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# Earmarks, rate hikes approved by Board

## ■ SIX MEETINGS HELD.

By **THOMAS STEWART**  
 Alligator Staff Writer

At Monday's Board of Trustees meetings, plans to request over \$100 million in federal earmarks

for research in 2009-2010 as well as plans to hike dorm rental rates and parking decal prices were approved by various committees of the board.

The full board, which is the university's highest governing body, will meet today to take the

final vote on the measures.

If they are passed, dorm rent would go up by \$210 a semester for the fall and spring of 2009-2010, an average increase of about 10 percent. Rent for the summer would stay the same to allow UF to be competitive in the cheap

summer housing market.

Graduate and family housing would see increases next year ranging from \$20 to \$40 a month, or about 7 percent.

The increases are sought to counter spikes in utilities, rising employee salary and benefits costs

and minimum wage increases.

They will also help UF install up-to-date features such as double panel windows and wireless Internet, said Patricia Telles-Irvin, UF's vice president of Student Affairs, after the meeting.

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## STATE NEWS

# March held to end war in Iraq

By **EMILY FUGGETTA**  
 Alligator Writer

Those who plan to march in the Florida March for Peace describe themselves as militant. Their Web site displays the silhouettes of soldiers, weapons cocked and helmets fastened.

But these soldiers don't wield guns — they brandish baguettes and carrots.

The groups from across the state participating in and endorsing the March 28 demonstration in Melbourne, Fla., adhere to Martin Luther King's belief in militant nonviolence, which means a demanding and persistent push to alleviate human need.

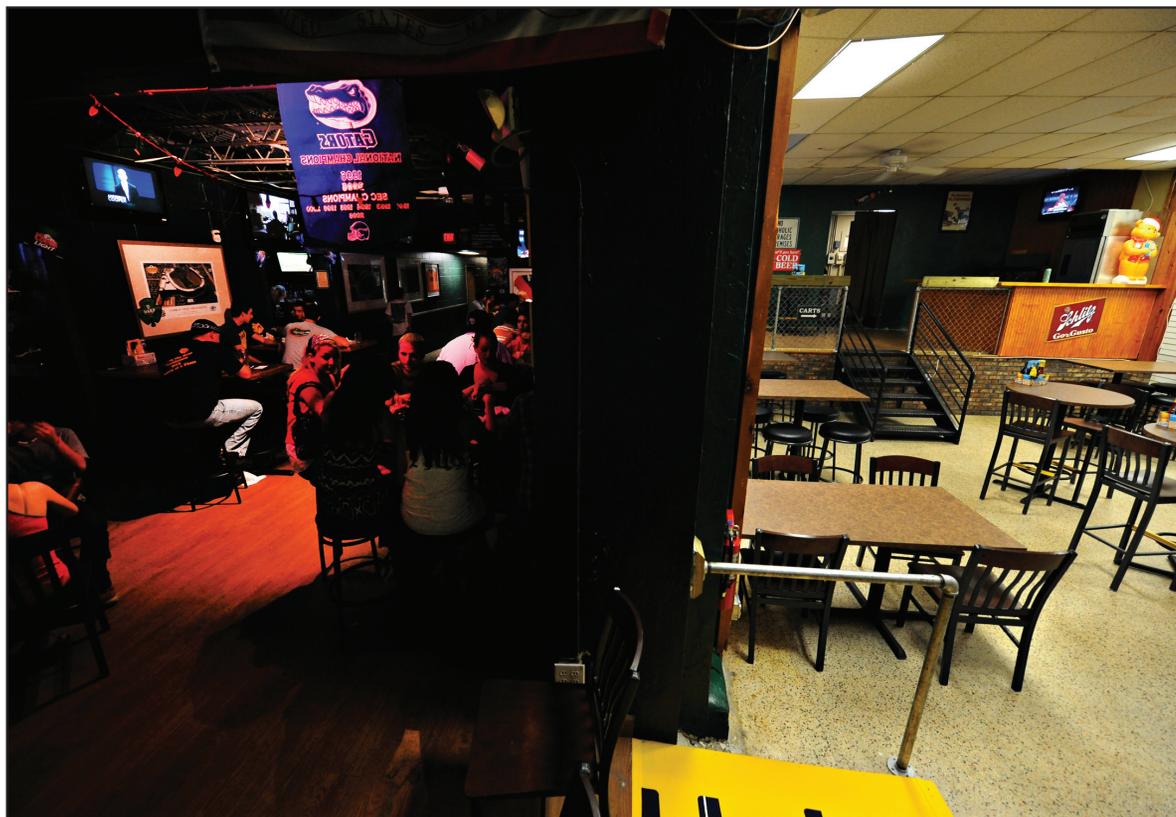
"Like King, we believe that taking on militarism is taking on poverty. It's taking on racism. It's taking on sexism," said Jeff Nall, Florida March for Peace Coordinator. "Essentially, we believe it's the key to a more peaceful world and a safer country."

The groups will begin at Front Street Park, where anti-war activists will speak, and then will continue to the Melbourne City Hall to hear additional speakers. The march will include members from 60 groups across the state, including Gainesville's chapter of Veterans for Peace. Nall, 29, said that he and the other members of the host organization, Humanists for Peace, want President Barack Obama to stop the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The march's purpose is twofold, Nall said.

"On the one hand, yeah. We want to influence politicians," he said. "But presidents have never been the engine behind

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Harrison Diamond / Alligator Staff

## Spring Expansion

Bar patrons enjoy food and drinks at Mother's Pub & Grill on University Avenue Monday night. The new expansion of the pub, shown on right, will open tomorrow on St. Patrick's Day.

# Man arrested after store clerk thwarts theft attempt

By **KATIE EMMETS**  
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A Gainesville convenience store employee stopped a man from stealing Sunday night by electronically locking the store doors.

At 5:10 p.m. at the Kangaroo at 1516 S. E. 4th Ave., the store clerk saw a man putting items into his black duffel bag.

When the man tried to leave the store, the clerk electronically locked the doors, the Gainesville Police Department arrest report stated.

After the man realized the doors were locked, the clerk asked him what was in his bag.

