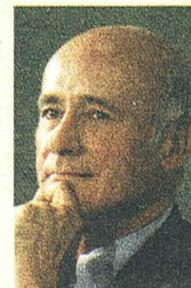
Friday's flat iron steak entree

The steak is uniform in thickness and rectangular in shape. Many people think the steak looks like an old-fashioned metal flat iron, Johnson said.

By Alex Stern

## Cultural Diplomacy forum to be presented on March 3

To help celebrate the opening of the Bob Graham Center for Public Service, the Center for the Arts and Public Policy will present a "Cultural Diplomacy" forum at 7:30



Joseph Nye

p.m. on March 3 at The Ocora, Pugh Hall. Joseph S. Nye Jr. will be the featured speaker. A reception will follow.

Nye currently is the Sultan of Oman Professor of International Relations at

the John F. Kennedy School of Government and Distinguished Professor at Harvard University. His prior appointments include Deputy to the Under Secretary of State for Security Assistance, chairman of the National Intelligence Council, and Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs.

Free tickets are available through the Reitz Union Box Office. For more information, contact Donald McGlothlin, director of the Center for the Arts and Public Policy, [mcgloth@ufl.edu](mailto:mcgloth@ufl.edu) or phone 352-846-3425.

## Happenings

Listings in this section are a sampling of events at the University of Florida, compiled from entries listed in the full calendar that appears on the Web at [calendar.ufl.edu](http://calendar.ufl.edu). To submit an event online, visit <http://calendar.ufl.edu/submit/>.

Feb. 26

UF Choral Department presents "Music for the Anglophile." University Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public. Call 352-392-0207 for more information.

Feb. 28

College of Fine Arts presents University of Florida Concert Bands Concert. University Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public. Call 352-392-1653 or Ticketmaster for ticket information.

Feb. 29

College of Fine Arts presents University of Florida Jazz Band Concert with Guest Artist.

University Auditorium, 7:30 PM. Open to the public. Call 352-392-1653 or Ticketmaster for ticket information.

March 1

UFPA presents World Premiere Collaboration—Jennifer Larmore with Apollo's Fire. University Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Reserved seating \$20-\$30. Visit the Phillips Center Box Office or call 352-392-ARTS (2787) for tickets.



## In Focus

## Student's Pet project benefits UF animal shelter

Bob Barker has nothing on this University of Florida student.

Allison Montague, veterinary medicine senior, has started a fashion revolution that could end the reign of fur forever.

With witty slogans like, "Cats can't add, but they're great at multiplying," Montague's retro-chic clothing line features \$15 T-shirts for men and women that promote the spaying and neutering of household pets.

"Spaying and neutering eliminates or reduces a number of health problems," Montague explained. "Also, unsterilized animals often exhibit more behavior problems than do those who have been spayed or neutered."

The former advertising account executive started the company two years ago with the help of her mother and brother to promote pet health and combat overpopulation of animal shelters. Shelters in the United States take in 6-8 million dogs and cats annually, roughly half of which are euthanized, The Humane Society of the United States reports.



Allison Montague

"AWEARness seeks to raise awareness of the rising number of innocent animals that are being euthanized every week just because they're homeless," Montague said. "Shelters need help and funding, and this is just a small way to give back to the animals

that bring us so much joy."

When she learned that the UF College of Veterinary Medicine's shelter program was threatened by budget cuts, Montague took her company a step further and announced that she would donate all her profits to the program. The shelter program helps animals and UF students by allowing the students to gain experience by spaying and neutering local shelter animals. AWEARness has donated about \$100 to the program so far, but Montague has faith that she will continue to sell T-shirts, some of which have been purchased from as far away as Ohio.

The clothing is sold through [www.aWEARness-clothing.com](http://www.aWEARness-clothing.com), a Web site designed by Montague and classmate Crystal Hmielewski. The company recently expanded from T-shirts to include "boy-shorts" underwear, which Montague calls "underWEARness."

"Girls like underwear with expressions on them, so why not 'aWEARness!'" she said.

By Kimberly Cruts

## Note This

## University awards deadline is March 1

During commencement ceremonies, the University of Florida honors individuals who have received a university-designated award, including honorary degrees, distinguished alumnus awards, distinguished achievement awards, and distinguished service awards. The university invites faculty and staff to identify and nominate individuals who, through their accomplishments and service, are deserving of the university's highest honors.

The nomination package includes the nominee's curriculum vitae and other background information, along with three or more letters of recommendation. The nomination package is due March 1 and must be mailed to the committee in care of Robin Frey, PO Box 113150. For more information, contact Robin Frey, [rfrey@ufl.edu](mailto:rfrey@ufl.edu), 352-392-3117.

## Memorial award deadline is March 7

The Gareth Kerr Memorial Award was created by the Student Health Care Center in memory of University of Florida student, Gareth Kerr, who passed away in April 2006. Kerr's contributions to Student Health were significant and he gave quietly and unselfishly of his time, energy and vision to ensure that quality health services were accessible to all UF students.

The award was created to honor students who continue Kerr's legacy.

The deadline for nominations and letters of recommendation is March 7. For more information, visit [www.hcc.ufl.edu](http://www.hcc.ufl.edu) or contact Lica Gilley, 352-392-1161 ext 1-4220.

