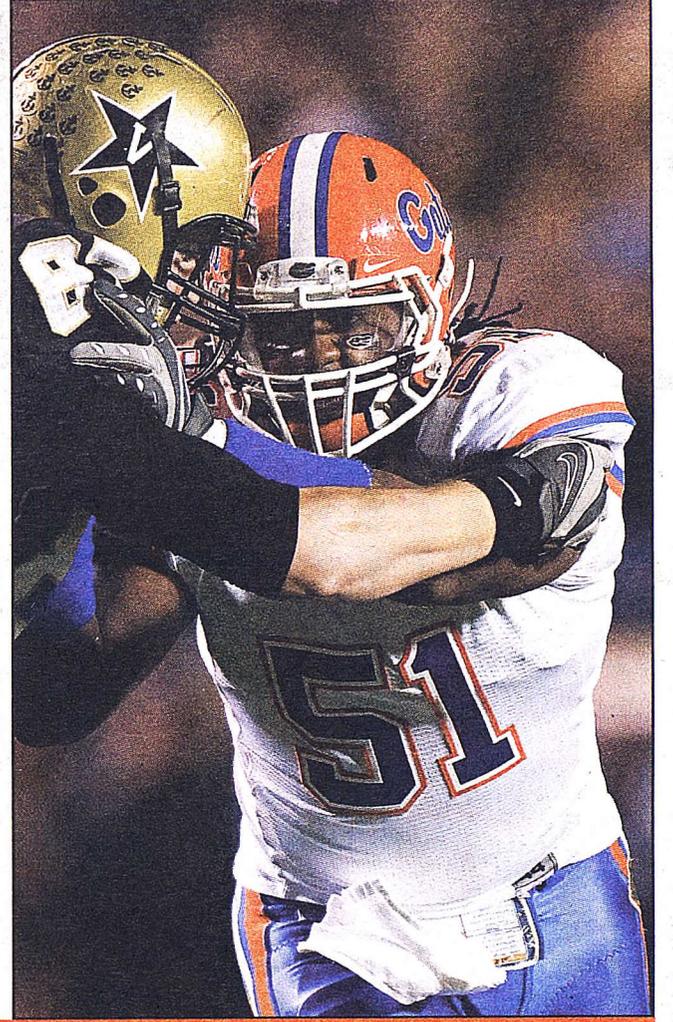
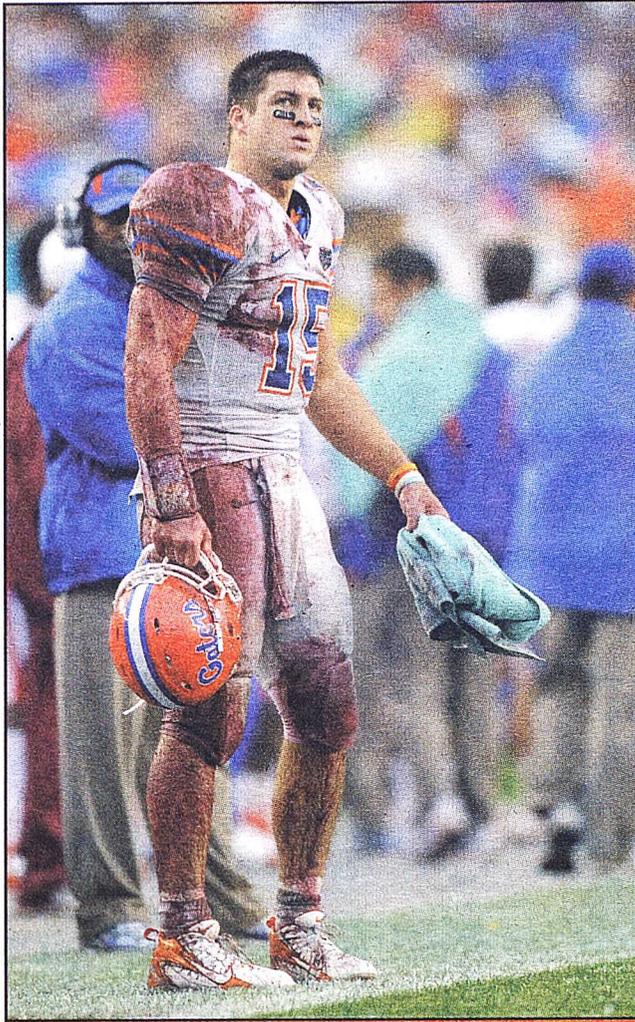
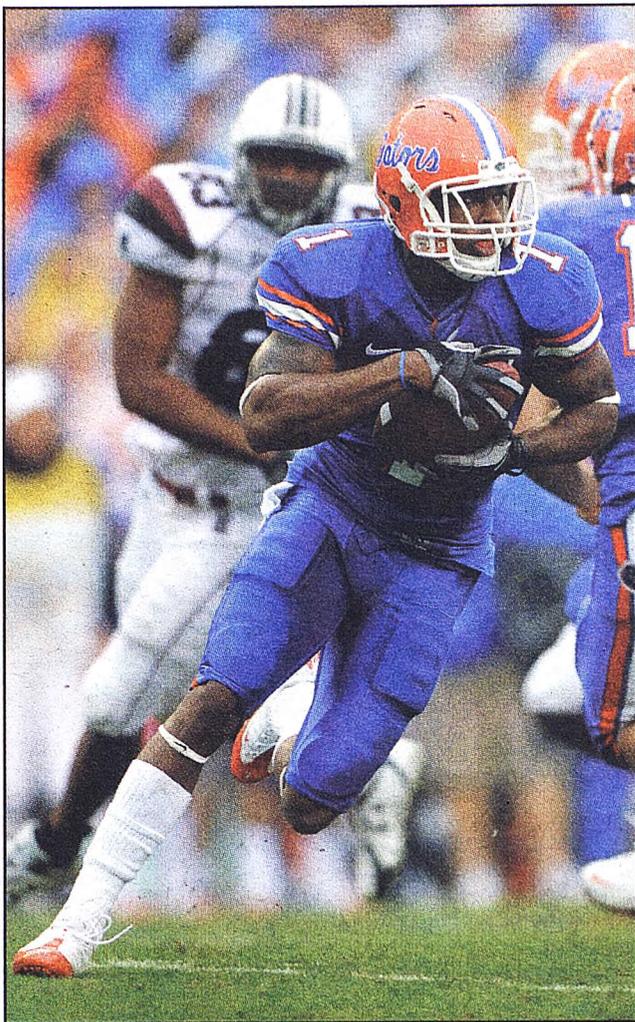
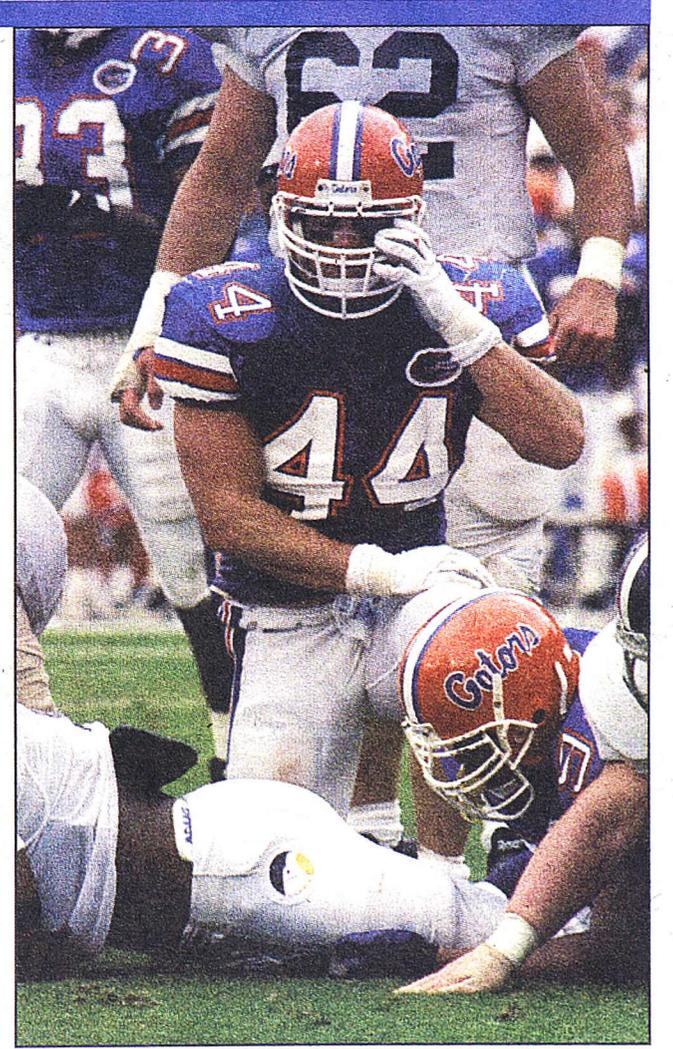
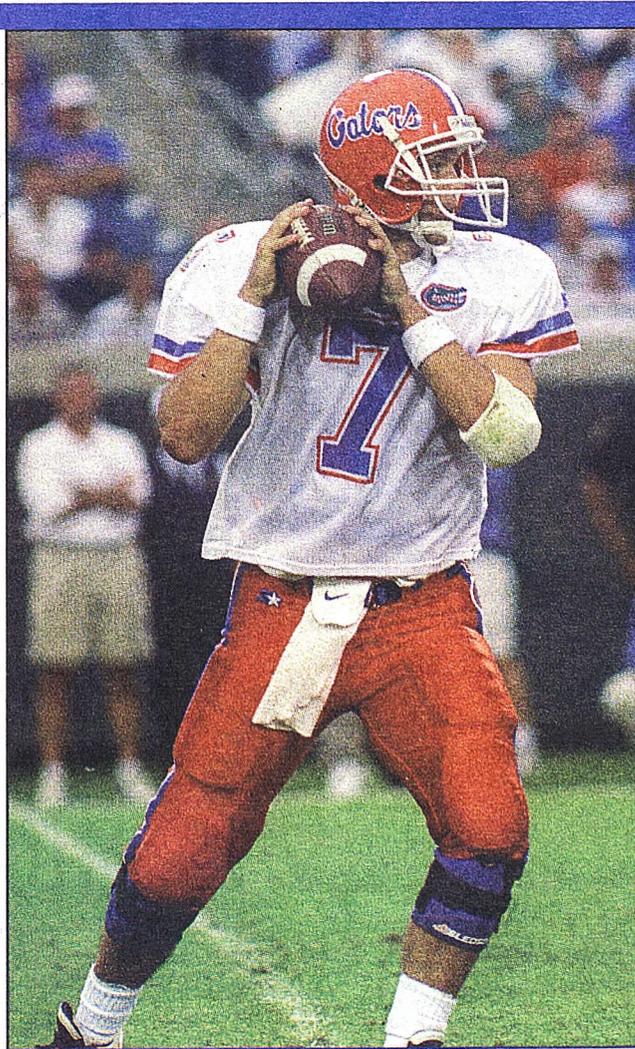
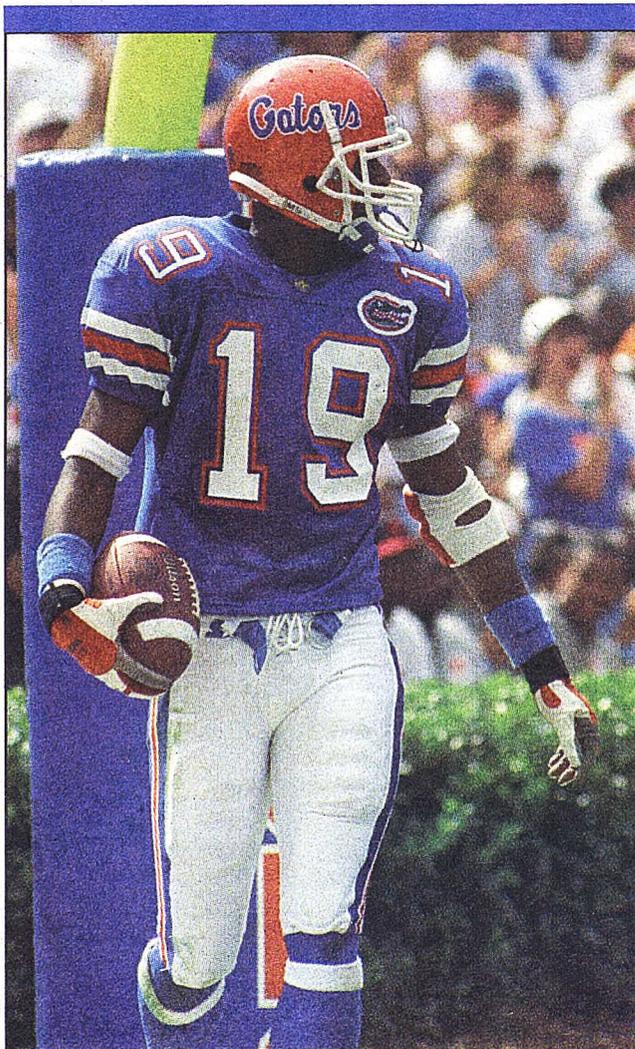


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Just Like '96



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Seeing Double

'96, '08 teams share similar bonds on, off field as Gators head to SEC Championship

BRIAN STEELE ▶ Alligator Staff Writer

It's the summer of '92, and 18-year-old young men stroll into Yon Hall for the first time.

