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Lost in a Trance

As part of his campus tour, world-renowned comedian and hypnotist Dale K hypnotizes UF junior Jonathan Bernard, center, who is holding a baby doll he believes is his son, at the Orange & Brew on Monday night. RUB Entertainment sponsored the one-man show that featured the "power of suggestion."

SFC prof may leave

■ SHE IS ONE OF THREE FINALISTS FOR PRESIDENT OF A COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

By **KATIE EMMETS**
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Santa Fe College's Anne Kress was named as one of three finalists Monday for president of Monroe Community College in Rochester, N.Y.

Kress, who was one of 32 applicants, joined the SFC staff in 1999 as an associate professor of English.

Since then, she has held positions such as English department chair, interim vice president and her current position as provost and vice president of academic affairs.

"Anne has grown up professionally in her years at Santa Fe," said SFC President Jackson Sasser. "She is an exceptional educational leader."

Kress indicated her interest in the position about three months ago, and it took Sasser a while to get used to the idea of Kress leaving, Sasser said.

"It will be a tremendous loss for Santa Fe," he said.

Although Kress said she would leave with mixed feelings, she recognizes that the new position would provide an extraordinary opportunity.

"More and more students are turning to com-

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SPECIAL REPORT

Religion graduate students speak out against cuts

By **KATHRYN STOLARZ**
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UF religion graduate student Leah Sarat often prays that whatever happens to her job and research position, her talents still can be used

to best serve the world.

Ever since Dean Paul D'Anieri of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences announced the college's \$9.3 million budget cut proposal on March 18, Sarat, along with other members of the department, has

worried about her future.

Anxiety has recently rippled throughout the university, especially tainting the departments, such as religion, where potential cuts could be among the steepest.

Sarat, 28, is a third-year doctoral

student in the Religion in the Americas program who conducts field research on religion's role in some Mexicans' decisions to come to the U.S. Her only source of income is her part-time job as a religion teaching assistant at UF.

D'Anieri's proposal would slash the religion department's budget by \$808,000, much of which comes from faculty and staff layoffs, according to the presentation draft plan posted on the college's Web site.

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Recreation classes may see cuts under new proposal

By **THOMAS STEWART**
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Along with more staff and faculty layoffs, UF's last sport and fitness classes are also on the chopping block after the release of budget cut proposals from three more colleges.

The College of Health and Human Performance proposal, which would cut about \$866,000 and lay off 10 faculty and staff, includes eliminating the scuba program, which currently plans to offer seven two-credit scuba diving classes in the fall.

Under the cut, Cheryl Thacker, coordinator

of the scuba program, would be laid off, saving the college about \$63,000.

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Thacker said the cut would also affect a dozen other part-time scuba instructors, two graduate assistants and a repairman,

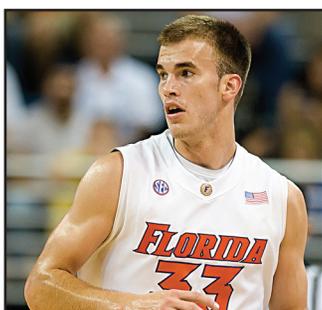
as well as reduce business at dive shops in the city.

"It's not just losing my position," she said, "it's also gonna affect the community."

About 250 to 300 students a semester take the scuba classes, she said. Most sport and fit-

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■ UF guard Nick Calathes (right) decided to put his name into the NBA Draft on Monday, but the sophomore can return to UF for his junior year because he hasn't hired an agent. See Story, Page 14.



Gator breaks and enters, bites

EUSTIS, Fla. (AP) — Authorities say a small alligator climbed through the porch door of a house north of Orlando and then bit the homeowner's arm when it was forced out. The 2-foot-long alligator wandered onto James Gaff's canal-front property in Lake County on Sunday.

Gaff tried to remove the gator, which then latched onto his right forearm. A spokeswoman for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission says Gaff's wife, Elaine, pried the gator off using a broom handle and the couple threw the reptile into the water behind their home. The 52-year-old Gaff was treated at a hospital for minor cuts and scrapes.

■ Despite the faltering economy, business at local McDonald's restaurants have been increasing, along with share prices of company stock. See Story, Page 3.