## Environmental conference to be held at UF

The University of Florida Levin College of Law's 14th Annual Public Interest Environmental Conference (PIEC) will be held Feb. 28 to March 1 at the UF Law campus. The theme of this year's conference is "Reducing Florida's Footprint: Stepping Up to the Global Challenge." The conference will focus on Florida's role in global issues related to energy, land use, biodiversity and water. The PIEC will take place in conjunction with the 1st Annual University of Florida Water Symposium - "Sustainable Water Resources: Florida Challenges, Global Solutions."

The conference is free for all UF students, faculty and staff. For more information, contact the event co-chairs Andrew Beckington, [abeck82@ufl.edu](mailto:abeck82@ufl.edu), or Yee Huang, [lyh@ufl.edu](mailto:lyh@ufl.edu).

## Seen &amp; Heard

## First online Ph.D. awarded

The University of Florida has awarded the nation's first Ph.D. in classical studies pursued online. David McClister of Tampa successfully defended his dissertation on Feb. 11, and is set to graduate during the May commencement ceremony.



David McClister

The classical studies distance learning graduate program was established at UF in 2001 to address the needs of Latin teachers nationwide. It is the only program of its kind in the nation and is the only online Ph.D. offered at the university.

## Community Campaign announces increase

Employees gave \$1,167,446 in support of this year's UF Community Campaign. This was a significant increase compared to last year's amount of \$1,090,322.

"Many UF employees gave to the campaign through payroll deduction, and others gave through their involvement in silent auctions, bake sales and even a golf tournament... In a year like this, when there were no state-funded raises, it is a

true testimony to the generosity and altruism of University of Florida employees," Dean Steve Dorman, chairman of the UF Community Campaign, said.

## Associate dean earns award

Elaine Turner, an associate dean with the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, was recently honored by her undergraduate alma mater, Kansas State University, with its Distinguished Service Award.

Turner, who earned a bachelor of science degree in dietetics from Kansas State in 1982, received the award at a College of Human Ecology celebration in Manhattan, Kan.

## Veterinarian becomes first female president

Eleanor Green recently was installed as the 54th president of the American Association of Equine Practitioners. She is the first female to serve in this role, and she will serve through 2008.

Green currently is a professor and chair of the department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences, as well as chief of staff of the Large Animal Veterinary Center, at the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine.

The American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP), headquartered in Lexington, Ky., is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the health and welfare of horses.

## Common Reading book unveiled

The 2008-09 Common Reading book selection is "When Rivers Run Dry: Water - The Defining Crisis of the Twenty-First Century" by Fred Pearce. For more information, please visit <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/nsp/firstyearexperience/commonread/>

## Historian named new director

Author and oral historian Paul Ortíz has been named director of the Samuel Proctor Oral History Program. He replaces retired history professor Julian Pleasants.



Paul Ortíz

Since 2001, Ortíz has been an associate professor in the department of Community Studies at the University of California, Santa Cruz. His most recent book, "Emancipation Betrayed: The Hidden History of Black Organizing and White Violence in Florida from Reconstruction to the Bloody Election of 1920," received the 2006 Harry T. and Harriette V. Moore Book Prize from the Florida Historical Society and the Florida Institute of Technology.

## March 2

UFPA presents "Quatuor Parisii." University Auditorium, 5 p.m. Reserved seating \$15-\$25. Visit the Phillips Center Box Office or call 352-392-ARTS (2787) for tickets.

## March 7

Spring Break Begins

## March 11

University Relations/Community Relations presents Community Campus Council Breakfast Meetings. UF Hilton Hotel and Conference Center, 7:30 a.m. Open to the public. Call 352-392-4567 for more information.

## March 13

Spring Break Ends

## March 15

UFPA presents Sweet Honey in the Rock. Phillips Center, 7:30 p.m. Reserved seating \$15-\$30. Visit the Phillips Center Box Office or call 352-392-ARTS (2787) for tickets.

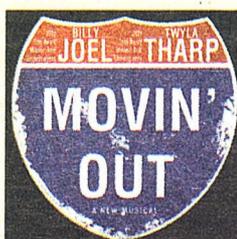
## Recurring Events

## Feb. 22-March 2

College of Fine Arts presents DANCE 2008. Constans Theatre. Open to the public. Call 352-392-0207 for more information.

## March 3-4

UFPA presents "Movin' Out." Phillips Center, 7:30 p.m. Reserved seating \$40-\$60. Visit the Phillips Center Box Office or call 352-392-ARTS (2787) for tickets.