Danny Wuerffel walks into his dorm to find roommate Jason Odom and his waterbed stretching across half the room. Lawrence Wright comes in with a prideful strut, staking out his territory immediately. James Bates enters with his goofy, Tennessee grin. Farm boy Donnie Young and his soon-to-be 6-foot-4, 315-pound frame ambles forward, looking for competition.

They were the class of '96, a football melting pot of cultures taking refuge in UF's old dorm where only athletes resided. You had Wuerffel, the soft-spoken quarterback who would one day have fans lining up outside his dorm room with pens and photos in hands. You saw Wright, the safety who would tell you exactly what he thought. You got a taste of Bates and his antics that would soon become the yin to Wright's yang in the championship locker rooms. You caught a glimpse of Young, whose drawl revealed his Southern roots.

Outside of Gainesville, they would have never glanced up if they crossed

each other in a local Wal-Mart.

Except this was Gainesville, and this was a rickety dorm with one bathroom per floor. This was a dorm with guards at the door that kept visitors limited, and forced the athletes to form a brotherhood bond.

From Bates making fun of safety Demetric Jackson for watching his Steven Segal movies to ping-pong competitions until the wee morning hours, athletes who had about as much in common as a Beethoven fan at a KISS concert formed relationships that built themselves into a towering unit of football dominance.

Now, it's happening again. Well, except that Yon Hall is shut down, and the Segal arguments have probably ceased.

The brotherhood, however, has been reincarnated. This current group of Gators has been transformed from individuals who would leave practice on their own to players who leave practice together, laughing.

The passion of Tim Tebow and Brandon Spikes has become a smooth, milkshake-like blend with the rock-star nature of Joe Haden and the goofs of Chris Rainey.



Harrison Diamond / Alligator Staff

Ahmad Black's loud, deep laugh is now one with the shyness of Jermaine Cunningham and the evasive Percy Harvin.

Whatever they're doing, Gainesville has seen this before. We all know how it ended last time, as The Swamp's "National Championship 1996" lettering reminds us. That same feeling is here once again.

The Chosen Ones

"Freak!"
And, apparently, "Doochickey."

You will never hear anything more profane than those words leave the mouths of Tim Tebow and Danny Wuerffel. Senior receiver Louis Murphy said he only hears Tebow exclaim "Freak!" after an incomplete pass. In a YouTube video, Bates, the starting middle linebacker on the '96 team, says Wuerffel made it a point for people to not hear him swear by saying

other player in the nation would work harder for the rest of the season.

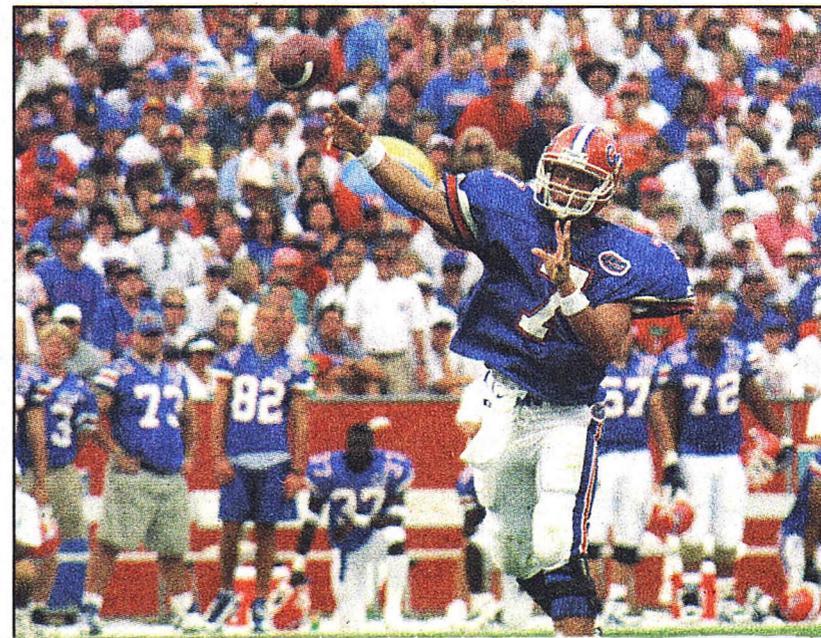
"He hates to lose," senior James Smith said.

Wuerffel made his proclamation in silence. After he took vicious hit after hit against Florida State in 1996, there was not a peep of a complaint.

"He was sitting right behind me and I didn't realize," Bates said. "I was kind of embarrassed a little bit. Nobody could've taken that beating that he took and got right back up."

While Wuerffel was not the most vocal — because, as Bates jokingly put it in the YouTube video, Spurrier would tell Wuerffel, "What are you going to do, Danny? ... Say please don't do that?" — Tebow's and Wuerffel's work ethics sent a vibe throughout the rest of the team.

"When you have guys like Danny and Tim on your team," said former running back and current UF director





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UF student in Tuesday scooter accident dies

Family removed him from life support

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After a 15-hour flight from Iraq, Michael VanWagner's sister, Dana, arrived at his hospital room three hours before he died at 1:51 p.m. Thursday.

"He held on long enough for me to get home," she said.

The UF history senior had suffered serious head injuries after he was hit by a car while riding his scooter Tuesday near the intersection of West University Avenue and Northwest 17th Street. He wasn't wearing a helmet.

The green Lincoln Town Car also hit two cars before rolling to a stop about two blocks away.

Driver Monica Toliver, 40, has not been arrested. Pending an investigation, she could face multiple charges including leav-

ing an accident with a death, GPD spokeswoman Summer Hallett said.

VanWagner was brought to Shands at UF in critical condition.

He went into a coma, and doctors said he would have brain damage if he survived, Dana VanWagner said. The family decided Thursday to remove him from life support, she said.

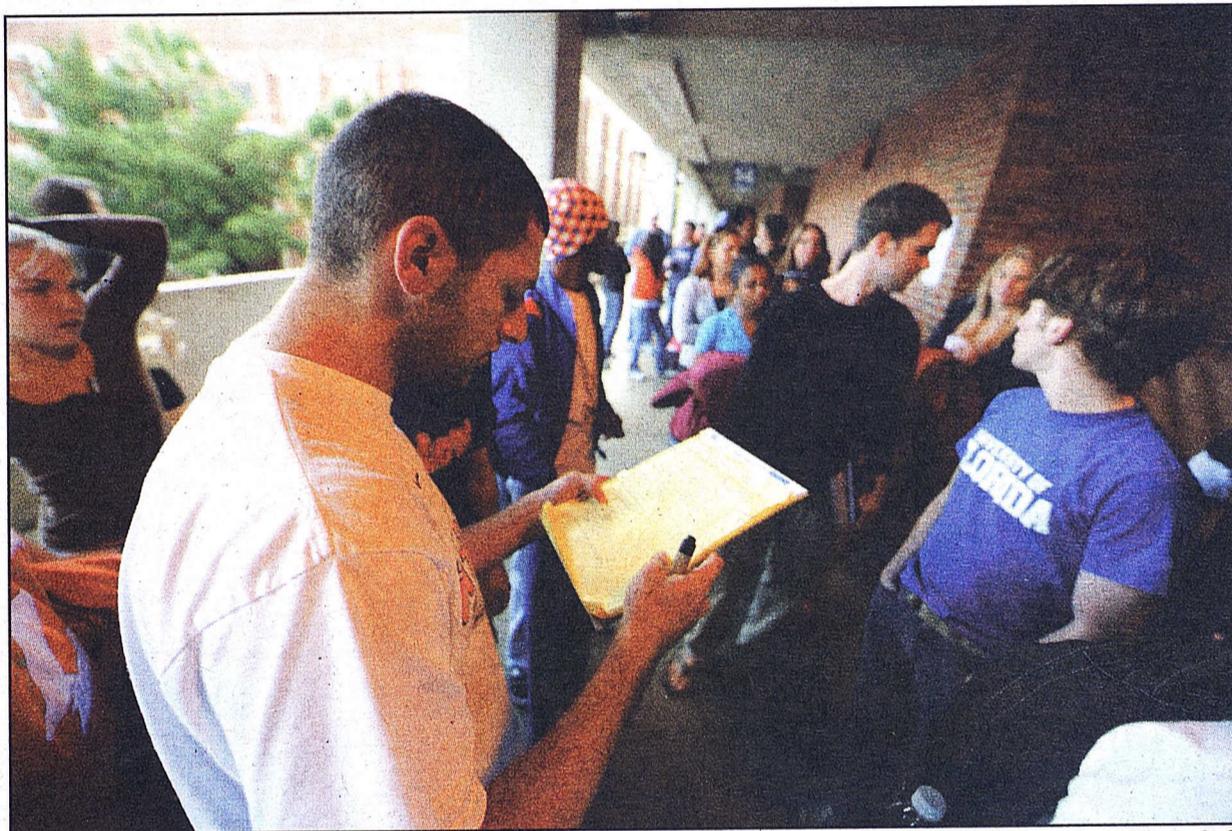
The VanWagners were very

close, she said, and Michael was the one who made everyone laugh and forget their differences.

"He was definitely the glue for our family," she said.

They live in Sparr, about 20 miles from Gainesville. Michael VanWagner's close friend Christina Jacobson, a student at Central Florida Community College, lives there, too.

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Harrison Diamond / Alligator Staff

UF graduate student Michael Schwartzseid reads a list of students lined up for tickets for Saturday's Southeastern Conference Championship Game outside the Student Ticket Office at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium on Thursday.

Students camp for SEC tickets

■ OUT OF ABOUT 180, ONLY 19 GOT TICKETS.

By **LAUREN BAKER**
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Of the nearly 32 students who camped out Wednesday to snatch an unclaimed ticket for the Southeastern Conference Championship Game, nothing remained but empty soda cans, a pillow, and for some, a busted dream.

About 180 people packed the space between gates 12 and 13 of Ben Hill Griffin Stadium on Thursday.

Only 19 got tickets.

However, only about six of those who received a ticket staked out by the stadium a night in advance.

Some of the ticket-holder hopefuls, including Rachel

Weston, a UF engineering senior, came to the ticketing office at about 9:30 p.m. Wednesday based on a first-come, first-serve policy she read on GatorZone.com.

Weston said her camp-out crew started a list detailing the order in which everyone arrived so they could present the list to University Athletic Association officials and ensure a fair distribution of unclaimed tickets. Weston was No. 18.

However, signs posted around 10 a.m. Thursday presented a different message: A lineup would only be honored at 5 p.m.

When about 100 more students arrived by 5 p.m., they refused to sign the list — signed by 88 students — generated by Weston's group because they would have agreed to a first-come, first-served policy and would have cut themselves from

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UF PROJECTS

ESPN says Gatorade trivia segment poorly researched

By **THOMAS STEWART**
Alligator Writer

Could it be? Was Gatorade actually created by a Florida State University team doctor and called "Seminole Firewater"?

The rumor has been circulating for more than a year on the Internet, but it was thrust into the national spotlight on Saturday during UF's football game against Florida State

University, which aired on ABC in a "Did You Know?" segment.

When contacted by e-mail, Michael Humes, spokesman for ESPN, which produces ABC's sports programming, admitted the station made a mistake in airing the segment.

"While we had multiple sources for the information," Humes wrote, "we did not research that information thoroughly enough to put it on the air."

"It's just another stupid stunt from the guys at Florida State."

Dr. Dana Shires

one of the four inventors of Gatorade

At the end of the second quarter, the segment aired and said an FSU team doctor named R.A. Johnson actually created the

famed sports drink — not Dr. Robert Cade and his team of UF doctors.

The segment said Johnson created the beverage in 1962. Cade and his team created their lemon-flavored electrolyte drink in summer 1965, testing it on UF football players.