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News Today

3 dead, 1 injured in possible murder-suicide

LARGO (AP) — Three people were found dead in a Tampa Bay-area home Monday in what police described as a possible murder-suicide.

Police responding to a report of a suicidal person around 6 a.m. heard a fourth person, Sherry Hice, calling for help.

Hice, 46, was shot but survived. She was airlifted to Bayfront Medical Center, where her condition was not immediately available.

Pinellas County Sheriff's Office deputies forced their way into the back of the home and found the bodies of Hice's roommate, Michael Duane Roberts, 57; Hice's son, Tyler Newman, 21; and Newman's girlfriend, Taylor Reiterman, 16. A mixed-breed lab was also killed.

Authorities haven't identified the killer or determined a motive. Court documents indicate a recent history of domestic disturbances at the home in Largo, about 25 miles west of Tampa.

Roberts' family told the St. Petersburg Times that he let Hice, a breast cancer survivor, and her son move in about a year ago, but that they didn't pay rent, invited people over and allowed Newman's girlfriend to move in.

They were aware of tensions in the home but didn't suspect the situation would erupt into violence.

Officials could not say if there was a romantic relationship between Hice and Roberts.

"My dad was lonely," his daughter, Carolyn Roberts, 21, told the paper. "And he was always trying to help people."

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University holds mass for Schiavo anniversary

NAPLES (AP) — A Catholic university in southwest Florida plans a mass on Tuesday to recognize the fourth anniversary of Terri Schiavo's death.

A new \$24 million oratory on the campus of Ave Maria University will be the site of the mass for Schiavo, the Tampa-area woman who was at the center of an end-of-life case that captivated the nation.

Schiavo's brother, Bobby Schindler, said he was seeking a higher profile for the annual mass when he approached Ave Maria University founder Thomas Monaghan, the Dominos Pizza magnate who built the 2-year-old college and surrounding community in farm fields east of Naples.

"It's a prestigious university," Schindler told the Naples Daily News. "Mr. Monaghan is a leader in the pro-life movement and has been very supportive of us."

Terri Schiavo's husband, Michael Schiavo, fought her family in court for eight years over removal of her life support.

He argued that she would not have wanted to be kept alive in what most doctors called a persistent vegetative state. She had no written advance directive when she collapsed in 1990.

Man charged with battery, molestation of girl, 12

BRADENTON (AP) — A Florida man has been charged with multiple sex crimes in connection with the case of a 12-year-old girl whose disappearance sparked a statewide Amber Alert on Sunday.

The 12-year-old girl ran away from her family's Tampa Bay home Saturday after getting into an argument with her grandmother.

Witnesses saw her get into a red Jeep driven by a middle-aged man who pulled over.

The child told authorities that Kenneth R. Ross took her back to his residence, gave her whiskey, watched pornographic movies and had sex with her.

She was dropped off near her home Sunday afternoon.

The Manatee County Sheriff's Office says the 46-year-old admitted to the crimes.

In accordance with company policy, The Associated Press generally does not identify alleged victims of sexual abuse.

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Fla. McDonald's restaurants flourish despite economy

By **TYLER RUTSTEIN**
Alligator Contributing Writer

The 2004 movie "Super Size Me" showed the dangerous truth of an ballooning waistline due to a McDonald's diet, but now, during the economic recession, the only thing ballooning for McDonald's are its sales.

In Gainesville and northeast Florida, the fast food chain is selling more Big Macs, while the restaurant industry as a whole continues to struggle.

Allison Garrett, the account supervisor of Dalton Agency, a public relations agency for McDonald's, said the stores were doing well throughout northeast Florida and the country.

"More people are going to quick-service restaurants now than sit-down restaurants," Garrett said. "A college town like Gainesville is no different."

Local News McDonald's delivered 55 consecutive months of increases in global same-store sales as of November. In 2008, McDonald's was only one of two companies whose Dow Jones industrial average share price rose in 2008, with shares gaining nearly 6 percent.

According to Richard Pollock, a certified public accountant and financial adviser, the fast-food chain will continue to be a solid stock option for investors.