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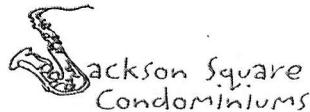
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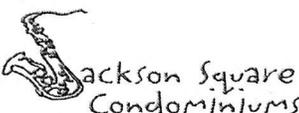
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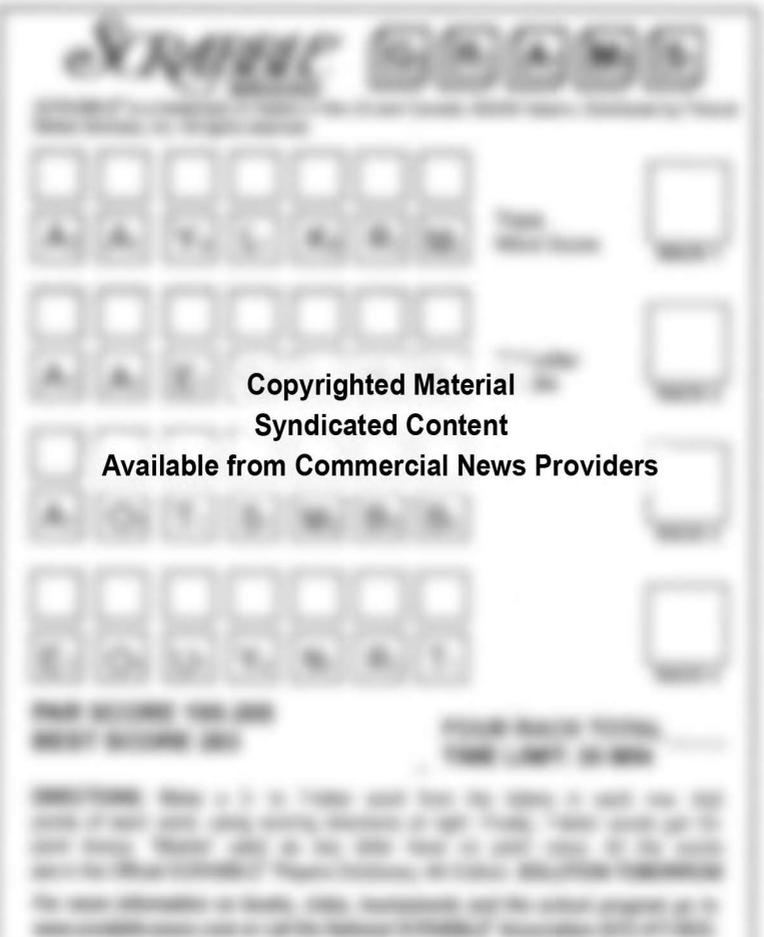
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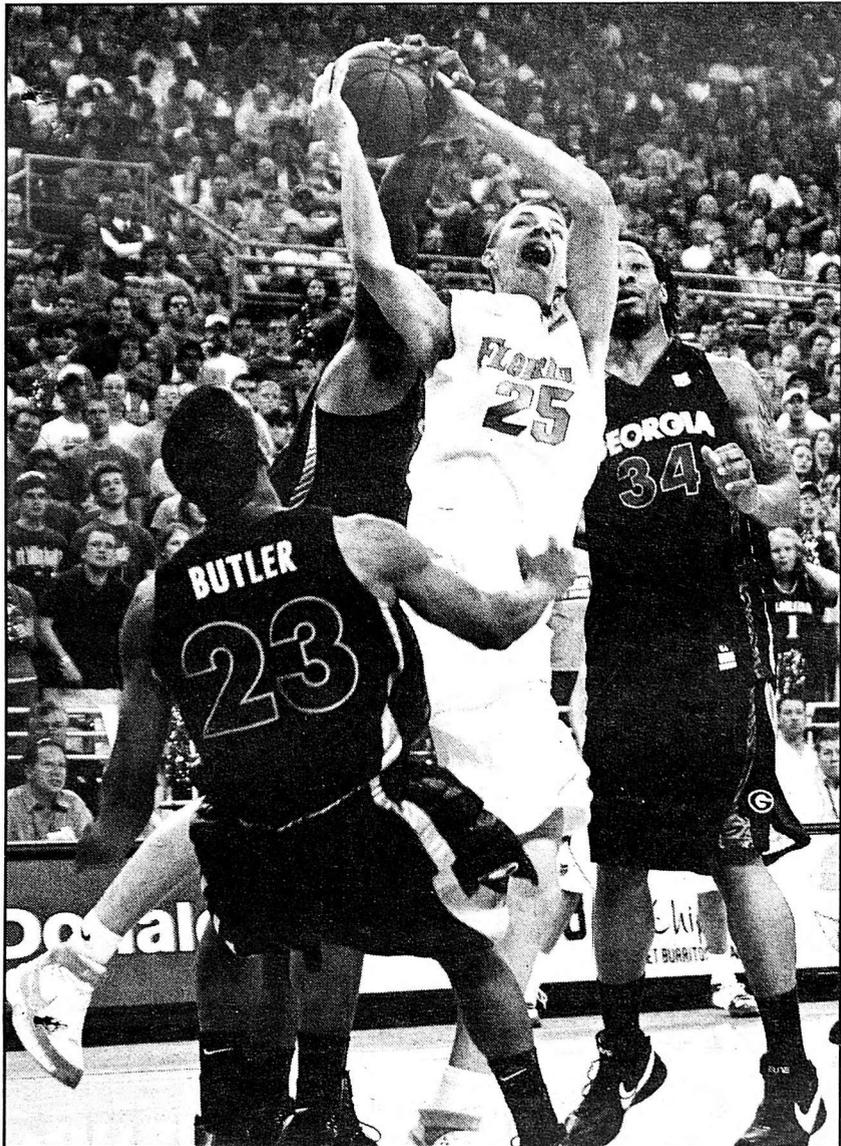
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## UF stuck on NCAA tourney bubble



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UF forward Chandler Parsons struggles to shoot over a Georgia player during the Gators' 77-67 win against the Bulldogs on Feb. 9.

■ THE GATORS FACE ANOTHER MUST-WIN GAME AGAINST GEORGIA.

By **DANNY KLEIN**  
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After five days, not much has changed. As the UF men's basketball team heads into Wednesday's matchup against Georgia, the Gators (20-7, 7-5 Southeastern Conference) will once again fight for their tournament lives.

When tip-off arrives in Athens, Ga., UF will be in its second must-win opportunity in as many games — a trend this young group is sure to experience as the season counts down.

CollegeRPI.com founder Jerry Palm said UF only has itself to blame for its current problems.