**Local News** The man pushed the clerk out of the way, went to an office in the back of the store and took the items out of his bag, the report stated.

After he was arrested, Tommie Nobles, 39, said he was involved in the theft as a lookout but denied taking the items, the report stated. Nobles put five Glade air fresheners, an Amoral car interior spray, and a 32 oz. Natural Light beer into the duffel bag.

According to the report, officials also found half a gram of marijuana and a glass pipe containing cocaine residue in his bag. Nobles was charged with petit theft, simple battery, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

■ The UF women's basketball team earned a No. 8 seed in the NCAA Tournament. The Gators will travel to Connecticut for an opening-round matchup with Temple on Sunday. See Story, Page 14.



## Officials: Folk ballad inspiration recaptured

LAKELAND, Fla. (AP) — Authorities say a convict and inspiration for a folk ballad about a man who stole a Wal-Mart trailer to see his dying mother has been captured in Florida, two weeks after escaping from custody in Georgia.

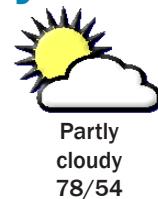
The Polk County sheriff's office says it arrested 34-year-old Christopher Daniel Gay on Monday in the parking lot of a Lakeland Wal-Mart in a stolen tractor-trailer. He had escaped in Kenesaw, Ga., on March 3, during transportation to face charges of stealing another trailer in Jan. 2007.

He also is accused of stealing country singer Crystal Gayle's tour bus.

■ A local Web site is hosting a challenge to see if Gainesville residents can eat local foods for a month. See Story, Page 4.

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# News Today

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### Latino Comedy Chaos Tour Presents: Gina Brillon

Today, 7 p.m.  
Pugh Hall Ocora  
Presented by Lambda Theta Alpha. Gina Brillon has been featured on Comedy Central's "New Faces of Comedy." Co-sponsored by HSA, UEPA and the South Asian American Student Alliance.

### The Network of Enlightened Women (NeW) Spaghetti Dinner

Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m.  
Crescent Community Church.  
Meal will cost \$5. All proceeds will benefit the group's Relay for Life team.

### University of Florida Performing Arts Presents: Trey McIntyre Project

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Phillips Center for the Performing Arts  
The Trey McIntyre Project infuses classical ballet with a modern vitality, sensibility and soul. Student tickets are \$10.

### UF Psychology Club/Psi Chi Honor Society joint meeting with the Neuroscience Club

Wednesday, 7:20 p.m.  
New Physics Building 1001  
Our guest speaker is Dr. Darragh Devine, who will be speaking about addiction. The groups will serve chips and cookies, and attendees will have the opportunity to mingle with students from the Neuroscience Club.

### RUB Entertainment Presents: Milk

Today, March 18 & 19  
8 and 10:30 p.m.  
Reitz Union Auditorium  
Milk is an R-rated film about California's first openly gay

## FORECAST

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elected official, Harvey Milk.

### "Islam and European Secularism"

Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Pugh Hall Ocora  
Talk by Jocelyne Cesari, Harvard University. The discussion is part of the Engaging Migration in Europe series sponsored by the Center for European Studies and the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence.

### First Amendment Free Food Festival

Thursday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Plaza of the Americas  
Students and faculty can drop by and "sign away" their First Amendment rights for a free lunch. This interactive demonstration is hosted by the UF Society of Professional Journalists and is meant to show the importance of First Amendment rights during daily activities.

### Got something going on?

And want to post it in this space? Send an e-mail to [kbjornsen@alligator.org](mailto:kbjornsen@alligator.org) with 'What's Happening' in the subject line.

## LOCAL

### Local restaurant robbed

A Gainesville restaurant was robbed by an armed man Monday morning.

At 8:57 a.m., an employee at Cedar River Seafood and Oyster

Bar, 5847 S.W. 75th St., said he was waiting for someone to come and repair restaurant equipment when he heard a knock at the back door, Alachua County Sheriff's Offices spokesman Art Forgey said.

Forgey said when the employee opened the door, he was met by a man with a gun.

The man forced the two employees in the restaurant to open the safe. After taking an undetermined amount of money, the man then attempted to tie the employees up with speaker wire.

The employee told officials when the man couldn't get the speaker wire to hold, he individually plastic wrapped their hands together, Forgey said.

He walked out the back door and headed west behind the Publix in the shopping center where the restaurant is located.

The man has not yet been caught and is described as a black man between the ages of 35 and 40 years old with a medium-sized build.

The employees told officials the man was bald with a scruffy beard and was wearing a blue shirt, blue jeans and a blue hat.

— KATIE EMMETS

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# Challenge encourages people to eat local for a month

By **YVONNE AYALA**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Carnivore, herbivore, but have you heard of localvore?

A local Web site has challenged Gainesville residents to eat local foods for a month.

Registration for the 2nd Annual Eat Local Challenge is open until April 30, but some participants have already committed to eat local.

"I very much believe in buying

local, and that's been true all my life," said Rachel Kohl, a Gainesville resident and challenge participant.

"I see these things that grow locally — they've been just down the street and slept in the dirt the night before. I think that's part of what makes them so delicious."

The contest kicks off May 1 and pushes the average eater to forage and gobble up only local and seasonal foods at home or at locally owned restaurants.

The contest is designed to make people think about what they eat and where it comes from, said Stefanie Hamblen, founder and editor of Hogtown HomeGrown, a newsletter and Web site that

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promotes eating and buying local food.

Hamblen says for food to be local, the average distance should be within 100 miles of where you live

In the Gainesville area, residents can buy local meat, seafood, dairy products and eggs. But produce such as watermelon, eggplant, squashes, heirloom tomatoes and citrus reach their peak in May.

When contestants lack the energy to cook, Book Lover's Café, Ti Amo, New Deal and other restaurants will offer special menus with local fare.

The challenge ends May 31 at a community celebration hosted by HomeGrown. Participants can com-

plete a chart available at the HomeGrown Web site to track their progress. Local businesses will donate prizes like locally roasted coffee, massages, oil changes and gift certificates for participants who keep track of what local foods they eat.

"Seasonal, local food tastes better, money spent locally improves our local economy and local food travels fewer miles to your plate, reducing your carbon footprint," Hamblen said.