McDonald's sales efforts will continue at the end of April, when it will be offering hamburgers for 49 cents and cheeseburgers for 69 cents. On April 15, the stores will give a tax relief day, during which customers can purchase a Quarter Pounder or Big Mac and get a second one for a penny.

Allison Dvorchik, a Gainesville mother of two, said her husband is often out of town, and she doesn't have time to cook, making McDonald's a quick and cheap option for her family occasionally.

Others, like Chris Lavery, a retired Gainesville resident, go to McDonald's because they know they will spend more if they go to the grocery store.

"If I have to buy a whole meal at the grocery store, I know it is going to be more expensive than just going to McDonald's for a bite," Lavery said.



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A car goes through the drive-through at the McDonald's on Northwest 13th Street Monday evening.

However, the cheaper prices McDonald's offers aren't the only ingredient to the recipe that makes what McDonald's CEO Jim Skinner likes to call a "recession-resistant" restaurant.

After health critics practically accused the restaurant of making people fat, the chain added healthier food options to its menu such as apple slices and white-meat Chicken McNuggets.

Men's Health magazine recently published an article rat-

ing national food chains with a grade. McDonald's earned a B-minus, while others like Applebees, IHOP and Outback received F's. Even some of Gainesville's favorite sandwich shops didn't fair as well as McDonald's, with Jimmy John's and Quiznos hovering between a C-minus and a B.

Garrett also attributed part of the sales increase to its new addition to the coffee market. McCafe, the restaurant's new coffee line, now offers coffee at a lower price than competitors such as Starbucks.

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WARPhaus also in jeopardy

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ness classes, which used to include tennis, bowling and baseball, were eliminated after the last round of cuts, she said.

"We were the last holdout," Thacker said.

The college's proposal would also close the Living Well program, which would require cutting the director and a staff member, and would eliminate the Athletic Training Education Program, which teaches students how to prevent and care for sports injuries. Those moves would save about \$342,000.

Three faculty members would lose their jobs if the training program is eliminated, and four more staff would be cut if the college's grant support program, which helps faculty apply for grants, is eliminated.

Two vacant faculty positions would also be cut, and a temporary faculty member's contract would not be renewed.

Meanwhile, the College of Engineering's proposal, which would cut about \$5.4 million, includes 18 layoffs – 11 staff and seven faculty – which would save about \$1.1 million. Eight vacant faculty positions would be eliminated, and the college would hire 23 fewer graduate assistants, saving about \$1.3 million. The college would also have less money to

spend on hiring temporary staff, such as student workers, cutting funding by about \$250,000.

The plan would eliminate the college's funding for UF-EDGE (Electronic Delivery of Graduate Education), its distance education program and reduce funding for the Particle Engineering and Research Center, saving about \$840,000.

The college plans to find other means of funding the programs.

The rest of the money would be saved by not replacing retiring administrative staff, miscellaneous expense reductions and finding new funding for some faculty and staff, said engineering

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Dean Pramod Khargonekar.

The College of Fine Arts \$1.27 million proposal includes at least twelve layoffs—five faculty and seven staff. The proposal also includes giving up the off-campus WARPhaus art studio and gallery, which would save about \$111,000.

The proposal would cut funding for four vacant faculty and staff positions and would reduce the number of graduate assistants.

The remaining cuts would come from a reorganization of administrative operations within the college by moving staff from different programs to one location.



Maria Farias / Alligator

Stania Antoine, 20, left, and Roxana Bedia, 20, rally for the DREAM Act on the Plaza of the Americas Monday morning. If passed, the act would facilitate access to college for immigrants in the U.S. by restoring states' rights to offer in-state tuition to immigrant students residing in their state. See story online at alligator.org.

Proposed cuts have moved many to defend their department's importance

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The proposal is a response to UF President Bernie Machen's request of a 10 percent budget cut plan from each college and administrative unit, due to a possible decrease of \$72 million to \$75 million in state funding in 2009-2010, UF spokeswoman Janine Sikes said.

Under the proposed cut, Sarat doesn't know whether she can complete her remaining two years as a graduate student at UF and be one of the lucky few to still teach religion at UF.

At 2 a.m. last week, Sarat was awake "agonizing" over the possible cut with her roommate, a fellow UF religion major.