In a phone interview, Humes declined to name the sources.

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Woman sues after falling into toilet

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (AP) — A woman is suing a Pennsylvania sports bar and restaurant, saying she got stuck inside a toilet bowl for 20 minutes after the seat broke.

Kathleen Hewko of Delran Township, N.J., said she was in the bathroom at Starters Pub near Allentown when the handicapped toilet seat cracked, dumping her into the bowl.

Hewko says in her lawsuit filed in federal court in November that she had hip surgery prior to the Nov. 19, 2006, incident and was re-injured when the seat broke.

The lawsuit names Starters and Kohler Co., the company that made the toilet seat.

■ It's time to take advantage of extended hours at the library. Unless you're sick of seeing the "Study Couple" making out in Library West. See Column, Page 6.

■ Tim Tebow (right) and No. 2 UF are on an unprecedented run as they are perhaps one win from the national championship game. No. 1 Alabama has championship hopes of its own. See Story, Page 17.



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Holiday Silent Auction

Today through Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Reitz Union Colonnade
Recurso will be auctioning artwork, jewelry and other holiday gifts. All proceeds benefit Recurso's 2009 International Service Trip to Nicaragua.

Santa's Visit

Today, 6:30 p.m.
Lambda Chi Alpha House, 4 Fraternity Row
Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity and Alpha Delta Pi Sorority will host the fourth annual Santa's Visit. Visiting children will make candy cane reindeer, decorate holiday stockings and Santa hats and have the chance to meet Santa Claus.

UF Equestrian Club Dressage show

Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Horse Teaching Unit off of U.S. 441
Directions to the Horse Teaching Unit can be found at www.ufequestrian.wordpress.com.

Inter-Residence Hall Association's Winter Ball

Tuesday, 9 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.
Hillel
Dress is semi-formal. Bring an unwrapped toy to donate and enjoy the evening. Food and music from DJ Joubert Delson will be provided.

SG Applications

Student Government has extended the application deadline for election commissioner and assistant supervisor of elections to Wednesday at 4 p.m. Applications can be found at www.sg.ufl.edu/applications.

Poinsettia Open House and Sale

Thursday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Fifield Hall
Come join the Graduate and Undergraduate Environmental Horticulture Clubs for their annual Poinsettia Field Day. Rate unique and beautiful new varieties of poinsettias and find that special plant. Poinsettias of almost every color will be for sale, and many of these varieties are not available in stores. Choose from classic red, white,

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Top Leisure-Time Activities



1. Reading
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3. Spending time with family
4. Exercise (aerobics, weights)
5. Computer activities
6. Fishing
7. Going to movies
8. Golf
9. Walking
10. Gardening

Results based on a Harris Interactive poll conducted between Oct. 16 and Oct. 19 among 1,010 adults nationwide.

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STATE

Burger used in assault

VERO BEACH (AP) — A Vero Beach man is facing a domestic violence charge after authorities say he assaulted his girlfriend with a cheeseburger.

An Indian River County Sheriff's Office arrest report said 22-year-old Vincent Gonzalez and his girlfriend got into an argument as they sat in a car in front of their home. The report said Gonzalez would not let her out of the vehicle so the woman threw his drink out of the car. In response, Gonzalez allegedly grabbed her arm and smashed

the cheeseburger into her face. The pair got out of the car, and authorities said Gonzalez again took the McDonald's sandwich and put it on her face

Gonzalez was released on \$1,000 bond Wednesday.

CLARIFICATION

An article in Thursday's Alligator about faculty in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences wanting to reinstate laid-off faculty quoted Janine Sikes, UF spokeswoman, as saying more faculty layoffs were imminent. She has since said she thought budget cuts are imminent, not more faculty layoffs.

CORRECTION

A caption in Thursday's Alligator stated that the Unicorn Christmas Tree Farms photo was taken on Monday. It was actually taken on Tuesday.

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ON CAMPUS

SDS ousted from Reitz Union for giving away food

By DAVID CUMMING
Alligator Writer

What started as dine-in ended as takeout.

A group of 15 people marched inside the Reitz Union Food Court on Thursday afternoon, bearing Tupperware containers filled with hot dogs, mac 'n' cheese and granola. Members of Students for a Democratic Society drew a yellow tablecloth over a corner table, hoping to give out free homemade food to passersby.

"We hope to engage students in conversation about how we're not allowed to give out free food inside our own student center," said Fernando Figueroa, a UF sophomore.

The potluck protest wasn't meant to shut down a specific area of campus, said Richard Blake, a freshman involved with the group.

"We're trying to get the information out to students and show a bit of hypocrisy," Blake said before the group rallied inside.

Ryan Murray, a UF graduate student, liked the idea of "messaging with the corporate scene."

"Maybe we should claim we're Hare Krishnas because they'll probably give us some trouble," Murray said, referring to Reitz Union administration.

Within five minutes of setting up, Mike

Mironack, Reitz Union director of operations, interrupted the scene and asked the students to take their food outside to the Colonnade.

Because the group's food wasn't licensed under an Aramark food provider, it violated the Union's food service standards, Mironack said to the group.

"If it was a personal bag lunch, it'd be absolutely fine," he said in an interview afterward.

The group also violated UF's contract with Aramark by offering people food within the perimeters of the food court, he said.

"It's typical," said Tina Steiger, a political science senior. "There's nothing absurdly radical about what we did."

The group put up a 10-minute verbal fracas with Mironack, who asked the group four times to move outside with their grapefruit slices and peanut butter sandwiches.

"In situations like that, you have to ask yourself, 'How far should I take it?'" Steiger said.

About 10 feet away from the doors of the Union, the group set up their smorgasbord and invited passersby to a free lunch and conversation.

"We're trying to talk to people, and they're kicking us out like we're criminals," Figueroa said.



Sarah Hsu / Alligator Staff

Students for a Democratic Society member Tina Steiger, left, and others get food during a potluck of home-cooked food on the Reitz Union Colonnade on Thursday afternoon.

GPD arrests man with stolen State Attorney computer

■ CHARLES HIXON, 49, HAS BEEN ARRESTED 40 TIMES.

A man was arrested after he was found with a laptop from the State Attorney's Office early Thursday morning.

At about 5:30 a.m., Gainesville

Police noticed Charles Hixon, 49, in the 500 block of Northwest 13th Street throw a backpack in a trash can, according to a GPD report.

The backpack contained a Dell laptop, the report stated.

GPD spokesman Keith Kameg said Hixon, covered in shards of

glass, acted confused and said he didn't know anything about the laptop. Information on the computer linked it to the State Attorney's Office.

Local News

When officers arrived at the office at 120 W. University

Ave., they noticed a large window was shattered and a room had been rummaged through, Kameg said.

"They found a footprint in the room that matched the man's exactly," he said.

Hixon was arrested and charged with burglary, loitering and prowling.

He has been arrested 40 times and convicted 16 times, Kameg said. He is currently serving a 10-year probation.

Kameg said stolen computers are usually sold.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Sen. Ben Dictor to run for Student Body president

By LAUREN BAKER

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Orange and Blue Party Sen. Benjamin Dictor, who represents the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, has announced that he intends to run for Student Body president this spring.

Although Student Government elections are about three months away, Dictor said he decided to announce his candidacy Wednesday after receiving supportive phone calls and seeing about 250 people join a Facebook group urging him to run for the position.

Dictor, who is also vice president of the Political Science Honor Society, said students need an activism-oriented president and that he is fed up with the status quo.

He said he has no vested interest in perks of the position besides adherence to his personal democratic values and morals.

"I can guarantee you that I cannot be bought or sold," he said. "That's what I bring to the table."

Throughout his term in Student Senate, Dictor said he has observed disregard for democratic principles in SG, adding, as one example, the Senate's move

"I think that the fall elections showed that students on this campus are done being apathetic about Student Body politics."

Benjamin Dictor

Orange and Blue Party senator

on Tuesday to limit public debate to one hour.

"It's one thing to talk about tangible results. It's another thing to show up empty-handed when you're talking about them," he said.

Dictor said he has advocated

for students on the issue of Aramark, UF's food service provider, because other companies were not considered. He said he helped include a clause in UF's contract with Aramark to reduce the number of unused student meal plans.

He has collected signatures for online voting in SG elections and presented research about Taser deaths to the committee charged with evaluating UF's free-speech policies in public events.

Dictor played a leadership role in a protest of about 300 people after a UF student was shocked with a Taser in September 2007.

"I have a big mouth, and I talk

a lot," he said. "So I can project pretty well."

He said the Student Body should know they have a stake in SG and that positions are not just awarded based on patronage.

"I think that the fall elections showed that students on this campus are done being apathetic about Student Body politics," he said.

Dictor said a top issue he would discuss if elected is socially responsible investing.

Dictor said he plans to graduate with a degree in political science this spring, and he is in the process of applying to UF's law school.

Commissioners continue GPD expansion discussion

■ CITY PASSED TWO RESOLUTIONS.

By LAUREN IRIZARRY

Alligator Contributing Writer

Expansion plans for the Gainesville Police Department downtown headquarters are inching closer to reality.

The Gainesville City Commission passed two resolutions Thursday night establishing zoning and land use requirements that

will allow GPD to continue with plans.

These changes allow for expansion that will include more administrative offices, utility and storage facilities, and an indoor firing range. The expansion will be adjacent to GPD's current headquarters at Northwest Sixth Street and Eighth Avenue on a 2.56-acre site purchased three years ago.

Part of the Gainesville Rail Trail bicycle path would have to be altered to avoid the

newly expanded headquarters.

At a previous meeting Oct. 2, Commissioner Scherwin Henry expressed concerns about having the firing range close to neighborhoods.

On Thursday, Henry brought up concerns about a nearby retention pond, which will be removed from the plans.

An 8-foot fence intended to muffle firing

range noise was still a point of contention for Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan.

The commission resolved to remove the fence from the plans that were passed and to discuss it at a later time.

Although some residents have voiced complaints about the construction near their homes, Commissioner Thomas Hawkins said he felt concerns had been aired at a community workshop that was held since the last commission discussion.

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STUDENT LIFE

Grant helps fund student environmental project

By **CHELSEA KEENAN**
Alligator Contributing Writer

About 1,000 people living in West Africa will have increased access to water, thanks to five UF graduate students and a \$10,000 grant.

These students and another UF team were chosen by the Environmental Protection Agency in this year's People, Prosperity and the Planet program, or P3. The program is an annual competition in which students develop and carry

out earth-friendly projects across the globe.

The chosen UF teams were among 43 other winners awarded \$10,000 grants.

The awards may not end there.

In April, both teams will compete in Washington, D.C., against other recipients of the grant to try for an additional \$75,000.

Iris Patten, a Ph.D. student for urban and regional planning, and her four teammates developed their project based on an initiative started

"Right now, they rely on a well that may or may not work."

Iris Patten
Ph.D. student

by the Tampa Community Building Group: building a water reservoir in Sissene, Burkina Faso, in West Africa.

John November, a member of Patten's team, said the goal of their

project is to develop and enhance the reservoir system, which is open-faced. This allows access to water during the rainy season, which lasts only three months of the year.

Because of the heat, water evaporates quickly, leaving little or no water outside of October.

"Right now, they rely on a well that may or may not work," Patten said. "It may or may not have water in it."

The new reservoir will be close-faceted, which will eliminate all

evaporation. Besides storing water, the reservoir will also separate drinking water from water used for agricultural purposes.

The second team, which is made up of UF engineering students, will be a little closer to home.

Their project will take place in the Florida pine forests, where they will measure earthy effects stemming from bioenergy production, or the energy that comes from renewable sources, according to a UF news release.

Police arrest man linked with parking lot mugging

■ A 68-YEAR-OLD WOMAN'S PURSE WAS STOLEN THURSDAY.

A man was arrested in connection with the mugging of a 68-year-old woman in the parking lot of a Gainesville Albertsons on Thursday morning.

After Carol Ostrander was pushed to the ground and had her purse stolen, she called the Gainesville Police Department and reported the crime, said GPD spokesman Keith Kameg.

Ostrander was taken to a local hospital to be examined for a possible dislocated shoulder and cut knee, a GPD report stated.

A man fitting the description was seen riding a bicycle about a mile away from the Albertsons at 2323 N.W. 13th

St., he said.

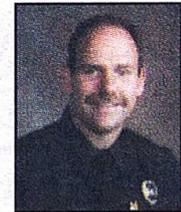
The man got off the bicycle and started running, and an officer chased him on foot, Kameg said.

Ostrander's purse was found about a block away from where he was caught, he said.