"Florida has a problem in that it did absolutely nothing in the non-conference schedule."

**Jerry Palm**  
CollegeRPI.com founder

"Florida has a problem in that it did absolutely nothing in the non-conference schedule," Palm said. "That is a huge negative. You've basically taken the first half of the season off."

Palm is likely pointing to an early season defined by in-state punching bags and teams off the radar. The only recognizable games came against Ohio State and Florida State, two unranked squads that throttled UF by double digits.

Games against High Point, North Dakota State, Stetson and Charleston Southern, Palm said, are not exactly head-turners.

"They put up a gaudy record, but they didn't play anybody," he said. "They played the worst non-conference schedule that the committee will look at in that room this year."

With such a young team, it's likely UF coach Billy Donovan felt his team needed time to mesh

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## UF WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Gators must overcome late-season fatigue

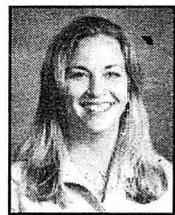
By **PHIL KEGLER**  
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After her team played its 27th game of the season on Sunday, UF coach Amanda Butler sensed that fatigue might have begun to affect the Gators.

That doesn't mean it's OK with her.

"Everybody in the country is going through those things," Butler said. "Everyone is tired. Everyone's legs hurt. Everybody's team experiences the flu bug. ... We just have to be mentally tough enough to understand those are things that

are going to happen. It has got to matter more to beat the next opponent."



Butler

Sunday saw the Gators (16-11, 5-7 Southeastern Conference) lose yet another game they were projected to win. The loss came against a South Carolina team that hadn't won a road conference game all year until that point. On Feb. 10, UF lost at Mississippi State 83-71 in another upset.

At this point in the season, a team must

learn how to fight through obstacles in order to pick up key victories.

"Your legs are tired. Your stomach hurts. You may have turned your ankle last weekend, and it's still a little bit sore," Butler said. "It's just that time of year where you have all these great things in your grasp.

"You've got to suck it up and give your best, because right now is the moment that you have to seize. That's what we've got to kind of realize as a program. The position that we're in and we have been in the last couple weeks and being able to put those

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## Starting lineup work in progress

By **EVAN DREXLER**  
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In the first three games of the baseball season, UF's starting lineup has been a well-oiled machine operating with interchangeable parts.

Three different players have started at designated hitter, two have seen time at catcher and nine have taken the mound.

It looks like fans should get used to the roster mix-ups.

"The starting lineup is going to be changed through the whole year, it just depends on how things go," freshman pitcher Tommy Toledo said.

Tuesday, another starter, sophomore Matt den Dekker, will see his first action of the season.

The center fielder missed the opening series against Siena for a violation of

team rules, but he will be back for Tuesday's game against Eastern Michigan at 6:30 p.m.

Freshman Josh Adams did a more-than-capable job of filling in for den Dekker against Siena. Adams led the Gators with seven RBI and 10 total bases in the opening series, including two home runs on Sunday. Adams had never played in the outfield before this weekend and only hit six home runs in his senior year of high school.

UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan was quick to dismiss any possibility of a controversy at the position.

"Den Dekker's our center fielder," O'Sullivan said. "Josh did a great job this weekend, but Matt will be our center fielder. ... It's a good problem to have. I'd rather have a couple more players than we need than a couple less."

He added that he is comfortable with Adams at all three outfield positions.

Adams knows his role on the team and is fine with going back to the bench when den Dekker comes back, but he may also see starts as a designated hitter if his bat stays hot.

"I don't really know what's going on with that, but whenever I'm needed I'm definitely going to be in there," Adams said.

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■ UF softball pitcher Stacey Nelson won her second consecutive Southeastern Conference Pitcher of the Week award Monday. Nelson was 5-0 during the week and ran her shutout innings streak to a school-record 47 before it was snapped.

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### Gators' resume lacking with four games left

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before facing credible programs. This decision, however, leaned on the team to post an impressive conference record — something it has failed to do.

A blowout defeat to Arkansas and a loss to SEC laggard LSU didn't help.

Additionally, aside from the win against Vanderbilt at home, the Gators have yet to post a victory against a favored squad.

These issues place a heavy emphasis on upcoming games against Mississippi

State, Tennessee and Kentucky, where Palm said UF must surprise someone if it plans to make any noise.

"[The Gators] have to finish strong and put up a good conference record," he said. "By good, I don't mean 9-7."

Currently UF's RPI — a formula used by the NCAA to rate teams based 25 percent on winning percentage, 50 percent on average opponent's winning percentage and 25 percent on average opponents' opponents' winning percentage — is 59.

The Gators have just three wins against teams ranked in the RPI top 100 — Temple, Kentucky and Vanderbilt.

No team has ever made the NCAA Tournament without at least one of those. The question becomes, is three enough?

"They just need to stop losing games," Palm said.

Donovan said his team can't be caught up in a numbers game. All these issues are above their heads, he said.

The Gators need to focus on what lies ahead and not try to make sense out of something foreign to them.

"It would be like trying to explain what marriage is like to someone who's never been married," Donovan said. "These guys haven't been through enough experiences."

### Locke will make first start against Eastern Michigan

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O'Sullivan wants to work out the kinks in his roster as soon as possible, and he plans to use different pitchers and designated hitters whenever he can to get them experience.

"They can't get better sitting on the bench," he said.