While buzz about a possible department cut has filled department members' ears for several months, she said, she thinks about it throughout the day.

"It's a pretty constant backdrop," Sarat

said. "It's just an uncertainty, and it's just kind of hard to move on with your research and work."

Proposed department cuts have moved many to defend the importance of their studies.

Sarat said religion influences the decisions of politicians and terrorists, adding that many people turn to religion to answer tough questions about things such as life and death, politics, society and race.

In response to the proposal, Sarat led fellow religion graduate students in writing a grievance letter, which was posted on The Gainesville Sun's Web site on Tuesday.

During lunch breaks in her office, Sarat's colleagues and fellow graduate students vent their fears about the proposal, she said.

Talk often centers on the worry that 65 percent of the department's budget will be cut, along with the elimination of about 10 profes-

sors, possibly tenured faculty, leaving about four total to teach religion.

As a result, many who would be directly affected by the changes have turned to suggesting creative solutions.

"I knew there was a budget crisis, but I never thought it would affect the religion department because it's such a strong department faculty-wise,"

Caleb Simmons
President, Religion Graduate Student Association

Sarat said she joked about having a bake sale for the department, while fellow religion graduate student Mallory Bolduc helped spray-paint "Save Religion" on about 10 T-

shirts.

President Caleb Simmons of the Religion Graduate Student Association, 27, said after the dean's presentation, he was so fired-up that he ran to his office to change into one of the shirts.

"I knew there was a budget crisis, but I never thought it would affect the religion department because it's such a strong department faculty-wise," Simmons said.

Simmons, religion Chairwoman Vasudha Narayanan and a few others will meet with Provost Joe Glover on April 6 to plead their case against the cut.

Proposed budget cuts will not be finalized until the university's budget is announced by the state, which will be after the legislative session ends on May 1, Sikes said.

Machen and Glover will then submit their proposals to UF's Board of Trustees to make the ultimate decisions about the cuts, she said.

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6,800 take survey

About 6,800 students have taken UF's Student Experience at Research Universities (SERU) on-line survey, which almost all undergraduates have to take in order to be eligible for the football ticket lottery.

UF hopes to use the survey to improve student programs and academic offerings, said Marie Zeglen, UF's assistant provost and director of Institutional Planning and Research.

Though the survey is being conducted while UF is examining ways to meet a possible \$72 million to \$75 million budget cut, it will not be used to determine which programs should stay or go next year, Zeglen said.

The University of California at Berkeley was contracted at a price of \$18,000 to create the survey, she said. That money doesn't count the time UF staff have put into implementing it and will spend studying

the results this summer.

There has been some confusion recently as to whether the survey is mandatory, including an e-mail sent to the French department list-serv by an adviser stating the survey

is "compulsory for all U.F. majors."

Even though it's not mandatory, some students are not too thrilled with the survey.

"It was very repetitive and really annoying," said UF elementary education junior Katy Gibson.

"I don't think you should have to take it to get football tickets," she added.

Students who are under 18 years old, non-degree seeking or only enrolled in correspondence courses are not required to take the survey to get tickets.

- THOMAS STEWART
and CHELSEA KEENAN

Former cult member charged

BALTIMORE (AP) — A former religious cult member pleaded guilty Monday to starving her 1-year-old son to death after making an unusual deal with prosecutors: If the child is resurrected, her plea will be withdrawn.

Ria Ramkissoon, 22, also agreed to testify against four other members of the now-defunct religious group known as 1 Mind Ministries. All four

are charged with first-degree murder in the death of Javon Thompson.

According to a statement of facts, the cult members stopped feeding the boy when he refused to say "Amen" after a meal. After Javon died, Ramkissoon sat next to his decomposing body and prayed for his resurrection. Ramkissoon's attorney, Steven D. Silverman, said Ramkissoon believes the resurrection will oc-

cur. She agreed to plead guilty only after prosecutors said they would drop the charges if the child comes back to life, Silverman said.

"This is something that she absolutely insisted upon, and this is indicative of the fact that she is still brainwashed, still a victim of this cult," he said. "Until she's deprogrammed, she's not going to think any differently."

Kress said it will be 'wonderful step'

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munity colleges as a gateway to universities," Kress said. "It is a wonderful day to work for community colleges and a wonderful step in my professional journey."

