



GPD: Cops had sex with prostitutes on job

By **KATIE EMMETS**
 Alligator Writer

Internal investigations by the Gainesville Police, announced Thursday, have shown that two former officers were having sex with prostitutes while on duty.

The investigation, which began after accusations were made against Cpl. William Billings, who resigned in August, also incriminated officer Dave Reveille, who was fired Wednesday.

The investigation was based on a tip from a former prostitute, said

Capt. Lynne Benck, who led the investigation.

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"On June 4, a woman in jail called Internal Affairs asking us if we were trying to clear out bad cops," Benck said at a press conference

Thursday. "She told us that she knew Cpl. Billings was one of them."

A GPD Internal Affairs report stated that 14 women said they had sex with Billings for money while he was in uniform and driving a marked GPD car. Two of the

14 women said they were 13 and 14 years old when they first had sex with Billings for money, the report stated.

After a GPS tracking device was placed on Billings' car, the investi-

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Machen takes trip to Iran

■ HE WAS ONE OF SIX UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS INVITED.

By **THOMAS STEWART**
 Alligator Writer

UF President Bernie Machen and his wife, Chris, left for a week-long trip to Iran on Thursday.

UF's first couple is part of a delegation that includes six U.S. university presidents. Other universities represented include Cornell University and the University of California, Davis.

The purpose of the trip, organized by the Association of American Universities, UF's peer group, is to foster scientific and academic exchange between the U.S. and Iran, said AAU spokesman Barry Toiv.

The presidents were invited to Iran

by the president of Sharif University of Technology in Tehran, which is hosting the visit, he said.

While in Iran, the presidents will visit universities in Tehran and elsewhere and meet with their presidents and faculty, he said.

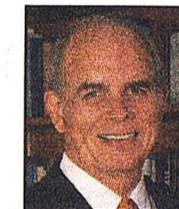
At Sharif University, the presidents will also be part of a forum with Iranian students, he said.

UF spokesman Steve Orlando said Machen would return Thursday or Friday.

The Richard Lounsbery Foundation will pay for most of the group's travel expenses, Toiv said.

Paul D'Anieri, dean of the College of

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Machen

UF ACADEMICS

Grad school applications rise

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To overcome the highest unemployment rate in 14 years and a struggling stock market, more college students across the country are applying to business, law and graduate schools.

The national trend, identified by Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions, is based on a survey of 245 business school administrators in August. According to the survey, 75 percent of the officers said the admissions process is more competitive than it was in 2005, which is leading more than half the institutions to consider expanding the number of seats available each year.

UF's undergraduate business program has not seen a significant increase in appli-

cations, but a surge has been seen in some of the college's graduate programs.

"The number of applications is always counter-reciprocal to the economy."

Dr. Brian Ray

associate dean and director of the Warrington College of Business Administration

Dr. Brian Ray, associate dean and director of the Warrington College of Business Administration, said the number of applications is inversely related to how well the economy is doing.

Ray said the floundering economy is causing enrollment in community colleges

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Reduce, Reuse, Redecorate

A woman looks at art pieces created by local middle school, high school and college students at the Trashformations art exhibit Thursday night at the Florida Museum of Natural History. See Story, Page 9.

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■ About 900 UF students played sports, including ultimate Frisbee and volleyball, in a giant man-made mud pit to celebrate Mudfest. See Story, Page 3.

■ When UF and South Carolina play Saturday, more will be on the line than SEC standings. Past games have impacted national title races and Tim Tebow (right) winning the Heisman. See Story, Page 20.



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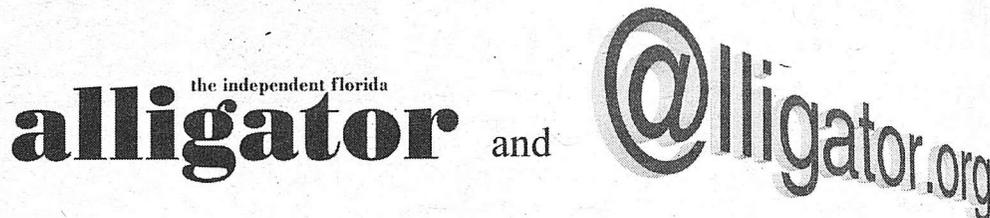
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ON CAMPUS

Tolbert students get dirty during MudFest

Only the whites of the students' eyes could be seen as their mud-encrusted bodies hit the ground after diving for a mucky Frisbee.

The Frisbee players were among about 900 UF students who left their inhibitions and cleanliness at the dorm for Mudfest, an annual 10-day event that ended Thursday.

Students in Tolbert, Weaver, East, North and Riker halls played games of ultimate Frisbee, polo, tug of war and volleyball during the festivities, which were played in an ankle-deep pit of mud.

Not even bystanders were safe from the occasional spritz.

"Mud flies at least three feet from the pit, especially during ultimate Frisbee," said Nick Parr, a

UF zoology senior, as mud splattered his face mid-sentence.

Scott Mangino, graduate hall director, said every year, a construction company is hired to come in and create the pit.

The mud is brought in from Georgia.

After the fest, it takes about two weeks to drain and re-sod the lawn.

"You can always see where the pit was last year," Mangino said. "It will probably never go away."

UF freshman Angie Griffin said Mudfest is the reason she chose to live at Tolbert Hall.

"Mudfest has been a great bonding experience and a lot of fun," Griffin said. "Although it took me three shampoos to get the mud out of my hair."

—TAWNA DANGER



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Residents of Tolbert Hall compete against residents of East Hall during a volleyball tournament on Weaver Beach on Thursday afternoon as part of Mudfest, an annual event organized by the Tolbert Area Council.

The Oaks Mall owner company files for bankruptcy

GENERAL GROWTH PROPERTIES OWNS ALMOST 200 OTHER MALLS.

For one company, the holiday shopping season is off to a bleak start.

General Growth Properties, the company that owns The Oaks Mall and almost 200 other malls across the country, filed for

bankruptcy late Monday.

Company spokesman Jim Graham said some of the malls might be sold to get some money back, though it's hard to say how many and which ones will be sold.

"The odds of it affecting (The Oaks Mall) are slim," Graham said. "But you never know."

Representatives from The Oaks Mall

did not return phone calls regarding the bankruptcy.

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Graham said he didn't think the bankruptcy would affect shoppers.

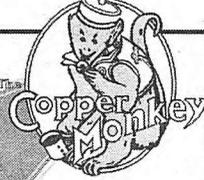
"The issue is really a corporate one," he said. "We don't really expect customers and visitors will experience any change as they visit our

malls."

The company also released a statement that it would continue working to get out of the situation.

"Regardless of our situation, our properties and company will continue to operate, stay vibrant and remain open," Graham said.

—ANDREA ASUAJE



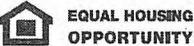
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State may shut down 19 parks to combat budget cuts

■ PARKS WILL SHUT DOWN IN JULY.

By **KATIE GALLAGHER**
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Florida's attempts to balance its budget could temporarily shut down 19 state parks.

The Division of Recreation and Parks has volunteered to shut down the parks starting in July to save an estimated \$1.5 million, according to an e-mail from Jessica Kemper, spokeswoman for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

"This is something we're offering to do to play our part," Kemper said in a phone interview.

The closings were proposed in response to a request that all government agencies cut their budgets by 10 percent, Kemper said. The park closures are part of a larger plan to cut the division's budget by about \$7.7 million.

The Dudley Farm Historic State Park in Newberry is among the 19

parks proposed for closing.

The parks were chosen based on high operating costs in comparison to few visitors, the e-mail stated.

If the budget cut is passed by the governor's office, one employee would stay on as caretaker as the 19 parks close their gates.

Kemper said the division would transfer other full-time employees

to other state parks if possible, but part-time positions would be reduced or eliminated.

Although the division intends to reopen the state parks, Kemper said it is impossible to say how long they would remain closed.

"There's not really a set time period," she said.

"It all depends on the economic climate of the state."

Paralyzed athlete speaks

By **CHELSEA KEENAN**
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In the time it takes to put on a pair of shoes, Travis Roy's collegiate career as a hockey player was over.

Roy, a 33-year-old motivational speaker, spoke Thursday night to a crowd of 650 students about overcoming challenges and achieving goals despite obstacles.

Roy attended Boston University on a full hockey scholarship in 1995. During the first 11 seconds of Roy's first game, he ran headlong into the boards, a move that paralyzed him from the shoulders down.

Since then, he has gained use of his right arm.

"In life, there are times when we choose our challenges and other times when our challenges choose us," he said. "How we deal with them is what defines us."

For the past four years, Roy has traveled around the country speaking to high schools, colleges and corporations.

Roy was brought by the Dean of Students Office and Student Government's Disability Cabinet to speak in the Featured Speaker Series, which brings four speakers to campus every semester.

Although Roy spoke about hockey and his injury, it was only a small part of the purpose behind his motivational speech.

He said his main goal was to encourage students to stay positive in the light of challenges and be able to adapt to change.

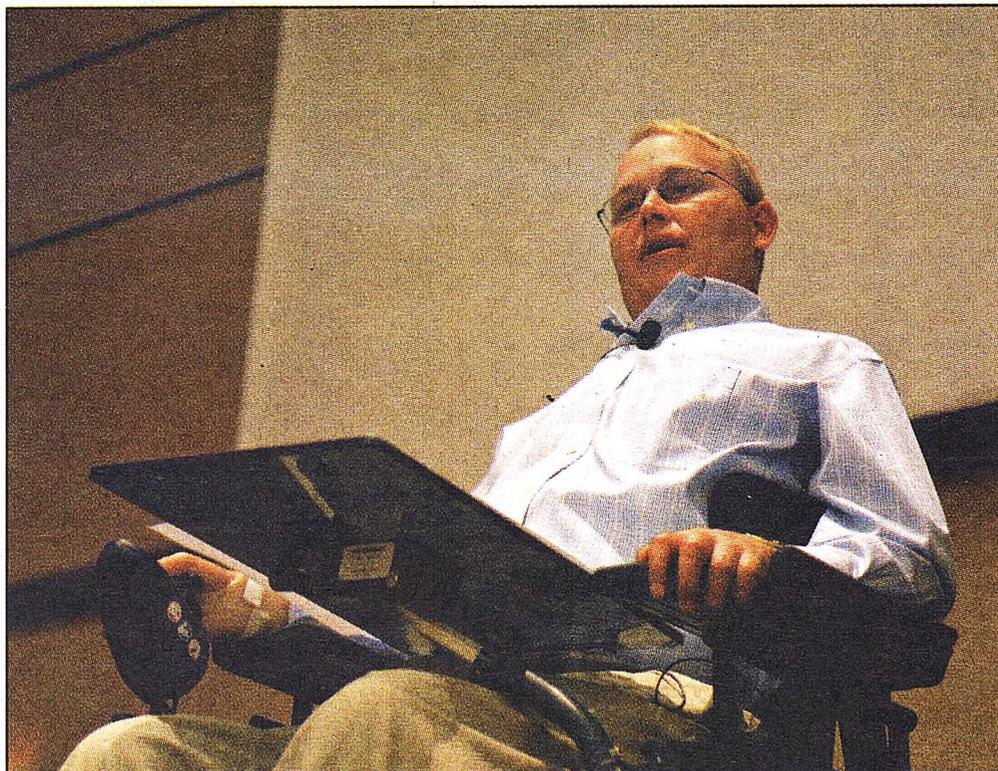
"Who you are on the core will help you through life's challenges."

Travis Roy
featured speaker

"Who you are on the core will help you through life's challenges," he said.

Leslie Hahn, assistant director of New Student Programs, decided to bring Roy to UF once her colleagues raved after hearing him speak at a conference. She said she was encouraged by the fact that the vast majority of students were receptive to Roy's speech.

"It's a very moving story," said Kathleen Ochipa, UF freshman. "Just to see his goals go from playing hockey to moving his arm, it shows that if you have goals, you can achieve things."



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Travis Roy, who is paralyzed from the shoulders down, tells a story Thursday night in the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom about the hockey game that paralyzed him.

