



# UF lacks funds for historic sites

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The future seemed sturdy for 34 historic sites in St. Augustine that needed renovation after UF announced plans to take the buildings under its wing July 2007.

However, with the state's shrinking budget, UF hasn't been able to fulfill that offer and probably won't be able to anytime soon.

"The price tag to take care of these buildings is sort of daunting," said Catherine Culver, marketing and events coordinator for St. Augustine's Department of Heritage Tourism.



Dixon

During the most recent session of the Florida Legislature, UF requested \$22.5 million in state funds to tackle deferred maintenance work on the historic sites, according to a July 2007 report on the sites prepared by UF.

UF also requested \$500,000 to create a master plan of historic St. Augustine.

The plan would identify significant sites and the original town plan, according to the report. It would also devise traffic, pedestrian and parking solutions for tourists.

The state granted the university \$300,000 toward the strategic plan but gave no money toward maintenance work, said Linda Dixon, UF's assistant director of facilities planning and construction.

Culver said the buildings, which include restorations and original structures, are currently under the City of St. Augustine's care.

However, the city is strapped for cash and has been unable to keep up with the sites' maintenance, she said.

Because UF didn't receive enough state money, it didn't take over management of the buildings in July as planned, Dixon said.

"It's going to have to wait until we find out if the Legislature is going to provide some money for the maintenance."

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People walk past St. Augustine Art Glass, housed in the historic Paredes-Dodge House on St. George Street, on Tuesday.

# Law school celebrates integration

■ EVENTS INCLUDED SPEECH FROM UF'S FIRST BLACK STUDENT.

Celebrations continued for the 50th anniversary of integration at UF with a ceremony at the Levin College of Law on Wednesday.

The events, held on Constitution Day 2008, which is the 221st anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution, included a panel discussion about desegregation and a speech from UF's first black student, George H. Starke Jr., who attended UF's law school for a year before withdrawing.

## On Campus

The event also honored Virgil Hawkins, who paved the way for Starke's acceptance to UF. Hawkins applied to UF in 1949 but was denied admission because of his race.

After nine years of litigation, Hawkins agreed to withdraw his application in exchange for a court order that desegregated UF's graduate and professional schools, according to the law school's Web site.

In 1958, Starke was admitted to UF.

Hawkins eventually became a member of the Florida Bar but resigned after he was brought before the bar on ethics charges.

"I told my wife they're going to write him out of history," said Harley Herman, a lawyer who successfully fought to get Hawkins reinstated to the bar before his death in 1988 at the age of 81, during a break in the day's events.

Members of Hawkins' family attended the celebration.

The day's events culminated in the planting of a magnolia tree in front of the law school to commemorate the anniversary.

— THOMAS STEWART AND JEREMIAH STANLEY

## LOCAL

# Methodist church to break ground

By CHANTELE MARCELLE  
Alligator Contributing Writer

The postponement of one construction project on the corner of University Avenue and 13th Street won't stop another group from building there.

After a year of delays, the University United Methodist Church will break ground Sept. 28 on a \$4 million building at 1320 W University Ave., the Rev. David Fuquay said.

Fuquay said plans were put on hold when a court case last September stopped construction on University Corners, the luxury condo project proposed for the

"Most people have the impression that the church closed or no longer exists."

the Rev. David Fuquay  
University United Methodist  
Church minister

corner.

Gene Francis, a city site planner, said University Corners had originally submitted the site plan for the entire block, which was supposed to include an underground parking garage. That parking garage would have been the foundation for the

church, Fuquay said. With University Corners on hold, the church had to create its own individual site plan.

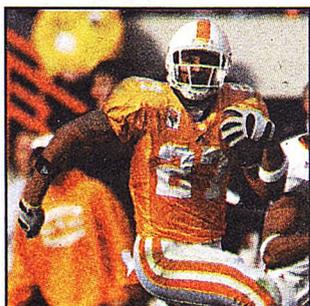
Frank Darabi, a partner of the University Corners project, declined to comment.

Fuquay said the delays have been frustrating.

"Most people have the impression that the church closed or no longer exists," he said.

The old church was demolished in 2006 to make room for construction, he said, and church members have been

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■ Tennessee senior running back Arian Foster has gained just 39 yards in his three career games against UF. He'll look to significantly up that count when the two teams meet on Saturday. See Story, Page 24.

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"Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade," 10:30 p.m.  
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**RUB Entertainment Presents:**  
**Morningbell, The Bluebird Suitcase and Quadrophones**  
Orange & Brew  
Tonight, 8 p.m.

**Victory Over Violence meeting**  
Tonight, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
The group will be discussing its upcoming events: Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network and the Vagina Monologues.  
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### CORRECTION

An article in Wednesday's Alligator incorrectly stated that The Living Room art gallery at Hillel is affiliated with the Jewish Student Union.

The article also incorrectly identified Alyssa Drake as the promotions director for Hillel. She is promotions director for The Olam restaurant.

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## STUDENT LIFE

## Rabbi teaches free pickling workshop

BY DAVID CUMMING

Alligator Contributing Writer

Rabbi Pickle stood about 5 feet tall with a green apron and a big, red beard.

Behind him was a buffet of 200 cucumbers, dozens of garlic cloves and cartons of kosher salt, all waiting to be squished and sealed in a jar.

Rabbi Pickle, or Menachem Margolin, visited the Lubavitch-Chabad Jewish Student Center on Wednesday night for kosher-pickle making, a free workshop for students and area residents to teach people how to preserve kosher dill pickles.

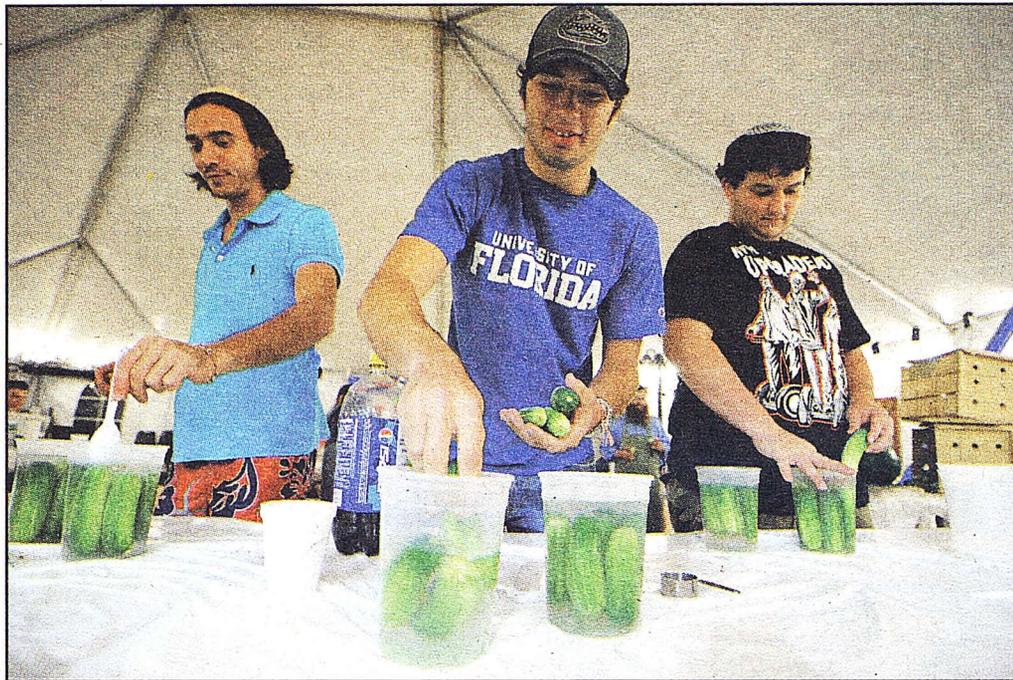
More than 20 students took home free, handmade pickle jars stuffed with seven curled green cucumbers in salted water for preservation.

"They're nice and cute and short and fat," Margolin said. "They're just my style."

The workshop marks the end of Jewish Heritage Week for the center in Gainesville.

"We like to use pickling as a vehicle to teach people about the laws of Kashrut [keeping kosher] in a fun, refreshing way," Margolin said. Kosher is the strict dietary law for the Jewish religion.

Margolin and a group of students from the UF Lubavitch-



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UF students, from left to right, Mordy Kramer, Brian Dragutsky, and Daniel Pink, learn how to make kosher pickles at the Lubavitch-Chabad Jewish Student Center on Wednesday night.

Chabad student group pickled on Turlington Plaza on Wednesday afternoon. About 700 pickles later, more than 50 people left with a jar in hand.

"It's hard to get in a fight about pickles," Margolin said.

Eric Bassan, co-president of the student group, said the group is trying to incorporate

the fundamental rules of kosher with a fun experience.

"It's the only event where you come to a place and leave with a nice, big jar of pickles," he said.

The Lubavitch-Chabad student group is a subgroup under Jewish Student Union. Events such as the pickling workshop

are co-sponsored by the Center.

The kosher pickle-making workshops started three years ago in Los Angeles, but Margolin began in December. He has pickled in Arizona, New York and Illinois, but this was the first workshop at the center.

"People are very pro-pickle," he said.

## NBC to air local shows

Gainesville's television viewers will soon be able to view local programming on NBC.

A local NBC affiliate, WNBW, will air around Jan. 1, 2009 on broadcast Channel 9, said Michael Yanuzzi, president of New Age Media — a company that will help manage the station. A Gainesville news show will air later in the year.

The station will display a clearer picture than provided by the **Local News** NBC affiliates currently available in Gainesville — WESH, from Orlando, and WTLV, from Jacksonville — Yanuzzi said.

The station will also provide opportunities for UF and SFC students to get involved in internship programs and possible jobs, he said.

A schedule of programming for WNBW should be available within the next two weeks after contracts are signed, Yanuzzi said.

The station's prime-time programming will include the same shows that appear on all NBC channels, such as "The Office," "Deal or No Deal" and "Heroes."

Local programming for Gainesville currently airs on networks such as ABC, CBS and FOX.

— KATHRYN STOLARZ

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# SG: Student privacy safe from alcohol policy changes

■ STATEMENT SAYS CHANGES FAVOR STUDENTS MORE.

By **THOMAS STEWART**  
Alligator Writer

UF's Student Government released a statement Wednesday in an effort to explain proposed revisions to the Student Conduct Code's alcohol policy.

The release states that certain proposed changes have been modified to favor students more, resulting from the efforts of Student

Body President Kevin Reilly and SG support.

As a result of these efforts, the release states, proposed changes to the code pertaining to common-source containers and excessive, rapid consumption of alcohol have been revised to eliminate concerns that students would be in violation of the code while off campus.

"No one is going to be policing what they do in their private time, as long as it's not associated with a student organization, a student event or on campus," Reilly said in a phone interview.

He continued, saying revisions to the code's alcohol policy are not actually policy changes.

"We're not making any changes," he said. "It's the exact same thing that it is today, as it was yesterday, as it was a year ago, as it was two years ago."

But not everyone is convinced that is the case.

Reilly has taken some heat at recent Student Senate meetings for telling UF's Board of Trustees, UF's highest governing body, earlier this

month that the student body backed the revisions.

In a Sept. 9 Senate meeting, Reilly told senators that he brought a list of concerns to the attention of the board and Vice President of Student Affairs Patricia Telles-Irvin earlier this month, but only about half of the concerns were addressed.

"I only had so much I could fight for," Reilly said then. "I did the best I could with what I had backing me up."

Sen. Heshan "Grasshopper" Illangkoon said in a phone interview that he thinks the revisions

will affect students negatively.