Kress said SFC is an important part of Gainesville and of her professional life, adding that it has been hard to think of leaving.

"The only reason I would ever think of leaving would be to go to a community college like Santa

Fe where there is a shared emphasis of success and a community who is dedicated to academic excellence," she said.

The other finalists are Kevin Drumm, president of Northern Wyoming Community College District and Gordon May, president of the Highland Lakes Campus of Oakland Community College in Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

Kress said the president of the community college will be selected in early April with a starting date in July.

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Obama must hold auto giants accountable

Over the past two days, automotive giants Chrysler and GM have been held increasingly accountable by the Obama Administration for their lack of action.

In the wake of Monday's announcement, in which the White House orchestrated the exit of GM's chairman, President Barack Obama's latest words amount to what The New York Times is calling "a do-or-die ultimatum."

Speaking on Tuesday, Obama outlined his expectations for the two beleaguered corporations – strict standards that must be met if the companies wish to continue to receive additional tax dollars from the government.

One of the first measures included under the plan requires Chrysler and Fiat to join a partnership within the next 30 days if the automaker seeks to appeal for increased financial support.

Obama hopes that the pressure placed on the automotive industry will lead to greater emphasis on restructuring the relationship between creditors, unions and stakeholders so that additional bailout money is not spent in vain.

The Editorial Board agrees with the Obama Administration's decision to, at the very least, appear to hold the automotive industry more accountable for its failure to better utilize the funds allocated to it in the latest bailout package.

We wonder, though, if Chrysler and GM fail to heed Obama's warning, will the president continue to clean up the mess that is the auto industry or finally hold it accountable for its inaction?

For Obama, his administration's increased heat on Detroit should work to soothe public opinion, but the true challenge remains 60 days from now when revised plans are due from the two automotive giants.

Financial Flub

America's economic downturn has ushered in tumultuous financial times across college campuses, leaving some schools to employ questionable tactics during the admissions process.

According to an article in The New York Times, prospective students able to pay tuition out of pocket, as opposed to relying on financial aid, have become the apple of admissions officers' eyes in the wake of mounting budget cuts.

Unfortunately, doing this goes against the general practice employed by universities in which applicants' academic futures are determined on a need-blind basis.

By disregarding the custom of admitting students regardless of their zip code or lack of Ferrari, schools across the nation are serving to limit the collegiate possibilities for teenagers from lower-income families.

The changes to the applica-

tion process have resulted in wealthy parents discouraging their sons or daughters from indicating on their applications an interest in financial aid — thereby boosting their chances for admission.

For schools like Brandeis University, simply manipulating their admission practices has allowed the college to continue to consider themselves need-blind.