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UF PROJECTS

Volunteers to plant trees

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Football fans will pump more than spirit into the air this weekend. At full capacity, Ben Hill Griffin Stadium and its 90,000 fans add about 2,000 tons of carbon dioxide to the atmosphere.

To balance the carbon emissions, about 30 volunteers will plant 200 trees Saturday morning at the Everglades' Torry Island, a 700-acre wetland near Belle Glade.

The effort was spearheaded by the Neutral Gator Initiative, a program formed between the local nonprofit organization Earth Givers and UF's Office of Sustainability.

The planting of 200 native pond apple and cypress trees is part of Neutral Gators' ongoing effort to reduce the carbon footprint of home football games, said Jacob Cravey, organization co-founder.

Cravey said selling energy-efficient light bulbs the week before has made all of UF's home games carbon neutral this season.

According to a UF news release, other games were neutralized through reforestation.

Counting carbon emissions involves factoring in figures from the stadium's energy expenditures as well as output from fans' travel means and hotel usage, according to Neutral Gators' Web site.

"It's not over when football season's over."

Jacob Cravey
co-founder of Neutral Gator Initiative

The tree-planting effort is sponsored by the Arthur R. Marshall Foundation of West Palm Beach, an organization that helps with Everglades restoration.

In addition, Cravey said, aiding one of Florida's greatest treasures is a great way to bring awareness to the condition of the Everglades.

Cravey said the project is just one in what will be a long, multi-faceted approach to combating climate change.

"It's not over when football season's over," he said.

City to remove foreign plant

By **ANDREA ASUAJE**
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More native plants may flourish in the water flowing through Gainesville's Duck Pond neighborhood in the next year.

Gainesville's Operations Division began a program this week to remove the water's hydrilla, an exotic, invasive plant that prevents native species from thriving.

"We don't want an exotic," said Robin Hallbourg, a geologist for the Alachua County Environmental Protection Department.

"What you want is a nice composition of different types of native species."

The hydrilla grow in the Sweetwater Branch creek, which starts at Duck Pond and is filled with nitrogen and phosphorus, allowing the plants to absorb the nutrients and flourish, she said.

Because the hydrilla work to deplete the water's nutrients, the water may turn green once they're removed, signifying algal growth, Hallbourg said.

After the preliminary green growth, she hopes native plants will take over the "cleaning" of the water.

She said the color may remain green. Stewart Pearson, head of storm water management for the City of Gainesville,

Around Gainesville said the project would cost the city between \$3,000 and \$4,000, not including labor costs.

Pearson said the program is worth the cost.

In the long run, native plants could do a better job of removing the nitrogen and other nutrients that enter the Sweetwater Branch and flow out to Paynes Prairie.

"We hope this turns out to be a beneficial effort," he said.

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Editorial

We know Thanksgiving is a little less than two weeks away, but after the jam-packed week we've had, we can already smell the stuffing.

All we want right now is a Baldwin-family-sized portion of turkey, cornbread and every other Turkey Day vittle. We could use a quadruple dose of tryptophan to knock us out for a while, considering all the sleep we've missed running around this week.

We would give anything for a nice little 13-hour nap to cool off our engines and get back to neutral.

Better yet, we could hibernate through the holidays and wake up just in time for a BCS Bowl game. Well, maybe that's asking a bit much.

Lest we get too far ahead of ourselves, let's move on to this week's edition of everyone's favorite Friday pastime ...

Darts & Laurels

What better way to kick off a weekend featuring a game against South Carolina than to tackle a program being instated because of the caliber of our opponent? First, we're going to give a we-care-that-you-care LAUREL to UF First Lady Chris Machen and her safety program Gator Watch. If you haven't heard about it already, this program starts this weekend and is meant to prevent UF students from getting caught up in drunken trouble. No, the administration isn't pegging us all as drunkards; they just want to make sure that we go about our game day business free of trips to the Shands at UF emergency room.

On the flip side, we're also going to shoot Gator Watch a happy-thoughts-won't-save-the-world-Peter-Pan DART for the incredibly weak helpful hints offered to us by the program. We get it: Have fun and drink, but don't drink and drive, and make sure our friends don't do anything stupid. Thanks, Tracy Byrd, we know all about the Watermelon Crawl.

While we're on the subject of this weekend's game, we would like to give a keep-on-truckin'-but-not-if-it-destroys-the-earth LAUREL to UF's Office of Sustainability. These resilient UFers keep plugging away with their efforts to go green. For this weekend's game and predictably huge tailgate session, they are planting trees in an effort to offset the carbon emissions. Hopefully, their steadfastness will be rewarded so they can move on to bigger projects. Best of luck, guys.

Moving on, now we would like to double up on the Gainesville Police and give former officers Bill Billings and David Reveille individual it-wasn't-cool-when-Clinton-did-it-and-it-really-wasn't-cool-when-you-did-it DART for using their positions as police officers to get some (illegally) while on the job. Absolutely disgusting. You are supposed to be the ones the public can trust. Instead, these two symbolize a vile fraction of police officers who have lost any sense of community.

We don't think this pair is representative of the rest of GPD, but if anything else like this surfaces in the future, don't expect the public to have any faith in those who are supposed to serve and protect.

Onto brighter pastures: We would like to grant UF Chief Financial Officer Matt Fajack a this-kind-of-ideating-will-land-you-in-an-IBM-commercial LAUREL for his dedication to improving UF and his innovative ideas on how to do so.

Fajack has stressed the contradictory nature of the Bright Futures program and proposals for raising tuition. He doesn't plan on doing away with Bright Futures; he just favors capping it so the state will have some incentive to raise tuition. UF can't rise in ranking if it can't raise tuition. Tuition hikes, as much as we hate the mere mention of them, would not spell the end for the undergraduate population, so be content knowing that this man is working to increase the value of your degree.

That'll do for this week's installment. Have a safe weekend, and go Gators.

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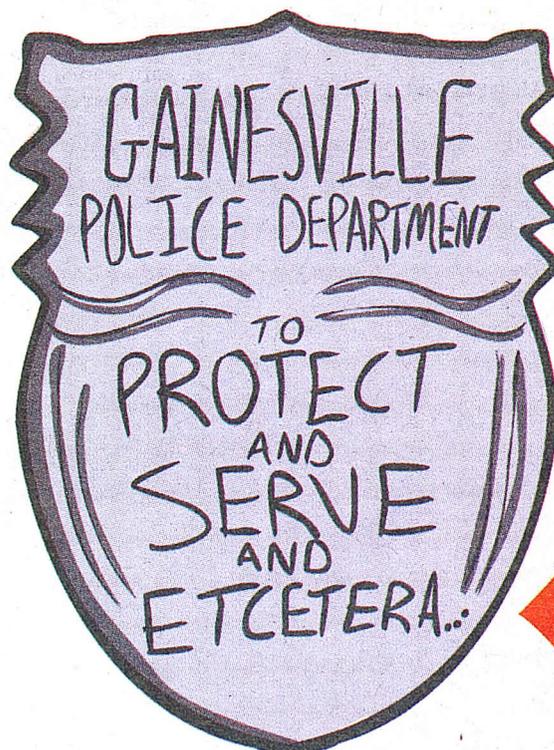
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Two GPD officers were discovered to have repeatedly engaged in sex with prostitutes.



Column

Media bias not cause for McCain's loss

In politics, as in life, you can usually identify losers by their tendency to blame the messenger.

To hear the historic revisionism coming from some conservatives since the election, you would think Sen. John McCain and his sidekick, Princess Bonehead, were well on their way to a soaring victory when their wings were clipped by the big bad liberal media. Nevermind the feckless campaign, the capricious response to economic turmoil and the toxic connection to President George W. Bush; McCain lost because the media prefers communists to war heroes. Typically, this alternate reality is constructed by people who know as little about journalistic objectivity as I do.

It's an exercise in fancy that was painstakingly crafted by McCain's campaign, which regularly scorned reputable news organizations as "in the tank" for President-elect Barack Obama and routinely summoned the image of latte-sipping, East Coast journalist "elites" who speak French and hate real Americans.

The McCain campaign's damsel-in-distress routine, this martyrdom complex about the supposed "left-wing media, laid the framework for a post-election narrative in which the broken spine is blamed on the X-ray machine.

In this convenient fiction, any negative coverage of the Republican ticket was further evidence of some inherent leftist bent among the press corps, a shameless bias that made fair coverage impossible. Any negative coverage of the Democratic ticket, on the other hand, was an insufficient and insincere gesture, a laughable attempt at balanced reporting from journalists who knew perfectly well how shamelessly biased they were.

Any inconvenient evidence to the contrary is explained away. The almost compulsive press coverage of Rev. Jeremiah Wright this past April? A rare example of the media doing its job. No slant or sensationalism there. But those audacious questions about Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin's credentials? Well shucks, that's just those elite



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journalists talking down to ordinary folks, trying to take Middle America down a peg or two.

It requires a peculiar kind of logic to accept this distinction between liberal media and legitimate media, but if you lost in such spectacular fashion by your own device, wouldn't you want an opportunity to rewrite

reality? When issues, history and public opinion stand in your way, you make lemonade with the lemons you have. Fiction is often more soothing than fact.

It's still fiction, though. In the end, these shell-shocked conservatives are free to reconstruct reality however they would like. Here's the reality I saw last Tuesday: A freshman senator from Illinois, dogged by rumors of extremism, assailed as the most liberal member of the Senate, mocked as unelectable by former (and defeated) rivals and elected president with almost 53 percent of the vote, winning the biggest popular majority of any Democrat since 1964. No amount of cognitive manipulation can change this.

Perhaps Stephen Colbert was right when he declared, "Reality has a liberal bias." How else do we explain what happened on Nov. 4? American voters heard the endless denunciations of the liberal media, the righteous indignation about unfair coverage, the wild accusations of radicalism and every other attempt at shifting the discussion away from the unprecedented train wreck of the last eight years. We just didn't care. McCain lost because America disagreed with his agenda, not because the press disagreed with his candidacy.

Sometimes you don't need a butcher to tell you the meat is rotten.

Jake Miller is a political science and anthropology senior. His column appears on Fridays.

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Reader response

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Thursday's question: Results are unavailable due to technical error.

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Letters to the Editor

Palin deserved media scrutiny

Buddy McKendree's letter that was published Thursday gave me a good laugh. Insinuating that his beloved Sarah Palin was harshly handled by the media is a claim too bold and comedic not to respond. The media treated Palin for what she was — annoying, brain dead and full of fluff.

You can't blame the media for uncovering what a buffoon she is. She is a person who spends more time on the style of her delivery rather than the content of her sentences. A person with such little intelligence should not be trusted with any high level of government. It astounds me that anyone who claims they are "intelligent" and "informed" would remotely support this woman.

People within her own campaign and her

own party blame her. I wonder why. While I commend Palin for making history within the narrow-minded Republican Party, I certainly do not think that she was mistreated. This is, after all, the queen of all mudslingers from this recent election. A certain proverb about glass houses comes to mind.

Dylan Samore
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Good guys with weapons benefit society

The UF population, having engaged in debate concerning carrying concealed weapons on campus, would do well to reread Wednesday's article "Police name suspect."

This article demonstrates two truths. First,

bad people ignore the law. Why do you think so many felons, such as the one who was shot Saturday, always pop up in the news for committing crimes with firearms?

The obvious answer is that, as criminals, they ignore the law by definition and obtain guns illegally. Furthermore, do you really think that someone bent on armed robbery, rape or murder will really heed the laws prohibiting them from bringing guns onto campus?

The second point is that good people with firearms are a good thing. In the article, a local convenience store clerk with a concealed weapons permit shot and wounded a felon who entered his store and began firing his weapon.

The police are a great asset to society, but

what can they do the moment someone opens fire on innocent victims? Response times simply aren't quick enough to protect the people in harm's way.