Illangkoon said he believes the changes to the code will make offenses easier to prosecute.

Changes to UF's alcohol policy are distressing because "it sounds like they're enforcing sort of a prohibition off campus," he said, adding he doesn't think the administration has the right to change the code.

"Any changes should come from the students," he said.

The trustees' Educational Policy and Strategy Committee will vote on the revisions in a phone conference Monday.

## LOCAL

# Activist offers 'First Hand History' of historic protest

By **LAUREN IRIZARRY**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

A founding member of the Civic Media Center returned Wednesday night to tell a small crowd how her interest in social justice at 8 years old led to a lifetime of activism.

"I never had a racist brainwashing, and that set my attitude for the rest of my life," said Harriet Ludwig, a local civil rights activist and former journalist.

Ludwig, 83, who also spoke about her civil rights experiences as a white woman in Alabama in the 1960s, was invited to speak at the Civic Media Center as part of their "First

Hand History" series.

The series highlights the role of local activists in history, including why they became involved with civil justice and what keeps them interested in continuing, said Joe Courter, the center's director.

Ludwig shared her memories of how police lined the streets of Selma, Ala., after Bloody Sunday, a civil rights march that turned violent when police attacked the crowd.

"When you see events on TV and read about them in the paper, you don't realize how terrible it is till you get there," she said.

Ludwig remains active in civil rights

and welfare reform, serving as co-chair of the Education Committee for the League of Women Voters of Alachua County.

"Most students don't go east of 13th Street and don't realize the history in town."

**Samantha Acosta**  
Civic Media Center coordinator

Her life-long commitment to civil rights is what drew many to hear her story.

"She is a great voice for children and civil

justice, and I've admired her work for a long time," said Lee Jack Price, who attended the event.

Samantha Acosta, a coordinator for the media center, said they wanted Ludwig to speak because so many college students are unaware of Gainesville's diverse history.

"Most students don't go east of 13th Street and don't realize the history in town," Acosta said.

Acosta said the media center's lecture series has a dual purpose: to celebrate the center's 15th anniversary and to remind people that there's more to Gainesville than they realize.

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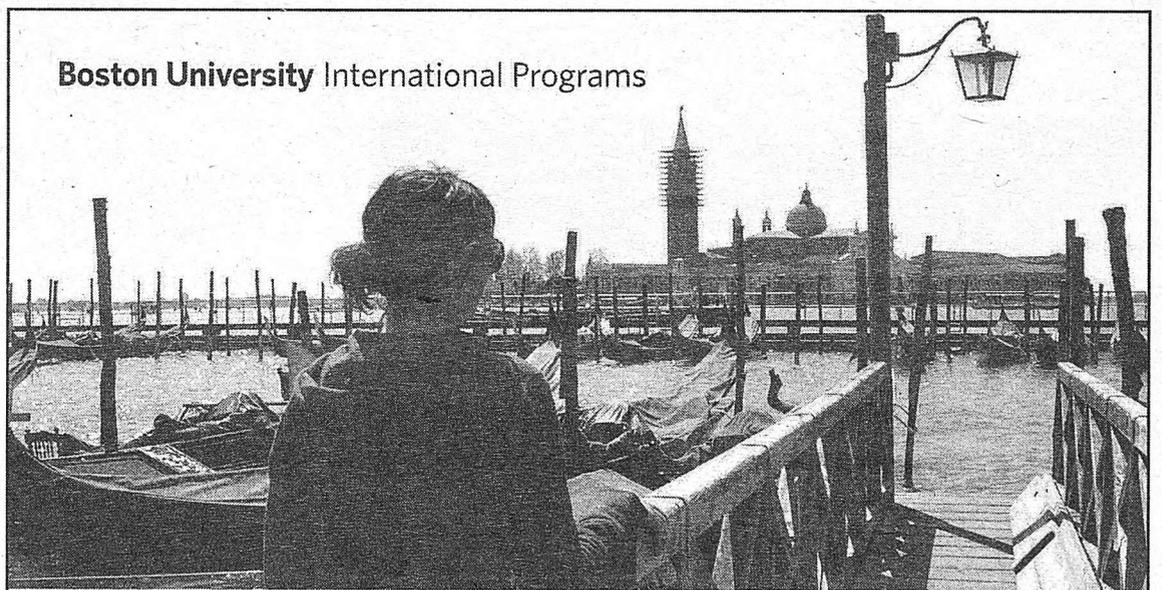
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# Depot cleanup, roadwork prompt building relocation

■ OLD GAINESVILLE DEPOT IS BEING MOVED TO STORAGE.

By **KELSI KRIEGER**

Alligator Contributing Writer

A piece of Gainesville's historic train depot moved a quarter-mile Wednesday afternoon.

The Old Gainesville Depot, which has stood at the corner of Depot Avenue and Main Street since 1907, is being moved into storage to make way for soil cleanup, roadwork and revitalization of Depot Park.

"A lot of our historic community are quite excited about it," said Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa, chairwoman of the Community Redevelopment Agency. "This is why the city of Gainesville came about. This is a railroad hub."

The depot building, which sits in the city's Depot Park, has been on the National Register of Historic Places since 1996. It needed to be moved to clean soil pollution left over from a 1950s coal plant, said Patti Hart, Gainesville Regional Utilities project services director.

In the 1990s, GRU acquired the site and the responsibility for its soil cleanup, Hart said.

After two weeks of preparation, eight workers took more than three

hours to move the first and largest of the building's four sections Wednesday, using steel beams, dollies, wheels and a semi-truck. The three remaining smaller sections should each take a week of preparation to move to the fenced storage site, Hart said.

Once the building is in storage, Hart said, Gainesville officials will work on a separate project: the reconstruction of Depot Avenue. The road, which curves around the depot, will be widened and straightened for safety reasons, Mastrodicasa said.



Mastrodicasa

The building will be moved 28.5 feet south of its original location to accommodate the newly widened Depot Avenue.

It will cost \$440,000 to move the building, Hart said. The Depot Park project, including construction of a storm-water pond, will cost more than \$24 million, according to a Gainesville Capital Improvement Projects report.

The revitalized Depot Park will include features such as a boardwalk, a fountain and a museum in honor of Robert Cade, one of the inventors of Gatorade.



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Workers set up barricades around a section of the Old Gainesville Depot building at Depot Park. The section was moved Wednesday afternoon from the corner of Depot Avenue and Main Street.

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## Editorial

**Ctrl+Z****Retractions won't undo previous damage**

For the handful of Gators who don't already know, the drunk-dial is an irresponsible and detestable habit. Drunk-dialing usually occurs after midnight, expressing some feeling or idea that is normally buried beneath sobriety, shame and instincts of self-preservation. The next morning regret sets in, and the dialer typically tries to deny the message he or she could only blurt out while under the influence.

Tuesday, one brief Facebook message evolved into a sober version of the drunk-dial that, if its contents hold true, would be equally as vile as its inebriated predecessor.

The message, sent by an Indian Student Association official, stated that if a student organization's members "fill out the papers supporting GATOR PARTY and VISA," then their group would be rewarded with additional Student Government funding — assuming the Gator Party retains control of Student Senate.

Later, a message was issued to retract comments made in the original. In the case of drunk-dials, retractions usually occur when messages are truthful.

If the initial message was true, this is a despicable play by the winning party.

Rewarding a student organization for registering for a particular party sounds a lot like bribery to us.

According to Student Body Treasurer Paul Drayton, such actions are "frowned upon but not technically illegal."

So, in terms of SG, what would be considered "technically illegal"? How can a challenging party dream of having a chance to compete — much less win — against a party that financially rewards participation?

The Editorial Board hopes that this proves to be a hoax, and every UF student should be hoping the same.

**Double Talk**

Student Body President Kevin Reilly is a magic man.

One minute, he says he's listening to his constituents — the UF student body.

At other times, Reilly spouts statements placating UF's administration.

In the Sept. 5 edition of the Alligator, Reilly said that he thought the revised draft of the Student Conduct Code's alcohol policy had adequately taken into account opinions from a diverse group of students and gone through extensive revisions.

On Wednesday, Reilly told an Alligator reporter that the Student Conduct Code's alcohol policy "is the exact same thing that it is today as it was yesterday as it was a year ago as it was two years ago."

Reilly has a politician's innate ability to address both sides of an argument, but tweak the wording of his messages just enough to convince both parties that he is the good guy.

Policy revisions that don't actually make any changes is so nonsensical our heads are spinning. Aren't revisions and changes one and the same?

Here's our point: As student body president, Mr. Reilly, you are the students' elected accountability-buddy, not Vice President of Student Affairs Patricia Telles-Irvin's lapdog. You need to shoot straight with us once in a while.

We aren't accusing you of lying or cheating or stealing. We just want you to know that your careful wording is confusing the hell out of us.

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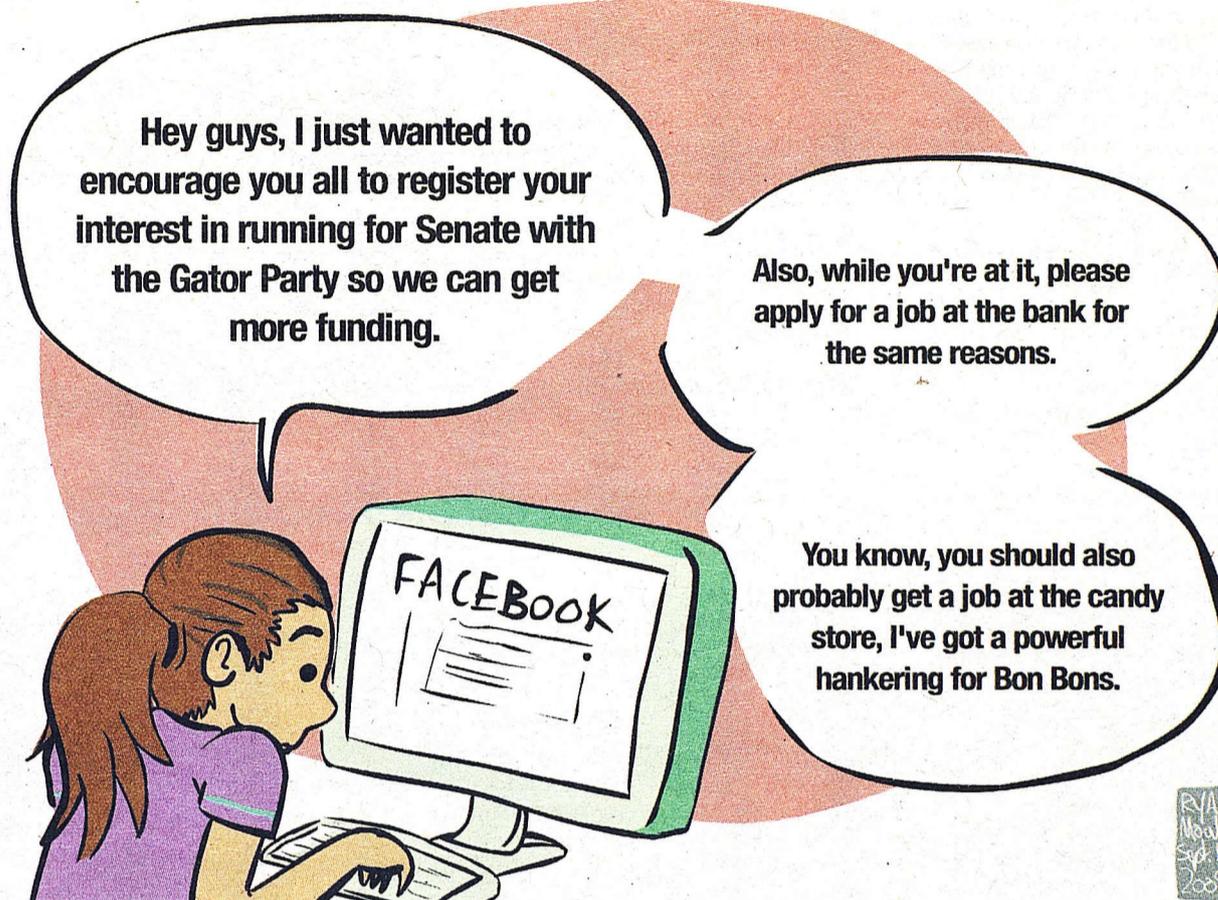
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Guest column

**Racism still plays part in U.S. society**

Judge Jackie Glass told prospective jurors Monday in Las Vegas, "If you are here to think that you're going to punish Mr. Simpson for what happened in Los Angeles back in '95, this is not the case for you." Somewhere in the courtroom, the prosecutors were snickering.