# Pro-Amendment 1 signs disappear from supporters' yards

By **HUNTER SIZEMORE**

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When Charlene of Northwest Gainesville woke up Friday morning, she noticed something missing from several yards in her neighborhood: "Vote Yes on Amendment 1" signs.

"It's frustrating," she said. "I feel like I have a right to express myself."

According to Jim Gilbert, a spokesperson for Citizens for Good Public Policy, a pro-Amendment 1 organization, roughly 100

"Vote Yes on Amendment 1" signs were stolen from supporter's yards between 1 a.m. and 5 a.m. Friday.

"There appears to be a coordinated effort to steal our signs as quickly as we can place them," Gilbert wrote in an e-mail. "Such theft is common during election seasons, as you probably know, but these all occurred on the same night and all over town."

Since then, there have been multiple reports of sign thefts in East Gainesville, Gilbert wrote.

Voters will decide on March 24 whether or not Amendment 1 would nullify

There appears to be a coordinated effort to steal our signs as quickly as we can place them.

**Jim Gilbert**

Citizens for Good Public Policy spokesman

Chapter 8 of the Gainesville Code of Ordinances, titled "Discrimination." If passed, protections would be provided by the Florida Civil Rights Act at the state level. In effect, this would remove protected status for transgender, lesbian, gay and bisexual

Gainesville residents and loosen protections for other classes.

Shelbi Day, a spokeswoman for Equality is Gainesville's Business, said she does not condone the sign thefts.

"We're focusing all of our energy on getting out our message, and our signs," Day said.

GPD spokesman Keith Kameg was unavailable for comment. Police reports filed by sign owners were unavailable at the time of publication.

Supporters in Charlene's neighborhood have replaced or plan to replace their signs, Charlene said.

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## GAINESVILLE CITY COMMISSION

## Commissioner exudes 'normalcy'

By MARA RUDOLPH

Alligator Contributing Writer

Mix one part city commissioner, half an Italian, a smidge of Georgia Bulldog, a Beastie Boy lover and a full serving of normalcy, and you get Jeanna Mastrodicasa.

It is the normalcy that surprises many people, considering Mastrodicasa is Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs. She is also up for reelection as city commissioner.

"A lot of the city staff tell me that I'm so normal - that's actually a recurring thing," she said. "I don't like a lot of recognition. That's kind of the opposite of being an elected official. It all sounds really fancy, but I'm just a regular person."

She enjoys spending time with her dog, Oliver, a mutt she rescued in 2004 after her terrier, Snoop Dogg, died. She likes to cook and spend time with her husband, Clay Sweger, a land planner for a small engineering firm. She loves "Harold and Kumar go to White Castle" and "Bend it Like Beckham," and keeps a box of Run-DMC figurines in her office.

Mastrodicasa attributed some of this normalcy to her small-town upbringing in Pittsfield, Ma., which had a population of less than 50,000 people when she was growing up.

"The nearest mall was an hour away. There were no chain restaurants," she said. "It was a big deal to go to a big chain restaurant."

Despite its small-town feel, Mastrodicasa said her home population was full of different ethnicities, with heavy Italian, Polish and Irish influences.

While at UGA, Mastrodicasa found a new passion in sports. In her seven years of schooling there, she only missed one home football game. She remains a Bulldog fan today.

"It's a challenge being a Georgia fan in Gator country. I miss Athens. It is my inner happiness," she said.

She graduated with a public relations degree in 1992 and stayed for three more years to earn a Juris Doctor at the law school.



Mastrodicasa

In 1997, Mastrodicasa moved to Gainesville to become an academic and pre-law advisor at UF. Two years later, she was appointed assistant dean of students and eventually became associate director with the UF's honors program.

But by 1999, Mastrodicasa was looking for a task more involved with the community.

"I was ready for a new personal challenge.

I was in a rut," Mastrodicasa said.

Having been active with the Alachua County Democrats, she decided to run for city commissioner.

"It was one of the best things I ever did, but it was also very scary. Two days before the election I said to myself, 'Is this really a good idea?'" she said. "But it got me off the couch and interacting with people."

Since her election in 2006, Mastrodicasa's "normal" could be synonymous with "busy," but she loves it.

"I like coming to work every day," Mastrodicasa said. "If you don't love what you do, it's gonna be a really long day every day."

## March held in Jax

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social change. It has always been the grassroots — from the bottom up."

Nall said he hopes the march will incite a cultural shift away from militarism so that government money can be used for human need.

"It's an initiation into a different way of looking at the world," he said. "I think it's going to be huge."

According to Nall, the march is a bipartisan effort, including fiscal conservatives and liberals.

"What you find is simply a broad range of people who are appalled by the spending on militarism," he said.

Nall said that while some people think the anti-war movement fizzled after the '60s and '70s, it is very much alive. But the Florida March for Peace will be no flower-power fest, Nall said.

"The kind, gentle suggestions of 'give peace a chance' are done with," he said. "We are demanding that militarism be brought to a halt and human needs are put ahead of greed."

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## Editorial

# Bailout Buster

## Obama takes hard line against AIG spending

**K**udos to President Barack Obama for standing up to AIG's outlandish intentions of paying out over \$100 million worth of bonuses to top executives.

Yes, that AIG.

Calling upon his Secretary of Treasury on Monday, Obama asked Timothy F. Geithner to do whatever legally possible to block the company from handing out the bonuses — especially considering the \$170 billion given to AIG since last fall.

According to a New York Times article, the government does not plan on taking the company to court but rather seeks to ensure that there is greater transparency with regard to how the bailout money is being allocated.

What's most absurd is the logic behind AIG's intentions to pay out the bonuses by hiding behind the fact that language in employees' contracts leaves them legally obligated.

Hmm, considering that the federal government now owns 80 percent of the company, it seems troubling at best that AIG remains hell-bent on unnecessarily draining taxpayers' money.

The Obama administration made a shrewd move in taking a clear-cut stance against AIG's actions as public perception of the president will largely be linked to how bailout money succeeds in remedying America's current economic crisis.