The only solution to stopping threats the moment they materialize is to allow would-be victims to meet force with force. If the prospect of this disconcerts you, perhaps it might put you at ease to know that, based on a 2000 census estimate, only 2.72 percent of Florida adults have concealed weapons permits. That's right, for every 37 adults you walk by, one is licensed to pack heat.

If concealed carry really did cause gun violence, you would have seen a dozen shoot-outs by now.

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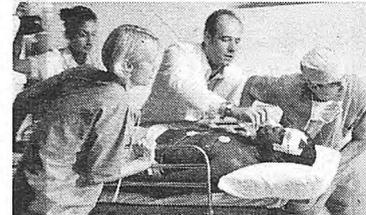
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Gator Walk to raise money for premature babies

By **EMILY BLAKE**
Alligator Writer

Participants in Sunday's GatorWalk 2008, an annual 5K walk-run benefiting March of Dimes, may have more drive in their strides now that Florida has been ranked among U.S. states with the highest rates of premature births.

Both Alachua County and Florida received an F on a report card released Wednesday by the March of Dimes.

The 2008 Premature Birth Report Card, the first of what will become an annual report, graded each state

by comparing its pre-term birth rate — the rate of babies born before 37 weeks gestation — to the target rate of 7.6 percent. The report is based on information from 2005, the most recent year statistics were available.

With 13.8 percent of babies born pre-term, Florida came in at No. 41 among all states, plus Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico. The figure is a 17 percent increase from 1995.

In Alachua County, 400 pre-term births were reported, which makes up 14.1 percent of all births in the county, according to the report.

Overall, the U.S. earned a D. The report estimated that one in eight

"I really hope this will motivate more people to come out and walk."

Allison Hux

GatorWalk director of missions

American babies are born premature, which adds up to 1,400 babies every day.

The highest grade went to Vermont, which earned a B.

Allison Hux, GatorWalk director of missions, said not as many registrants have signed up this year, which is the fifth GatorWalk.

"I really hope this will motivate more people to come out and walk," Hux said of the report.

Last year, GatorWalk raised about \$50,000 for March of Dimes, Hux said.

Cherie Sussman, youth development director at the North Central Florida Chapter of March of Dimes, said most of the money goes to prematurity research and education.

Registration costs \$25 and begins at 1 p.m. Sunday.

Bettina Bush, pop singer and winner of American Idol Underground, an online competition for independent artists, will

provide entertainment. Earlier in her career, she sang the jingle for McDonald's' "I'm Lovin' It" campaign.

Bush said she was motivated to get involved with March of Dimes after her best friend gave birth to triplets a trimester early. The only reason the babies survived was because of support from March of Dimes, she said.

Bush also started the Dime a Download campaign, which donates 10 cents to March of Dimes each time someone downloads her song "Cradle to the Grave" on iTunes.

UF to become first campus to honor World Diabetes Day

■ SEVERAL UF SITES WILL USE BLUE LIGHTS TO COMMEMORATE THE DAY.

By **ANGELIKI BOULIAKIS**
Alligator Contributing Writer

UF is going blue.

Sites around campus, including Century Tower and the Albert and Alberta statue, will emit blue lights Friday in honor of World Diabetes Day.

UF will be the first campus to commemorate the day.

The lights are aimed at educating the student body about the dangers of diabetes, said Kathryn Parker, education coordinator for the Diabetes Center of Excellence at Shands at UF.

There are about 236 million people with diabetes worldwide and about 54 million pre-diabetic Americans, Parker said.

In honor of World Diabetes Day, there will be free diabetes screenings from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at the Shands at UF atrium and on the Reitz Union Colonnade.

A ceremony will be held at Century Tower at 5:30 p.m., where Gainesville

Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan and others will speak, followed by a banquet at the Reitz Union for students with diabetes.



Hanrahan

after having a seizure.

Johnston has to take 10 insulin injections

a day and another for every meal. If he takes the shot in the same spot too many times, his skin swells.

"If I don't take the injections, I'll basically have no energy, so I will sleep for the majority of the day," he said.

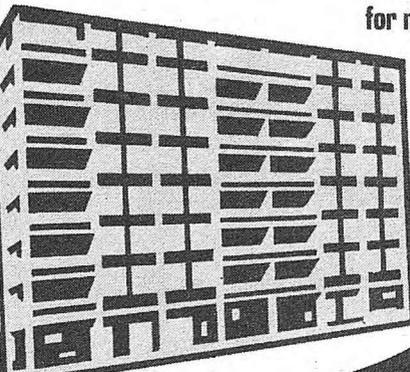
"If you don't get it treated, you could have an arm, leg, finger or toe amputated."

UF World Diabetes Day is sponsored by the Diabetes Center of Excellence at Shands at UF, Healthy Gators 2010, the Department of Pathology, Immunology and Laboratory Medicine at UF College of Medicine and Novo Nordisk health care company.

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Students make art out of trash

■ 'TRASHFORMATIONS' WILL BE ON DISPLAY THROUGH NOV. 26.

By **MELISSA MILCHMAN**
Alligator Contributing Writer

One man's trash is another man's masterpiece.

On Thursday, the Florida Museum of Natural History hosted the 10th annual Trashformations: Trash to Treasure show, which featured mostly recycled artwork.

The show, sponsored by the museum and the Alachua County Office of Waste Alternatives, drew a crowd of about 150.

The competition requires middle

school, high school and college students to transform trash into recycled art. Each piece had to be comprised of 70 percent or more of recycled, recyclable or reused materials.

"It's really cool to see where the imagination will take you with recycled materials."

Kendra Lanza-Kaduce
public programs coordinator for the Florida Museum of Natural History

The artwork included cows made out of paper and cereal boxes and dresses made out of newspaper, bottle caps and soda tabs.

"It's really cool to see where the imagination will take you with recycled materials," said Kendra Lanza-Kaduce, public programs coordinator for the Florida Museum of Natural History.

About 50 recycled pieces were entered into the competition, and awards were presented in two categories: middle and high school, and college.

The winning pieces will be on display at the museum through Nov. 26.

Sally Palmi, manager for the Alachua County Office of Waste Alternatives, said she loves the recycled art show because it reaches out to young people.

"We want to give them an opportunity to think about sustainability and recognize their artistic talent with this unusual venue," Palmi said.

ON CAMPUS

Harn Museum displays Warhol photos

Andy Warhol's art can be seen on posters, tote bags and, thanks to a grant, at UF's Harn Museum of Art.

The Harn Museum was one of 183 colleges and universities that received 150 original Warhol Polaroid and black-and-white photographs from the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts.

The foundation gave each institution 150 original Warhol photographs to celebrate its 20th anniversary. The foundation's gifts are worth more than \$28 million, according to a news release.

Thirty-seven Warhol photos are on display, said Kerry Oliver-Smith, Harn Museum's contemporary art curator. The photos will be added to the museum's permanent collection.

Andy Warhol was an American artist whose work celebrat-

ed and critiqued popular culture, Oliver-Smith said.

His famous works include paintings of Marilyn Monroe, Campbell's soup cans and Coca-Cola bottles.



Warhol

The Harn Museum received the photos in summer, Oliver-Smith said. They will remain on display through May.

— GUYANA HAND

Trip intended to improve relations

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Liberal Arts and Sciences, said he thinks the trip may help improve relations between the U.S. and Iran.

An academic delegation will be able to build contacts without politics getting in the way, D'Anieri said.

During the Cold War, he said, academic relationships between the U.S. and the Soviet Union laid the groundwork for a friendlier relationship between the countries.

UF Administration The exposure to different ideas also helped people in the Soviet Union realize they wanted to change their society, he said.

The fact that Machen was one of six university presidents to be chosen for the trip is a sign of UF's prominence in international affairs, he said.

D'Anieri said he wasn't worried about Machen's safety because Iran will seek to avoid any major incidents.

"I think he's safer over there than in many places in this country simply because over there, more people will be watching out for him," he said. "The last thing the Iranians want, or need, is for an incident to occur over there."

Former cops used money, power for sex, report says

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gation also found that he was not reporting to overtime assignments he was being paid for. That pay added up to more than \$6,000, Benck said.

During Billings' investigation, detectives received a tip that Reveille was also having sex with prostitutes while on duty, he said.

One witness reported that Reveille had taken her into custody in his car and told her she would go to jail if she didn't perform oral sex on him, the report stated.

She also said Reveille had sex with her while she stood over the back of his GPD patrol car, the report stated.

Benck said similar reports against Reveille had been dropped during an investigation in 2005.

The State Attorney's Office will review the cases before charges

are made, GPD spokesman Keith Kameg said.

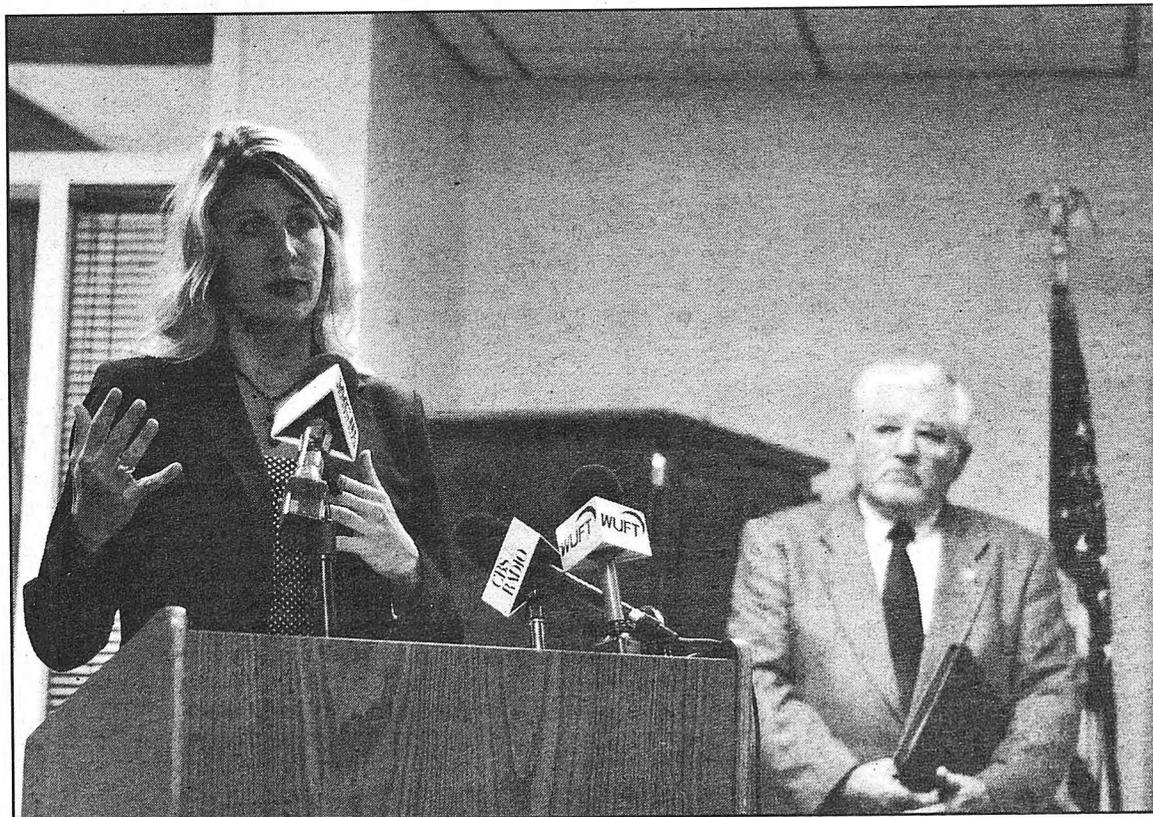
"The charges can range anywhere from grand theft, to prostitute issues, to sexual battery," Kameg said.

"I wanted to vindicate him. I wanted to prove it wasn't him."

Capt. Lynne Benck
investigation leader

Benck said at Thursday's press conference that she wanted to take on the investigation because she didn't believe the accusation against Billings could be true. After meeting Billings in police academy more than 21 years ago, she said she considered herself friends with both him and his wife.