Thirteen years after O.J. Simpson's acquittal on two counts of murder, the former Heisman Trophy winner faces the prospect of life in prison before an all-white jury.

The media surmised back in 1995 that Simpson avoided life in prison because he faced a mostly black jury.

Given the same logic, I think we've seen the last of O.J. Simpson playing on a golf course in Miami.

I know what you are thinking. We have a black man seriously challenging for the presidency, so racism isn't that big of an issue in 2008 America.

Not only is Simpson going to face an inherently racially biased jury, but he also goes into the trial with a slightly higher profile than the average criminal.

As much as potential jurors may pretend to act like they don't remember or weren't interested in the Simpson trial back in the mid-1990s, they are only kidding themselves.

The case dominated both print and broadcast media, not to mention countless watercooler conversations.

As unavoidable as media bombardment is in 2008, 1995 managed to elevate the Simpson trial to a cultural phenomenon before the Internet became a major news source.

Who can forget the white Ford Bronco? Everyone knows about the bloody glove and Johnnie Cochran's if-the-glove-doesn't-fit-you-must-acquit defense.

Some may call it karma; others may call it justice. The fact that O.J. Simpson faces an all-white jury stacks the chips in the prosecutors' favor — Vegas pun certainly intended.

Whether Simpson got away with murder should not matter in his latest case. Unfortunately, creating an unbi-

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**Daniel Seco**

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ased environment where jurors have had no thoughts regarding what may have happened in 1994 is unattainable.

Don't let me confuse you into thinking that I attended the University of Southern California as an undergrad or that I root for the Buffalo Bills. I don't write as a Simpson sympathizer so much as a staunch critic of the current

judicial system where a man can't have at least one true peer decide his fate.

I can only imagine the uproar of the media if someone like Terry Bradshaw faced life in prison before an all-black jury.

The case probably would have been settled out of court.

We may live in a society that touts Sen. Barack Obama as a sign that racism has been mostly curtailed, but in reality, skeletons still occupy space in our closets.

Do the Jena Six ring a bell? How about Hurricane Katrina?

For all I know, Simpson may be undeniably guilty, offsetting the relevance of the jury's racial makeup. Unfortunately, Simpson and his case represent a microcosm of every minority forced to deal with the social inequities that continue to exist in a culture so quick to turn a blind eye. A black man deserves to have every advantage that is granted to his white counterpart.

Isn't that what America is supposed to be about?

To soften the blow of a baseless guilty verdict, the jury's foreman could always console Simpson with the fact that Southern Cal is No. 1 and his Bills face a Tom Brady-free AFC East.

Hardly a fair trade-off, if you ask me.

Daniel Seco is a first-year journalism graduate student.

**Reader response**

**Today's question:** Do you think the revisions to the Student Conduct Code's alcohol policy are clear?

**Wednesday's question:** Would you have Tasered Andrew Meyer?

**70% YES**

**30% NO**

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Letters to the Editor

**Democrats care about America, too**

When I read Andrew Fells' Wednesday column about sticking to his conservative values, I was surprised to find that I agreed with nearly everything he said. I also want a president who values the Constitution, which is a document Republicans have been using as a snot rag for eight years. Obama, a Constitutional lawyer, will protect the Constitution and everything it stands for.

I agree that small government is good government. This is why I am vexed by things like the Department of Homeland Security, which as far as I can tell only exists to whittle away at my rights.

It is also why the irresponsible and disastrous deregulation that has transpired under Republican rule, which is now resulting in enormous federal bank and insurer bail-outs, makes me sick.

I also believe in personal accountability, which is why I despise people who have lied to the nation about an unnecessary war, told us that Obama wants to teach kindergartners sexual education or said the economy is doing

just fine.

John McCain has been involved in all of these lies.

I am going to vote Democrat because I care about the future of America.

Jay Jackson  
4LS



**Mocking Andrew Meyer bad journalism**

Editors of the Alligator, your blasting of former Gator Andrew Meyer was both childish and highly hypocritical. You belittle Meyer for using the non-swear term "blowjob" in a reference to former President Bill Clinton's infidelity and support Accent for cutting his microphone. However, later in the same article you refer to Meyer's actions as "douchebaggery," another offensive term on the same level as Meyer's tame "blowjob."

You refer to Meyer as "some brat," who did not wear "his big-boy pants to the forum." If this is what passes for journalism in your paper, you obviously need to spend time reading

real newspapers. Meyer's microphone was cut off, and he was tackled by police despite Sen. John Kerry's agreement to continue the conversation. This clearly constitutes infringement of Meyer's freedom of speech.

Finally, I want to point out that while police officers do a great job most of the time, they are not above the laws they protect, nor should we accept their actions "because they're police," as I'm often told by those trying to attack Meyer.

Next time you plan on belittling a former UF student in print, please keep the hypocrisy to a minimum and try to write as adults.

Noah Beckman  
3HP



**Gator Party stands for status quo**

On Wednesday, Student Sen. Jim Martz alleged that the Gator Party does not enlist all of its support from within the Greek community. On this count he is correct. However, Martz also alleged the Gator Party stands for

"service" and "tangible results." He seems to be forgetting the Gator Party's long-standing tradition of incompetence, corruption and nepotism.

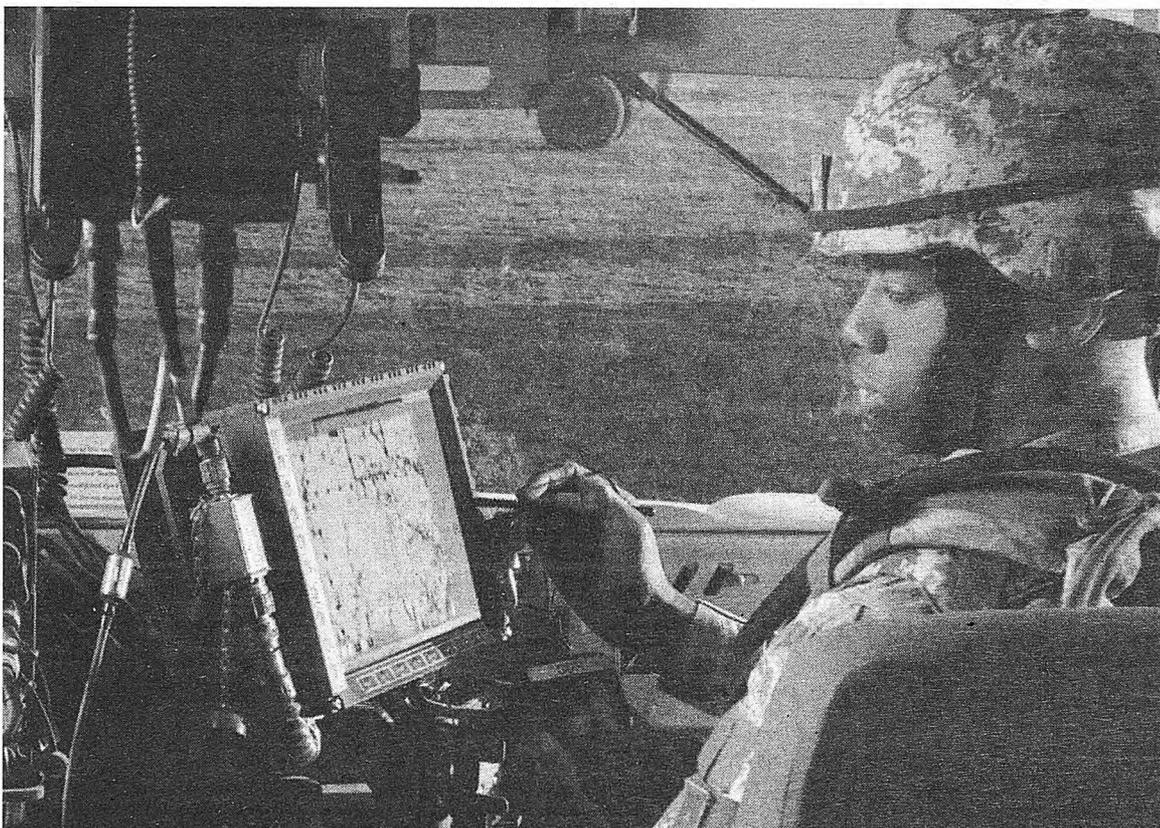
This is a party that continues to stand with UF President Bernie Machen and the administration in their attempt to regulate legal consumption of alcohol by UF students.

When Student Body Treasurer and Gator Party member Paul Drayton faced the choice between serving the students or taking an internship in New York this summer, he chose to serve himself.

The contrast this election season between the Orange and Blue Party and the Gator Party could not be clearer. The Gator Party seeks to represent an overreaching university administration and perpetuate its own hold on power, while the Orange and Blue Party pledges to continue fighting for the students.

The choice is simple. Vote to end the sleaze in Student Government. Vote Orange and Blue.

Mark McShera  
LS Senator, Orange & Blue Party



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# Students discuss law, culture with Russian judges

■ THE EVENT WAS PART OF A CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM.

By **JENNIFER TORMO**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

In Russia, students interested in becoming lawyers go straight to law school when they finish high school.

Five Russian federal judges offered UF students perspective on life and law

in Russia in comparison with the U.S. on Wednesday.

The event was part of the Open World program, which works on behalf of the U.S. Congress to build understanding between the U.S. and participating countries.

"One of the big problems between the U.S. and Russia is that they don't understand each other — like, at all," said CJ Wahl, a UF Russian senior and president of the UF Russian Club.

Students asked the judges about foreign

lawyers, the responsibilities of the Russian Supreme Court and how law school differs in Russia.

At the end of the event, the judges asked the students what they plan to do after they graduate. Several students said they plan to become lawyers, too.

A translator was on hand at the event to translate the judges' answers to English for the audience.

Ingrid Kleespies, undergraduate coordi-

nator for UF Russian studies, said she was most intrigued by the cultural differences that made it hard for the judges and the students to understand each other.

"It's more of a cultural barrier than a language barrier," she said.

Kleespies and Wahl agreed that seeing the judges in person gave them a sense of the order in the Russian legal system.

"The media is distorting the whole Russia-Georgia conflict," added Wahl. "It was good seeing another perspective."

## ON CAMPUS

# Library competition tests students' online research skills

BY **MELISSA MILCHMAN**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

Stacey Gray is \$150 richer, and she never had to leave a computer.

Gray, a UF biology junior, won the Digital Literacy Contest, which tested Internet research skills, at Library West on Wednesday.