Kaifa Green, 35, was arrested and charged with unarmed robbery and battery on a person age 65 and over, the report stated.

Ostrander identified him as the man who mugged her, Kameg said.

Green has an extensive criminal history, he said.



Kameg

—KATIE EMMETS

City tree lighting still planned

Gainesville's annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony has survived the struggling economy and the city's shrinking budget.

The event, which costs less than \$1,000, has been held for more than 20 years and will be Saturday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Thomas Center for the Arts.

The cost was low because the decorations were donated, the facility is free and most of the workers are volunteers, said David Ballard, the city events coordinator.

Most of the money will go toward refreshments and paying entertainers, Ballard said.

The event will include holiday carolers, carriage rides and refreshments, in addition to the tree lighting and appearances by Ebenezer Scrooge, Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan and, for the first time, Santa

Claus.

The Gypsy Guerilla Band will perform holiday music and visitors will be invited to take carriage tours around the nearby Duck Pond Neighborhood, which has an annual luminary display.

The holiday tree lighting will be the first of the city's holiday events, he said.

The city will also sponsor a New Year's Eve celebration, which

was cut last year because of budget constraints.

The celebration, which previously was on a trailer stage, will be on the plaza to cut costs. In the past, the plaza was used to house the city ice rink, which was cut last year.

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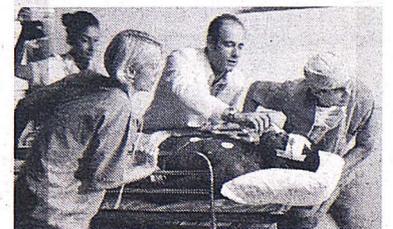
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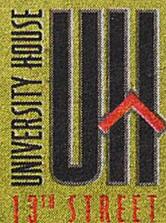
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Editorial

Holy crap. Time flies when you don't sleep.

It seems like just yesterday we were tearing ass up the Turnpike to get to the Alligator office to have our beginning of the semester meeting. This semester has whipped by faster than summer vacation did when we were manhunt-playing, lizard-catching 8-year-olds.

The Editorial Board has seen and written about a whole lot in the past 13 weeks, and we've got the angry-letters-to-the-editor scars to prove it. We've undoubtedly been added to a few people's blacklists through the course of the semester, but we won't lose any sleep over it. We were just doing our jobs.

We've celebrated a fantastic 50th anniversary, antagonized Student Government in a vain attempt for transparency and watched the Gators stomp their competition (one mulligan is customary).

There are only a couple items left on our semester to-do list. Before we head up to Atlanta, we have to give our beloved readers Fall 2008's final installment of the semi-renowned...

Darts & Laurels

First, we would like to send a we-know-we-gave-you-a-hard-time-but-extended-hours-aren't-the-worst-idea-ever LAUREL to UF for the later closing times assigned to the libraries during the week of finals.

We said we didn't see the necessity, and we still don't. Twenty consecutive hours of studying can't be much better than three or four. Everyone's brain has a limit.

We do realize, though, the extended hours may only apply to a certain grateful percentage of students who probably could do without our bemoaning a gift we take for granted. In that sense, we appreciate the fact that our school is looking out for everyone.

Next, we want to give an on-a-scale-of-clever-thinking-to-idiot-you-rank-thoughtless-box-of-rocks DART to hit-and-run drivers all over the world.

What reasoning could someone have for leaving the scene of an accident? Could it be guilt? How about drunkenness? Maybe there's a warrant out for your arrest?

It absolutely does not matter. If you've crashed into someone or something, then lie in the bed you've just made.

UF has lost a student because of a hit-and-run accident. We don't know how much could have been done to help the victim, but deal with the consequences of your actions — don't turn tail.

Next, we would like to give UF a DARTS & LAURELS double portion of contradictory commentary regarding its holiday electronic cards.

UF deserves a thinking-globally-and-acting-locally LAUREL for the cost-effective, earth-friendly nature of e-cards. Considering the effect the economy will have on the holidays, it is difficult to blame UF for saving thousands of dollars by simply switching from paper cards to electronic ones. At the same time, e-cards do not harm the environment, so UF is effectively killing two birds with one stone. We like our wallets, and we like our planet; we would do the same thing.

On the other hand, we have to give UF a but-e-cards-are-so-lame DART for, well, obvious reasons. E-cards have been terrible for a long time, and holiday e-cards were ruined the minute OfficeMax decided to let you Elf Yourself. While we see the benefits of the e-card system, we can't help but prefer a heartfelt, hand-written card.

That will do for the final D&L session of this semester. We hope everyone has enjoyed this Editorial Board tradition.

Have a safe weekend, and go Gators.

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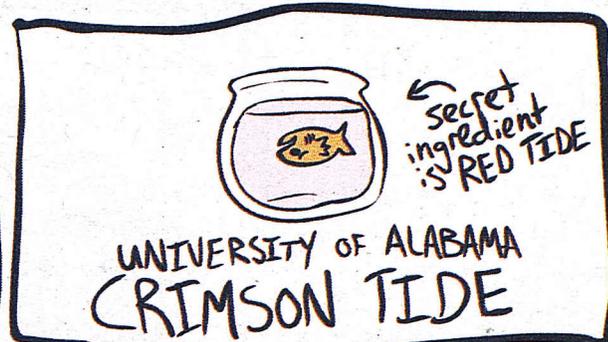
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So what if FSU created something SIMILAR to Gatorade? A lot of schools were trying to create sports drinks in the '60s...



Obviously, none of them worked out that well.

Ed Notebook

Study hall suck-face ruins finals week

When I realized that extended library hours begin this week, I couldn't help but wonder why people would subject themselves to 20 hours of the UF library experience.

I spend little time in Library West, mainly because every time I try to study in the designated "quiet areas," I find the library more distracting than sitting on my couch with new episodes of "The Office" playing on the TV. As far as I'm concerned, the only thing extended library hours accomplish is giving Starbucks more opportunities to charge \$5 for burnt cardboard milk.

Extended library hours worsen the main reason I can't stand the on-campus libraries: the Study Couple.

Study Couple, I'm calling you out. You people are public enemy No. 1 during finals week.

Don't bother accusing me of being single and bitter. I self-identify as both.

My main motivation, however, isn't my hatred of your relationship happiness. I'm speaking out because wherever I go in the library, I'm surrounded by constant lovebird sounds, including whispers, giggles and computer-booth saliva-swapping.

Extended library hours seem to encourage these people to take their dating lives to the study tables. I'm sure your roommates are tired of you dominating your apartment's kitchen table with the same behavior, but must you inflict your dedication to each other's academic progress on the entire Student Body?

No one wants to hear you helping tu amor with his Spanish vocabulary flashcards.

Then again, the Study Couple separated by cruel fate is almost worse than a twosome united in the library. That "turn off your cell phones" sign at the library entrance isn't a suggestion. I don't want to hear your half-hour long string of apologies about how sorry you are that you have to miss her black-and-white party to write your lab report. And your Jason Mraz ringtone shouting down my iPod makes

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Reader response

Today's question: Would you get down in the stacks?

Thursday's question: Will your report card be better than Florida's?

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Hilary Lehman

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me want to throw my overpriced coffee in your face.

Believe it or not, some of us care about passing our finals. Some of us go to the library in hopes of avoiding distractions at home. Instead, at Library West, we end up stuck inside a Hallmark Channel movie.

It's not only my finals I'm worried about, dear Study Couples. I have only your best interests in mind here, too. How will you get into law school, become successful and pay for that diamond ring when you get less-than-stellar grades?

A helpful hint: If you're trying to get studying done, don't take your significant other along. I realize it's difficult to tear yourself away from Pookie Bear while you attempt to memorize when Christopher Columbus sailed the ocean blue, but I'm guessing the stage whispers and make-out sessions aren't inspired by a passage in your history textbook.

(Giggle)

"Stop it."

"No, you stop it!"

No, Study Couple — you stop it. Not only are you making me hate my life, but the overwhelming nausea I feel impedes my ability to learn. I can't concentrate on calculus when I'm subjected to every detail of your holiday ski-trip plans.

To be fair, we've all seen the movies in which the cute, co-ed couple hooks up among the library stacks. It's so common in college-romance films that you begin to think it's a required part of the college experience.

Great. If you want to re-enact that scene, take the escalator, find the rack with the love sonnets and take care of business. Even better, take "get a room" literally and check out a study room. Those doors lock.

Hilary Lehman is a journalism senior. She is the managing editor for print of the Alligator.

Letters to the Editor

F rating meant to encourage improvement

Florida received an F for affordability in higher education despite some of the lowest tuition rates in the country, but it's easy to see why.

The National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education apparently thinks because poor families must pay 24 percent of their income toward education, it is grossly unaffordable. However, it makes sense for families to pay this much, if not more.

Education is a voluntary investment in one's own human capital. People go to school so they will someday have more rewarding or higher-paying jobs.

Because they benefit from this investment, they should also pay the cost.

By choosing to get an undergraduate degree and reap its rewards, people must also agree to pay the costs associated with it. This may be as high as 24 percent for some families, but the benefits in future employment will far outweigh that cost.

An undergraduate degree is not a right, and it should not be free for everyone who wants one.

People who want a degree but cannot pay through outside means (scholarships, need-based aid, parents, etc.) should plan on making some sacrifices or not getting the degree.

By grading 49 states an F, the center was clearly trying to make a statement about the affordability of all higher education. Higher

education in Florida, though, is very affordable given its benefit-cost ratio.

If the center cannot comprehend this, then the state of Florida should give them an F for rating systems.

Johnathan Lott
2LS

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Gator Party ignores students

The Gator Party's vote to cut off students' time to address the Student Senate — and Gator Party Leader Jonathan Fager's attempt to rationalize that decision in yesterday's letter — shows that the Gator Party just doesn't want to hear from students.

At the Nov. 18 Senate meeting, dozens of students, including many who had never been involved in Student Government before, used public debate to speak out against six Gator Party-proposed bills to limit debate and eliminate minority protections.

I was delighted to see so many UF students get involved in SG. Apparently, the Gator Party finds the voice of regular students so offensive they now seek to curtail their right to address their representatives.

The Gator Party claims they want to make things more efficient. When real-world legislation is introduced, such as the bill I wrote to keep hand scanners optional at RecSports

facilities (something 84 percent of students agreed on in the last election), the Gator Party quickly votes to shut down debate.

The Gator Party needs to stop ignoring students and start getting real work done.

Ben Cavatara
3LS, Hume Student Senator

Debate crucial for minority party

In yesterday's letter, Gator Party Leader Jonathan Fager claimed public debate was used by the minority to delay meetings of the Senate, giving an excuse to his party's efforts to cut off the public's voice.

He seems to have forgotten the public debate period two weeks ago was actually used by concerned students who came to oppose what was really wasting the Senate's time: the Gator Party's attempt to remove minority party rights.

The Gator Party and Senate President Jordan Johnson submitted six pieces of legislation at that meeting designed to limit minority protections in Senate.

The Gator Party has voted to cut off debate on almost every bill that has come before the Senate this semester. Now they are trying to silence the voice of the public as well.

Jonathan Ossip
1LS, Murphree Student Senator

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Keep on keepin' on

Daniel Seco's column made me "aw." And not the sarcastic, "poor baby, want a bottle?" kind of aw. I can sympathize because I feel like I've been there.

I kind of hated my freshman fall semester. I had no idea whether UF was even the right place for me. Couple that with the feeling of being lost on a big campus in a new city. My friend Raven was on the receiving end of so many whiny phone calls about how I was so miserable, I'm surprised she still answers the phone when I call her.

It was an unusual feeling to be lonely without being alone. There was no shortage of people with whom I could catch a movie or Krishna lunch, but it often felt like I was going through the motions, upping my UF network Facebook friend count rather than fostering real relationships.

Thankfully, things did get better in the spring semester, after I stopped stressing about it.

Meeting the right person at the right time under the right circumstances is largely a matter of luck, and while it's frustrating, I take it as permission not to worry too much over it.

Hang in there, Daniel. The semester's almost over, and you'll get to take another stab at it in the spring.

Joe Dellosa
3JM

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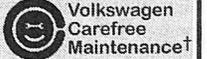


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CITY COMMISSION

City passes wording for amendment

By **LAUREN IRIZARRY**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Gainesville voters will be able to decide in the March 24 election whether city residents should be protected from discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

In a unanimous vote Thursday night, the Gainesville City Commission passed a 75-word summary of a proposed amendment to the city charter to go on the March ballot.