To have turned a blind eye to an ever-growing blight upon America would have cast a shroud of doubt on Obama's future plans that may include additional financial packages for other entities.

Hardly the recipe for success for a president merely two months on the job.

## Paper in Peril

**T**oday marks another sad day in journalism history — the closing of Seattle's oldest newspaper, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

The paper's parent company, Hearst Co., put the P-I up for sale in January and no buyer was found at the end of the allotted 60 days, so the paper will be moving to an online-only product.

According to the paper's Web site, about 20 people will stay on as the publication transitions, with hundreds of other staffers being paid two weeks per year worked in a severance package.

The Editorial Board hates to see a good paper go under. Ironically enough, this time last year our current editor was preparing for an internship at the P-I.

The reporters, photographers and online staff at the P-I were some of the most talented and driven group of journalists out there. They are now left to scramble for jobs in an ever-narrowing industry.

While we understand that

Hearst had to cut its losses, giving the paper a paltry 60-day window to find a buyer was extremely unfair. At this point, selling a newspaper that is already millions of dollars in debt is doomed to fail.

Seattle will surely mourn the loss of its oldest newspaper and oldest business, and the paper's administration is trying to remain optimistic that the online-only P-I will remain viable.

But the truth of the matter is the loss of the print product will be a hard pill to swallow for Seattleites, who have enjoyed living in a two-newspaper town for almost a century.

The Seattle Times, the city's conservative-leaning paper, will now have a monopoly over the city, and the hard-hitting journalism fueled by the fierce competition between the two papers may diminish.

With two major papers folding in the first three months of 2009, we fear for the future of journalism.

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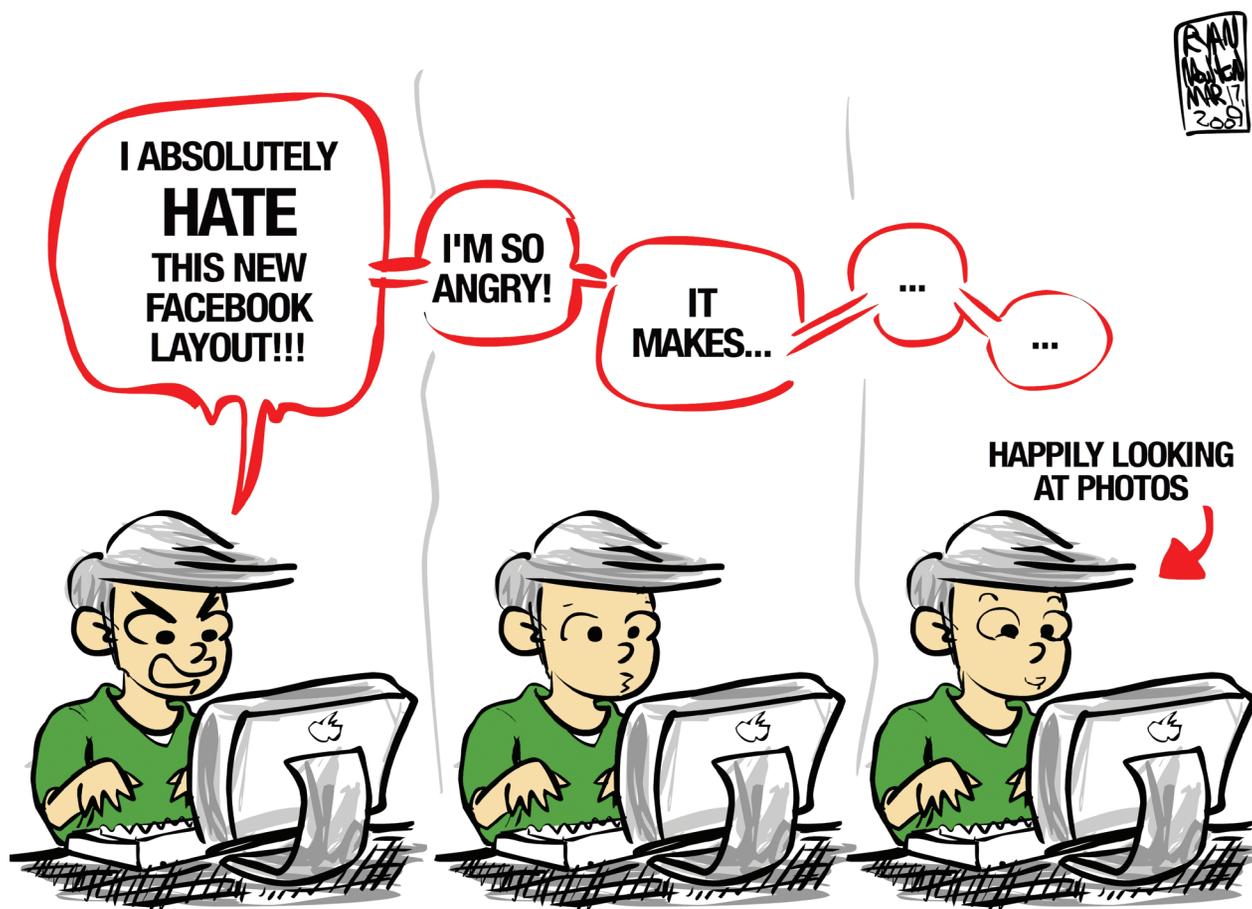
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## Column

## Consumers jump the gun on firearms

**I**n response to these depressing days of fiscal failure and the realization of the tenuous grip most people have on their homes and their jobs, Americans of every stripe seem to be clinging to their guns and blogs.

According to FBI data, background checks for gun purchases reached a record high in November 2008. More than 1.5 million people bought guns from a dealer the month Barack Obama was elected president, a number surely far below the actual tally once gun shows and private party sales are factored into the equation.

While background checks for gun sales have been increasing steadily since 2007, the last few months have practically been an orgy of armed fortification. January and February of 2009 have each shown background check increases by more than 20 percent over the inflated 2008 numbers.

This same thing happens every time a Democrat takes the White House. Traditionally tougher on gun regulations, a Democrat assuming the top spot in our system means that the fear of anti-gun legislation increases exponentially. The difference this time is the sustained manner of the increase — and the run on bullets.