"I wanted to vindicate him," she said. "I wanted to prove it wasn't him."



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Gainesville Police Department Internal Affairs Commander Lynne Benck speaks about the case against two GPD officers at a press conference at GPD Headquarters on Thursday afternoon.

Weak dollar causes increase in applications from international students at UF

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to increase. In two to three years, he said, UF should expect a spike in the amount of transfer applicants.

Mindy Kraft, director of the Master of Arts in International Business and Master of Science in Management programs in the

Hough Graduate School of Business, said her programs received a 20 percent increase in summer applications. As a result, the international business program went over its acceptance limit.

"We're packing the classrooms, and we're going to try to cut back with the upcoming year," Kraft said.

UF does not fall into the majority of schools surveyed by Kaplan because it is

not looking to expand its graduate business school enrollment, she said.

"Because of budget cuts, hiring freezes and layoffs, programs that could grow are negatively affected," she said.

UF Academics Instead, UF's resources limit the amount of growth of an increasingly popular program.

Stateside students aren't the only ones

seeking admission into UF's business graduate programs.

More international students are banking on the weak U.S. dollar and sending in applications, Kraft said.

Although the U.S. economy is down, the same is not necessarily true for other parts of the world, she said, and more foreign students are able to afford the price of an education abroad and at UF.

SANTA FE COLLEGE

SFC center offers entrepreneurs room to get started

By **KATIE EMMETS**
Alligator Writer

At a time when the economy is preventing people from getting jobs, Santa Fe College is inviting entrepreneurs to start their businesses at a new downtown center.

SFC's Center for Innovative and Economic Development, 530 W. University Ave., allows entrepreneurs to rent office space and equipment to get new companies off the ground.

"It is a great opportunity for UF students who are about to graduate and want to start a business," said Mary Short, a representative of the center.

The center is taking applications from people with written plans for new businesses.

Applicants can attend an open house at the building Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

A committee will review applications Dec. 3 and determine which ones are best suited to the center's mission, Short said.

The center offers two types of membership. Associate businesses would pay \$90 a month, and resident businesses, which

rent private workspace, would pay \$285, SFC spokeswoman Julie Garrett said.

Both types of businesses will have access to the center's computers, conference rooms, break rooms, LCD projectors and other equipment.

A receptionist will be on call to take phone messages, hold mail and greet clients, Garrett said.

The center will also offer monthly workshops and seminars with experts in business law, accounting, human resources and other relevant areas.

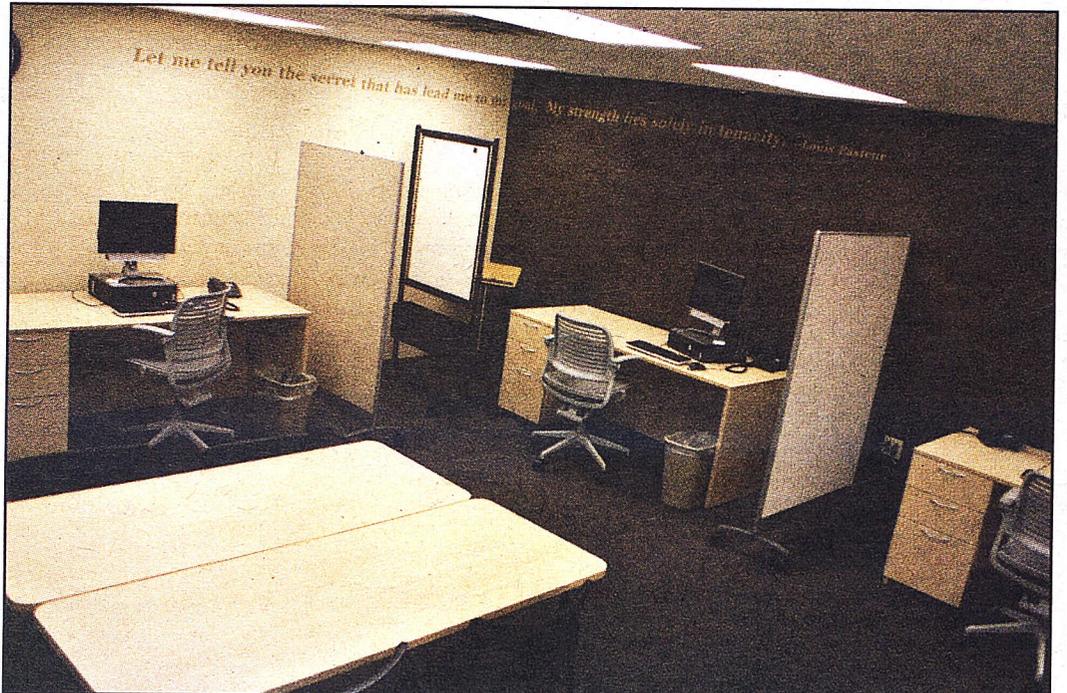
Businesses that pay to be residents will have a workspace at the center with a private phone line, computer, locking file drawers and after-hours access, Short said.

She said the center is looking for four residents and between six and eight associates to start.

She said the center would like the businesses to be ready to move in Jan. 5, when SFC comes back from winter break.

Short estimated that each business would stay with the center for about eight months.

"We expect them to be on their feet by then," she said.



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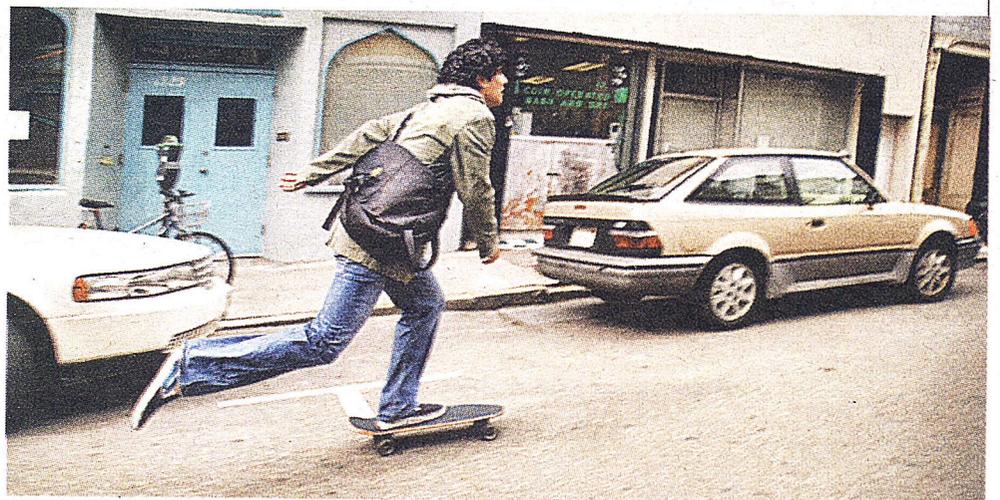
Desks and office furniture sit in the Entrepreneur Incubator in the Santa Fe College Center for Innovation and Economic Development on West University Avenue on Thursday afternoon.

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ON CAMPUS

Exhibition gives voice to domestic violence victims

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When she came to give her testimony, Kelli couldn't express the significance of the past 14 years in her life.

"I took the time to put together my life story, and then I thought, 'I'm just one person,'" she said. "Who's going to care about the details of my miserable life?"

A victim of domestic abuse for the past 14 years, this 34-year-old woman, though divorced and in a new city, is still stalked by an abusive former husband.

Kelli, a local domestic violence survivor who requested her full name not be used, spoke at the Reitz Union on Thursday as part of the opening of Verizon Wireless' Clothesline Project at UF.

Following the company's sponsorship of Gator Growl, Verizon Wireless approached Florida Blue Key about bringing the exhibition to UF.

The Clothesline Project will remain at UF until Dec. 2.

The display sitting on the second floor of the Reitz Union is

simple, but its message is one of strength.

Hanging by clothespins on two lines are 12 T-shirts decorated by survivors of domestic violence.

Twelve anonymous testimonies are pinned between the shirts.

Nearby is a hamper where donors can toss old or broken cell phones from any provider. Verizon will give the repaired phones to victims who left everything behind to escape an abusive partner.

In the exhibit's opening ceremony, Kelli spoke of her frustration with the law, feeling powerless and the long-term impact of her ongoing abuse.

"(The courts) want to see bruises and blood today," she said in an interview. "Well, the bruises and blood go away."

Meanwhile, she said the internal scars stay.

Kelli said the safe home she lives in provides safety but not permanent peace.

"There's nothing I can do about it," she said.

Alachua County Sheriff Sadie Darnell said in a speech that the silence on domestic violence must be broken, and she encouraged

communication on this issue.

Darnell said while many recognize the severity of 58,000 U.S. soldiers who died in the Vietnam War, few may know that 51,000 women were murdered as victims of domestic violence in the same amount of time.

"It's the only murder that we can prevent, so we need to recognize that intervention is key."

Sadie Darnell
Alachua County sheriff

"It's the only murder that we can prevent, so we need to recognize that intervention is key," Darnell said in an interview.

Last year, about 1,300 residents of Alachua County, most of them women, were victims of a simple offense, which includes types of physical abuse, she said.

"Those terms are offensive," Darnell said. "There's nothing simple about it."

Darnell liked the campaign's method of spreading the message.

"I love the T-shirt," she said. "It's just such a ubiquitous gar-

ment."

Theresa Harrison, executive director of Peaceful Paths, an organization that serves domestic violence survivors in Alachua and neighboring counties, also attended the opening ceremony.

Harrison said art is often therapeutic for victims, who have "little time for introspection because they're surviving."

Art often acts as a release valve and allows victims to express issues they may not even be able to voice, she said.

"It's incredibly cathartic," she said, adding that the process sometimes brings out built-up feelings of anger.

The project has made stops at five college campuses this year to address the prominence of intimate violence among students.

Judith Bellaire, a victim advocate at the University Police Department's Office of Victim Services, said in an interview one out of every three college students are victims of physical violence, based on a 2000 nationwide survey.

Bellaire said she was disappointed that more students didn't

attend the ceremony because many are not aware of the resources available to them on campus.

Only three students, two of whom represented Florida Blue Key, attended.

Harrison said there is a lack of awareness among students on what defines abuse, especially dating violence. She said jealousy and possessiveness are not signs of caring too much, she said.

"They're not romantic," Harrison said. "They're creepy."

In her experience, most students just go home after dealing with an issue of domestic violence instead of tackling it long-term.

She said projects like Clothesline help spread a critical message.

"The only way we can confront it in a meaningful way is to confront it together," she said.

Harrison recognized the limitations of the law, but she also saw progress.

"The reality is that 40 years ago, domestic violence wasn't even a criminal act," Harrison said.

"I think the frustration comes in when we realize no matter how much we do, it never seems to be enough."

ANATOMY OF A STACK

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UF VOLLEYBALL

Gators prep for UT, UK

By **KYLE MAISTRI**Alligator Writer
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With UF sitting all alone atop the Southeastern Conference standings, it would be bold to suggest the No. 12 Gators have a tough time matching up with anything the conference throws at them.

Tonight, UF (20-2, 14-1 SEC) plays the first game of its weekend road trip against Tennessee (19-8, 12-4 SEC) before heading to Kentucky, where UF coach Mary Wise expects her team to be at a disadvantage in one crucial area.

The Wildcats (23-4, 14-2 SEC) lead the conference in blocks per game (2.83) and have proven to be a better defensive team at the net than the Gators.

"We don't match up well with them," Wise said.

When UF took on Kentucky at home on Oct. 10, the Gators were out-blocked seven to five and nearly blew a two-set lead before finishing off the Wildcats in five.

"There was a huge gap between what we were able to do and what they were doing," Wise said. "Our goal is just to keep Kentucky from getting on that point-scoring roll."



Volleyball

UF has been able to dominate lesser competition by being bigger, faster and stronger than its SEC foes, but junior libero Elyse Cusack and sophomore defensive specialist Erin Fleming pointed out Kentucky as the one team in the league that plays as physically as the Gators.