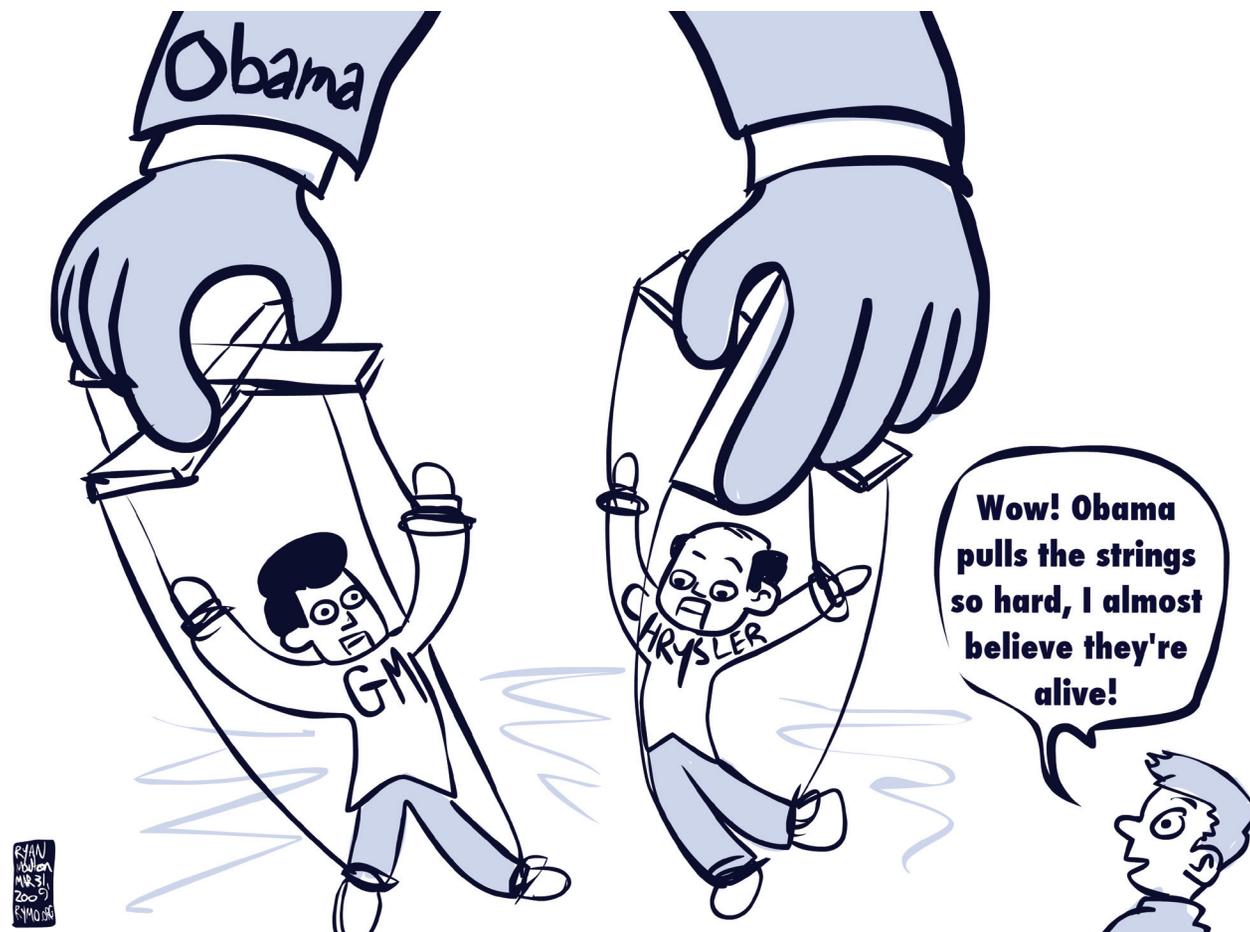
Since Brandeis' international, wait-listed and transfer students are judged based upon their financial backgrounds, the school has resorted to accepting more applicants who fall under such distinctions.

The Editorial Board understands that the current economic climate has forced the hands of college presidents into making difficult budget cut decisions.

But wealthier students shouldn't be shown favoritism over those who are less affluent with otherwise equal applications.

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Guest column

'ShamWow' guy should help at G20

The people who have to clean up our worldwide financial mess are meeting in London this week to talk. The G20 summit brings together bankers and leaders from across the globe, and this year they need to piece together what is left of the world economy. Most expect President Obama to do a lot of listening and apologizing.

Obama will have to convince the rest of the big countries to kick in billions of their own stimulus dollars for our bank bailouts to work effectively.

The money we spend here will undoubtedly leave our borders and help other economies, and our banks are too diverse to really be called a property of any one nation.

Thankfully, I have a plan.

News reports this week have stated that Obama plans to bring an entourage of more than 500 people to London with him to "handle any crisis, anywhere, any time."

Vince Offer simply has to be among the chosen (quite a few) who will make this beggars trip to Britain. Many of you may know Vince as the "ShamWow guy" or the "SlapChop guy." That a single man can truly captivate the hearts and wallets of millions of Americans is only the first sign he should be one of our chief negotiators at the G20.

Vince cares deeply about the quality of life in America. Using the metaphor of canned tuna, the most banal of foods, Vince and his SlapChop force each of us to recognize that we are ultimately responsible for our own lot in life.

Though terribly unappetizing, a pile of tuna chopped up with radishes and carrots perfectly represents the



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potential excitement and vivacity of a life fulfilled.

Onions, much like huge financial meltdowns, needn't be a reason to worry with Vince involved in our highest echelons of government.