The amendment would eliminate the city's anti-discrimination policy, replacing it with the state's, which does not offer protections for gay or transgender people. Because enough signatures were collected to put the proposal to vote, the city was required to draft wording for the question on the ballot.

Commissioners had asked for alternative ballot language at their Nov. 6 meeting.

The original question stated the city's discrimination policy would be eliminated if passed but did not specify that doing so would eliminate protections based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

About 15 people spoke in favor of or against the alternative ballot language that passed at Thursday's meeting.

Jim Bilbert, who lives just outside city limits, criticized the commission's decision to amend the original language.

"Clearly, you wish to slant wording to create prejudice against it," Bilbert said.

Others felt the alternative proposal was better suited for the voters.

"This language has helped a lot because there was a lot of misleading stuff going on," said resident Bob Harp. "We just want to be as clear as we can for the voters."

Linda Bashum, of the Judy Levy chapter of the National Organization for Women, said she urged the commission to pass the alternative because she thought residents would vote against the amendment if they understood it.

"We think it is only fair to citizens, voters, to know what they're voting on, what's to be gained, what's to be lost," Bashum said.



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The Gainesville City Commission sit at desks during a meeting at City Hall on Thursday night.

Ticket office conflicts with GatorZone

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eligibility for a ticket.

Mark Masson, student ticket supervisor, said the list's order would have only been honored if 100 percent of the students signed.

Because of the disagreement, UAA officials decided to do a lottery.

"If they would just tell us clearly what we can and cannot do, we'll follow that," Weston said. "That's not the problem."

Other students were told by ticket office employees via telephone that no preference would be given to those arriving before 5 p.m. Thursday.

Student Life

UF senior Zachary Summers arrived at about 4 p.m.

Summers said he called the ticket office multiple times this week to make sure students would receive no preference based on their time of arrival before 5 p.m., after reading on GatorZone.com that unclaimed tickets would be awarded simply on a first-come-first-served basis, he said.

Christina LaCanfora, graduate assistant for the ticket office, said UF has been cracking down on camp-outs for tickets. Signs posted around 10 a.m. Thursday told students that a lineup would be honored at 5 p.m.

University Police officers were brought in at about 4 p.m. to get the 180 students in a line.

Alligator Staff Writer Katie Sanders contributed to this report.

Gators Gather for Championship

Gators fans who can't make the trip to Atlanta this weekend will celebrate the Gators' SEC victory over Alabama at **Café Gardens** Saturday. Fans arriving early will get a good seat in front of one of the many TV's and take advantage of the beer specials. **\$1 domestic pints** or longnecks and **& \$2 bottles of selected imports** are featured along with the fantastic food that has made Café Gardens a winning tradition with Gators for over 32 years.



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UF to send family class ring, degree

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"If I needed him, he would drive home right then," Jacobson said.

He loved his burgundy Nissan Titan truck, but it was big, and he often rode his sister's old scooter.

He loved living in Gainesville.

"He's wanted to graduate a Gator since he was a little boy," she said.

UF spokesman Steve Orlando said arrangements are being made to send VanWagner's family his class

ring and posthumous degree.

This weekend, Jacobson and VanWagner would have gone to the Southeastern Conference Championship Game in Atlanta. He had no respect for those who weren't going.

Local News

She doesn't think she'll go now.

VanWagner loved football and fishing, and he would have played basketball every day if he could, she said.

Larry Messer, a UF building construction senior who used to play pick-up basketball games with him, said VanWagner

could get a mean look on his face as he drove the ball up the court.

"He was pretty intense," Messer said.

He also loved to help others, Messer said, and was always willing to lend a hand with his truck to people in Gator Christian Life, where he went to services.

"He did anything and everything for anyone," Jacobson said.

Family members said they plan to make funeral arrangements today.

Alligator Writer Katie Emmets contributed to this report.

1962 article lends support to rumor

GATORADE, from page 1

Still, Internet forums are chock-full of debates about the origin of UF's beloved Gatorade, which has netted UF more than \$150 million in royalties, according to an article on UF's Web site.

Many posts make reference to an article published in 1962 in The Tampa Tribune that claims Johnson developed a sports drink for FSU's football players years before Gatorade was invented.

The article, which ran on Sept. 26 of that year, does lend some support to the theory.

"To combat the deadly combination of high temperature coupled with high humidity, Dr. Johnson came up with a concoction known as 'Seminole Firewater,' which consists of a lime drink fortified with sugar and salt," the article reads.

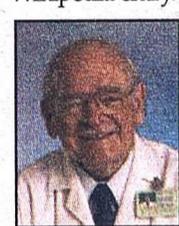
Steve Orlando, UF spokesman, said even if the claims in the article are true, it doesn't change anything.

"It's an interesting piece of history, but it doesn't change the fact that Gatorade was invented at the University of Florida," Orlando said.

The theory about "Seminole Firewater" was also disputed by one of the four inventors of Gatorade, who happened to be watching Saturday's game.

"Of course I've never heard of it," Dr. Dana Shires told CNBC.com. "It's just another stupid stunt from the guys at Florida State."

As for where ABC got its information, Orlando said it's possible a researcher pulled it from a Wikipedia entry.



Cade

Browning Brooks, spokeswoman for FSU, said the "Seminole Firewater" theory is not FSU's attempt to rewrite history.

"Nobody at FSU is claiming that we invented Gatorade," she said. "That's silly."

Brooks said she thinks FSU was developing a similar product around the same time but said she doesn't think Gatorade's unique formula was created first at FSU.

FSU President T.K. Wetherell, who played football for FSU from 1963 to 1967, said he remembers drinking a Kool-Aid flavored drink called "Seminole Firewater" when he was on the team, according to Brooks.

Wetherell said players were also given an orange slice, an ice cube to suck on and salt pills to keep dehydration at bay, Brooks said. Wetherell told her many teams were experimenting with sports drinks at the time.



Sarah Hsu / Alligator Staff

It's Candy Mountain!

UF seniors Lauren LaMorte, left, and Drew Schwartz, members of Team Journalism, build a volcano-turned-tepee on the Reitz Union North Terrace during the UF Habitat for Humanity Candy House Building Competition on Thursday afternoon.

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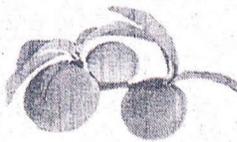
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3 Subleases

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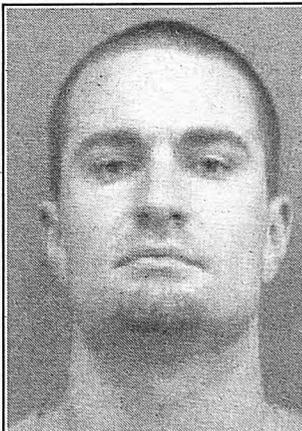
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HANDYMAN NEEDED Disc 4 wk Share 2/2 MH Furn rm avail now \$200 N/R dep. \$300/m \$75/wk incl util. 2 wk adv. laun/cook svc avail N/A, N/S, N/D. Car a+ 30 day notice 2 vacate. Nr bus/shops Sm caged pet ok 331-3666 12-10-6-4

FREE December Rent \$475/MO - M or F roommate needed for Unfurnished room in furn 3/2 condo @ Campus Edge, util cable & wireless included. Complex has pool & gym. laundry room in unit! Available now! 954-554-6059 or aldraper@uf.edu 12-10-08-6-4

4 Roommates

Roommate needed 2BR/2.5Ba furn town-home in Brighton Park on bus route to UF every 15 mins. \$400/mo + utils. Call Babby 352-665-0751 1-6-08-7-4

Walk to Shands, VA & UF campus. 2/2 first floor corner, W/D, part furn. Avail Jan 09. \$800 + util. Flex terms. SW 13th St & SW 16th Ave. 561-373-0979 1-6-08-6-4

Female needed for a great 4/2 house. DW, W/D, and pool. Also includes utils. Very nice neighborhood location. \$390 to \$495. 6 or 12 mo lease. Please call Mr. Kristoff 332-5030 1-7-08-7-4

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5 Real Estate

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Matt Price Campus Realty, 352-281-3551 12-10-74-5

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Rare condo 2350sf, 3br/2.5b, ba/den Lg 2car gar, new 2-zone hvac, mins to UF, Shands, VA-Immaculate \$309K/Call C.Z. Essoe 328-6946 Matchmaker Realty 372-3930 12-8-08-10-5

1BR/1BA CONDO

\$85,000. 352-213-3943 12-8-5-5

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AUCTIONS! Saturday December 6th 10:00 A.M. 211 Acres- Highway 142, Selmer, Tennessee. 1:00 P.M. 85 Acres- Harris Road, Crump, Tennessee. FREE BROCHURE: (877)914-7653. Garner Auctions, Inc. Ken Garner TN FIRM 4293. www.garnerauctionsinc.com. 12-5-1-5

3BR/2BA Foreclosure! \$11,000! Only \$199/Mo! 5% down 15 years @ 8% apr. Buy, 4/BR \$259/Mo! For listings (800)366-9783 Ext 5798. 12-5-1-5

Never Rent Again! Buy, 4Br 2Ba \$15,400! Only \$199/Mo! 3 Br \$11,000! 5% down 15years 8%. HUD Homes Available! for listings (800)366-9783 ext 5796. 12-5-1-5

NORTH CAROLINA MOUNTAINS- Handyman special bordering U.S.F.S. paved dr., well, septic, singlewide with shop near Lake Nantahala, borders paved road. Only \$49,000. <http://valleytownrealty.com> (800)632-2212 valleytownrealty@verizon.net. 12-5-1-5

VIRGINIA MOUNTAINS 2 acres on mountain top near New River State Park, great fishing, view, private. \$29,500 must sell, call owner (866)789-8535. 12-5-1-5

TENNESSEE LAND RUSH! 1+acre to 2-acre homesites, wood, views. Starting at \$69,900. Tenn River & Nick-a-Jack view tracts now available! Retirement guide rates this area #2 in U.S. places to retire. Low cost of living, no impact fee. (330)699-2741 or (866)550-5263, Ask About Mini Vacation! 12-5-1-5

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Traditional Anglican Worship
Holy Eucharist 10:30 am
8100 SW Archer Road
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352-317-5757
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Independent Christian Fellowship, 7th Day

Would like to assemble with like minded that seek/try to reflect, and want to study the character of Jesus at a convenient time on each sabbath. All scholarly versions appreciated. No post biblical self proclaimed prophets/special messenger/apostles/etc. are used. Call George-222.1976 if interested. I can transport 1 or 2.

Universal Faith Ministries

Night of harvest crops are in 12/5-6/08 @ 8pm. The crops are plenty and the laborers are few ask the Lord of Harvest for laborers. Hosted by Universal Faith Ministries 1930 NE Waldo Rd. Gainesville FL 32609

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Chapel of Incarnation
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2 weekly communion services, lovely garden, sweet fellowship, holy fun! 352.372.8506

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Community Church
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-Your home away from home.
-Friday Night Live!
-Services & Shabbat Dinner.
-7:30pm Fall Semester
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214 NW 14th St. Gnsv. 32603
Intro Meditation/bahtki-yoga
Krishna Breakfast M-F 7:00 AM
Gita/Kirtan/feast W-F 6:30 PM
Pure vegan/vegetarian Prasad M-F 2-4 PM Saturday 6-9 PM (352)222-2886
krishnalunch.com

Lutheran**University Lutheran Church & Campus Ministry**

1826 W University Ave.
Student Bible Study - Wed. 5:30
Worship 10:25 am Sundays

Methodist**Grace United Methodist Church**

Sunday Bible Study 9:30am
Sunday Worship 9:00 & 10:45
9325 W. Newberry Rd.
352-332-8770 gracefl.org
www.facebook.com/dj/passport

University United Methodist Church

The Wesley Foundation meeting at the Presbyterian Student Center
1402 W University Avenue
Sunday Worship Café:
Traditional Blend 9:30am
Free Breakfast 10:30am
Modern Mix 11:00am
Thursday - The Gathering 8pm
ufwesley.com for more info

First United Methodist Church

Traditional Sunday Worship 8:25am and 10:55am. All Ages Sunday School Groups - 9:45am. Wednesday Dinner (\$2 Students) and Classes - 5:30-7:30pm
419 NE 1st St. www.fumcgnv.org
(352)372-8523

Non-Denominational**University City Church of Christ**

Gators for Christ campus ministry - college group meets at University City church on Sundays at 9:30am and Wednesdays at 7pm - practical application from God's word, plus service projects, large group events, free meals, and much more... (directions and events calendar at www.gatorsforchrist.org)

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www.fpc-gnv.org

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Are you new to the heart of Gainesville? Come worship with us!
8:30 am or 10:55 am
College Bible Study Wed. 8:30 pm

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Open, affirming and spiritually diverse. Taize worship Sun. at 7pm. \$1 Dinners Weds. at 7pm. Theology on Tap Tues. Stubbies Pub Downtown 8pm.
1402 University Ave,
376-7539 pdsc.org

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1521 NW 34 STREET
WORSHIP: 9:30
REFRESHMENTS: 10:30
STUDENTS ARE ESPECIALLY WELCOME.