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UF tries for NCAA berth

By **ADAM BERRY**

Alligator Writer

The UF cross country teams have one more step to take before the NCAA Championships.

The Gators will compete in the South Regional in Knoxville, Tenn., on Saturday, hoping to secure an automatic bid to the national championship meet by taking one of the top two spots.

But even with the possible national implications of Saturday's meet, UF coach Todd Morgan is not looking ahead.

"One of our goals has to do with what we can do in the national meet, but that never happens if we don't take

care of business on Saturday," he said. "Right now, the one and only focus is this Saturday and the regional meet."



Morgan

No. 3 Florida State will be the toughest competition for the No. 15 women in the 6K race, but UF is still in position to lock down one of the automatic bids, as the Gators finished ahead of the three teams ranked third through fifth at the Southeastern Conference Championships.

"It's no surprise we're gunning for SEE CROSS COUNTRY, PAGE 21

NCAA Tournament begins with California after SEC defeat

■ THE GATORS LOOK TO BOUNCE BACK AFTER THEIR THIRD LOSS.

By **BOBBY CALLOVI**Alligator Writer
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As the UF soccer team waited for practice to begin Thursday, they laughed and joked just like any other week.

Onlookers could not tell this was the first time the No. 2-seeded Gators (17-3-1, 11-0 Southeastern Conference) had prepared for a match after a loss since Sept. 19.

The Gators don't show signs of dwelling on the 3-0 upset to Georgia on Friday, but it doesn't mean they have forgotten about the game.

They plan on using the lessons they learned to start the NCAA Tournament today against California (10-8-1, 3-5-1 Pacific-10 Conference)

"Any time you give up three goals, I take that personally — the whole defense does."

Caitlin Howard

UF junior defender

Bulldogs) for their goals came from our mistakes, so if we prevent from making our own mistakes and turnovers, then (the Golden Bears) are not going to have a chance to score," junior defender Caitlin Howard said.

The week between the loss to Georgia and tonight's match is the longest UF has had to wait to redeem itself — the previous losses were on Friday nights and the Gators won their Sunday games just two days later.

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It's time we got our hands dirty here at the alligatorSports Brand picks column.

We're talking farm-work-type dirty. Before the Gators take on the Gamecocks on Saturday, we wanted to find out what a Gamecock is and how to take care of one.

So we decided to call up Nate Applegate of Wingo Gamefowl, located in Eastern Kentucky by the Ohio state border.

Nate was quite the southern gentleman as he explained to us that gamecocks bred in the Philippines are brought up to have a never-quit attitude and be aggressive and always ready to start a battle quick and hard.

We're intimidated. "The gamecock will not quit," said Applegate, who doesn't put any of his chickens in any fights, but just raises them and occasionally sells them. "The gamecock will keep on until he has nothing left."

Applegate said while gamecock fighting is a popular sport in the Philippines, many others have started to breed them for their colors and how all their feathers have to be kept perfectly in place.

"They've got a little bit of an attitude to them," Applegate said. "They're always happy, never sick. Their immune system is real strong."

However, you do have to be careful if you decide to start breeding gamecocks. They're happy chicks, but not necessarily when they're around each other.

"When I first got chickens, I really didn't know that," Applegate explained. "I picked some up and they gave me a cock and a couple hens. I turned them loose and raised some young ones. Next thing I knew, they done killed each other."

May they rest in peace.

Apparently, a gamecock doesn't mind being on the road, either. And

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UF FOOTBALL

History shows importance of Gamecocks

By **MIKE McCALL**
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The UF-South Carolina game usually isn't the most hyped contest on the Gators' schedule, but maybe it should be.

In recent years, nothing has been a better indicator of how UF's season will wind up.

Two years ago in The Swamp, defensive end Jarvis Moss blocked a potential game-winning field goal as time expired to seal the Gators' 17-16 win and propel them to a national title.

Last season, quarterback Tim Tebow accounted for all seven of UF's touchdowns (five rushing) in a 51-31 victory that gave him an edge in the Heisman Trophy race.

So, it's only fitting that both of those hopes — a championship and another Heisman for Tebow — are on the line this weekend when No. 24 South Carolina comes to town.

The No. 3 Gators (ranked fourth in the BCS) are four wins away from a likely berth in the National Championship Game, and Tebow's award stock will rise and fall with UF's season.

"We have a chance for something even bigger than the (Southeastern Conference), so this game is a huge part of that,"



Alligator File Photo

UF quarterback Tim Tebow rushes for 11 yards for a first down as South Carolina's Stoney Woodson attempts to tackle him in the Gators' 51-31 win against the Gamecocks on Nov. 10, 2007.

Tebow said.

"We have to stay focused because we're going up against a very, very good South Carolina team and one of the best defenses we'll play all year — including the SEC Championship Game

and possibly a bowl game. We have to be handling our business out there to win."

The Gamecocks rank second in the conference in run and pass defense and third in scoring defense (behind UF and No.

1 Alabama).

Coach Urban Meyer said this week the challenge will be overcoming the wide array of formations South Carolina uses, from three to four down linemen

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Screaming 'Beat the Cocks' akin to beating dead horse

Another year, another group of immature students squirting milk out their noses while laughing at the terrible joke that is "Beat the Cocks."

Listen, kids. It's not funny.

Yes, the Gators are playing a team called the Gamecocks this weekend.

No, that doesn't command you to make a penis joke.

Say it out loud right now. Go ahead. Get it out of your system. Cocks. But please, don't bring it up again this weekend.

Every year, without fail, my eyes are subjected to UF fans holding signs with that sophomoric drivel or some variant thereof — "Spurrier loves the Cocks," perhaps, or "Block the Cocks."

Enough already. We get it. They've probably been putting that catchphrase on T-shirts since before your parents were born.

If any of you bring those signs to Saturday's



Evan Drexler
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of an LSU game.

Gators fans are supposed to be better than that, supposed to be above the commonplace abuse that every other school surely throws in the Gamecocks' direction. I know you can do better.

There has got to be a cleverer phrase out there than "Beat the Cocks," or at least a more original one. Might I suggest doing something with the name of South Carolina's

game, you're no better than the opposing fans who bring the oh-so-trite "Teabag Tebow" messages into The Swamp or the countless Southeastern Conference fans who get joy out of adding "-eaux" to every word in their signs the week

junior cornerback, Captain Munnerlyn? Or how about taunting place kicker Ryan Succop after his three-blocked-kick performance in The Swamp two years ago?

You should definitely stay away from the predictable insult-hurling at quarterback Chris Smelley. He's surely been getting that all his life, and those taunts will also be unfunny.

And I'll tell you what else is not a laughing matter — this South Carolina team.

At what point in the week did you realize this team is the No. 24 unit in the country? Monday? Wednesday? Just now when you read that sentence? The Gamecocks really snuck into the rankings and have not been in the top 25 since they were No. 24 on Aug. 31, way back after week 1.

They've even managed to eke out a spot in the BCS rankings this week, clocking in at 25.

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■ **The UF softball team completed its fall season with a doubleheader sweep of Chipola College on Thursday evening. For that story and an audio preview of the UF-South Carolina game on Saturday, check the Web site.**

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Today's question: What will be the result of the South Carolina-UF game?

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Thursday's question: Should Emmanuel Moody get more carries than either Jeff Demps or Chris Rainey? (see right for results)

187 TOTAL VOTES

Vols undefeated since last UF match

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Before practice and a long trip to Knoxville on Thursday, UF's middle blockers seemed confident in their game plan and ready to prove their coach wrong.

"I take that as a challenge," freshman Cassandra Anderson said. "I believe that we will out-play their middles."

Senior Kelsey Bowers also said the quote serves as motivation, but she believes her team hasn't played at the level it is capable of.

"I know that we have a lot of potential and we haven't lived up to how many blocks per game we can get," she said.

The Gators have the opportunity to all but clinch the conference title with two wins this weekend — a victory against the Wildcats would put them three matches up with three matches to play and UF would hold the head-to-head tiebreaker.

But first, UF needs to get past a Tennessee team that comes into today's match riding the conference's longest win streak.

The Volunteers have not suffered a loss since the Gators swept them in the O'Connell Center a month ago.



Bowers

Men prepare for competition vs. Seminoles

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one of the top two spots, the automatic bids," Morgan said. "Florida State beat us at the Notre Dame meet, but we'd like to go against them again and make a run at them."

The men will also face a talented FSU squad, and UF has already raced against its strongest opposition, No. 5 Alabama and No. 12 Auburn, falling behind both in the SEC Championships. It will be the first 10K race of the season for the men, who have been running 8Ks until now. Although the added distance would appear to make things more dif-

icult, junior Sean Blaney thinks the Gators' training has prepared them for this part of the season.

"Most of our guys are thinking that we get to run a bunch of short 8Ks all year, then we get to run the race we want," Blaney said. "Most of our team is strength-oriented, not necessarily speed-oriented."

That should work to UF's advantage heading into the final two races of the season, but Morgan said he already feels both teams are ahead of where they were last year.

"This is a better team, and I think they showed that at the SEC meet. But they're not just going to hand us a top-10 finish at the NCAA meet, and that's one of our goals."

Defense ready to step up after defeat to Bulldogs

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The time off has given them a chance to reflect on the defeat and has provided them with more motivation to go and prove themselves.

"Any time you give up three goals, I take that personally — the whole defense does," Howard said. "This weekend, we are going to work on no goals at all."

If the Gators are to rebound, they will need their freshmen to recover quickly from their first loss to an SEC opponent.



Howard said the freshmen got so used to winning that they seemed to be in shock after the SEC

Tournament loss.

Coach Becky Burleigh said it was a wake-up call and a good time to lose if it

was going to happen.

Senior Ameera Abdullah has one last chance at making a deep run into the tournament.

She knows the team will need to bring a high level of play for the entire match to avoid another upset.

"The loss reminded us what we have to do for 90 minutes, and if not, then we won't get the result (we want)," Abdullah said.

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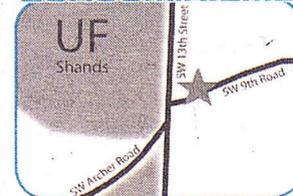
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Nearing the End

Senior Kerns looks to finish career with NCAA Tournament run

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With every game that passes, Megan Kerns knows the end of her playing career is creeping closer.

The joy of scoring a goal or making a crisp pass to a teammate for a score will end as well.

The reward for countless hours of working out will be no more.

And the camaraderie built during the summer days when you and your teammates thought you didn't have anything left will begin to fade.

Kerns, like many other athletes, is unwilling to part with the game she has spent her whole life putting her time, body and heart into, so she plans to continue to live the sport.

Only she will be stalking the sidelines instead of sprinting up the field.

"This spring, I plan on getting my coaching license and starting from there. I'm going to talk to (UF coach) Becky (Burleigh) to see if she has any hook-ups for me," Kerns said.

Burleigh describes Kerns as "another coach on the field."

Her ability to lead and give advice on the field are major reasons why Burleigh named her one of UF's captains and a member of the leadership committee.

"She really has a great mind for the game," Burleigh said. "She has a good demeanor to be a coach, too."

The Southeastern Conference First-Team member said she appreciates the open lines of communication between players and coaches at UF, and she would like to incorporate it into her coaching style.

While Kerns enjoys Burleigh's way of teaching, she doesn't expect her style to be the same.

In fact, it is another coach on the staff who has a personality more like Kerns'.

"I'm more of an intense coach (than Burleigh)," Kerns said. "I'm more of a coach like Vic (Campbell), where I'm kind of a yeller but I also sit back and let (the players) do their thing."

Kerns expects to start out coaching a club or high school team but would like to eventually move up to the college level.

If she does make it that far, a matchup with her old coach would be a possibility.

With Kerns' knowledge of the game that Burleigh praises, her team might be one the UF coach would prefer to avoid.

But if the match had to happen,

it would be one Burleigh looked forward to.

"I love coaching against former players who are now coaches," Burleigh said.

Finally Healthy

Up until this season, few would have considered Kerns to be one of the top scorers in the nation.