Each of about 50 contestants

was given 30 minutes to answer 50 questions using the Internet.

Participants were asked to answer questions on local resources, government, technology, humanities and science, according to the contest Web site.

Prize winners were notified by e-mail after the contest, and all participants were e-mailed their scores.

"It was challenging but kind of fun."

**Stacey Gray**  
UF biology junior

A total of \$300, donated by Alachua County Library District and Books Inc., was given out to first, second and third place win-

ners.

Gray said she wants to donate most of her prize money to the Orange and Blue Party's upcoming Student Senate campaign.

Daniel Poynter, a Purdue University graduate, created the Digital Literacy Contest last year.

Since then, the contest has expanded to include three other universities — Brown University,

Indiana University and UF.

Michele Crump, interim director for technical services at George A. Smathers Libraries, helped coordinate the event with Poynter.

"I think it is a great event," Crump said.

"I think it's a way for [people] to learn about databases they haven't used before. I hope we can do it again."

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# Renovating St. Augustine sites could benefit UF's preservation program

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nance and repair of those facilities," Dixon said.

Three of the 34 sites in St. Augustine, which is the oldest continuously occupied European settlement in the U.S., require repairs of more than \$1 million each, according to the report.

The sites include the Spanish Military Hospital, a blacksmith shop and the Government House, which is a colonial structure that sits in the center of historic downtown.

The Government House was last preserved in 1935 and is corroding and crumbling. It needs repairs of more than \$14 million, Culver said.

So much in fact that a 20-pound chunk fell off the coquina and concrete building into the courtyard during a "little old lady's 80th birthday party," Culver said.

"Things like that happen around this building," she said.

Management of the buildings was transferred to St. Augustine from the state in 1997 when the state's preservation program, the Historic St. Augustine Preservation Board, was eliminated, according to "Preserving the Ancient City Through the Ages," a document written by William R. Adams about the history of preservation in St. Augustine. Adams is the director of the City of St. Augustine's Department of Heritage Tourism.

Since then, the city has been re-

sponsible for maintaining the properties under a lease from the Florida State Department. But because it doesn't have enough money for the repairs, Culver said the city has had to let some maintenance slip to the wayside.

"The monumental maintenance that comes with maintaining historic properties has become an (insurmountable) obstacle for the city," she said.

**"The train hasn't left the station yet."**

**Linda Dixon**

UF's assistant director of facilities planning and construction

So when the city's lease on the properties came to an end on June 30, the plan was to transfer management responsibilities to UF.

State legislation passed in 2007 that authorized the transfer of the state-owned properties to UF.

That didn't happen when UF did not get the funds it required, forcing the state to extend its lease to the city for another year, Culver said.

Reasons behind the transfer are financial and educational, she said, adding that UF has greater fundraising capabilities than the city.

"The areas of study that could be applied and used in St. Augustine open the door to so many grants and fund-raising opportunities," Culver said.

It also has an educational benefit for UF students, who could use the

city as a living lab, she said.

The sites hold promise for students of historic preservation, archaeology, cultural resource management, cultural tourism and museum administration, according to UF's facilities planning and construction Web site.

UF's preservation program has been using the nearby historic buildings in St. Augustine for at least five years, said Roy Eugene Graham, director of UF's Historic Preservation Studies program.

Graham said he has taught courses in St. Augustine and plans to lecture more there this semester.

"We've already started utilizing the facilities, but of course, the university isn't going to take responsibility of the facilities until there is funding," Graham said.

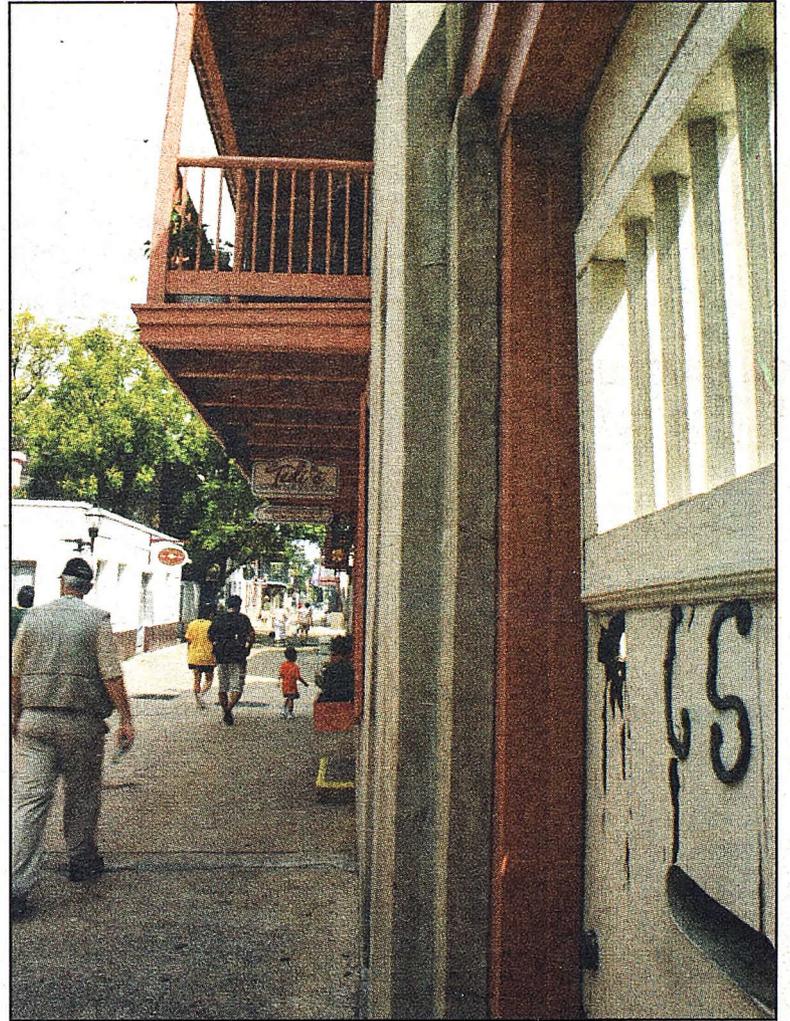
UF has had links to the city for almost 75 years, Culver said. That relationship has escalated since UF announced that it wanted to manage the buildings, she said.

With the completion of the plan funded by the state Legislature, UF hopes to secure more revenue in the future, Dixon said.

The plan will be used to show what can be done to renovate the sites. Reynolds, Smith and Hills, a facilities consulting firm based out of Jacksonville, has been working on the plan for about three months, Dixon said.

The plan is due to the Legislature by Feb. 1, she said.

"The train hasn't left the station yet," Dixon said.



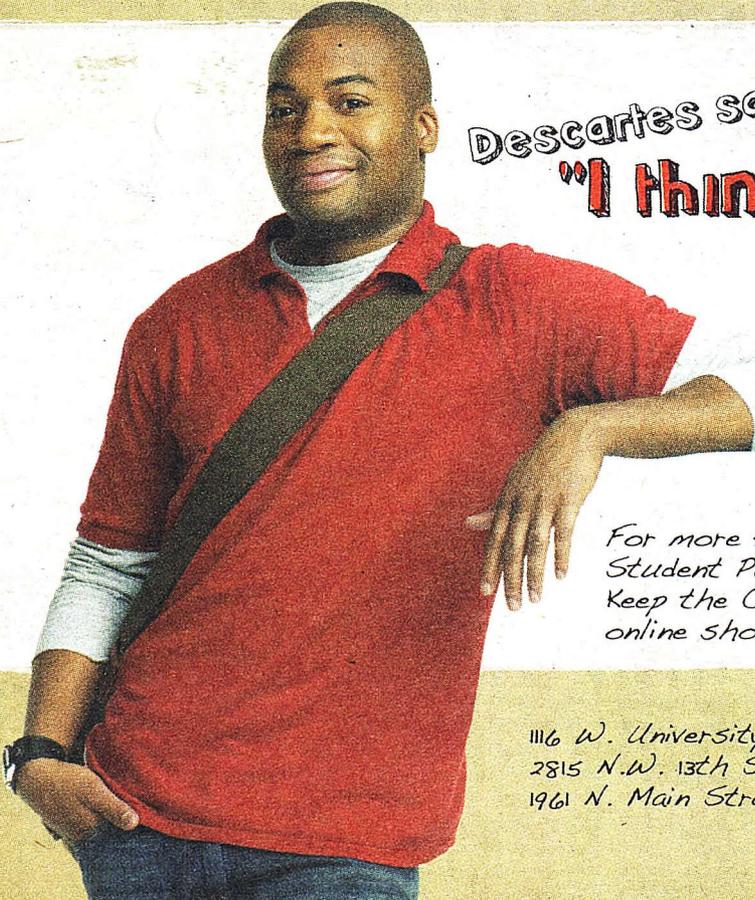
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# Web sites offer free online textbooks to students

■ **USERS CAN VIEW, EDIT AND HIGHLIGHT ONLINE.**

By **LAUREN BAKER**

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Students may be able to save some money if a new trend in the textbook industry continues.

New Web sites have sprung up offering free online textbooks.

One such site is run by Flat World Knowledge, a publishing

company specializing in the online publishing field, where users can view, edit and highlight their online book at no cost.

"We're opening up access to knowledge for the people who want it," said Eric Frank, a co-founder of the company.

PDF files or hard copies can be ordered for a fee. Frank said black-and-white versions of the online books are available for \$35, and color textbooks cost more.

Industries are going digital, and publishing companies offering only

print copies are feeling the impact, Frank said.

"They haven't changed their model, but the world around them has completely changed," said Frank, who used to work with higher education publishers.

Frank said no advertising would be allowed on the site in order to limit distraction, and most of Flat World's profit will come from supplementary materials.

Flat World Knowledge launched

a pilot program with 26 universities this fall, and UF was one of them.

Jorge Villegas, UF assistant advertising professor, uses an online book on the site. Villegas said he was searching for a book with new material, and the lack of cost was an added bonus.

"It's a good change to the traditional image of the textbook," Villegas said. "They are ridiculously expensive nowadays."

A similar site is run by Lulu, which is not a publishing company, but provides tools for self-publish-

ing and a market for selling. Many books may be downloaded for free.

University of Florida Bookstore director Lynne Vaughan said more than 1,100 e-books are offered through the store at about half the price of a tangible textbook.

Vaughan said she was unsure how publishers such as Flat World Knowledge could profit, but that electronic books should lighten many backpacks in the future.

"I don't know about the free part," she said. "The digital part is here to stay and grow."

## ON CAMPUS

# Former detective discusses problems of anti-drug laws

By **GUYANA HAND**

Alligator Contributing Writer

John Baeza, a former narcotics detective for the New York Police Department, remembers the moment he decided to transfer from the narcotics unit years ago.

Baeza was buying \$16,000 of heroin undercover when the dealer led him into a building, turned around and put a gun to his head.

"(I) was told, 'This is the end of the line for you,'" he said.

Baeza escaped after a brief scuffle, but his perspective on the drug war had changed.

Baeza told a crowd of about 100 people in

the Reitz Union Rion Ballroom on Wednesday night that on that day, he decided people should control their own bodies.

"I realized that I was gonna die over something that someone wanted to put in their bodies," Baeza said. "My feeling after that was that if they wanted to drink a can of gasoline, let them do it."

The UF College Libertarians, which invited Baeza to speak, spent less than \$500 on his appearance, said Mike Segal, vice president of the group.