For more information contact Kaley Goodfellow at Alligator advertising at 376.4482

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5 Real Estate

South Carolina low country Hunting/ Recreation Tracts for sale. Close to I-95 in Bamberg CO. Peaceful/secluded and loaded with deer, turkey, hogs and timber value too. 42ac-85ac-120ac-235ac-500ac-730ac- all on the Little Salkahatchie river. Roads, game plots, stands new Ready to hunt. Priced below market!! Call Now (803)826-6033 (Brokers Protected). 12-5-1-5

6 Furnishings

BED - QUEEN - \$110 ORTHOPEDIC Extra thick, pillow-top, mattress & box. Name brand, new, still in plastic. Call 352-372-7490 will deliver. 12-10-08-74-6

BED - FULL SIZE - \$90 ORTHOPEDIC Pillow-top mattress & box. New, unused, still in plastic w/warranty. Can deliver. Call 352-372-9846 12-10-08-74-6

MICROFIBER SOFA & LOVESEAT - \$400 Brand new still packaged w/warranty. Must sell. Can deliver. Retail \$1600. 352-372-7490 12-10-08-74-6

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CHERRY SLEIGH BED solid with Pillowtop Mattress & Box. All new still boxed. Cost \$1500, sacrifice \$450 352-333-7516

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BEDROOM SET. 7pc Cherry, Queen/ king bed, dresser w/mirror, 2 nightstands, chests avail. Dovetail const. New, in boxes. Can deliver. Retail \$6500, must sell, sacrifice \$1100 (352) 372-7490 12-10-08-74-6

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DINING ROOM Beautiful cherry set w/table, 6 Chippendale chairs, hutch & buffet. New, still in boxes. Retail \$5200, sacrifice \$1100. Must sell. Can deliver. 352-372-8588 12-10-74-6

FUTON Solid oak mission-style frame w/ mattress. New, in box. \$140 332-9899

DINETTE SET 5pc \$120 Brand new in box. Never used. 352-377-9846 12-10-08-74-6

****BEDS - ALL BRAND NEW****
****Full \$100 Queen \$125 King \$200****
 Orthopedic pillow-top sets. Brand name matching sets not used or refurbished. Still in plastic, direct from factory! 352-333-7516. 12-10-74-6

BED - QUEEN New orthopedic pillowtop mattress and boxspring set. Brand name, brand new, still in plastic with warranty. Can deliver. \$120 352-377-9846. 12-10-74-6

Bed - All New King! 3pc Orthopedic pillowtop mattress set. Brand NEW, still in plastic with warranty. Can deliver. \$200 352-333-7516. 12-10-74-6

BEDROOM SET- \$300 BRAND NEW Still in boxes! 6 pieces include: Headboard, 2 Nightstands, Dresser, Mirror, Chest. Must sell, can deliver. 352-377-9846. 12-10-08-74-6

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POOL TABLE - Gorgeous 8" All wood table. Leather pockets, Italian 1" slate, carved legs. Brand new still in crate. MUST SELL Retail \$5500. Sell \$950. Can deliver 352-377-9846 12-10-74-6

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Bed-FULL size pillowtop mattress & box. New in plastic, warr. Can del. \$100 317-4031

SOFA \$185 Brand new! Love seat \$150 still in pkg. Can del 352-333-7516 12-10-74-6

6 Furnishings

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 Network specialists
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9 Bicycles

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10 For Sale

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 Sunday, Dec 7, 2008 8:00am-3:00pm
 Clothing - Toys - Electronics - Art - Books
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 Many new and almost new treasures!
 Bargains, Bargains, Bargains!
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11 Motorcycles, Mopeds

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300+ vehicles @ wholesale prices 338-1999
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13 Wanted

LOCAL ARTIST NEEDS:
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★ ETC ★ Top Cash \$\$\$ or Trade ★
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BE AN INSPIRATION!
Take a blind lady to Mass on Sundays and for walks and shopping as needed. We'll have lots of fun! And you will make a new friend!
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13 Wanted

The American Cancer Society
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VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED
to transport cancer patients to treatment.
Flexible schedule.
Training and liability insurance provided.
Please call
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Help Feed the Homeless
Work Program

In the Downtown Plaza - Sundays at 4pm
Contributions would be greatly appreciated to help with our community project
● Monetary Gifts Welcomed ●
Canned Goods ● Blankets ● Etc
Mail to: 3207 NW 53rd Ave, Gville 32605
WILL PICK UP TOO!
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12-10-4-13

14 Help Wanted

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14 Help Wanted

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Local real estate co. hiring part-time Sales & Leasing Associates. Need previous sales or retail exp & outgoing personality. No real estate exp req (training provided). Bonuses & benefits. Send resume, cover letter & avail schedule to hr@trimarkproperties.com
4-22-72-14

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All around cleaning & laundry FT/PT. Sun - Fri, 12pm-7pm \$7/hr. Call 256-3323 for more info and interview. 12-10-08-38-14

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14 Help Wanted

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 - 6 MS. enclosure
 - 9 Take delight (in)
 - 14 Oasis overnighter
 - 15 Ulysses's C.I.C.
 - 16 Napoleon, ultimately
 - 17 Airy refrain
 - 18 "My Friend Flicka," e.g.?
 - 20 Take
 - 22 Rating org.
 - 23 Seek answers
 - 24 Send down a pitcher?
 - 26 Application datum
 - 27 It's satisfying to hit it
 - 32 "Don't go in there!"
 - 37 First-century emperor
 - 38 What happens at about five o'clock at a daycare center?
 - 42 Architect Saarinen
 - 43 Passing words
 - 44 Film-editing device
 - 48 Way to go: Abbr.
 - 49 Game for Shiraz swingers?
 - 55 Evian, for one
 - 58 Musical motif, to Mascagni
 - 59 Foretopman, e.g.
 - 60 Indonesian officer?
 - 63 Titled rapper
 - 64 Olds compact
 - 65 Where many Sami live: Abbr.
 - 66 1986 rock autobiography
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 - 2 "Oda a Salvador Dalí" poet
 - 3 Apples since 1998
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 - 5 Modifies so it fits

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- 41 Like some swirling winds
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- 46 Cinematic Cobb
- 47 Suit's suit, maybe
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- 51 Belt size, basically
- 52 Often-played number
- 53 Marion who played Aunt Clara on "Bewitched"
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UF quarterback Tim Tebow runs to the Alabama 3-yard line in the Gators' 28-13 home win against the Tide on Sept. 30, 2006.

Championship could be classic

By **MIKE McCALL**
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Even Tim Tebow couldn't have imagined this. Moments after UF fell to Mississippi at home on Sept. 27, the Gators' quarterback issued a teary-eyed promise that he and his teammates would work harder than any players before them.

He had no way of knowing just how true that statement would become.

"I just tried to say heartfelt things, not make any statements like we're going to win the rest of our games or go undefeated or anything," Tebow said. "It was just that we were going to play with intensity, play with passion, character and love for the game."

The strategy has worked on a higher level than Tebow could have expected, as UF has gone undefeated since the comments, reeling off eight straight wins by a margin of 414-97, with the closest contest a 28-pointer against Vanderbilt.

Now, the thing that felt so distant for Tebow that afternoon at the podium is within reach — a national championship.

The No. 2 Gators (11-1) are one game away from a probable berth in the BCS Championship Game. All that remains is a duel with No. 1 Alabama (12-0) for the Southeastern Conference title.

The two squads rank near the top of almost every SEC statistical category, leading some to proclaim it as the greatest conference championship matchup ever.

The Gators lead the SEC in scoring offense (46.3), rushing offense (237.1 yards) and total offense (449.4 yards), while the Crimson Tide is first in scoring defense (11.5), rushing defense (73.6 yards) and total defense (248.5 yards).

It's a clash of different styles, as UF's high-scoring of-

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UF victory vs. Alabama inevitable

Here it is. Finally. The game that has been hyped since even before each team had clinched its respective division.

And, thankfully, the Southeastern Conference Championship Game will pair the league's top two teams. (I'm looking at you, Big 12.)

This will be No. 1 vs. No. 2.

"I heard it was like a Super Bowl for college," freshman speedster Jeff Demps said.

Well, maybe not, Jeff. There's probably not an old washed-up music act slated for halftime.



Phil Kegler
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This will be the signature win UF needs to qualify as a great team.

Because the truth is, the Gators really haven't played anyone so far this season.

It's not really their fault the SEC was down this year. But while UF has been steamrolling through its schedule, who has it really faced?

First was a Hawaii team that was a shell of its 2007 squad that got murdered by Georgia in the Sugar Bowl.

Next came Miami, a young, athletic team that will be good down the road. A decent amount of athleticism but a lack of leadership hurt this team trying to come into The Swamp and win. (Remember, UF led only 9-3 late in this game, the first game Percy Harvin played in after returning from injury).

A trip to Knoxville smelled like a blowout going in, and no one even realized at that moment how bad the Volunteers were going to be.

Mississippi came into Gainesville and gave UF a slap in the face, although it was self-in-

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UF MEN'S BASKETBALL

Hodge, Werner look to get in gear at FSU

By **MIKE DiFERDINANDO**
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In recent days, the Gators' two most veteran players have played like anything but.

After being benched for most of the second half against Florida A&M Tuesday, junior forward Dan Werner and senior guard Walter Hodge are scrambling to find their form before UF's showdown with Florida State (7-1) on Sunday night in Tallahassee.

The Seminoles have won the last two meetings between the teams and three of the last four.

"Since coming back from Kansas City, for whatever reason, it seems like I'm not

doing as well," Werner said. "I haven't come out with the same energy. I haven't really been leading by example."

"Every time (the Seminoles) play against us, it's like a championship for them."

Walter Hodge
UF senior guard

After their win against Washington in the CBE Classic, neither Werner (11.1 points per game on the season) nor Hodge (6.6) has scored in double figures.

"My offense isn't that good right now, but it's going to get there," Hodge said.

If No. 23 UF (6-1) hopes to resuscitate the rivalry, Werner and Hodge will have to find a way to right the ship.

"I don't think these last two games they have been consistent," UF coach Billy Donovan said. "Not with their scoring, but just the things they normally can provide for us in a game."

While Hodge is still searching for a cure to his ailing game, the recent struggles haven't seemed to affect his swagger.

"Every time (the Seminoles) play against us, it's like a championship for them," Hodge said. "We don't like them, and they don't like us. Every year you look forward to that game."

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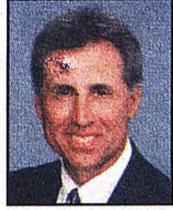
Undefeated 'Bama could use underdog role as motivation on Saturday

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fense and playmaking defense will go up against Alabama's smash-mouth, more traditional scheme.

"This is the most intriguing matchup I've ever done, and basically it's because of the styles," said CBS commentator Gary Danielson, who will announce the game on television. "This is Frazier vs. Ali. This is ugly vs. pretty. This is new vs. old. This is spread out vs. tight."

And this is Tebow against the team he almost joined. When he was recruited out of St. Augustine Nease High in 2005, his decision came down to UF and Alabama, and despite being a lifelong Gators fan, he couldn't choose until just minutes before his announcement.



Danielson

UF coach Urban Meyer knows things would be drastically different if Tebow went to Tuscaloosa, but he didn't want to accept that reality at the time.

Meyer said assistant coach Greg Mattison told him on a recruiting trip that not landing Tebow would set the program back 10 years.

"I go, 'Shut up. We'll be all right,'" Meyer said. "And he goes, 'Ten years.' I got so upset with him that I grabbed a blanket and didn't even talk to him the rest of the trip. But he's right. That's how important Tim was."

Things worked out fine for the Crimson Tide. Then-coach Mike Shula, who recruited Tebow, was fired after the next season, clearing the way for Nick Saban to abandon the Miami Dolphins and take over.