Slowed by injuries, she racked up only nine goals and nine assists her first three years as a Gator.

This season, she has two more goals and one less assist.

The numbers are good enough to be near the top of every scoring category in the SEC.

Kerns is second in points and goals, and she is fourth in the conference in assists.

She credits her outstanding season to finally feeling healthy.

"With all my knee injuries in the past, it has been so frustrating," Kerns said. "There were points when I couldn't even grab my foot cause it hurt so bad to bend that much.

"Just to be healthy for my senior year was a wish that came true, thankfully."

Despite playing with basically no meniscus tendon in her left knee due to three different surgeries on it, she has never felt better in her time at UF.

"You can see the difference in the way she is executing right now. Her confidence has changed now that her body is able to do the things her mind is telling her."

Becky Burleigh
UF soccer coach

Even though doctors told her the damage to her body would continue to get worse the longer she played, it was never an option for Kerns to quit, especially with only her senior year left.

"I can't sit out. I really struggle with sitting out, so I wasn't going to my senior year," she said.

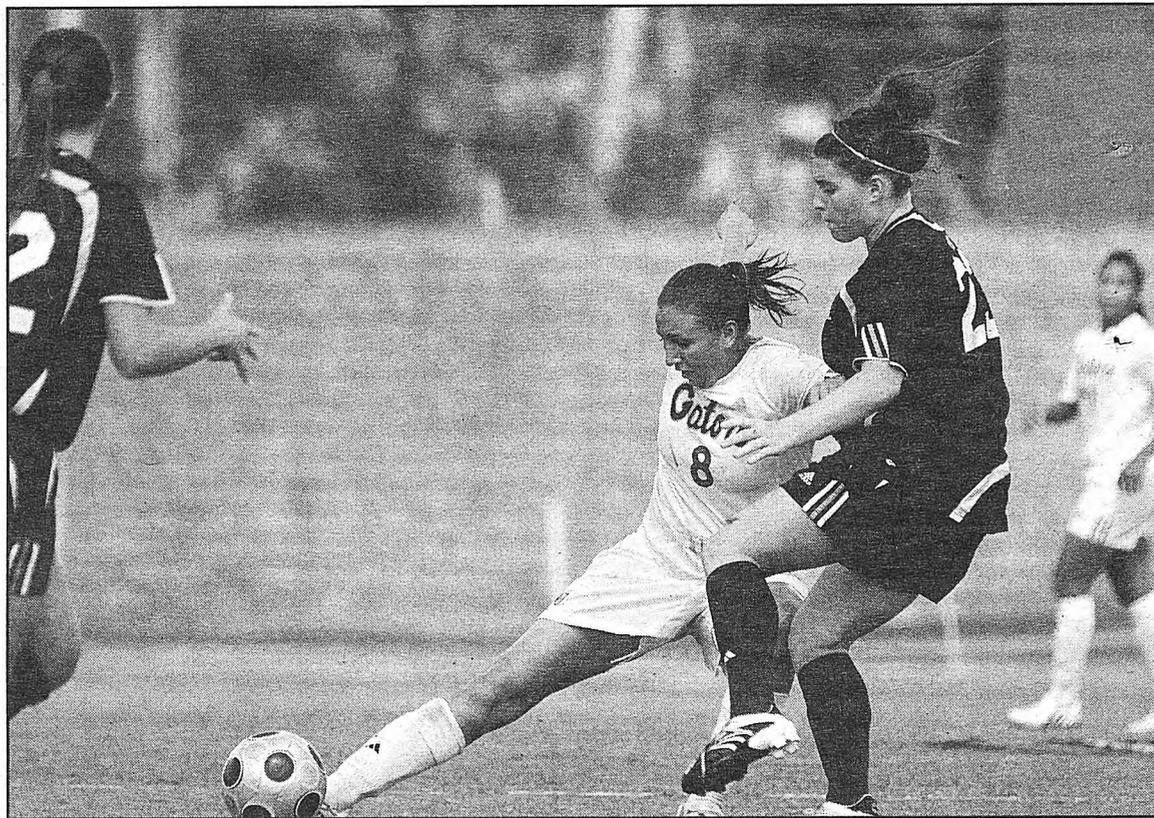
The benefits of her playing have been great for her team.

With few proven scorers returning this year, Burleigh needed Kerns to step up and be the striker she recruited her to be.

Burleigh has noticed the difference in Kerns' play now that she is feeling healthy.

"A healthy Megan is such a different player than a player that is hobbled," Burleigh said.

"You can see the difference in the way she is executing right now. Her confidence has changed now that her body is able to do the



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UF forward Megan Kerns attempts a shot during the Gators' 3-0 win against Mississippi State in Pressly Stadium on Oct. 12.

things her mind is telling her."

One player who has taken notice of how well Kerns is playing this year is fellow senior Liz Ruberry, who has played with Kerns since they were 14.

Ruberry said her play late in games has been the most important thing she has brought to the team.

"You know Megan is going to play her best and do well when she steps on the field, but she has really stepped up for the team," Ruberry said.

"She has been able to close games for us or lead the team when we are down, and that has been really important to us."

Dealing With Freshmen

Just looking at the numbers, no one would know UF's offense struggled to find a rhythm early in the season.

With 16 new faces on the team, the Gators were still learning each other and finding out how others play.

As the lone forward, Kerns took the lack of production personally. The struggles climaxed during the third game of the season against Central Florida.

Despite dominating the game — UF out-shot UCF 17-6 and 8-2 in shots on goal — the Gators fell to the Knights 1-0.

"The UCF game was very frustrating, because we had countless shots that game and none could fall," Kerns said. "I took a lot of blame for that."

In the games following, the of-

fense looked as if it had turned the corner. The match after UCF, UF blew out Nebraska 6-1 with Kerns leading the way.

But it wasn't until the Gators put five goals past Tennessee's SEC Second-Team goalie Jaimel Johnson in their 5-1 win that Kerns felt the offense was finally in sync.

"Since I've been here we hadn't beaten Tennessee, and the most we've scored on them was one goal," she said. "To score five goals against that keeper, it was a great game for our team."

A large part of the offense's success has been the emergence of Tahnai Annis.

Annis and Kerns quickly built a connection that has helped both players score more.

Kerns is more than just someone to get a pass to for Annis; Kerns is also someone she can go to for help.

"She calms me down and makes sure things don't keep bothering me," Annis said.

"It's just good to know someone else was seeing what I was saying."

The success the team has had this season has been a little bit of a surprise to Kerns, who did not know what to expect with all the newcomers.

Now, after an entire regular season with the freshmen, it would be hard for Kerns to imagine the team without them.

"Before I came in for preseason, I barely knew anything about any of the freshmen, but they have

made an amazing impact on the team," Kerns said.

"They have brought great chemistry to our team."

Closing Statement

Wedge in between Kerns' standout regular season and her future in coaching is one last chance to leave an impression on the UF program.

Although the SEC Tournament didn't go as well as the team hoped (it was knocked out in the second round), Kerns and the Gators have bigger aspirations still ahead of them.

The Gators are seeded second in the NCAA Tournament.

The last time they had a No. 2 seed was 1998 — the year they won the national championship.

Along with the high seed, the Gators get home-field advantage for the first three rounds as long as they advance.

No matter how far into the tournament the team goes, Kerns already has a place in UF history as a member of the first team to go undefeated in SEC play since the current scheduling format was implemented.

While her final year has exceeded her expectations, she is not yet ready for it to end.

"I thought last year would be the hardest, because I was so close to all those seniors, but I can see that it is going to be difficult ending this season," Kerns said. "The chemistry has been great and I love all my teammates. It's just going to be hard."

UF MEN'S BASKETBALL

Donovan challenges Calathes to develop into leader

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Nick Calathes has always been able to see the court — the passes, the cuts, the open men.

But does he understand the pressures off the court just as well as the ones on it?

That is the question UF coach Billy Donovan needs the sophomore to answer.

On a team with only two upperclassmen — not including Vernon Macklin, who will not play this year due to NCAA transfer rules — leaders are hard to come by and the onus has fallen on Calathes.

"I admire his tunnel vision and focus to be a great player, but he needs to develop the sensitivity to understand what's going

on," Donovan said.

"Who's hot? Who's missed a few shots? Who's having a tough day? Who's having a good day? There's an awareness that you have to have."

It's a step Calathes will try to take tonight when UF takes on Toledo at the O'Connell Center at 6 in its season opener.

Donovan points to former Gator Al Horford as an example of the leadership he looks for.

The day before UF played in the national title game in 2007, rumors swirled about Donovan leaving the program.

It was a decision that wouldn't affect Horford and his NBA-bound classmates, but one he noticed the freshmen were struggling with.

Horford approached Donovan with his

concern, and the coach called a team meeting to settle the rumor.

"That's the vision of leadership that Nick has to get better at," Donovan said.



Calathes

Calathes said he knows the younger players look up to him and added that he is trying to become a better leader in all areas of the sport.

"Coach has had conversations with me about it," Calathes said. "I'm definitely trying."

He admittedly "isn't the most talkative person," but there's more to leadership than words.

"It's not going to just come one day and everybody says, 'Oh, he's the leader,'"

Calathes said. "It has to be a progression (over) the course of the season."

With the transfer of roommate Jai Lucas and a preseason full of injuries, the reigning Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Year has several obstacles to navigate his team around.

"Jai deciding to leave was tough. He was one of my best friends on the team," Calathes said. "The point guard is the leader of the team, and it's up to me to lead now."

As he assumes the team's point guard duties from his departed friend, Calathes must see more clearly than ever.

"That's, to me, what the great ones do. They have a pulse on the entire team," Donovan said. "If he can develop into that type of leader, he has a chance to be special."

Gators begin season knowing not to underestimate foes

■ **UF WILL PLAY AT FLORIDA GULF COAST TONIGHT.**

By **CHRISTOPHER YAZBEC**

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Having high expectations does not ensure automatic success.

The UF women's basketball team found that out the hard way in its exhibition loss a week ago.

The key word there is "exhibition."

Now, the Gators will try to start the regular season off on a better note when they travel south to take on Florida Gulf Coast tonight at 7.

If there's anything they've learned from losing to a team they expected to defeat, it's that they can't take anyone for granted.

"There was an expectation because we have been working so hard in practice that things are just going to fall into place when the lights come on," UF coach Amanda Butler said. "That's not always the

case."

Junior guard Jennifer Mossor may have said it best regarding the team's preseason performance:



Women's Basketball

going to be."

UF can apply Mossor's thought to tonight's matchup against a team

that is two years removed from a Division II national championship appearance.

The Gators defeated the Eagles twice last season in the O'Connell Center, the second time ending Florida Gulf Coast's season in the second round of the Women's National Invitation Tournament.

This time, however, UF will be away from home.

The Eagles are returning just one starter from a year ago, so the bigger challenge for UF will be open-

ing the season in the unfriendly confines of a packed gymnasium that seats 4,500.

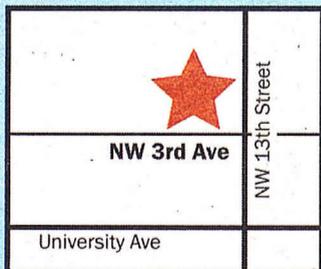
"It's going to be a very challenging environment," Butler said. "It can be one of the most challenging environments that we will play in all year."

Although it is only the first game, tonight will be a good opportunity to see how the Gators respond to coming off a loss, playing on the road and dealing with pesky, early season expectations.