Most gun shops and sporting-goods stores across the country report a six-month to one-year waiting list on ammunition for popular pistols and semi-automatic firearms. The kicker, though, is that everybody saw this coming; the managers and owners of these sold-out gun shops ordered thousands of extra rounds of ammo, only to be swamped by a level of demand that few thought possible.

Demand that far outstrips supply is the wet dream of capitalism, and this particular bear market seems fueled entirely by Internet speculation. Obama has not been



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(tele)prompted to say anything about guns thus far in his first 50 days of power, but on the Web he is one step from King George III.

Networks formerly connected by fliers and infrequent meetings are now solidly united by message boards and forwarded fear-mongering e-mails.

Given the glacial pace of our government, any gun prohibition — even a reworking of the lapsed ban on assault rifles — would take months to wind its way through the byzantine bureaucracy of our federal system. Why worry about factual evidence, though, when panic is right there in your inbox?

People hoarding certain types of guns and ammo have artificially driven up prices and created what is essentially a speculative bubble. Rumors about putting serial numbers on bullets or making ammunition that only fires for two years after it is made are only a few of the theories floating around the Web these days.

This may be the most sneaky and successful viral marketing campaign of our digital age. America already sits at the intersection of race, capitalism, firearms and fear — a little nudge is all it would take.

If not, this is "Mad Max" investing at its finest. The worst-case scenario will render even the most secure mattress savings accounts little more than a collection of worthless paper. Trading bullets for peanut butter seems like a fair exchange, even post apocalypse.

Tommy Maple is an international communications graduate student. His column appears on Tuesdays.

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

## Reader response

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## Letters to the Editor

### Column over-glorifies Stewart

Matthew Christ's column on Monday over-glorified Jon Stewart as our nation's court jester who leads a mob in finding the fallacies in claims made by financial news networks in today's economic crisis and in ordinary news networks heading into the Iraq War. I think a criticism of Stewart is warranted today.

In 2003, a particularly popular president gave the country a plan that told us that war

was imminent; we'd spend a lot, but it is necessary for us to be safe in the future. In 2009, a particularly popular president again presented our country with a plan to battle this bad economy; we'll spend a lot, but it is necessary for us to be safe in the future. Stewart got it right in not blindly following the popularity of President George W. Bush after September 11, and by asking, "is this really necessary?"

President Barack Obama is being attacked

by some at CNBC who wish not to follow blindly his master plan to protect us from a faltering economy, just as Stewart did in 2003. Yet now this court jester dropped his pitch fork and jumped on the Obama bandwagon. I liked Stewart more when he questioned the popular president in seemingly unnecessary ventures. Perhaps now we should question him.

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4LS

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## Guest column

# Funding education remains top concern for Fla. legislators

As many of you know, the legislature recently met in a special session to make significant cuts to the state's budget for the current fiscal year. This special session was called as a direct result of the economic downturn our nation, our state and our individual communities have all been experiencing. This downturn led to subsequent cuts to many programs, and it will definitely shape the policies we implement, as well as the final budget we pass during the upcoming regular session.

It isn't an easy task to maintain a balanced budget, which is mandated by our constitution. When state revenues are dramatically down it requires either cutting funding to departments and programs or raising taxes. Many of my colleagues

and I felt that now was not the time to further burden Florida's families and businesses with additional taxes.

No single solution will be able to resolve the deficit we are facing this spring.

However, by making reductions in spending and using reserve funds, we have been able to steer clear of tax hikes and also were allowed to avoid major reductions to essential programs.

While we faced a \$2.5 billion shortfall for this fiscal year, next year's shortfall has the possibility of reaching \$5 billion to \$6 billion. I think this makes our decisions and our approach this year even more important. By tightening our collective belts and reducing spending in nonessential areas, we will be better

### Steve Oelrich Speaking Out

prepared for future shortfalls. Using tax increases as a Band-Aid for this year will only delay the inevitable as we move into the next fiscal year.

Many citizens have voiced their concerns about the cuts that have been made to education. As chairman of the Higher Education Committee and a father of three sons who attended public schools, the education of our children is a top priority. However, with the deficit we face, no program or department can be held harmless, and education is no different.

Considering education takes up over half of the budget, sparing education from cuts would unduly burden the departments that receive

significantly less in appropriations (Health and Human Services is second with just more than 25 percent). We have worked to cut as little as possible and maintain funding in areas that are essential to our youth who are enrolled in K-12 classes. Higher education as a whole will be aided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

The stimulus bill will provide additional funding for Pell Grants, work-study programs and higher education tax credits. While the total amount of money allotted for each program is not fully known, it will certainly be a help to those that are looking to further their education in a time of economic hardship. UF will also be helped if a bill allowing tuition increases is successful during this session.

The bill, currently in committee, will provide additional funding to the university system and bring tuition closer to the national average.

Although we are facing trying times economically, we are working to build a more efficient and effective government. Our decisions today, as tough as they may be, will go further in securing a stronger future for the generations that will follow. By requiring that our government live within its means, we can remain confident that the state of Florida and its people will return to better economic times.

*Elected in 2006, Steve Oelrich represents Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Gilchrist, Levy, Marion, Putnam and Union counties in the Florida Senate. He served as sheriff of Alachua County from 1992-2006.*

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# Grad program tuition may increase, Flavet band shell to be replaced

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Telles-Irvin told Trustees that dorms are having to compete with more and more apartment complexes, some of which lure students with creative incentives.

"They're offering mopeds, they're offering laptops, they're offering, you know, free food," she said.

The board could also decide to raise parking decal prices by about 10 percent next year. Under the increase, an annual student decal would cost \$134, up from \$122.

Tuition for first- and second-year in-state students in the College of Medicine's Physician Assistant program could also be hiked 10 to 15 percent to make it comparable to other schools in the Southeast.

UF's students currently pay about \$14,000 a year, whereas those at Barry University, also in Florida, pay \$42,000 a year, ac-

ording to board documents.

The board's committees also had a slew of discussion items, which were not up for vote, on their agendas at the meetings.

Topics included plans to start offering an online business degree at Santa Fe College and the demolition of UF's band shell.