Also returning to the roster are senior infielder Dustin Bamberg and junior catcher Brett Smith. They were suspended along with den Dekker.

"He had been one of our hottest hitters," O'Sullivan said of Bamberg. "We're anxious to get him back."

"They can't get better sitting on the bench."

**Kevin O'Sullivan**  
UF baseball coach

UF (3-0) will start left-handed junior Stephen Locke against Eastern Michigan (0-4) Tuesday, but Wednesday night's starter is still up in the air. Locke went 3-3 in nine appearances last season with a 6.95 ERA. He has not pitched this season.

Freshman Travis Lawler and sophomore Clint Franklin are the likely candidates for the second game. Eastern Michigan was swept by New Mexico in its opening weekend. The Eagles were outscored by an average of 5.75 runs per game.

O'Sullivan said the team would not scout Eastern Michigan too heavily, especially considering the lack of information available this early in the season, but he won't take them lightly — the Eagles went 21-4 in the Mid-American Conference in 2007.

The opening series sweep provided momentum for the Gators heading into two games against the Eagles.

"We have a lot of confidence, also,"

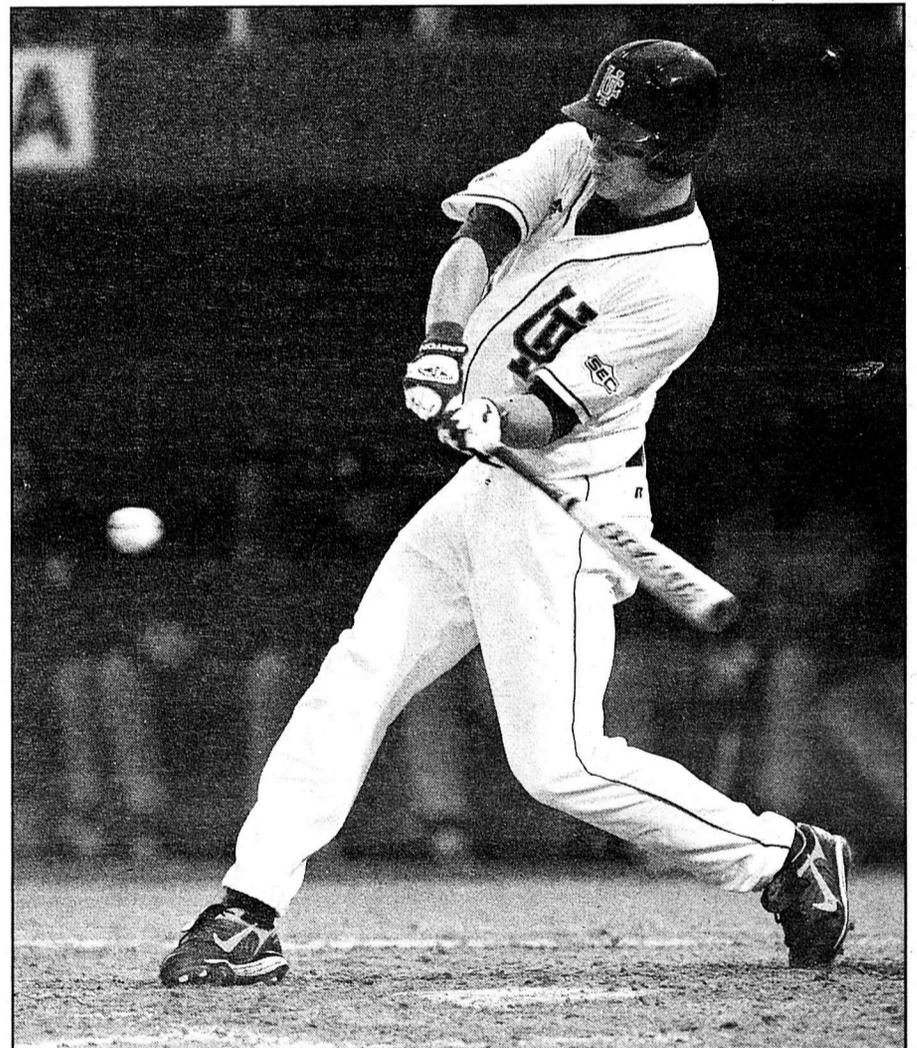
### UF's NCAA Tournament hopes grow dim in light of recent loss

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things aside and focus on winning the game."

**TOURNEY WATCH:** The Gators came close to losing all hope of an NCAA bid with their home loss to the Gamecocks.

Toledo said. "Defensively, we put up so many good performances through the whole series. Hitting-wise, if we put up 10 runs a game, it's going to be pretty easy for the pitchers to come out and have confidence."



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UF freshman center fielder Matt den Dekker hits a double during the Gators' 6-2 home loss to Central Florida on April 10, 2007.

UF dropped to eighth in the SEC standings with Mississippi moving up to seventh. That makes Sunday's regular-season finale against the Rebels in Oxford key to SEC Tournament seeding.

Some analysts still have the Gators clinging to a sliver of optimism when it comes to Selection Monday.

Even before Sunday's loss,

CollegeRPI.com founder Jerry Palm left UF in his short list of teams just outside the projected tournament field. The defeat moved the team's RPI from 38 to 45.