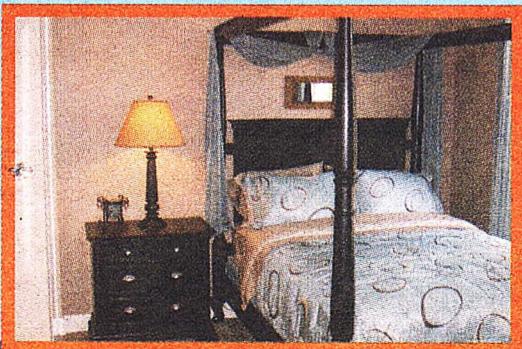
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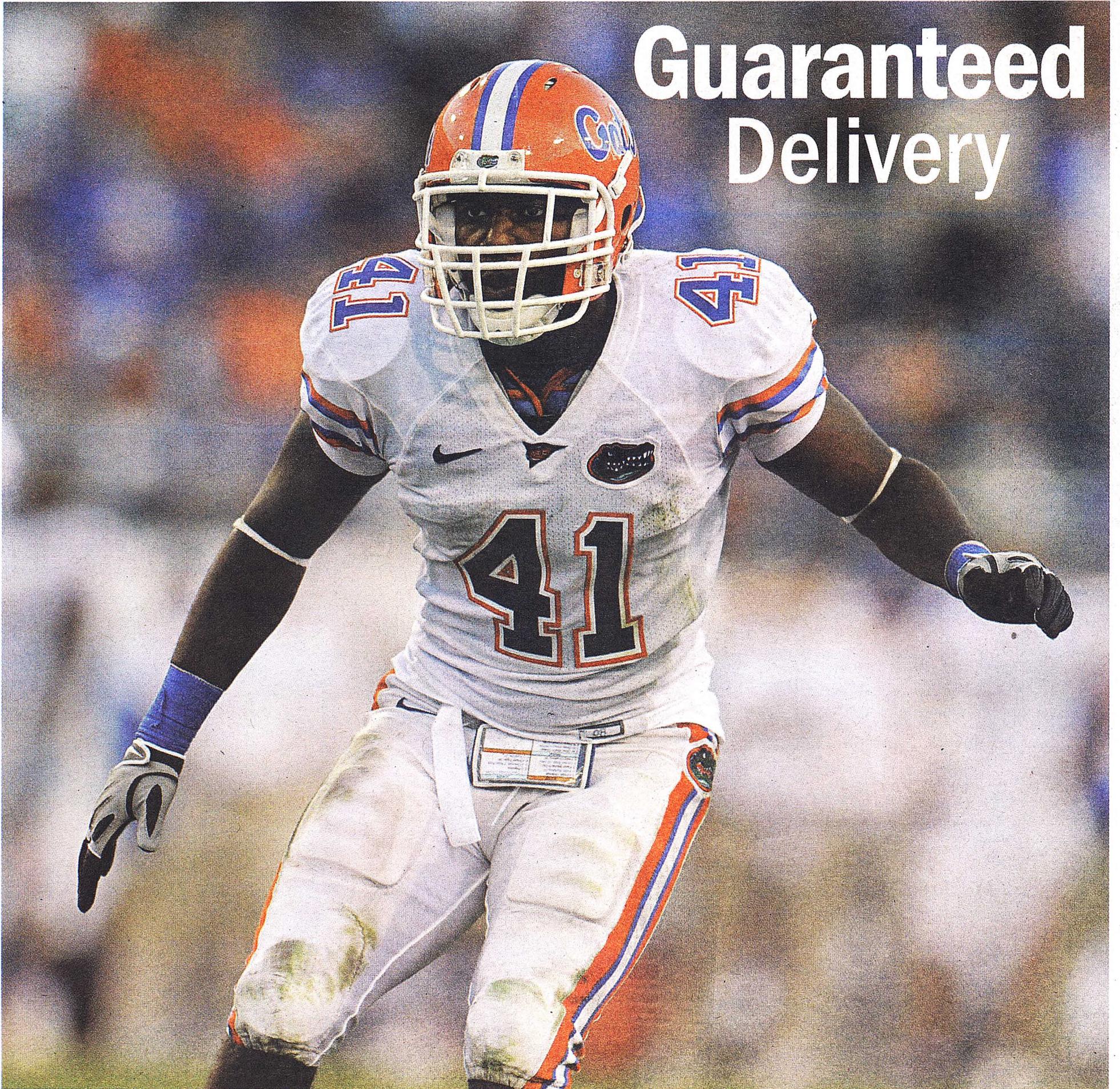
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► UF's Brandon Spikes will lead the Gators defense into Saturday's game against South Carolina. The Gators have clinched the SEC East, and now are looking to make some noise on the national scene.



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Putting his Stamp on It

Junior linebacker proves versatility, reliability during time in Gainesville

By PHIL KEGLER
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Gloria Westcott will be able to walk to the Georgia Dome from her hotel on Dec. 6.

That's because she booked her room after the LSU game, four weeks before UF would clinch the Southeastern Conference East.

Because her son, UF linebacker Ryan Stamper, said the Gators would be there.

So she canceled her plans to make the nine-hour drive from Jacksonville to Nashville, Tenn., for the Vanderbilt game this past weekend.

She saved her time and money for an adventure to Atlanta.

Why would she start to question her son now?

Fellow linebacker Brandon Spikes, one of the top 15 defensive players in the country, looks up to him.

Defensive coordinator Charlie Strong does not hesitate to call him the most reliable player on the defense.

But one of UF's 11 team captains almost never made it to Gainesville.

Fate Steps In

Six schools originally recruited Stamper coming out of Jacksonville First Coast High. UF was not one of them.

So, in November 2004, the 6-foot-2, 215-pound high school senior committed to Auburn.

The Tigers were in the midst of a season where they went 13-0, won the SEC, finished No. 2 nationally and were one of the best defenses in the country.

But Stamper made the decision without consulting his mom.

He just came home and told her he had committed to Auburn, Westcott remembers.

"Oh, really?" she replied.

She started to worry.

This was her boy. She had never missed any of his games, from Pop Warner to high school.

Auburn would drastically end that streak. It was a five-and-a-half-hour drive, and she would be unable to make many games.

But she realized it was Stamper's decision, and it was out of her hands.

"OK, if it's meant for me to see him again, I'll see him again," she recalls thinking.

She never told her son how much she wanted him closer.

Then Auburn's defensive coordinator at the time, Gene Chizik, bolted to Texas.

And Urban Meyer arrived in Gainesville

as the newly minted head of the Gators.

Fate was making its move, and Westcott remembers every word.

"Mom, Coach Meyer called," Ryan said one day in January 2005.

"Coach Meyer from the University of Florida?" she replied.

"Yeah, he wants to come visit."

"Oh my goodness."

"He's going to call you tonight."

So she sat by the phone all night.

Westcott had read about this new Meyer guy in the newspapers. She liked him.

He was a disciplinarian, just like her. And if Ryan went to UF, Gainesville was only a short drive away if he ever needed her.

Meyer came to visit. By that time, Westcott had read almost everything about him.

The coach was impressed — with Stamper and his mom.

"He has an opportunity to play for the Florida Gators. No one will ever be able to take that from him."

— Gloria Westcott

"Coach Strong told me we had an issue at linebacker, depth-wise," Meyer said. "I flipped on (tape of Stamper) and saw a guy that ran around and said, 'Let's go talk to him.' And then I met his mom and found what kind of person he is. I only needed to see 10 plays. And they weren't 10 great plays. They were 10 good plays."

Stamper visited Gainesville. The kid who grew up a Gators fan would become a Gator himself.

"I took the visit, loved it and decided, 'Hey, this is where I want to be.'"

Who Am I Today?

What Stamper didn't know was that he would soon catch a case of multiple personality disorder.

See, some of the time he's known as Sam. Other times he goes by Mike. Recently, he has been known mostly as Will.

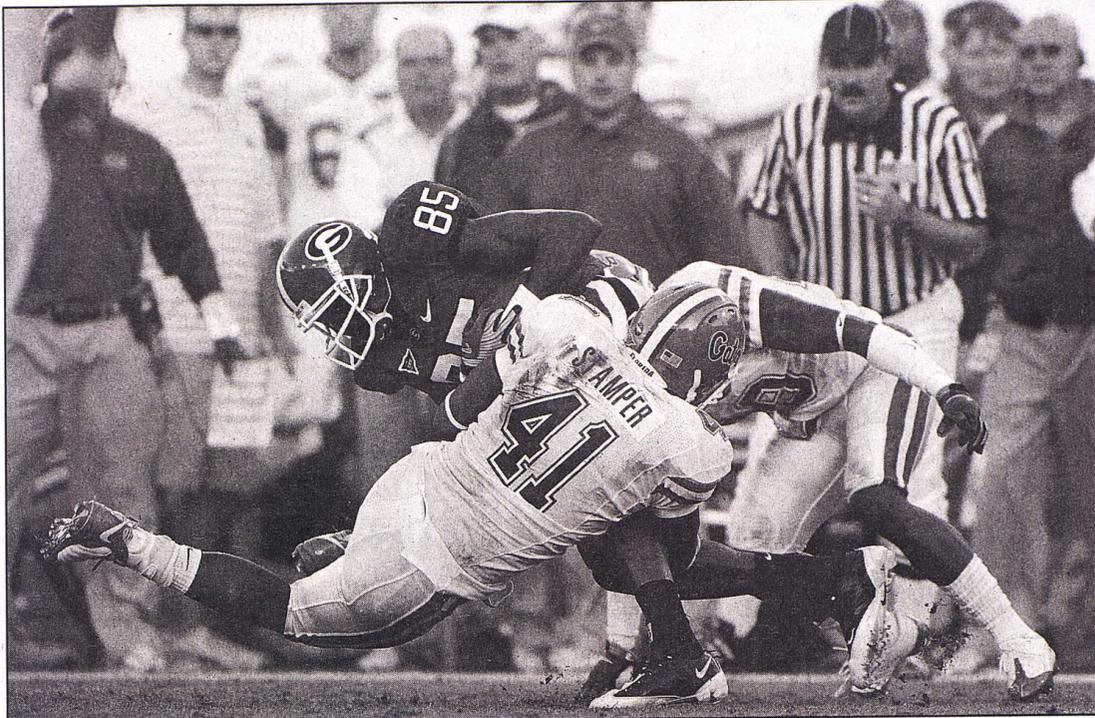
There's no need for concern, however. It's not a medical issue.

Those three names are actually aliases for the three linebacker positions.

The Sam linebacker (known as the strong-side linebacker) lines up on the "strong" side of the offense — wherever it has more personnel.

The position guards the tight end in pass coverage a lot. Sophomore A.J. Jones is the current starter at this spot.

The Mike linebacker (known as the middle linebacker) has become a position of spotlight



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for UF during the last few years. It has been filled by hard-hitting guys such as Brandon Siler and Brandon Spikes, who have become physical and emotional leaders of the defense.

The Will linebacker (known as the weak-side linebacker) is the speediest of the three spots and falls into pass coverage almost every play. This is the spot where Dustin Doe and Stamper are competing for the starting job.

While many guys specialize in one, Stamper is considered capable at all three spots.

This is where the redshirt junior earns his reputation as one of the most versatile guys on the team.

He can spell Jones and become Sam. When Spikes was injured for the season opener against Hawaii, Stamper came and started as Mike. Now he primarily gets looks as Will and has wrestled the starting job away from Doe, although it's a week-by-week decision.

Stamper even played all three positions against FSU last season.

Doe thinks the competition has made them better, as well as improved the defense as a whole. The Gators rank third in the nation, allowing only 11.9 points per game.

"It's something that we didn't have in the past," Doe said. "Everybody knows competition is the best coach."

There's No Crying In Football

If competition makes you better, then maybe it's your mom who gets you going.

Westcott signed Stamper up for football as a young boy.

She was a mother who was a big football fan and always dreamed of being a sideline reporter for football broadcasts.

Stamper was a 7-year-old boy with too much energy.

"I needed something for him to blow off the energy so he could sleep," she said.

But there came a snag early on in the linebacker's career.

During one of his first games, an opponent stepped on his finger.

He ran off the field and came crying to his mom. She just looked at him.

"Boy, what are you crying about?"

"They stepped on my finger," Stamper sobbed in reply.

"You need to get off the field, and let's go home."

Next thing Westcott knew, her boy was running after his coach to get back in the game.

Since then, Stamper has broken both of his thumbs as well as his left hand.

He has played through it all.

Test Of Strength

Playing through pain hasn't always been the problem, however. There used to be a time Stamper just wished he would see the field.