Beginning in the fall, Santa Fe students will be able to enroll in a program offering bachelor's degrees in business administration.

The classes will be online, except for tests, and taught by UF faculty and staff.

The same degree is already offered through UF at other state colleges, but has not been offered at Santa Fe because of fears it would draw local students away from UF, said Andy McCollough, senior associate dean of the Warrington College of Business Administration.

Board members were also informed at the meeting that UF's Flavet Field band shell will be demolished next week to make way

for a new band shell.

Telles-Irvin said the new band shell should be ready by early July and will cost about \$1 million.

Half the money will come from the Capital Improvement Trust Fund, which is supported by student tuition fees at state universities. UF's Activity & Service Fee, paid by UF students, will cover the rest.

Former UF Student Body President and Trustee Kevin Reilly, excited about the new band shell, jokingly asked if he could swing the first sledgehammer to help demolish the old structure.

"You can go watch," responded Carol Walker, assistant vice president of UF's Facilities Planning & Construction.

Trustees were also briefed about UF's new student survey, the Student Experience in the Research University (SERU) survey, which was e-mailed to UF undergraduates yesterday.

In an effort to get students to

participate, UF has made completion of the survey mandatory for eligibility in the football ticket lottery and is offering the possibility of \$50 coupons at UF's bookstore, among other prizes, for completion of the survey.

Trustees also discussed the implications of the state's most recent revenue projections.

On Friday, economists projected the state's revenues, which come mainly from sales taxes, will be short another \$2.3 billion for the next fiscal year, which begins July 1, and \$1.1 billion for the current fiscal year, according to a presentation by Jane Adams, UF's vice president of university relations.

The state's budget deficit for 2009-2010 could be \$6 billion or more, according to projections.

It's not yet clear how these projections might affect UF's budget.

The state Legislature will use the estimates to determine the state's budget by the end of its session on May 1.

While state revenues are down, so are donations to UF. After a record haul of almost \$65 million in December, the UF Foundation raked in less than \$40 million in January and February.

Trustees were presented with some good news, however. Over the last 12 months, UF has saved almost \$1.4 million in printing costs, including such expenses as paper, ink and printer repair.

Much of the savings come from publishing reports exclusively online, said Joe Hice, UF's associate vice president for Marketing and Public Relations.

Ed Poppell, UF's vice president for Business Affairs, also told Trustees that UF will seek to use \$10 million originally allocated for a new chemistry building for energy efficient modifications at various campus buildings instead. The modifications, if approved, will likely pay for themselves in two to five years, he said.

Alligator Writer Emily Fuggetta contributed to this report.

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**ACROSS**

**CLUE**      **ANSWER**

1. Soft \_\_\_\_\_      RNSDIK  
5. Spacious      YOMOR  
6. Large seed      NRCAO  
7. Duplicity      ICDTEE

**DOWN**

**CLUE**      **ANSWER**

1. Roof window      MORRED  
2. Cut off      TSEIAOL  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ address      YTEEKON  
4. Hat      NBNOTE

**CLUE:** This novel was published in 1851.

**BONUS** ○○○○○      ○○○○○

**How to play** Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

ANSWERS: 1A-Dinkie 5A-Koony 6A-Acorn 7A-Decet 1D-Dormer 2D-Isolate 3D-Keynote 4D-Bonnet B-Moby Dick

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10 \*Single-gulp drink  
14 Kelly of talk  
15 In the cooler  
16 Smack add-on  
17 Matchmaking god  
18 \*Science industry  
20 Excellent  
22 Washes, as a driveway  
23 Brain scan, for short  
24 Kal \_\_\_: pet food company  
25 Channeling states  
29 Pellet shooters  
33 \*Dapper topper  
34 \*Item on a schoolmarm's desk, maybe  
36 Freelance writer's encl.  
37 Sharp, like wit  
38 Appropriate way to go today, which can precede the answers to starred clues  
39 Myth debunker  
40 Dorm agts.  
41 \*Birdbath floaters  
42 \*Airy  
43 McDonald's aptly named mascot before Ronald  
45 Characterized by  
47 Required to be filed, as a tax form  
48 Support  
49 Hold responsible  
52 Perfectly aligned  
58 \*Beatles classic with the line "We all want to change the world"  
60 Malt shop music machine, for short  
61 Parishioner's "Yes!"  
62 Emmy winner Edie  
63 Earthen pot  
64 \*Check for proof of age  
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66 \*Coffee source

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32 Brief argument  
35 \*Pod resident  
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42 Tender cut  
44 O'Brien of "D.O.A."  
46 Spoil, as an outdoor party  
49 Bric-a-\_\_\_  
50 Champagne Tony of '60s golf

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52 \_\_\_ impasse: stuck  
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## UF gets No. 8 seed in NCAA Tournament

■ THE TEAM WILL PLAY  
TEMPLE IN ITS 1ST GAME.

By **CHRISTOPHER YAZBEC**

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Just imagine the feeling.

UF, 9-22 two seasons ago, is NCAA Tournament-bound, but perhaps not without feeling a little slighted.

The Gators (23-7, 9-5 Southeastern Conference) gathered together in Ben Hill Griffin Stadium on Monday night and watched as they received a No. 8 seed for the Big Dance.

UF will face No. 9-seed Temple (21-9, 11-3 Atlantic 10 Conference) in Storrs, Conn., on Sunday.

The part that wasn't so refreshing for the Gators is a potential second-round matchup with No. 1 overall seed Connecticut (33-0) on the Huskies' home court. That's unless No. 16-seed Vermont, a team UF faced earlier this season, pulls off the unthinkable.

"Do I think we're better than an eight seed? Absolutely, I think we're better than an eight seed," UF coach Amanda Butler said. "But for us to be able to say that, we need to back it up."

Junior guard Steffi Sorensen felt the same way about the

Gators' path.

"We were kind of hoping for a better seed, but certainly you can't go in there down about it," Sorensen said. "We've just got to

go in there and play our game and kind of play with a chip on our shoulder."