Remarkably, ESPN.com analyst Charlie Creme still has the Gators in his "last four out" category — the same place he had them in his Feb. 11 projection. UF has gone 1-2 since then.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

# Gregg hopes to justify Marlins' largest paycheck

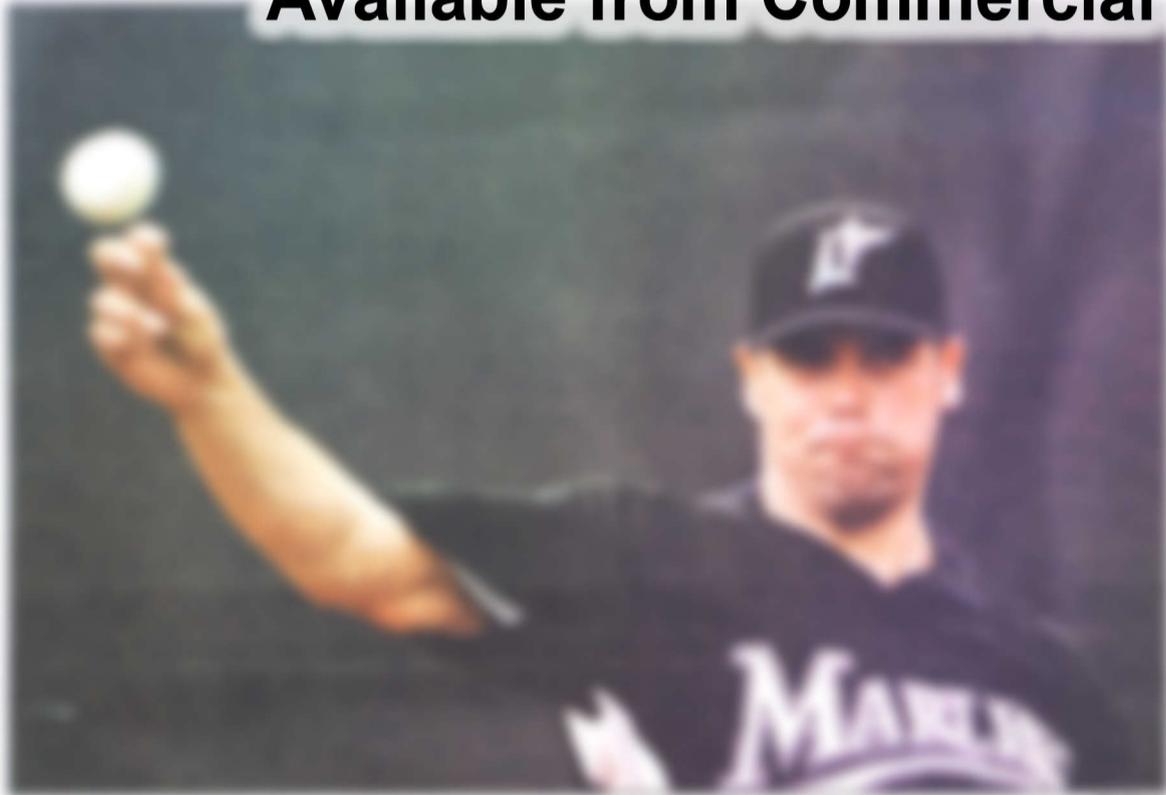
**THE MIAMI HERALD**

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## GREEK BLOOD DRIVE FALL 2008

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### Bloodmobile Schedule

Greek Blood Drive Spring 2008  
 Donations as of midnight of 2/24/2008

Sororities Total Donations	Sororities Percentage	Fraternities Total Donations	Fraternities Percentage
1-Kappa Kappa Gamma-9	1-Sigma Kappa-8%	Tied for 1st 1-Alpha Gamma Rho-6	1-Alpha Gamma Rho-13%
Tied for 2nd 2-Alpha Delta Pi-8 2-Sigma Kappa-8	2-Kappa Kappa Gamma-6% 3-Alpha Delta Pi-4%	1-Pi Kappa Pi-6	2-Delta Upsilon-9%
Tied for 3rd 3-Alpha Chi Omega-3 3-Delta Zeta-3 3-Kappa Alpha Theta-3	Tied for 4th 4-Alpha Chi Omega-2% 4-Delta Zeta-2% 4-Kappa Alpha Theta-2%	2-Lambda Chi Alpha-5 3-Sigma Phi Epsilon-4	3-Phi Sigma Kappa-8% 4-Pi Kappa Phi-7%

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Day	Organization	Time
Tuesday, Feb. 26	Theta Chi	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
	Chi Omega	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 27	Beta Theta Pi	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
	Phi Delta Theta	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
	Sigma Kappa	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 28	Alpha Omicron Pi	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
	Pi Lambda Phi	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
	Sigma Nu	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Monday, March 3	Phi Mu	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
	Delta Tau Delta	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
	Lambda Chi Alpha	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 4	Alpha Delta Pi	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
	Alpha Gamma Rho	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
	Pi Kappa Phi	5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

## UF MEN'S TENNIS

## Gators fall to No. 22 Pepperdine in close match

By CHRISTOPHER YAZBEC

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This one couldn't have been much closer, and unfortunately for the UF men's tennis team it was on the wrong end of the outcome.

Just one day after defeating No. 9 Illinois 6-1, the Gators (5-3) fell just short to No. 22 Pepperdine, 4-3.

The match came down to the final court, which played host to UF freshman Jeff Dadamo, in a 3-hour, 9-minute match that included a third-set thriller.

Dadamo dropped his opening set in a tiebreak 7-6 (1) but fought back to take the second set 6-3.