Baeza said working as a narcotics officer made him prejudiced because he saw so many minorities arrested. He said the drug war dis-

"I wanted to come here and educate people who might not know what it's like on the street and who might not know that the drug war is an abject failure."

**John Baeza**

former narcotics detective

proportionately affects minorities.

He represents an organization called Law Enforcement Against Prohibition, or LEAP, made up of law enforcement officers, criminal justice workers and average citizens who do

not believe in the prohibition of drugs.

Baeza, who has eight children and describes himself as a family man, said he would discourage the use of any substance that impairs thinking but would want his children to know that people have a right to their bodies.

"I wanted to come here and educate people who might not know what it's like on the street and who might not know that the drug war is an abject failure," Baeza said.

Neal Conner, UF College Libertarians president, agreed with Baeza's stance.

"As long as someone isn't hurting anyone else, they have the right to engage in whatever activity they choose," Conner said.

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# UF gives record amount of aid

BY KATIE EMMETS  
Alligator Contributing Writer

The first three weeks of the 2008-2009 academic year were record-breaking for UF.

"We have given out a record amount of money at this point of the semester than ever before in the past," said Rick Wilder, Student Financial Affairs associate director.

He said about \$155 million has been disbursed for the fall term as of Monday.

About \$400 million was awarded to students for the 2006-2007 school year, Wilder said, and he only expects that number to grow this year.

"This money comes from many sources such as institutions, states, private and federal funding," he said. "The four main forms of aid are loans, scholarships, grants and work study employment."

He attributed the increase in disbursed financial aid this semester to the new communication efforts

through e-mail with the students about their aid opportunities.

"With electronic communication, we are able to give specific instructions on applying for aid, and therefore we have less students coming in to the office to apply and ask questions," Wilder said.

"I am a little worried because everyone I know has already gotten their financial aid."

Cliff Wilson  
UF sophomore

Karen Fooks, director of UF Student Financial Affairs, said this semester has been the smoothest she has seen in 20 years.

While much of the money for this semester has been disbursed already, she said students can still apply for financial aid for the fall, though they probably won't receive it until the end of the semester.

Most of the money goes out to stu-

dents the week after drop/add so they are sure the amount of money given to each student corresponds with the number of credit hours the student is taking, Fooks said.

As of Monday, Cliff Wilson, a UF sophomore, said he still had not received his check.

"I have been waiting for my money, and my rent and other bills are coming up fast," Wilson said. "I am a little worried because everyone I know has already gotten their financial aid."

UF offers many alternative ways for students to have all of their expenses met, Fooks said.

"We have book deferments at the University of Florida Bookstore where students can pick up their books and pay for them when their financial aid kicks in," she said. "We also have deferment on housing in campus residence halls."

Additionally, she said short-term loans are available to those students who need to pay for off-campus expenses and other necessities.

## Church's site plan awaiting approval

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meeting in the Presbyterian Disciples of Christ Student Center on Sunday mornings.

Fuquay said the groundbreaking would be more ceremonial than an actual beginning of construction. The church submitted what he hopes will be the final site plan to the city two weeks ago and is awaiting approval.

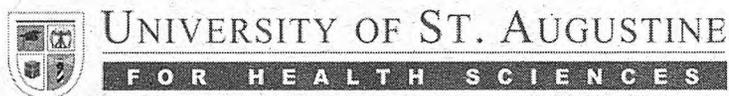
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Francis said this site plan is close to approval but may need a few minor corrections. The church has been approved to move forward independently of University Corners, which has until next June to get a separate plan in.

The church's two-story building would feature offices, classrooms, dorm-style living space for 10 students, a 5,000-square-foot worship center, and a 1,600-square-foot student lounge.

Fuquay said the church has a good relationship with University Corners, and he is excited to see construction progress.

"Happy is probably an understatement," he said. "We are thrilled to death."



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# Ninja Gun takes aim

## Band to play at The Atlantic

HENRY TAKSIER ♦ AVENUE WRITER

"Our name is really just a bad inside joke," said Johnathan Coody, vocalist, guitarist and songwriter for the Georgia punk-rock band Ninja Gun, which will perform Saturday at The Atlantic, located at 15 N. Main St.

Coody said the name Ninja Gun came

to him one night when he was wasted. His roommate, then a cartoonist, drew two mysterious pictures on the window. One of them looked like a stylized ninja wielding a gun. The other one looked like a frog, kind of — or maybe a vagina. Coody was struck by inspiration.

"I knew that a band called Pussy Frog wouldn't sell many records," he said. "But the ninja seemed to look really cool."

“One of them looked like a stylized ninja wielding a gun. The other one looked like a frog, kind of — or maybe a vagina. Coody was struck by inspiration.”

The show starts at 9 p.m., and the band will play songs from its newest album, "Restless Rubes," combined with new material no one has heard before.

"A rube is an untraveled, unworldly country boy," Coody said. "Restless Rubes is about us being a bunch of dirt road kids from southern Georgia. We wanted to get out and see stuff."

Ninja Gun's music is an eclectic mix of styles, Coody said. It was influenced by "old country stuff," like Johnny Cash, Tom Petty, Bobby Gentry and Led Pierce,

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"I think it's kinda crazy that a woman is running, because I think that women deal with a lot of emotions and menopause and PMS and stuff."  
— Brooke Hogan, reality TV star, discussing women in politics

## column

## Deep thoughts on cyclists

DEVIN CULCLASURE ♦ AVENUE WRITER

I recently watched two bicycle riders collide, which made me laugh.

Sadly, it only took that level of elementary cause and effect to inspire this column. I'm easily amused, and bicyclists — along with their strange, sometimes-spandex-sometimes-skinny-jeans culture — often stimulate my low standards of personal enjoyment.

As for the crash itself, there's not much to say. The two Lance Armstrongs were blindly speeding toward the northeast corner of Reid Hall, both aiming for the 13th Street tunnel's narrow, graffiti-laden bicycle lane. As it turns out, the lane is only wide enough for one bicycle at a time.

But that's not really the point. What's mostly been bothering me is the whole resurgence-of-bicycles trend over the last few years.

I don't want to hear any more of my friends talking about height measurements, DayGlo wheels or whatever. People act like the two-wheeled contraptions were invented in their lifetime, not the early 19th century.

And like most trends, several behavior traits among its followers will slowly grow to become regarded as stereotypical acts of douchebaggery.

Take those who refuse to accept the fact that bicycling across Turlington Plaza simply is not the best way to cross that treacherous terrain while classes are changing.

Soon after the aforementioned bicycle wreck, I watched some whiz mount and unmount his bike ten times while trying to get across Turlington Plaza. I managed to beat him across the plaza, but only after stopping to get a paper, watching some step dancing and fil-

ing my taxes (psst — it takes a long time).

Now I partially understand the appeal of bicycles: Gas prices blow, bikes are efficient and as a bonus, you can totally go green if you ride your bike to class while eating organic granola. But efficiency goes out the window if you can't grasp the concept of a crowded sidewalk. What's wrong with parking it and walking a bit?

Similarly, I can't figure out who is worse: the cyclist who doesn't ring his or her bell while coming up behind you but still gets mad if you don't telepathically sense them and move, or the cyclist who rings the bell but decides a three-second barrage of metallic fury is the best method of alerting you.

I guess I just haven't learned to share the road yet. Oh, share the road — I almost forgot about that one.

I've had that all-important phrase squawked at me several times.

The hipster who thought stop signs were too oppressive and despotic to bother with shouted "share the road" after I was kind enough to brake and spare him an unfortunate meeting with the car hood.

Regardless, I get it, and I am all for sharing as long as you are all for sharing those pesky things that come along with the road — street signs, traffic laws, congestion, common decency and even accidents. These days, bike accidents are more frequent and not a laughing matter, but news of the next one rarely surprises me after seeing how stupid some people act. While they may be overly Scrooge-like, give my words some consideration.

In the meantime, I'm going to try to find some other fun activity that everyone likes, so I can be a dick about it too.

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## Georgia band talks about beginnings and hopes for the future

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as well as old-school punk — The Damned, The Clash, the Buzzcocks, Black Flag and others.

When the band performs live, he said, it sounds more stripped down but still melodic — “more like a loud punk band.”

“Popular music today is corporate bullshit,” Coody said. “Everything sounds exactly the same.”

The members of Ninja Gun all grew up in the South, which Coody described as oppressive. They wanted to distance themselves from the “close-minded, racist, white-Republican, Christian conformity” while still holding on to the cool stuff.

“There's a lot of willful ignorance there,” Coody said. “You just work the right job, go to the right church, and you're fine. If you state your opinion and it doesn't fit the mold, you're ostracized.”

Their frustration shows in some of their songs, such as “Red State Blues.”

“In this pleasant state of bright

red, I'm legendarily alone,” the band sings, “Here on the narrow path that we tread, we can tell when right is wrong.”

After moving around and playing music in unfamiliar towns, Coody experienced a culture shock whenever he returned home. He would find himself in a peanut field, picking weeds all by himself. His state of mind led him to write the song “Eight Miles Out.”

“That song's about sitting around and waiting for something to happen,” he said. “Trying to further whatever you do — whatever it is that you love.”

Coody began writing songs when he was 16. A year later, he joined the Bleeding Gum Drops, a Ramones-style punk band. He wrote his first song, “Midnight at Magee's,” about a waitress he liked at Waffle House.

Jeffrey Haineault, drummer for the Bleeding Gum Drops, would later join Coody and play for Ninja Gun. They met Thad Megow and Jacob Sparks, who were then part of an instrumental band called Caspian, at a local punk show.

“We invited them out to jam,” Coody said. “It sounded good. So here we are.”

Sparks and Megow now play bass and guitar, respectively, with Coody and Haineault. Together, they formed what is now Ninja Gun.

The Ninja Gun image stayed in his head for years until it was time to name his band. Its first album, “Smooth Transitions,” was released in 2004.

“It started this massive fistfight. We had to get the hell out of there without our food, just because someone got slapped with a dolphin.”

**Johnathan Coody**  
Ninja Gun vocalist  
and guitarist

“It (the album) is about that time in your mid-20s when you're clueless,” Coody said. “You're lost, and you don't know what to do with your life.”