Still, the feeling for UF was reassuring knowing what it has

accomplished so quickly, going from no postseason two years ago to the Women's National Invitation Tournament last year

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UF guard Sha Brooks and coach Amanda Butler embrace during the Gators' win against Tennessee on Feb. 8. The Gators got an NCAA Tournament bid this year in Butler's second season at UF.

### UF BASEBALL

## Gators to renew rivalry with Seminoles

By **KYLE MAISTRI**

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There's nothing like a rivalry game to wake up a reeling team.

UF (9-7, 0-3 Southeastern Conference) will host FSU (9-6) at 6:30 in McKethan Stadium tonight fresh off of suffering a three-game sweep at the hands of Arkansas over the weekend.

The Gators committed eight errors over the three losses and continued to get no help at all from the bullpen.

The Razorbacks were the Gators' first competition from the SEC, but the Seminoles might present the toughest challenge so far.

FSU posted a 54-14 record a year ago that culminated in a College World Series berth.

Though there was a lot of turnover from

that squad, such as the loss of 2008 Collegiate Baseball Player of the Year and No. 5 overall MLB Draft pick Buster Posey, the Seminoles lineup is just as formidable.



Panteliadis

FSU sophomore Tyler Holt comes into today's game hitting .475, and the dynamic leadoff man leads the team in stolen bases (five) and doubles (10).

Third baseman Stuart Tapley, also a sophomore, has provided the most power for FSU. He comes in hitting .333 with a team-high four home runs and 15 RBIs.

The Seminoles' Achilles heel has been their pitching staff.

Every starter in the rotation has already suffered a loss, and their team ERA is a ro-

bust 5.40.

By comparison, UF's staff boasts a 3.89 ERA, although pitching hasn't exactly been a bright spot for the Gators.

Freshman Alex Panteliadis (2-2, 6.50 ERA) will take the hill for the Gators tonight after struggling in his last outing against Arkansas on Saturday. Panteliadis lasted just 1 1/3 innings after allowing five hits and giving up 5 runs.

Freshman Brian Busch (0-1, 3.06) will get the start for FSU.

FSU leads the all-time series with UF 115-93-1, and the Seminoles took two of three from the Gators a year ago.

UF did, however, defend its home field and came away with a 6-1 victory in Gainesville before dropping the other two games in Jacksonville and Tallahassee by a combined score of 14-4.

## Football needs more 'madness'

Every year, there's one week I look forward to above everything else — the selection and first two rounds of the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament.

From Selection Sunday to the finalizing of the Sweet 16, I'm in heaven.

I always print out way too many brackets and start using different methods — gut feelings, stats, coaches, mascots, cool names — to get an idea of how I should fill it in (Chief Kickingstallionsims'



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name alone is definitely enough for me to pick Alabama State in the play-in game).

That keeps me busy enough that Thursday and Friday roll around in no time — and these are the best two days of the year.

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  - No

# Large lineman prospect Orr orally commits to Gators

■ THE NEW PORT RICHEY GULF HIGH JUNIOR IS UF'S 2ND LINEMAN RECRUIT IN THE 2010 CLASS.

By TYLER JETT  
Alligator Writer

The latest addition to the Gators' 2010 recruiting class is a big one.

New Port Richey Gulf High's Leon Orr — all 6-foot-6, 300 pounds of him — announced his intent to sign with UF on Sunday while at the Badger Sports/New Level Athletics Pass Camp in Las Vegas.

Orr is the Gators' eighth oral commitment and second lineman prospect for the 2010 class. UF's other lineman commit, 257-pound Ian Silberman, is significantly smaller than Orr.

But if Orr has his way, size will be only one of his advantages.

Despite his girth, Orr is noticeably quick. He starts at defensive tackle and tight end for Gulf, earning all-county honors at both positions. He even played fullback as a sophomore.

"(Opponents) see me, they're like, 'He's big, he ain't going to be able to move,'" Orr said. "But then when I do it, they be so surprised that it catches them off guard."

"After the Friday Night Lights, that's when I opened a lot of eyes."

Leon Orr  
New Port Richey Gulf High lineman

Orr probably surprised a lot of people when he showed up at a 7-on-7 camp this weekend.

Drills there pit an offense consisting of a quarterback, a center and five eligible receivers against a pass defense — linebackers and defensive backs. The center usually volunteers to snap, not be a full-time lineman, so 300-plus pounders are a rare sight.

Despite his size, Orr had no intentions of snapping during the drills. He wanted to hone his ball skills in preparation for next season, when he hopes to be Gulf's best receiving option.

The camp featured other members of UF's 2010 recruiting class, most notably quarterback Trey Burton and safety Jonathan Dowling. Orr said he talked to Burton — whom he met at the UF-Tennessee basketball game on March 1 in Gainesville — a lot during the weekend and traded texts with Dowling.

The light-on-his-feet Orr memorizes passing routes and runs with players half his size. The big-as-an-ox Orr is known to lift up and slam opponents like a heavyweight wrestler.

Orr has been on UF's radar since last summer, when he attended the team's Friday Night Lights camp.

"Before then, no one really knew about me," Orr said. "After the Friday Night Lights (camp), that's when I opened a lot of eyes."

The camp gave Orr a chance to show how well he could move his big body, and the coaches offered him a scholarship on the spot.

Orr will attend the Urban Meyer Elite Lineman Camp this June.

Oral commitments are non-binding until a national letter-of-intent is signed on National Signing Day on Feb. 3, 2010.

## UF not looking ahead to UConn

**TOURNEY**, from page 14

and now the NCAA Tournament.

"To have a chance to sit here this year and watch a selection show not wondering or hoping whether we're in, but knowing that we're in and being concerned about who we're playing and where we're going to be sent, I think it speaks a lot to how far this program has come in a very short amount of time," Butler said.

The Gators' opening game will be against a team they beat last year on the road by 14 points. Butler missed the meeting because of her grandmother's death.

Butler, a former A-10 coach at Charlotte, said she watched her old team beat the Owls in this year's conference tournament semifinals on March 8. She noted that she'll have some familiarity facing an old conference foe.

UF was one of seven SEC teams selected for the tournament, tying the Big East Conference for most teams selected.

Butler said that stat was a testament to the grind her team faced all year that has allowed it to get to this point.