Serving at 5-6 in the final set, Dadamo fought off one match point with an ace, but he was unable to escape the game and surrendered the match and the dual match to the Waves (2-5).

"He was the last match on against Florida State, so he's been there before," UF coach Andy Jackson said. "We're going to get to May, and he's not going to be a freshman anymore. It's good for him to be in that situation."

Dadamo's match would have been meaningless were it not for UF freshman Johnny Hamui and senior Nestor Briceno.

The Gators were down 3-1 with three courts to play, and they had to win all three to win the dual

match.

Hamui battled through a tight third set and broke his opponent's serve to win 4-6, 6-3, 7-5.

Briceno's match appeared to be the next to finish, and he knew

he would have to win to keep his team alive.

"I gave the team the best shot that I could, and that's what kept me going through the match," Briceno said. "I was hoping it

would come down to me. I was hoping that Jeff would pull through."

Briceno overcame several controversial calls and a flip over the net on his way to a 2-6, 7-6 (1), 6-4

win.

Then he was forced to watch his young teammate try to carry UF to victory.

"It was nerve-wracking," he said. "Every year you get more and more into it. I mean, I think it's easier to play than to watch something like that."

The match could have been decided elsewhere.

UF lost two of three doubles courts and the doubles point after playing its best doubles of the year Sunday against Illinois.

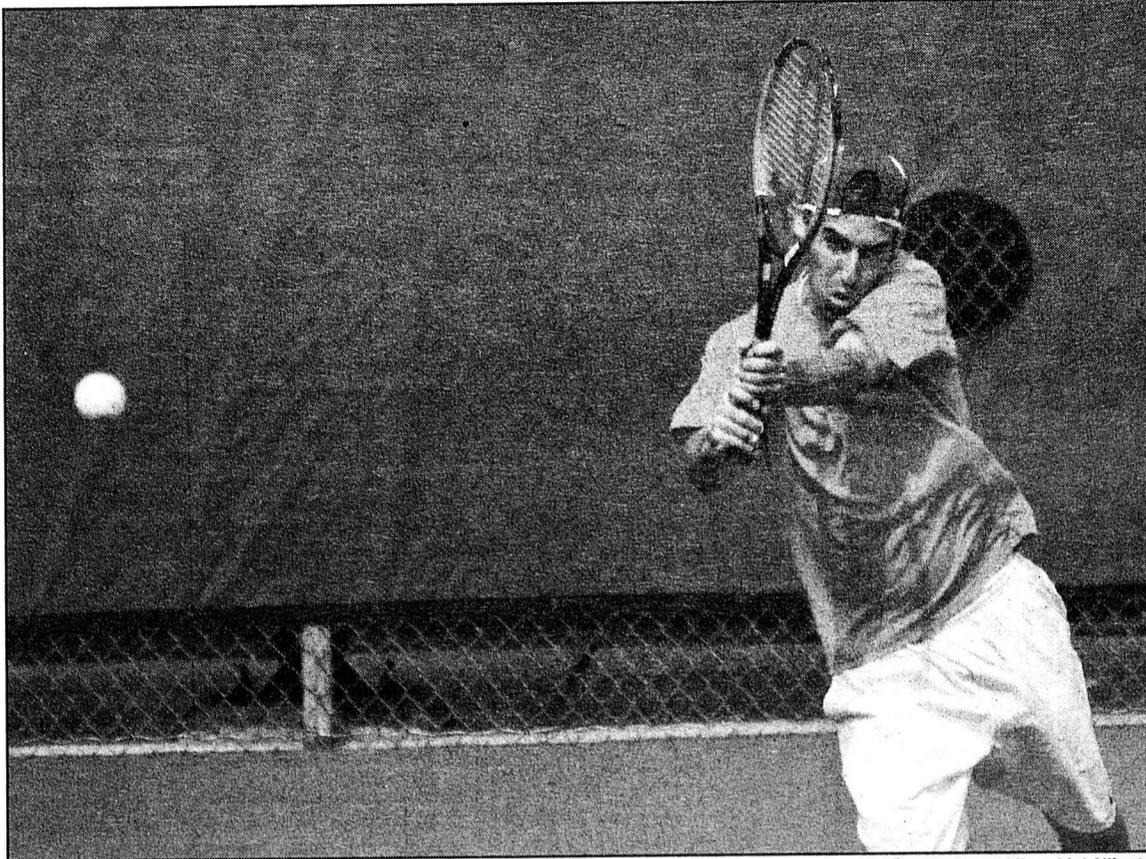
In singles, Ouellette wasn't a factor, losing 6-2, 6-1.

But perhaps the best opportunity for UF, aside from Dadamo, came from freshman Alex Lacroix.

In a similar situation as Dadamo, Lacroix was unable to hold serve late in the third set to force a tiebreak and lost a close match, 2-6, 6-2, 7-5.

No matter what the outcomes were for the Gators in their last two matches, Jackson said the last two days were not only successes, but they also introduced a NCAA Tournament feel for his young squad.

"That was exactly what we were trying to produce," Jackson said. "Not only a feel, but there's two teams — Illinois and Pepperdine — that really know what they're doing. It's good for us to be in those situations."



Marianne Lijewski / Alligator

UF junior Nestor Briceno hits a backhand during the Gators' 5-2 win against Florida State on Feb. 9. Briceno's singles win Monday against Pepperdine kept the Gators alive, but they ultimately lost.