At about that time, Coody said his brother was hitting 30 with a stable life and a respectable job. Coody, meanwhile, was “driving around in the van, eating shit and starving.” He gave up a sense of

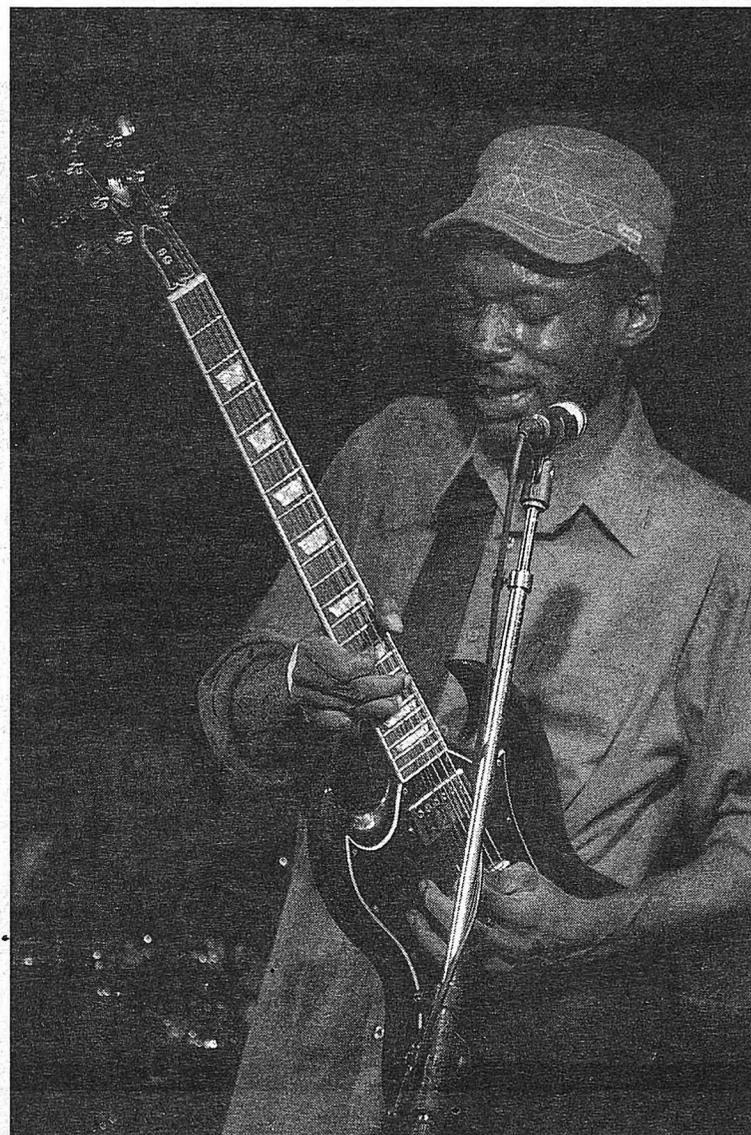


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Wester Joseph, vocalist and guitarist for 3rd Stone, plays during a rehearsal/photo-shoot.

security embodied by dental insurance and 401(k)s so he could travel and make music.

“It's not practical to write songs for a living,” Coody said. “I went to college and had a respectable job until about a year ago.”

Coody's job was to represent a restoration company. He spoke to insurance companies about the effects of fire, mold and water damage on houses. It was, as he put it, “the most soul-crushing thing you could ever do.”

“How much can you really say about mold?” he said.

In Ninja Gun's travels, the members witnessed a fight in North Carolina. It started at a local Waffle House after they waited an hour without getting food. A member of one of the bands they toured with began to complain about something. Another member of the same band slapped him in the face with a plastic dolphin named Dante.

“It started this massive fistfight,” Coody said. “We had to get the hell out of there without our food, just because someone got slapped with a dolphin.”

The members also recalled

camping out in California under the shade of redwood trees. They often camped out and had bonfires in between shows.

“That was the first time we ever camped out on tour,” Coody said. “We were surrounded by 3,000-year-old trees. It was magical, you know?”

Ninja Gun spent five days on their first album, “Smooth Transitions,” —and “Restless Rubes” took over a year. The album art, a distorted peach in the shape of a heart, was originally hand-drawn by Uri Garcia, the guitar technician for Against Me!, a band from Gainesville.

“It's a symbol,” Coody said. “We still love the South. It's a pretty place with a lot of room for kids to run and explore. We want to make sure it doesn't get completely taken over by, well, dumb people, you know?”

Besides Ninja Gun, bands Watson and The Tim Version will play Saturday at The Atlantic.

“There will always be punk rock,” Coody said, “even if it's not in a form that sells. There's been a good, underground, independent punk scene ever since the '70s.”

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## column

# Turn walk of shame into stride of pride

REGINA STUZIN ♦ AVENUE WRITER

Oh, the walk of shame. It's something only girls really have to face because guys are lucky enough to have clothes that work for both day and night.

We've all done it at some point, and if you're a naïve freshman smugly thinking to yourself; "I haven't," I have two words to wipe that smile off your face: you will.

Trust me, it's a miniscule percentage of girls who go through their lives not having at least one walk of shame; hell, it's a very small percentage of girls who will graduate from UF without having one of their own. Walks of shame usually stem from parties, and we didn't get voted the number one party school in the nation for nothing.

The actual walks range from entertaining — flashes of me running down a busy street in oversized heels or one of my best friends calling me and demanding that I "Google" her so she can find her way back home come to mind — to sheer embarrassment, accompanied by shouted catcalls.

Some walks may be brief, if you're lucky, but they all have one thing in common: They're shameful because you're in your clothes from last night.

Unlike guys, whose day clothes double as night clothes, a woman's wardrobe is extensive, and we like to change clothing for every possible occasion. It's far more likely that we'll wake up the next morning with only an evening outfit.

I'm here to help and give some advice on how to avoid looking like you shacked up the night before.

For your benefit, I put myself into your situation. I went into my roommate's room armed with nothing but a nighttime dress, a bra and some underwear, which is pretty much all you'd be left with as well. What I came up with are some options that maybe you can take to heart.

I'll begin with a warning: I'm a relatively short, thin girl, and my roommate is taller than me but still thin, so if you differ from your partner's body significantly, most of my advice won't work for you. Also, on the Alligator Web site, you can see pictures of me in the clothing and judge for yourself. I wasn't in love with any of these outfits, but they'll do in a pinch.

### Outfit 1: The Shirt-Dress

You've seen it in the movies. The main girl's best friend shacks up with someone and shows up the next day at work in his shirt making it look like a dress. Does it work? Sort of.

You're in luck because manly

clothing is in this season. If you take your guy's button-up shirt and pair it with one of his belts or a tie, you've made a dress. Does it look like a shirt? Yes. Can you get away with it? If you wear it with enough confidence, I think you can. White shirt or colored shirt? The colored wins if you are wearing a different color lingerie, but it's really your call.

### Outfit 2: The Workout Outfit

If you can get away with wearing sporty clothes, it's possible you can get away with this. Grab a pair of basketball shorts and a beater or even one of his sweatshirts and off to class you go.

*Some walks may be brief, if you're lucky, but they all have one thing in common: They're shameful because you're in your clothes from last night.*

It's not the most fashionable look, but if you're sporty enough, your friends won't know the difference.

And if you're not? UF is big enough that there's a good chance you won't run into anyone you know, and people will assume you just got back from the gym.

### Outfit 3: His shorts and a beater

It's pretty self-explanatory and along the same track as the workout outfit. You can get away with it if you can pull off a boyish look. If you can't, suck it up because it's relatively comfortable and way better than having everyone look at your evening dress.

So those are your options for dealing with the basics that every guy has in his closet. If you're not a fan of any of these options, I asked around, girls and guys, and got some advice:

1. Bring a big bag on your date with some clothes, especially underwear.

2. Keep a change of clothes in your car at all times — a bit skanky, yes, but you never know when it might come in handy, especially if you're caught in the rain. Or not.

3. If you can't handle people looking at you, skip class. I'm not the biggest supporter of that, but it's an option.

Now at least you have some practical advice. If worse comes to worse, turn your walk of shame into a stride of pride.

If people stare at you, remind yourself that they're probably just jealous you got action last night and they didn't. We can't all be that lucky. So just hold your head up high and wear that manly shirt like it's a Dolce & Gabbana dress.

# Crocs Tour steps into town

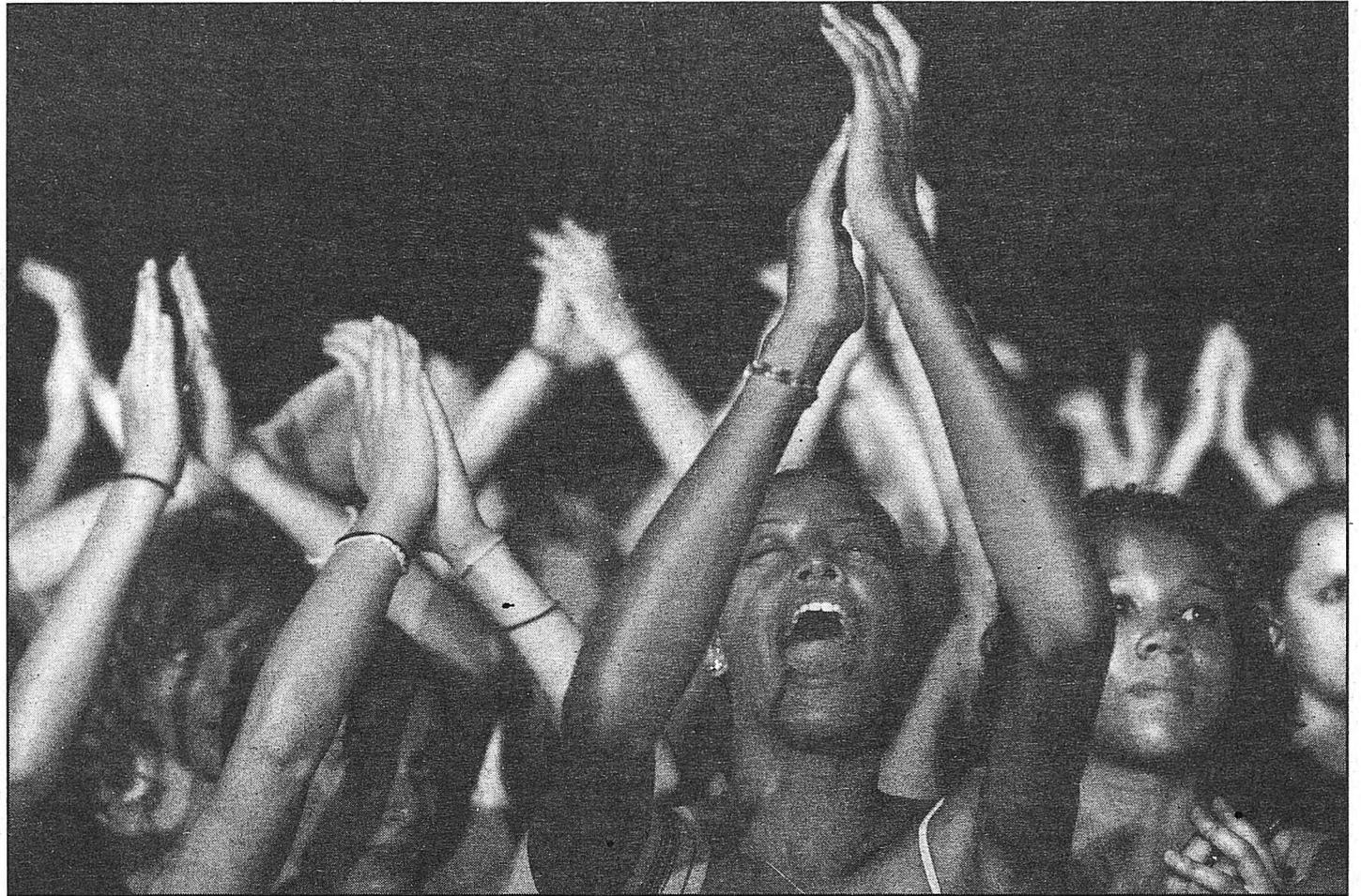
*The Crocs Next Step Tour visits UF's campus*

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A party was "goin' down" on Flavet Field on Sunday from about 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. as the Crocs Next Step Campus Tour featuring Yung Joc, Cartel and MC Lars took over the area.

Along with the free concert, students could entertain themselves with Rock Band on Xbox 360, a Major League Baseball batting cage, booths for singers or rappers, and the opportunity to contribute to the Love Hope Strength Foundation and DKMS Americas by signing up as bone-marrow or stem-cell donors. See below for snapshots of the night.

The night started off slow, but eventually the crowd built as headliners rapper Yung Joc and punk rock band Cartel livened the mood as Joc performed a cover of the song "I Love Rock 'N' Roll" and Cartel performed a cover of Oasis' song "Wonderwall."