He started out on special teams, as almost all UF players do.

Westcott remembers some tough phone calls.

Stamper would question why he was in Gainesville, why he wasn't playing. All the normal things from a young player at a top program.

"Mom, I just need you to talk to me. I need you to coach me up," he would say.

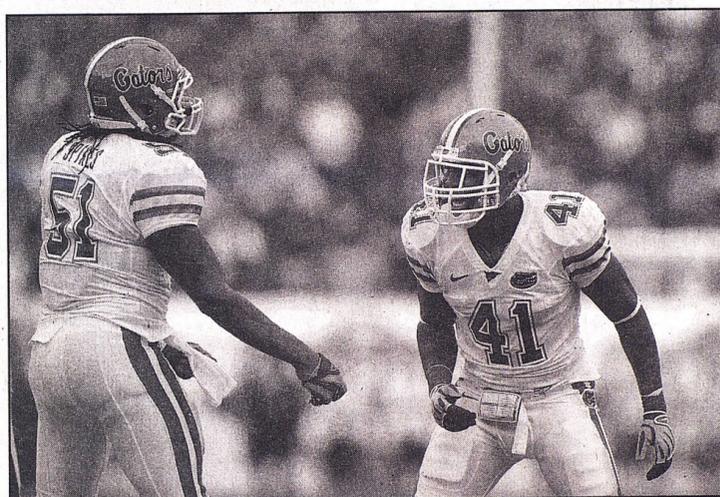
"Listen, you're down there for a reason," she would reply. "You will start."

Then came the Mississippi game in 2007, when Stamper would leave his mark. He earned the black shirt for special teams, an award given out by coaches postgame.

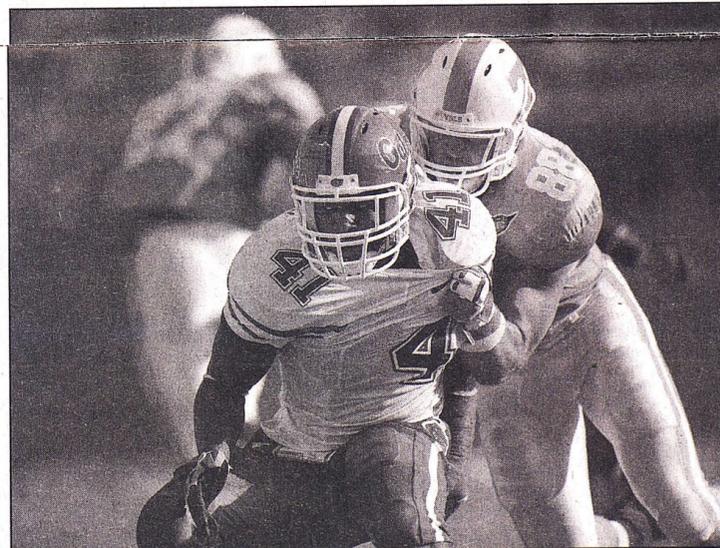
He made three pancake blocks in the game and nailed all his other blocks. Coaches began giving him more looks at linebacker.

Stamper made his first career start against Georgia four games later.

"It just brings tears to my eyes because I'm



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TOP: Georgia receiver Demiko Goodman is taken down by UF linebacker Ryan Stamper during the Gators' 49-10 win against Georgia in Jacksonville on Nov. 1.

MIDDLE: Stamper celebrates a hit by fellow-linebacker Brandon Spikes during the victory against Georgia.

BOTTOM: Stamper is grabbed by Tennessee tight end Luke Stocker during the Gators' 30-6 win against the Volunteers in Neyland Stadium in Knoxville, Tenn., on Sept. 20.

so grateful," Westcott says. "You never know what can happen after football. We don't ever talk like that. He has an opportunity to play for the Florida Gators. No one will ever be able to take that from him."

His Time Has Come

Just don't count on seeing Stamper on the field during the team's pre-game stretching Saturday.

He participated in the routines three times in 2007 — against Auburn, LSU and Georgia. Three times, the Gators lost.

Who said football players weren't superstitious?

"After the Georgia game, I was like, 'I ain't going to do that,'" Stamper says, after explaining his coaches OK'ed the plan. "I'm just going to stay in the locker room and get stretched there."

So the redshirt junior does the Gator Walk, gets taped and puts on his pads.

Then he reaches for his secret weapon — Flexall, a gel that helps relieve muscle tension.

Tight joints aren't the only things classifying him as old.

Stamper has been in Gainesville for four years now — he redshirted his first year — and will graduate with a criminology degree in December.

He plans to return and finish his eligibility next season, but he isn't sure whether that means adding a second major or entering graduate school.

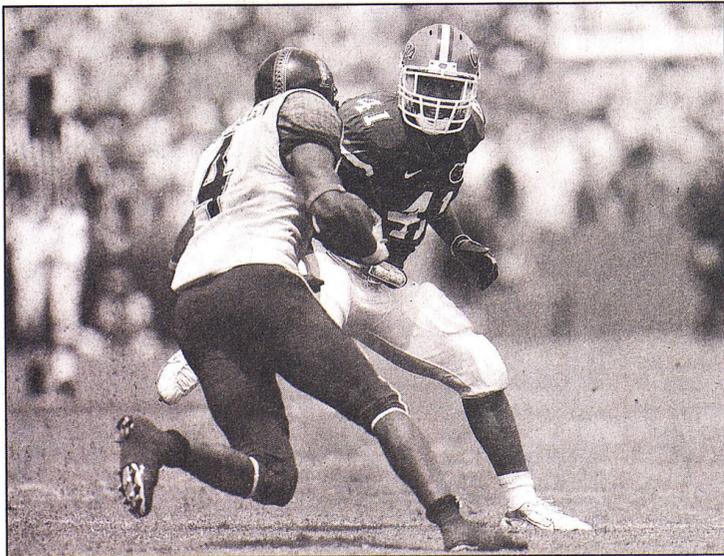
His teammate and friend Doe laughs and calls Stamper "the old man of the group." He's also called on as the final word in arguments.

"He gives his words of wisdom, and then whatever he says, everybody's like, 'See, Stamp agrees with it,'" Doe says. "It must be right."

Stamper knows the legacy he wants to leave behind.

"I just wanted to be remembered as a guy that's just known for getting the job done," Stamper says. "A guy his teammates can count on, coaches can count on, to always be there for his teammates."

Mission accomplished.



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Stamper runs in front of Hawaii running back Leon Wright-Jackson in the second quarter of the Gators' 56-10 home win against the Warriors on Aug. 30.

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UF RUN vs. SOUTH CAROLINA RUN DEFENSE

UF rushes for 198.7 yards per game; USC allows 101.4 yards per game.
 KEY PLAYERS: UF: RFr. RB Chris Rainey (60 att - 360 yards, 6.0 avg, 2 TDs), Fr. RB Jeff Demps (41 att - 395 yds, 9.6 avg, 4 TDs); USC: Jr. LB Eric Norwood (54 tackles, 10.5 TFL, 7.0 sacks), Sr. LB Marvin Sapp (50 tackles, 1.0 TFL, 1.0 sack).
 ANALYSIS: Emmanuel Moody is back, folks. Demps and Rainey have been getting all the publicity this season, but Moody will provide the power running game Demps and Rainey could not. South Carolina is the second-best rushing defense in the Southeastern Conference, but they have not seen the likes of Rainey, Demps and Moody thrown at them this season. The Gators should up the Gamecocks' 101.4 yards per game average, especially if Tim Tebow is running like he has been the last two weeks.
ADVANTAGE: UF



UF PASS vs. SOUTH CAROLINA PASS DEFENSE

UF passes for 208.8 yards per game; USC allows 155.1 yards per game.
 KEY PLAYERS: UF: Jr. QB Tim Tebow (1,740 yds, 17 TDs - 2 INT, 64.9 pct, 167.14 rating), Sr. WR Louis Murphy (24 rec, 398 yds, 16.6 avg, 4 TDs), Jr. WR Percy Harvin (32 rec, 513 yds, 16.0 avg, 7 TDs); USC: Jr. S Emanuel Cook (76 tackles, 1 FR, 52 yds), Jr. S Darian Stewart (47 tackles, 7.0 TFL, 2.0 sacks).
 ANALYSIS: Tebow torched the Gamecocks for two touchdowns through the air last year and five on the ground, so it's obvious South Carolina will be focusing on stopping the Junior quarterback. Whether they can succeed is another story. Once again, the Gamecocks rank second in the SEC in passing defense, so they're no slouches in that category. Tebow should be held down a bit more than he was against Vanderbilt and Kentucky.
ADVANTAGE: UF



SOUTH CAROLINA RUN vs. UF RUN DEFENSE

USC runs for 103.5 yards per game; UF allows 108.3 yards per game.
 KEY PLAYERS: USC: Sr. RB Mike Davis (137 att - 479 yds, 3.5 avg, 3 TDs), Fr. RB Eric Baker (37 att - 160 yds, 4.3 avg, 0 TDs); UF: Jr. LB Brandon Spikes (66 tackles, 8.0 TFL, 2.0 sacks; 2 INTs, 55 yds), Jr. DE Jermaine Cunningham (33 tackles, 5.0 TFL, 3.5 sacks, 1 FF).
 ANALYSIS: While the Gamecocks' rushing defense is stout, their rushing offense is anything but. They are dead-last in the SEC, and UF linebackers are surely licking their lips. Expect big days from the defensive linemen as they halt South Carolina's rushes before they can gain positive yards.
ADVANTAGE: UF



SOUTH CAROLINA PASS vs. UF PASS DEFENSE

USC passes for 229.0 yards per game; UF allows 177.9 yards per game.
 KEY PLAYERS: USC: So. QB Chris Smelley (1,439 yds, 11 TDs - 9 INTs, 59.0 pct, 128.6 rating), RFr. QB Stephen Garcia (725 yds, 6 TDs - 4 INTs, 54.9 pct, 134.8 rating) Sr. WR Kenny McKinley (35 rec, 463 yds, 13.2 avg, 4 TDs), Jr. TE Jared Cook (33 rec, 542 yds, 16.4 avg, 2 TDs); UF: So. S Major Wright (46 tackles, 2 INTs, 37 yds), So. CB Joe Haden (56 tackles, 0.5 TFL, 0.5 sacks, 2 INTs, 112 yds).
 ANALYSIS: South Carolina did something very unique last week against Arkansas — switch quarterbacks on almost every play. The ploy worked in their victory against the Razorbacks, but the Gators should not be fooled by it. They have been preparing for the dual-threat that is Smelley and Garcia, so they should be more than ready to handle the Gamecocks' passing attack.
ADVANTAGE: UF



SPECIAL TEAMS

KEY PLAYERS: UF: Sr. Kicker Jonathan Phillips (9-9 FGs, long 40), So. Punter Chas Henry (28 punts, 43.0 avg, long 60), Jr. KR/PR Brandon James (35 rets, 791 yds, 2 TDs); USC: Sr. Kicker Ryan Succop (17-26 FGs, long 54, 1 blocked), So. Punter Spencer Lanning (33 punts, 42.8 avg, long 53), Jr. KR/PR Captain Munnerlyn (24 rets, 284 yds, 0 TDs).
 ANALYSIS: Everyone who was here back in 2006 will remember the ending to the South Carolina-UF game that season. Jarvis Moss' famous blocked field goal allowed UF to remain in the national-title picture and caused The Swamp to erupt louder than it ever has. Good news if you're a Gators fan? The Gamecocks' kicker is the same guy who was blocked three times in that game. That's an edge for UF if we've ever heard one.
ADVANTAGE: UF



INTANGIBLES

The Gators are too focused to drop this game to Steve Spurrier and the Gamecocks. Though South Carolina is a surprising No. 24 in the country and has one of the best defenses in the SEC, UF knows a loss would end its hopes for a second national championship in three years. And it's not like the Gators will be caught looking ahead to their cataclysmic matchup with The Citadel.
ADVANTAGE: UF

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