In just his second season at Alabama, Saban has led the Tide to its first undefeated regular season since 1994, and although his team has held the top spot in the polls for several weeks, it comes in as

Heisman Watch List

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| <p>Graham Harrell</p>  <p>Sr., QB Texas Tech</p> <p>Harrell was the front-runner for most of the season because of his insane numbers, and he looked to be a shoo-in for the trophy if Texas Tech could hold on to its undefeated season. Though the Red Raiders finally fell, the pass of the year just might be Harrell's last-second throw to Michael Crabtree to upend Texas. Still, that loss, along with not playing in the Big 12 Conference Championship Game on Saturday, handicaps his chances at bringing home the most coveted individual trophy in college football.</p> <p>4,747 yds, 41 TDs, 7 INTs, 71.5 pct, 163.03 rating</p> | <p>Coit McCoy</p>  <p>Sr., QB Texas</p> <p>McCoy may be the best quarterback in the bunch, but the fact that he isn't going to be practicing his art against Missouri this weekend hurts him and the Longhorns. His team's only loss came on a miracle against Texas Tech, and McCoy did everything he possibly could to keep his team in the game. And just look at that completion percentage. Have you ever seen a number that big in your life?</p> <p>3,445 yds, 32 TDs, 7 INTs, 77.6 pct, 179.20 rating</p> | <p>Sam Bradford</p>  <p>RSo., QB Oklahoma</p> <p>At this point in the season, Bradford has to be the favorite for the award. With his Sooners comfortably in the Big 12 title game and with a clear path to the national championship game, Bradford and his through-the-roof 190.97 passer rating might be bringing home the trophy. A win against Missouri on Saturday seems assured, and another 60-point performance from Oklahoma could seal the prize for Bradford.</p> <p>4,080 yds, 46 TDs, 6 INTs, 68.2 pct, 190.97 rating</p> | <p>Tim Tebow</p>  <p>Jr., QB UF</p> <p>Ah, the cagey veteran. Tebow, an underdog in this race despite winning the Heisman last season, does not have nearly as many passing yards or touchdowns as his competition in this race. Still, he has the fewest interceptions of any of them, a team that is the hottest in the country and the name recognition that comes along with being Tim Tebow. He might be a long shot, but he does get to write his own name in the ballot box if he wants to as a previous winner of the award.</p> <p>2,299 yds, 25 TDs, 2 INTs, 65.0 pct, 175.45 rating</p> |
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nearly a double-digit underdog against the Gators.

That might change if Percy Harvin, UF's leading receiver and second-leading rusher, is unable to play because of an ankle injury,

but for now, the Gators are commanding more respect than their unblemished opponent.

"If I was Alabama, I definitely would (be motivated) with all the talk about us being in the national

championship," UF cornerback Joe Haden said.

"They're still the undefeated team, still have not lost a game yet. If I was them, I would definitely use that as fuel."

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duced by the Gators. This team had to learn it wasn't invincible, although the Rebels turned out to be a decent team by year's end.

Heading to Arkansas is where the miraculous turnaround apparently happened for UF. The fourth quarter, specifically. Tim Tebow remembered the game was supposed to be about fun.

Then came another misleading game, when LSU came to town. Everyone thought the Tigers would be at least decent this season. They weren't. UF hype continued.

Kentucky came to Gainesville with enough injuries to fill a hospital ward. Gators roll.

Then the game billed in preseason as the biggest of the year falls on itself. UF stomps Georgia, and then Urban Meyer shows some swagger as he begins to realize he may never have a team this talented again.

Yes, the Bulldogs lost to Alabama and UF,

both respectable. But they also lost at home to Georgia Tech and only squeaked past 5-7 Auburn and 7-5 South Carolina.

An overmatched Vanderbilt team gets routed. South Carolina comes and UF sweeps them up, too. While I like what The Citadel stands for, I need not talk about its football team. Then the Gators beat a pathetic rebuilding Seminoles squad.

Yes, UF has turned heads by its margins of victory, and I have been impressed like everyone else.

But why should I be, again?

Oh, I just remembered. Because the Gators will romp the Crimson Tide, too.

It's no disrespect to Alabama. The Tide could probably defeat Texas or Penn State in a bowl, maybe even Southern Cal.

But this Gators juggernaut is something that is rare. So I'm sorry, college football fans. There will be no thriller Saturday like Southern Cal-Texas or Boise State-Oklahoma.

Just another UF blowout.

Gators look to avenge 2007 loss

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If Hodge wants to back up his talk, he and his teammates will have to find a way to slow down FSU senior guard Toney Douglas (19 points per game).

Douglas has been something of a Gator-killer in the past. He burned UF for 32 points as a freshman at Auburn in 2004.

UF struggled with the size and physicality of the FSU lineup in last year's 65-51 loss. The Seminoles out rebounded the Gators 39-28.

"Last year's game was a game that there was no question, from an experience, physical perspective with Douglas and Rich and Swan, a really older group against some of our younger guys," Donovan said. "That was the big, big difference in the game."

The Gators will have their

hands full again with a mammoth frontcourt that includes 7-foot-1 freshman Solomon Alabi.

"They hit us in the mouth a little bit," Werner said.

"We're not the biggest team, but that doesn't mean we can't rebound."

The Gators are averaging 33 boards per game this season.

As he has done all season, look for Donovan to shake up the lineup against the Seminoles. A move back to the bench is likely in the cards for freshman point guard Erving Walker.

"Florida State's a big team across the front line, so I think playing a small lineup would probably be a difficult thing to do against them," Donovan said.



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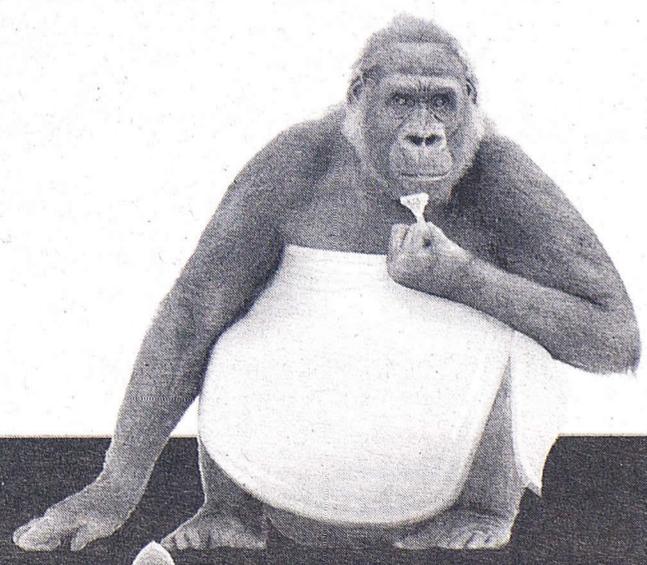
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Gators look for revenge against Wolfpack on Sunday

North Carolina State ended UF's postseason tournament run last year

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UF hasn't forgotten the way last season ended.

After having an improved season and advancing to the third round of the Women's National Invitation Tournament in March, the Gators traveled to Raleigh, N.C., to face North Carolina State.

And they tanked, losing 80-55.

"Clearly, it was very tough because we got our butts kicked," UF coach Amanda Butler said.

"They took it to us, and we just took it. They appeared to be a team on a mission, and we kind of played like a team that was ready for the season to end."



Brooks

UF (7-1) has had to deal with the painful memory of that loss for the past eight months, but on Sunday at 2 p.m., the Gators will get a shot at redemption when they travel to face the Wolfpack (4-3).

Sha Brooks, who led UF in

that game with 16 points, is not letting the loss slip out of her memory, and she has a message for the Gators' newcomers:

"I would just tell them that this game is all about revenge," Brooks said.

The Wolfpack will be missing one key ingredient that helped them in last year's blowout.

Forward Khadijah Whittington, who tallied 13 points and 17 rebounds, completed her senior season last year, but that doesn't mean the Gators will have an easy time.

UF never found an answer for

North Carolina State point guard Shayla Fields, who racked up 31 points, and the Gators will have their hands full again trying to slow her down.

"Embarrassing. Very embarrassing," guard Jennifer Mossor said of UF's effort against the Wolfpack. "We didn't play well at all. It was just a really bad game."

While North Carolina State will throw as big a punch as it did last season, the Gators will

have a lot more to offer in return this time around.

They'll be playing with an edge they didn't have in the spring and for a shot to redeem themselves.

Butler just hopes her team will use that loss to its advantage.

"We want to play our best for us," Butler said. "But I think when there's that extra little bit of motivation, and when you know you've played a team and they didn't get anywhere near what your best shot was, you want to show that you're better than what they faced last year."

UF VOLLEYBALL

NCAA Tournament begins against familiar opponent

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For the Gators, the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament are déjà vu all over again.

Tonight, the O'Connell Center, a familiar backdrop, will serve as the stage for a matchup with Florida A&M, a familiar opponent, in UF's 18th consecutive tournament appearance, a familiar event.

The No. 15-seeded Gators (25-3) have taken on the Rattlers in the first round of the postseason three times in the last seven years, defeating the "other" team from Tallahassee 3-0 each time.

Florida A&M coach Tanio "Tony" Trifonov is in his 11th season with the program and consistently fields competitive squads with ample international talent.

"This is not the deepest team we've played coming out of FAMU," UF coach Mary Wise said. "But they're very experienced with a lot of international players with a ton of game."

When Wise says the Rattlers (14-12) are thin this season, she's referring to not

only the team's ability, but its roster size as well.

Florida A&M carries just eight players — UF carries 14 by comparison — and only sophomore middle blocker Chelsea Pennick is American-born.

Trifonov, originally from Bulgaria, has assembled a team composed almost entirely of Central American, South American and Eastern European players.

"They play a different style of volleyball," UF junior libero Elyse Cusack said. "They have a lot of foreign players who are smart and have all the shots, and they're hard to defend."

The Rattlers are paced by senior middle blocker Samara Ferraz, who leads the team in blocks per set and ranks second in kills and hitting percentage. Though the Gators have home-court advantage, FAMU isn't making its first trip to Gainesville this season. The Rattlers came to town to participate in a four-team tournament in early September, but the two teams did not meet.

For the fourth year in a row, UF is hosting the first two rounds of the NCAA tournament, a decided advantage considering

the Gators are a perfect 14-0 in front of the home crowd.

UF was not perfect on the road, however, and the team that handed the Gators their first loss of the season will be in the building Friday night.

"They have a lot of foreign players who are smart and have all the shots, and they're hard to defend."

Elyse Cusack
UF junior libero

Colorado State (22-6) takes on Florida International (28-6) in the night's other first-round match, and the Rams will likely emerge as the Gators' second-round opponent.

UF traveled to Fort Collins before conference play and came back battered and bruised after a 3-0 (26-24, 25-16, 25-14) beatdown.

Familiarity can be a positive thing when it comes to preparation, but Wise was less than ecstatic about seeing No. 22 Colorado State again.

"If we were to play Colorado State, you

could make the argument that we've already seen them. But on the flipside, that's a team that handled us pretty easily," she said.

The Rams were a more physical team and overpowered UF's injured middles, out-blocking the Gators 12-2.

Wise said her young team has come a long way since that match and has shown more improvement over the course of a season than any other unit she has coached.

"We were fairly simple in our offense, fairly predictable, and we weren't serving and blocking at the level we are now," she said.

UF will need to play its best volleyball of the season if it is to make a return trip to Fort Collins, the location of regional play once the field is cut from 64 to 16 teams.

In Wise's 17 years, the Gators have advanced to regional action in every season except 2004, when they lost to Stanford after defeating Florida A&M in Tallahassee.

If UF can add two more home victories to its record, the Gators will be able to hang another NCAA regional banner in the practice facility — a familiar result.