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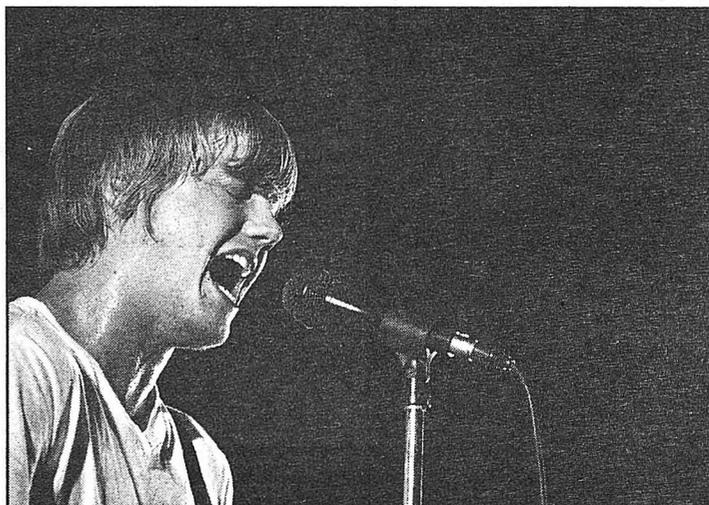


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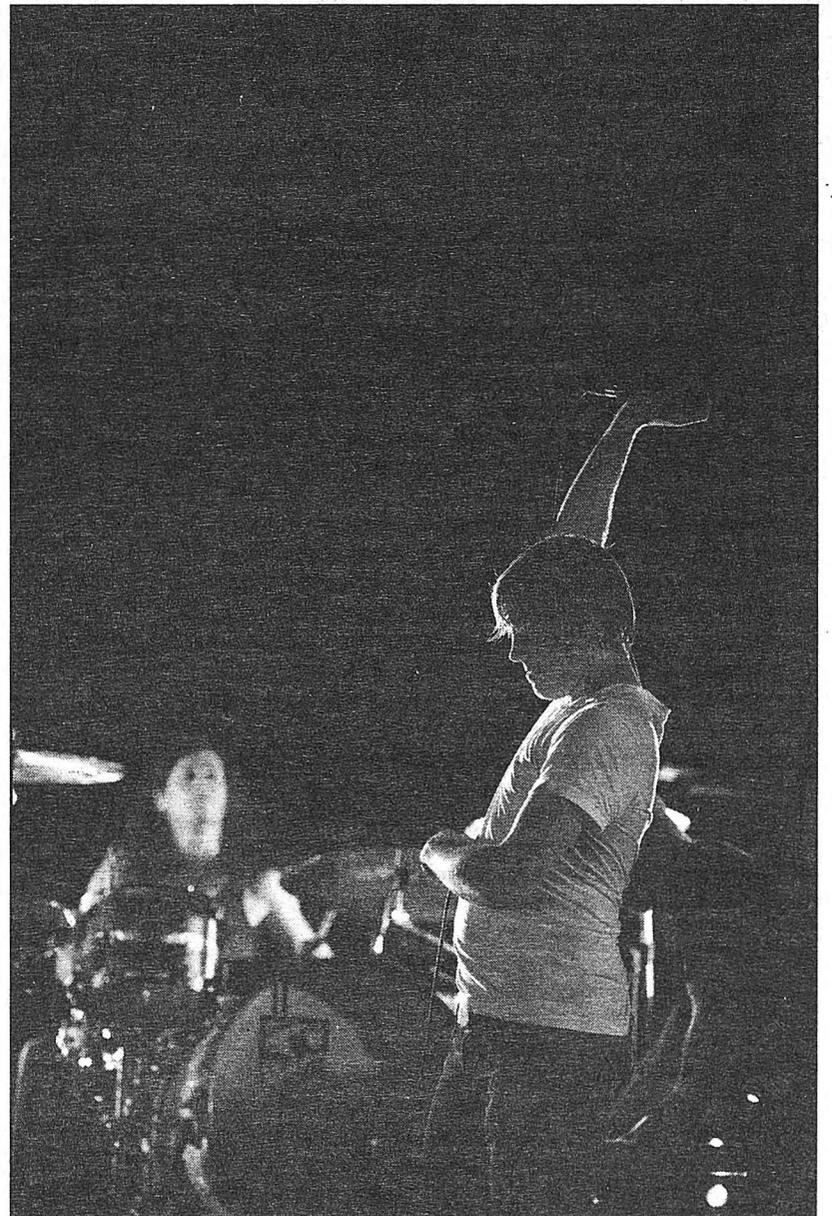
Audience members (top) sing the hit Cartel song "Honestly" along with the band while performing live on UF's Flavet Field on Sunday.

Decked in diamonds, Yung Joc (above) performs on UF's Flavet Field on Sunday. Today was the rapper's birthday.

Will Pugh, lead singer of Cartel, (right) performs with the band on UF's Flavet Field on Sunday.



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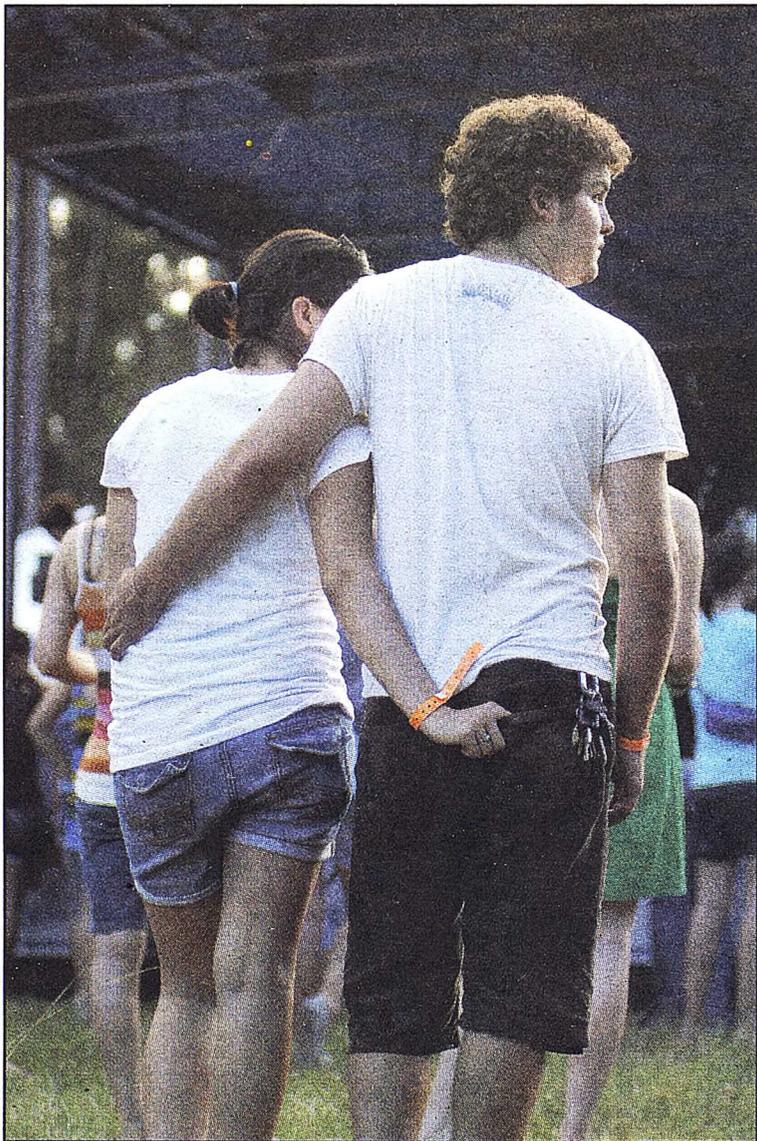


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Cartel (above) performs on UF's Flavet Field on Sunday as a part of The Crocs Next Step Tour

# Kind of a Real Big Deal

City has first outdoor festival in 10 years



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A couple (above) watches a performance during the Real Big Deal Festival in Gainesville Saturday afternoon.



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A member of Margot and the Nuclear So-and-So's (top) plays trumpet into a toilet plunger head during their set Saturday. A woman (below) naps in the long grass during a lull between performances.



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CARLY FAIN ♦ AVENUE WRITER

Taken over by four monstrous stages, lined with a wide range of food vendors, hustling and bustling with arts and crafts, and packed with tents, the Alachua County Fairgrounds was converted into a temporary campsite for Gainesville's first outdoor music festival in 10 years.

“Music fans packed up their gear and spent the weekend jamming to national and local bands in genres such as southern rock, hip-hop and punk.”

More than 60 regional, national and local bands preformed at the Real Big Deal Festival this past weekend.

“The ultimate goal was to take a sample of music from all genres that's around here on a regular basis,” said Pat Lavery of Glory Days Booking, the company that organized the festival.

Music fans packed up their gear and spent the weekend jamming to national and local bands in genres such as southern rock, hip-hop and punk.

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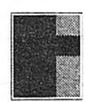
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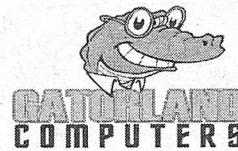
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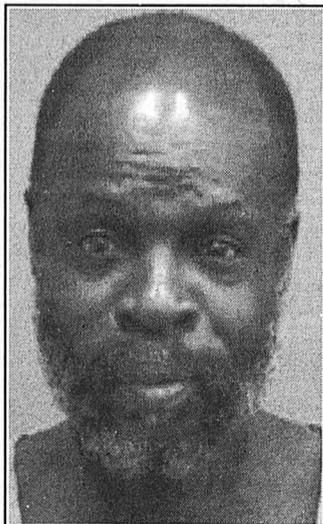
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## Foster gets shot at redemption against Gators

By PHIL KEGLER  
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This season hasn't exactly started the way Arian Foster would have hoped.

Tennessee's star tailback almost left for the NFL after a junior year that saw him rush for 1,193 yards, good for sixth in the Southeastern Conference and making him only the 13th player in school history to eclipse the 1,000-yard mark.

Coming off an SEC East title last season, the Volunteers looked poised to let their senior playmaker carry them on the ground as they earned a No. 18 preseason ranking.

Then they went out to the west coast and fell flat on their faces, losing 27-24 to UCLA in the season opener.

That loss looks even worse for Tennessee after BYU dominated UCLA 59-0 last week.

Foster had 96 yards on the ground against UCLA but fumbled at the Bruins' 6-yard

line in the third quarter with the Volunteers poised to expand their 7-point lead.

"Week one was tough, but this is a long season," Foster said. "Anything can happen on any given Saturday."

The 6-foot-1, 215-pound San Diego native will have a chance for redemption this Saturday

when UF comes to town. The Gators have dominated the rushing game with 444 yards to

92 in the teams' last three meetings. Foster has been part of the struggles, carrying 17 times for just 39 yards against UF.

"A lot of that has to do with early leads, and that's how it's gone in the games," he said. "It's hard to get the run game going when you're not necessarily relying on it or going to it."

Still, both sides once again know the importance of establishing the running game. The team that has rushed for more

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### HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

## Swamp wows recruit

By MIKE DIFERDINANDO

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Gideon Ajagbe had visited UF before, but never like this.

The last time he was in Gainesville was in July for UF's Friday Night Lights football camp.

At the time, Ajagbe was impressed by a nearly empty Florida Field.

"This place is a 10," the Coconut Grove linebacker/safety said after the camp. "I don't know if it gets much better than this."

It did.

After sitting in the stands with more than 90,000 fans during the Gators' 26-3 win against the Hurricanes last week, the 2010 prospect said UF shot up to the top of his list of potential schools.