"There's no one in our league that

is surprised by that," Butler said. "It was such a unique year because there was a lot of talk about the SEC being down. And everyone in our league, we're all looking at each other as we're battling every Thursday and Sunday going, 'There is not a thing that's weak about anybody in this league.' It's the best league in the country."

"A lot of people feel like the Big East is the best league," Butler added, "but that's because the Big East has UConn."

Speaking of the Huskies, Butler has no interest in looking ahead.

"All I'm worried about is Temple,"

Butler said.

UF guard Sha Brooks, back in the tournament for the first time since her freshman year, isn't worried about what could possibly be looming in the second round either.

"I don't think it's a distraction," Brooks said. "I think it's actually a motivation for us to see actually where we are. This is the end of the road, so if you don't get this win against Temple then you don't really have to worry about UConn."



### Women's Basketball

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the fullest by fans whose teams aren't part of it.

But there's something about the tournament that makes me sad. As most things do, March Madness got me thinking about college football.

NCAA hoops is my third or fourth favorite sport behind NCAA football, the NFL and sometimes MLB, but for me, its finale easily tops everything else in sports.

So when I think about how awesome the next few bracket-busting weeks will be, I can't help but imagine what a college football playoff would be like.

When the tournament starts, there's no fear in the back of my mind that I'll feel cheated when it's over. The game is decided on the court, where the contenders can battle each other head-to-head, and I'll always feel 100 percent comfortable referring to the tournament's winner as the national champion.

Those characteristics are usually not a part of the college football season, where two teams are selected by computer programs from a super-exclusive club of

schools to face off for the title while everyone else plays in highly publicized, totally meaningless bowl games.

In my mind, this is the most basic reason that college football needs a playoff. Sports are supposed to provide two things: entertainment and a champion. A playoff would satisfy both categories to a much greater degree than the current system does.

Obviously, working out the details (number of teams, conference privileges, money, locations) will be difficult, but the notion that a playoff is necessary should be universally accepted.

Besides, when I was driving back to Gainesville on Sunday, I watched as a space shuttle tore across the sky, and if we can do that, we can figure out a way for some football teams to take part in a playoff.

Now, when this college football playoff comes into being, as it inevitably will, March Madness will have some serious competition for the title of best postseason tournament.

But until then, I'll take Gus Johnson or a Western Kentucky-Illinois matchup over a college football bowl game any day.

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JACKSONVILLE — The Jacksonville Jaguars waived receiver Matt Jones on Monday, parting ways with the former first-round draft pick just days after his latest arrest.

Jones was jailed last week in Arkansas for violating a plea agreement that stemmed from a drug charge in 2008. The 6-foot-6 Jones, a former star quarterback at Arkansas, is awaiting an April 13 court appearance.

After failing a drug and alcohol screening, Jones told a judge he drank beer while golfing with friends. He assured the judge it wouldn't happen again.

The Jaguars didn't want to take a chance.

"All roster moves are decisions we feel are

in the best interest of the organization," Jaguars general manager Gene Smith said. "This decision is a result of our ongoing player and roster evaluations. We expect responsibility and accountability, and those are important qualities as we continue the process of building this team."

Although Jones was wildly popular in Arkansas, he wasn't revered nearly as much in Jacksonville. Fans thought his laid-back attitude was a sign he didn't care about football, and coach Jack Del Rio ripped him at times for his work ethic.

Many thought Jones would be released last year after he was charged with cocaine possession in July. But the 19th overall pick in 2005 had a strong preseason and stuck around

despite the arrest. He responded with the best season of his career, catching 65 passes for 761 yards and two touchdowns.

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His case, meanwhile, was moved to the drug court, where defendants submit to treatment and other restrictions with the goal of keeping them from offending again. A defendant can wipe his record clean if the program is completed successfully.

In the plea agreement reached in October, Jones was ordered to participate in NFL-sponsored substance-abuse counseling and undergo random drug testing. The judge told him to return to Fayetteville after the season to complete the program. Jones remains in the drug court program.

The NFL suspended Jones for the final three games last season for violating the league's substance-abuse policy. Jones' departure leaves Jacksonville with huge holes at the receiver position. The Jaguars released Jerry Porter last month and opted not to re-sign free agent Reggie Williams.

That basically leaves third-year pro Mike Walker and veteran Dennis Northcutt as the only receivers on the roster.

## FSU to appeal NCAA sanction aimed at stripping wins



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FSU coach Bobby Bowden (left) stands on Bobby Bowden Field in Tallahassee while talking to UF defensive coordinator Charlie Strong after the Gators' 45-15 win against the Seminoles on Nov. 29, 2008.

### ■ BOBBY BOWDEN COULD LOSE 14 CAREER WINS.

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TALLAHASSEE — FSU will appeal part of an NCAA sanction that would take away wins in 10 sports, including as many as 14 in football.

President T.K. Wetherell will announce the school's appeal Tuesday.

Trustees chairman Jim Smith says the board is 100 percent behind the decision.

"It's certainly unfair to coach (Bobby) Bowden," Smith said Monday. "It was a breakdown in academics, a breakdown that none of us condone."

Earlier this month, the NCAA took away scholarships and put the school on four years' probation as part of the punishment for 61 athletes who took a music history class where test answers were provided and other prohibited help was received.

Bowden could also lose 14 wins from the 2006 and 2007 seasons when players who took the class

played. More than two dozen football players were suspended for four games after the school discovered the cheating.

"I feel for coach Bowden," said Florida Gov. Charlie Crist, who earned his undergraduate degree at FSU. "I doubt that he had any knowledge what was happening with some of those students. I think it would be just, especially for coach Bowden, for that to be changed."

Bowden has 382 wins, just one less than Penn State's Joe Paterno — the all-time leader in major college coaching wins.

After learning of the cheating, FSU reported it to NCAA officials and began its own investigation to identify which athletes were involved.

"I think the NCAA ought to give some hard thought to why would you self-report if they come back and you're penalized so harshly?" Smith asked. "Schools should be encouraged to self-report as we did."

"Florida State did the right thing," said Smith, a lawyer who served two terms as Florida's attorney general. "We self-reported, stood up and were counted."

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