## Edwards wins Auto Club 500

BY THE STAFF OF THE ST. PETERSBURG TIMES

THE ST. PETERSBURG TIMES

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Jimmie Johnson won the Auto Club 500 Sunday, leading the field for most of the race and crossing the finish line first in a thrilling finish. Johnson, driving a Lowe's Chevrolet, won by a margin of 0.001 seconds over Dale Earnhardt Jr. The race was held at Daytona International Speedway. Johnson's victory marks his second win of the season. Earnhardt Jr. finished second, followed by Jeff Gordon. The race was a close one, with several lead changes throughout the day. Johnson's win was a significant one for the number 14 team. The race was broadcast on ESPN. Johnson's win was a testament to his skill and determination. The race was a highlight of the NASCAR season. Johnson's win was a surprise to many fans. The race was a great one for everyone involved. Johnson's win was a great one for the sport. The race was a great one for the fans. Johnson's win was a great one for the team. The race was a great one for the season. Johnson's win was a great one for the year. The race was a great one for the sport. Johnson's win was a great one for the fans. Johnson's win was a great one for the team. The race was a great one for the season. Johnson's win was a great one for the year. The race was a great one for the sport. Johnson's win was a great one for the fans. Johnson's win was a great one for the team. The race was a great one for the season. Johnson's win was a great one for the year. The race was a great one for the sport. Johnson's win was a great one for the fans.

## Rays ponder inking home run king Bonds

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# UF Student Body

## ELECTIONS

February 26-27 8:00AM -- 8:00PM

### Spring 2008 Candidates

Position	Independent	Orange and Blue	Gator
President		Tommy Jardon	Kevin Reilly
Vice President		Frank C. Bracco	Yooni Yi
Treasurer		Shea Parrish	Paul Drayton
Accounting		Christina Wood	Jose A. Ortega
Agriculture and Life S.		Simon Fitz-William	Fei Cao
Agriculture and Life S.		David "Nick" Reynaud	Jason Cornman
Agriculture and Life S.		Skeet Surrency	Jessee Porter
Architecture			Beau Frail
Building Construction			Will Murphy
Business Administration	Brandon Vantuijn	Tyler Antar	Danielle Emenhiser
Business Administration		Jimmy Glover	Louis M. Holzberg
Business Administration		Phillip Yero	Brandon White
Dentistry			Courtney Caplin
Education			Sarah Maguire
Engineering	Joshua Rosenauer	Christie Lee	Diego Soto
Engineering		Sam A. Miorelli	Malcolm Ward
Fine Arts		Melody Goodell	Clayton DeHaan
Graduate Students		Rhonda Black	Dominic Aquilina
Graduate Students		Lance Hunter Burbank	Neil Deochand
Graduate Students		Jim Colee	Heshan "Grasshopper" Illangkoon
Graduate Students		Joshua A. Horton	Vijay N. Jagdale
Graduate Students		Lindsay R. Hovermale	Kelly Kenzik
Graduate Students		Leslie Veiga	Matt Michiel
Graduate Students			Ryan O'Mara
Graduate Students			Adam Picow
HHP			Marissa Araujo
PHHP			Kelly Jerris
Journalism		Travis M. Pillow	Lynne Guey
Journalism		John Pole	Julia Smith
Law	Ian B. Goldfarb		Evan James Ferl
CLAS		Benjamin N. Dictor	Ashton Charles
CLAS		Stephen Fitzmaurice	Scott Cutshall
CLAS		Mark McShera	Osborne Hall
CLAS		Tina Steiger	Steven Hoffstetter
CLAS		Eric J. Wolf	Ryland Rogers
Medicine		Brandon Sack	
Nursing			Chelsey Campbell
Pharmacy			Jessica L. Clements
Freshmen		Kelly Dees	Cecil Andrew Duffie
Freshmen		Kyle Allan Fletcher	Daniel Katz
Freshmen			Robin Prywes
Freshmen			Samantha Sexton
Sophomore		Omar Abdel-Aziz	Chelsea Fuller
Sophomore		Juliet Fixel	Jaleesa Joseph
Sophomore		Rama Issa-Ibrahim	Ricardo J. Marengo
Sophomore		Ryan Levick	Brian Matz
Sophomore		George CB Ling	Joseph McCabe
Sophomore		Nina Martinez	Claire Meharg
Veterinary Medicine			



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Spring 2008 Elections -- Polling Locations

If you are	VOTE AT
Freshman or Sophomore	SW Rec Center, Norman Hall, Reitz Union 1st FL, Turlington 1st FL, Hume, Broward
Liberal Arts & Sciences	SW Rec Center, Turlington 2nd FL, Reitz 1st FL
Graduate Students	Matherly 1st FL, Fine Arts C, JHMHSC, Norman Hall, Levin Law, SW Rec Center, Turlington 2nd FL, Reitz 1st FL, New Engineering
Accounting	Matherly 1st FL
Architecture	Fine Arts C
Agriculture	SW Rec Center, McCarty Hall A
Building Construction	Fine Arts C
Business Administration	Matherly 1st FL
Dentistry	JHMHSC
Education	Norman Hall
Fine Arts	Fine Arts C
Forestry	SW Rec Center, McCarty Hall A
Health and Human Performance	Florida Gym
Public Health and Health Professions	JHMHSC
Journalism	Journalism 1st FL
Law	Levin Law
Medicine	JHMHSC
Natural Resource Environment	SW Rec Center, McCarty Hall A
Nursing	JHMHSC
Pharmacy	JHMHSC
Veterinary Medicine	JHMHSC

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