"I really like Florida a lot," he said.

He is also considering Florida State, South Florida, Miami and Iowa — the first school he ever received a

recruiting letter from.

Ajagbe, joined on the visit by his father, met with UF defensive coordinator Charlie Strong and cornerbacks coach Vance Bedford.

"I really like Florida a lot."

Gideon Ajagbe

Coconut Grove High recruit

His dad enjoyed the trip as much as he did and was impressed by the attention the coaches gave him.

"I felt really comfortable there," he said.

Ajagbe also got a chance to talk to 2010 UF commits Trey Burton and Ian Silberman, whom he sat with during the game.

"They just told me about how good the program is, but they didn't pressure me or anything," Ajagbe said.

He said their parents got to talk

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## History weighs heavily on UF-UT

This is where it all starts for UF.

A win against rival Miami was nice, and the looming matchups with LSU and Georgia are circled on the calendar, but the game at Tennessee will set the tone for the Gators' chances to accomplish their season goal: winning a Southeastern Conference title.

The Volunteers are not as sexy an opponent as the Tigers or Bulldogs — and I know the word 'sexy' should never be used in a sentence that brings Phillip Fulmer to mind — but this game carries just as much meaning as those matchups.

The hype the rivalry used to garner in the '90s, when both teams were frequently in the top 10, has dissipated some because the Volunteers are unranked for the first time in the series since 1984.

But, make no mistake, this is a huge game for the Gators.

"Some of the buzz is maybe taken away



Mike McCall

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as far as the national media or overall excitement, but I think between the fans there's still that rivalry," quarterback Tim Tebow said. "It's a huge game and definitely one of the biggest games of the year."

Since the SEC expanded in 1992, either UF or Tennessee has represented the East Division in the championship game 13 out of 16 times, with Georgia representing it the other three years.

Defeating the Vols early in the season would give the Gators a leg up in the division, and a loss would leave them a long road to climb in order to reach Atlanta.

The loser of the UF-Tennessee matchup

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### alligatorSports.org POLL QUESTION

**Today's question:** How many yards will Vols running back Arian Foster gain on Saturday?

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### HISTORY

■ 1999: No. 4 UF upsets No. 2 Tennessee 23-21 by holding off a fourth-quarter comeback. Gators senior LB Keith Kelsey stopped Volunteers RB Jamal Lewis on fourth and 3 with 2:02 left in the game.

# FSU has new ACC rivals

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## Gators must 'swarm ball' vs. Vols

**FOSTER**, from page 24

yards has won 16 of the last 18 games in the series.

"It's imperative that we establish the run game this week," Foster said.

"The media aren't giving us much of a chance."

Tennessee quarterback Jonathan Crompton said a veteran offensive line and running backs will be the key factor in the team's ability to run the ball and was optimistic.

"If we just put our minds to it, we should be able to run," the junior said.

"It's different from playing (Atlantic Coast Conference) schools," UF junior linebacker Brandon Spikes said. "(The Volunteers) just want to line up and run it.

"You're going to have to stop them."

UF defensive line coach Dan McCarney knows there will be a lot of pressure on his unit.

While Foster and the other Tennessee backs can run to the outside as well, their biggest strength is running between the tackles.



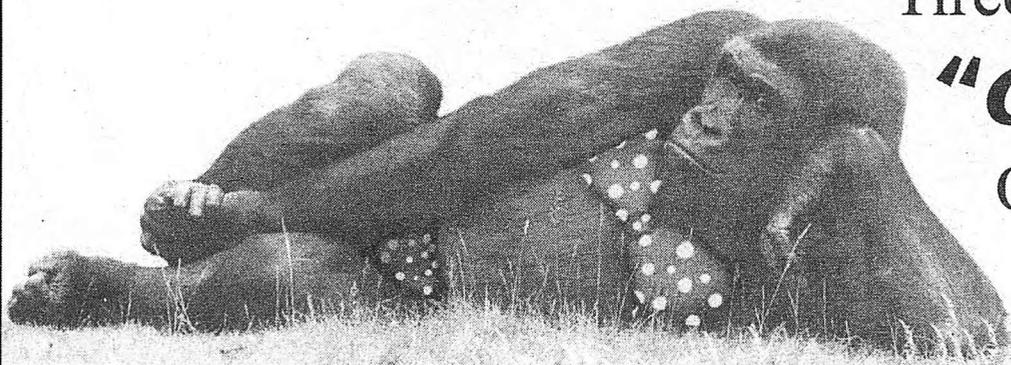
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McCarney has 21 years of coaching experience and said Foster is one of the best running backs he has seen

and that Foster certainly has NFL potential.

"If we don't play great defense, we don't have a chance to win this game," he said. "There's no real secret to it. You've got to be physical. You've got to swarm the ball. We know we're not going to shut them down, but we've got to slow 'em down."

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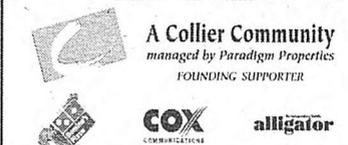


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has only managed to claw its way to a division crown three times, and that can't be accomplished without some luck.

Here's a look at the type of scenario that would have to shake out for the Gators to make the SEC Championship if they lose this weekend:

**2007: UF 59, TENNESSEE 20**

**THE GAME:** UF turned a 28-20 contest into a laugher by scoring 31 unanswered points for its most lopsided win ever against Tennessee.

Brandon James returned a punt for the game's first score, Percy Harvin racked up 195 yards on offense, and Tim Tebow kicked off his Heisman Trophy campaign with four touchdowns.

The game got so ugly that UF special teams player Derek Baldry said afterward that a Tennessee player told him he wouldn't try to block an extra point attempt late in the contest.

**UF FADES:** But the Gators weren't able to capitalize on the win. If back-to-back losses to Auburn and LSU left them with hope, UF toppled out of the division driver's seat after falling to Georgia.

**TENNESSEE REBOUNDS:** Meanwhile, Tennessee shook things up by cruising past Georgia 35-14, the Bulldogs' worst loss

since 2003, and sent a shock through fans who were expecting a two-horse race between UF and Georgia.

The Vols and Bulldogs tied for first, and Tennessee took the division because of the head-to-head win.

They went on to lose to even-

tual national champion LSU in the title game.

**1997: UF 33, TENNESSEE 20**

**THE GAME:** UF took the matchup of top-five teams — its fifth in a row over Tennessee — behind quarterback Doug Johnson's three touchdown passes and Fred

Taylor's 134 rushing yards. The Gators put a big dent in Tennessee quarterback Peyton Manning's Heisman Trophy hopes with an interception return for a score and ran his record to 0-3 against UF as a starter.

**UF FADES:** The win over Tennessee was Florida's 23rd straight SEC

victory, but the Gators went on to stumble against LSU and Georgia that season.

**TENNESSEE REBOUNDS:** The Vols ran through the rest of their conference schedule and beat Auburn 30-29 for the SEC title.

They went on to face Nebraska in the Orange Bowl, where the Huskers romped and took a share of the national title.

**1992: TENNESSEE 31, FLORIDA 14**

**THE GAME:** Tennessee's Phillip Fulmer, serving as interim coach while Johnny Majors was out with health issues, led the No. 14 Vols to an upset win over No. 4 UF.

Majors returned the next week, but the win against the Gators and another against Georgia the week before helped cement Fulmer's candidacy for head coach. He got the job at the end of the regular season.

**TENNESSEE FADES:** With Majors back at the helm, Tennessee squandered its lead over UF and Georgia by dropping three straight to Arkansas, Alabama and South Carolina.

**UF REBOUNDS:** UF lost to Mississippi State the next week, but won the rest of its SEC regular season games.

A 26-24 victory over Georgia was the difference for the Gators, as they took the East on a tie-breaker but lost to Alabama in the title game.



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UF linebacker Dustin Doe picks up a fumble to score a touchdown for the Gators in their 59-20 win against Tennessee on Sept. 15, 2007. The Volunteers went on to win the SEC East.

**Top high school recruit could play linebacker, defensive back for college team**

**RECRUIT**, from page 24

while eating dinner together before the game.

Though he is only a junior, the UF coaches have been working hard to form a

relationship with him.

"They are always talking to me and making sure that I'm comfortable with everything," he said.

Ajagbe said he hasn't ruled out an early commitment but will not make a decision until he makes visits to all the schools he is

considering.



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The 6-foot-2, 197-pound Ajagbe said that

Though he is listed as a linebacker by most recruiting services, there is still a chance he could play defensive back in college.

coaches have told him he might grow into a linebacker, but if things stay how they are he will mostly be playing somewhere in the secondary.

Either is just fine with him.

"I just want to go out there and show that I'm one of the best," he said.

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# Players feel need for speed in opening SEC contest

■ THE CONFERENCE IS KNOWN FOR ITS QUICKNESS.

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No, the football game is not on fast-forward, although it might look that way this weekend.

The No. 4 Gators (2-0) begin Southeastern Conference play against the Volunteers (1-1) on Saturday, and yes, play may seem a little faster than in their first two games against Hawaii and Miami.

Tennessee coach Phillip Fulmer agreed speed is an area where the SEC sets itself apart.

"From top to bottom, I think the SEC is the fastest conference," he said.

UF backup linebacker Brandon Hicks treats "SEC speed" as a term that defines itself. The sophomore said adjustment to quicker opponents has been the biggest thing he's had to learn from his freshman year.

"It's like everyone trains just to run fast, almost," he said. "People talk about it, and you don't really notice it or feel until you're actually (playing) in it."

The 6-foot-2, 225-pound sophomore found himself barely quicker than larger offensive linemen trying to block him.

"I was like, 'Oh my God, I ain't never seen a 300-pound dude running this fast in my life,'" Hicks said. "That had to be the craziest thing I've ever experienced. In high school, you wouldn't worry about a lineman ever touching you. You just go one way, and he'll be too slow to

ever come get you."

Sophomore cornerback Joe Haden had a similar epiphany last season. The preseason All-SEC selection thought he was ready in 2007 after his first two games against Western Kentucky and Troy from the Sun Belt Conference.

"Then Tennessee came here, and they were about the same speed as us," he said. "Troy and Western Kentucky were about a step or two behind, so even if you didn't know, it looked like you knew what you were doing. If you mess around with Tennessee, they'll run right by you."

UF coach Urban Meyer has said many times that he looks to make the Gators the "fastest team in America."

The team has 12 players who can run the 40-yard dash in less than 4.4

seconds, according to UF's pregame notes. One of those guys is freshman running back Jeff Demps, who ran the 100 meters in 10.01 seconds at the US Olympic Trials on June 28. Demps holds the record among American high-school runners.



Hicks

Meyer prefers to use the 100 and 200 meters as gauges for a player's speed because he feels they're more "legitimate" than the 40. He has seen high school players have a wide range of 40 times because they're often done by a handheld stopwatch.

But the 40 has long been used by coaches, and Meyer still uses it to evaluate prospects.

"Some people say, what's the difference between a 4.69 (seconds) and a 4.5 (in the 40-yard dash)?" Meyer said. "When you're talking about a game in the Southeastern Conference, it's inches or feet. That's significant."

Alabama coach Nick Saban said the speed at which a player makes things happen on the field depends on more than just how fast his feet can go in a 40-yard dash.

"Initial quickness and burst makes a guy look like he plays a little faster than what his (timed) speed might be," Saban said.

Former UF and current South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier said speed cannot be ignored if a team wants to win in this league.

"If you don't have a fast team out there," he said, "it's difficult to compete nowadays."

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