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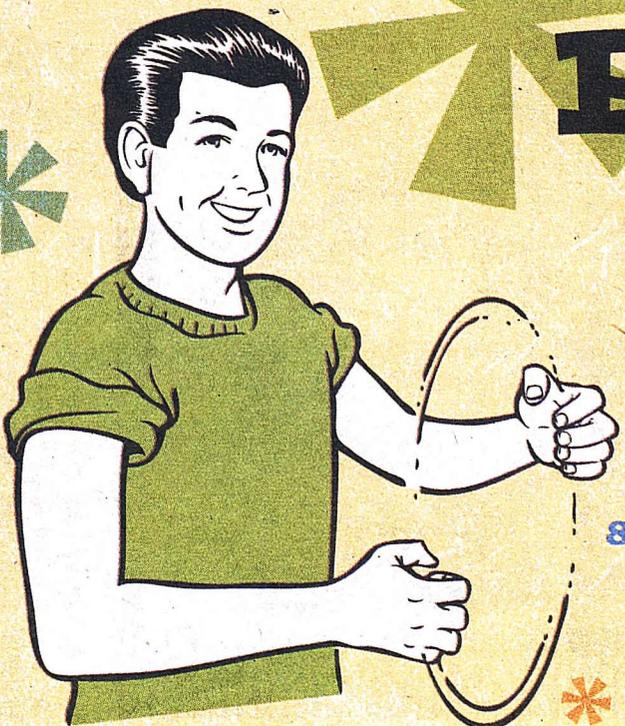
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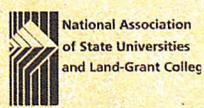
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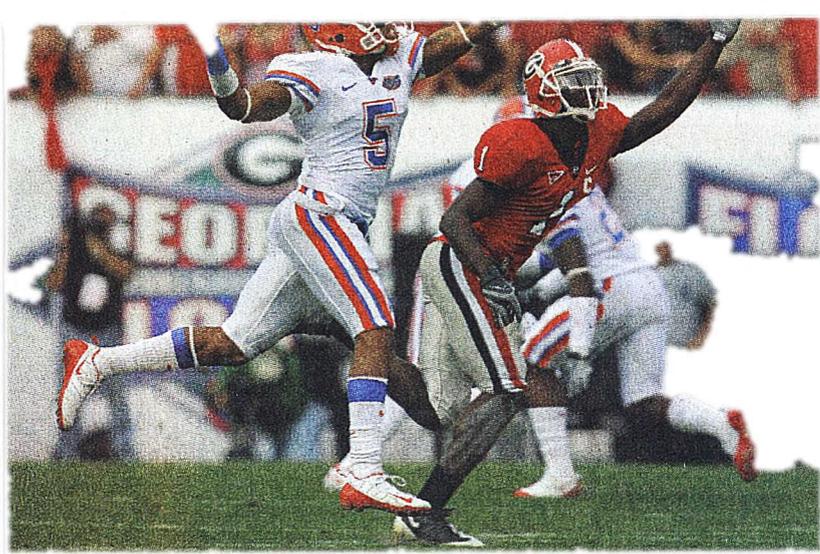
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When Timmy Tebow was a 5- or 6-year old boy asking Wuerffel for his autograph on a church bulletin at Jacksonville's First Baptist Church, he didn't know he would one day have so much in common with the then-Gators quarterback.

They have committed their lives to Jesus Christ. They have won state championships. They have Heisman trophies at home.

And, now, they've led their teams on unprecedented runs. In 1996, the Gators defeated their regular-season opponents by just more than 34 points per game. This year, it's been just more than 37.

Tebow made a statement for his team on Sept. 27 after UF's 31-30 loss against Mississippi by proclaiming no

of player and missionary relations Terry Jackson, "it makes you want to do anything for that team."

Part of what they do is win — big. "The last thing you would think that they would go out and battle somebody to the very end, because they just seem too nice, but that's exactly what you get from each of them," Bates said. "The similarities are all across the board from these two guys."

And there's more similarity here than just their quarterbacks.

Quality Losses

Budding confidence bled into blurred destructions.

Nebraska 62, UF 24.

Michigan 41, UF 35.

The former was in 1996, and the latter in 2008.

The 1995 Gators — a team Young said was by far the most talented team he had ever been on — thought they would go into the game against the Cornhuskers and prance away as national champions.

"It truly pissed us the f*** off," Young said. "I was a mad son-of-a-gun. Honestly, I've never been so aggravated or upset about losing a game. We didn't show what we were about that night. We had the very worst game we could possibly play, and they had the very best game they could possibly play."

"They socked us in the mouth and made us look like a bunch of idiots. That wasn't going to happen again."

Twelve years later, this Gators squad didn't feel much better about their bowl performance.

"It was terrible," Tebow said. "We just didn't come out with a lot of heart and intensity."

It spawned a renewed focus for both teams.

"Getting embarrassed in the last bowl game, I think, was one of the best things to ever happen to Florida football," UF coach Urban Meyer said. "Last year's team was an entitled, self-ish group."

"Everyone's walking around, and they're telling them how good they are. Deep in our heart, everyone in this facility knew there was no chance of repeat. Then they got slapped on New Year's Day. They realized you better get to work."



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TOP: UF quarterback Tim Tebow rushes with the ball in the rain during the Gators' 45-15 win against Florida State in Doak Campbell Stadium in Tallahassee on Saturday.

BOTTOM: Former Gators signal-caller Danny Wuerffel throws a pass during UF's 62-14 win against Georgia Southern at home on Sept. 7, 1996.

If you want to know how the Gators responded, look at their results.

Pure Dominance

For 2008, it was clear there was a change when Meyer sat in the team's meeting room and had his players' pupils meet his. One year ago, there would be players slouching and not looking their coach in the eye. Now, bright-eyed and bushy-tailed players sit straight up with focused stares.

For 1996, there was a summer of recommitment to workouts. Going even harder than they had before. A trust in each other that they would do what needed to be done.

"All the guys stayed and re-

That's exactly what they did. In 2007, if a player needed a ride to practice or to a meeting, good luck.

You're on your own.

Now, they not only give each other rides, they spend time with each other outside of football. This team has a chemistry that has been finely tuned. It's that chemistry that has made them play harder for each other, and why running backs coach Kenny Carter called players liking each other the No. 1 thing important to a team's success.

"Guys who used to just do things because they had to, workout because they had to, started to work out because they wanted to," Tebow said. "We got to the point where, instead of checking something off the list, you were going out there with the passion and purpose to get better. That's when this team started to turn things around."

"Guys who used to do things because they had to started to work out because they wanted to."

Tim Tebow

ally busted their butts to get better," Demetric Jackson said. "That was the beginning of that '96 team gelling."

The most talented team Young had been on turned into the best-led team he had been on.

"We were destined," Wright said. "We were a team of destiny in the sense of it was our destiny. We knew that. It didn't take us long to understand what we had to do and how we had to do it."

It brought on an era of complete absurdity.

"It's just crazy how dominant we were," Bates said. "It was more of a weekly 'Who's Next?'"

As with both teams, it was the players learning how to breed success.

"The coaches knew that we had a championship team with all the guys we had coming back this year," junior linebacker Ryan Stamper said. "They pretty much dwelled on the leaders instead of them taking over the team."

That's similar to when the '96 team would ball up a bunch of tape and whack it around with a stick — a game they called "stickball." Then there were the times when, on the way to games, they would rock the mike as players got on the bus microphone and made some, well, interesting lyrics.

"James (Bates) did a great impersonation of Wild Bill off of Silence of the Lambs," Demetric Jackson said.

And forget about the bad sportsmanship the team showed by allegedly running up the score.

As Wright brought up, they ran up the score so they could give their second- and third-string players a chance to get in the game.

"It's an entirely different mentality," Wright said. "I guarantee you there's not too many teams that thought like that."

It looks like there's one more team thinking the same way. One team that has traveled a similar path. Saturday will show if we're headed for a comparable finish.



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TOP: A Matthew Stafford pass sails over Georgia wide receiver Mohamed Massaquoi and UF cornerback Joe Haden during the Gators' 49-10 win against the Bulldogs in Jacksonville Municipal Stadium on Nov. 1.

BOTTOM: Former UF coach Steve Spurrier stands on the sidelines with former receiver Ike Hilliard during the Gators 28-21 win at Vanderbilt on Nov. 9, 1996. UF would clinch the Southeastern Conference East with the win and would go on to win the conference and national title.



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UF RUN vs. ALABAMA RUN DEFENSE



UF rushes for 237.1 yards per game, ALABAMA allows 73.6 yards per game.

KEY PLAYERS: UF: Fr. RB Jeff Demps (55 att - 529 yards, 9.6 avg, 6 TDs), RFr. RB Chris Rainey (82 att - 654 yds, 8.0 avg, 4 TDs); UA: So. LB Rolando McClain (82 tackles, 11.0 TFL, 3.0 sacks, 1 INT), Jr. DL Terrence Cody (20 tackles, 4.5 TFL, 0.5 sacks)

ANALYSIS: It's been a carousel at running back for the Gators lately. Each game a different player is shining, and they're showing no signs of slowing down. But this week may be different. Alabama has an outstanding defensive line led by Cody, whose 365 pounds are sure to fill the gaps on offense and stuff the UF running game.

ADVANTAGE: ALABAMA

UF PASS vs. ALABAMA PASS DEFENSE



UF passes for 212.3 yards per game, ALABAMA allows 174.9 yards per game.

KEY PLAYERS: UF: Jr. QB Tim Tebow (2,299 yds, 25 TDs-2 INTs, 65.0 pct, 175.5 rating), Jr. WR Percy Harvin (35 rec, 595 yds, 17.0 avg, 7 TDs), Sr. WR Louis Murphy (32 rec, 525 yds, 16.4 avg, 6 TDs); UA: Sr. DB Rashad Johnson (73 tackles, 5.0 TFL, 5 INTs), Fr. LB Dont'a Hightower (59 tackles, 2.5 TFL)

ANALYSIS: If Tebow's three-touchdown performance against Florida State was not convincing last week, just wait until he is in the Georgia Dome on Saturday with no weather to bother him. Alabama's pass defense is vastly improved over last year, and might get a boost if Harvin is absent, but the Gators have the playmakers to take this category without him.

ADVANTAGE: UF

ALABAMA RUN vs. UF RUN DEFENSE



ALABAMA rushes for 201.5 yards per game, UF allows 102.8 yards per game.

KEY PLAYERS: UA: Jr. RB Glen Coffee (199 att - 1,235 yards, 6.2 avg, 9 TDs), Fr. RB Mark Ingram (127 att - 681 yds, 5.4 avg, 11 TDs); UF: Jr. MLB Brandon Spikes (80 tackles, 8.0 TFL, 2.0 sacks, 4 INTs, 93 yds), Jr. DE Jermaine Cunningham (46 tackles, 9.0 TFL, 5.0 sacks)

ANALYSIS: Simply put, the Crimson Tide is a running team. It earns about twice as many yards per game as the Gators allow, and a banged-up defensive line for UF should help Alabama dominate the line of scrimmage. Spikes, Cunningham and the rest of UF's run-stoppers might have their hands full with Coffee and Ingram.

ADVANTAGE: ALABAMA

ALABAMA PASS vs. UF PASS DEFENSE



ALABAMA passes for 169.3 yards per game, UF allows 172.9 yards per game.

KEY PLAYERS: UA: Sr. QB John Parker Wilson (1,909 yds, 9 TDs-5 INTs, 58.6 pct, 125.8 rating), Fr. WR Julio Jones (46 rec, 723 yds, 15.7 avg, 4 TDs), Sr. TE Nick Walker (26 rec, 262 yds, 10.1 avg, 2 TDs); UF: So. CB Joe Haden (69 tackles, 0.5 TFL, 2 INTs, 112 yds), So. SS Ahmad Black (47 tackles, 0.5 TFL, 6 INTs, 191 yds)

ANALYSIS: If there's one category that is doubtlessly for the Gators in this game, it's this one. Wilson is a good quarterback, don't get us wrong, but the Gators' pass defense has faced better twice this season (Georgia's Matthew Stafford and Mississippi's Jevan Snead) and performed well against them. The only issue will be stopping Jones, who is as physically gifted of a receiver as UF has seen.

ADVANTAGE: UF

SPECIAL TEAMS



KEY PLAYERS: UF: Sr. Kicker Jonathan Phillips (10-10 FGs, long 40), So. Punter Chas Henry (38 punts, 42.4 avg, long 67), Jr. KR Brandon James (57 rets, 1,050 yds, 2 TDs); UA: Jr. Kicker Leigh Tiffin (17-24 FGs, long 54), Jr. Punter P.J. Fitzgerald (51 punts, 41.1 avg, long 56), Jr. KR Javier Arenas (55 rets, 942 yds, 2 TDs)

ANALYSIS: This category has been locked in for the Gators since week 1, but this time, we're switching it up. Brandon James has been lackluster lately, appearing to be trying too hard when he catches a punt or a kickoff. Arenas, on the other hand, is effortless with the ball and has been consistent all season. Combine that with the UF kickoff team performing poorly and constantly giving opponents good field position, and you've got an advantage for the Tide.

ADVANTAGE: ALABAMA

INTANGIBLES



The Gators have been in complete control of their season since the Mississippi loss, dominating all their opponents. But Alabama is still the No. 1 team in the country. They have not lost any contests, they have played in the Georgia Dome once already this year and their fans will be holding most of the tickets in Atlanta. Combine that with the fact that UF is the favorite in this game, and you have an Alabama team that has even more going for it than UF does.

ADVANTAGE: ALABAMA

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