Displaying an intimate knowledge of psychological practices and the art of manual food processing, Vince knows how we all hurt and only wants to help. As

the great man states with sagacity, life is hard enough as it is.

Vince is an invaluable asset to the Obama negotiation team. Already well versed in globalized trade intricacies through his involvement in the German towel export structure, Vince also knows how to close the deal.

How many ShamWows would it take to soak up all the toxic assets in our global economy right now — three, maybe four?

Sure, Vince isn't perfect; he was arrested last month in Miami for punching a prostitute. Turns out, though, the fair lady was biting his tongue and warranted such a thrashing for refusing to release from her clenched teeth what may one day be considered a national treasure.

Who among us can't relate to such a predicament?

President Obama, Vince deserves a shot at these negotiations. After he knocks the socks off these G20 suckers, Vince also has a brilliant solution for fixing our health care reform — one chop at a time.

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

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Reader response

Today's question: Would Vince the ShamWow guy help fix the economy?

Monday's question: Has our generation lost its sense of adventure?

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Letters to the Editor

Concealed carry laws justified

As a concealed-weapons permit holder and admitted UF law student, I couldn't help but shake my head at Monday's Alligator editorial "Guns have no place on college campuses," in which the question was posed, "Who is to say that if passed, these bills won't lead to coeds pulling guns on their significant other over a minor disagreement or professors feeling unsafe in their own classrooms?"

Do we really have to premise the debate on already-disproved grounds?

When Florida passed "right to carry" legislation in 1987, the same predictions were made. "Blood will run in the streets, permit holders will just 'snap' during minor arguments," we were told. Despite these apocalyptic warnings, Armageddon never happened.

Today, one in 37 adult Floridians is licensed to carry a firearm, and studies analyzing the 22 years that Florida has been issuing permits have repeatedly found such conclusions as "Florida permit holders are 300 times less likely than the general population to commit a crime (Hoover Institution, Stanford University)" and "157 out of 1,104,468 permits (0.014 percent) have been revoked due to firearms-related violations (FL Dept. of State, 2005)"?

My question to the Editorial Board is given the proven track record of Florida permit holders, what makes a permit holder somehow more dangerous on campus than at, say, Wal-Mart?

Does crossing an imaginary line magi-

cally transform him into a killer?

If concealed carry makes you shudder, perhaps you shouldn't go to Wal-Mart. Chances are you'll pass one of the 3 percent who are packing heat.

Jordan Pratt
4LS

Guns on campus editorial lacks fact

Leave it to the Alligator Editorial Board to argue gun rights on purely emotional rather than logical or factual grounds.

They pose a couple of hypothetical situations in which a concealed weapon holder wildly pulls out his or her gun and recklessly endangers the lives of others.

Never mind that concealed weapon holders have the lowest violent crime rate of any demographic in the U.S.

Never mind that Utah has allowed concealed carry on nine public campuses since 2006, and none of these colleges have reported a single instance of gun-related violence, accident or theft in that time.

Never mind that in order to obtain a concealed weapon license, one must complete several tests to prove one's proficiency and safety with the weapon.

Never mind that public universities are state properties, and concealed carry is permitted in movie theaters, shopping malls, grocery stores and many other very public areas.

Even if you view the Second Amendment as somewhat outdated (as do I), it is irrelevant to the subject at hand.

The government is inclined to legislate based on the Constitution, and until the Second Amendment is changed it is inclined to allow concealed carry in certain areas, public universities included.

It is hilarious to see concealed carry advocates labeled as "gun nuts" while those against it are the ones arguing against widely available statistics.

For every hypothetical you concoct where a law-abiding gun owner snaps and shoots up the place, I can point to cold hard facts.

Start brainstorming.

Kyle Sandell
3LS

Guns editorial irrational, alarmist

The editorial printed in Monday's Alligator about concealed carry on campus was irrational and unduly alarmist.

Statements of fears such as "coeds pulling guns on their significant other over a minor disagreement" are patently absurd. People who would be carrying guns on campus, if the Texas bill is passed, are the people who already are licensed to carry guns in other public places, such as malls or restaurants.

As of Feb. 28 in Alachua County, there were 5,613 people who had a permit to carry concealed, a general gun license or both.

Why have we not seen a rash of shootings from people with concealed carry licenses in malls over trivial arguments? By the logic of the Alligator Editorial staff, this

should have already been documented, because any student who has a carry permit could conceivably have his firearm in the mall, and I've seen plenty of arguments take place in the Oaks Mall.

The answer is the people with concealed carry permits are not the ones who shoot people willy-nilly.

Being law-abiding citizens who registered their firearms in the first place and are fully aware of the responsibility that entails, they aren't going to go off half-cocked over a stupid provocation.

It is the people who buy Saturday-night specials and don't register them, or illegal fully automatic weapons, who commit the majority of gun crimes.

What is the key factor that relates these people?

They are not licensed for concealed carry. Also, the statement that the Texas legislators who are sponsoring this bill are touting it as a "cure-all to ending school shootings" is misleading. Supporters of the bills say that they will reduce the likelihood, not be a cure-all; the legislators themselves have made no statements to that effect.

These bills would just be the continuation of rights that are already in existence in the vast majority of public places.

In conclusion, Alligator Editorial staff, there is no need to use inflammatory and childish statements based on faulty premise. Next time, look up the facts to support your conclusions.

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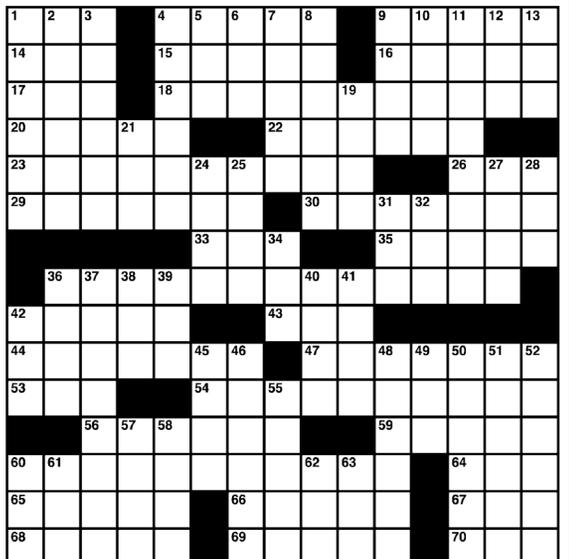
- ACROSS**
- 1 St. crosser
  - 4 Former Anaheim Stadium NFLer
  - 9 Lawn game using lobbed missiles
  - 14 Fenway team, familiarly
  - 15 Gladiator's battlefield
  - 16 "Gold": Peter Fonda film
  - 17 Rock music's Fighters
  - 18 '80s TV series with a talking car named KITT
  - 20 Increase
  - 22 London insurance giant
  - 23 1943 Triple Crown winner
  - 26 Chicago hrs.
  - 29 Taqueria offering
  - 30 Mold into a different form
  - 33 Little devil
  - 35 It's a wrap
  - 36 England's Charles, since 1958
  - 42 New Zealand native
  - 43 Prefix with cycle
  - 44 Basic ballroom dance
  - 47 Riddles
  - 53 Tiny army member
  - 54 "Nothing can stop" him, in a 1962 doo-wop classic
  - 56 Ravel work immortalized in "10"
  - 59 Nostalgic song
  - 60 "Louie Louie" singers, and this puzzle's theme
  - 64 Miler Sebastian
  - 65 Expected to land
  - 66 Artist's stand
  - 67 Venomous reptile
  - 68 Filmdom ogre
  - 69 Muffin Man's lane
  - 70 +, on a batt.
- DOWN**
- 1 To be the truth
  - 2 Kind of doll used in magical rites

- 3 Israelites' departure
- 4 Sitting Bull's language
- 5 Son of Valiant
- 6 Portuguese royal
- 7 Each one in a square is 90 degrees
- 8 Composer Gustav
- 9 Trial twelvesome
- 10 "Put \_\_\_ on it!"
- 11 McCarthy era paranoia
- 12 Golfer's aid
- 13 Ukr., before 1991
- 19 Shopper's bag
- 21 Big bang producer
- 24 S&L guarantor
- 25 Poor, as excuses go
- 27 Pampering resorts
- 28 Gymnast's goal
- 31 FICA funds it
- 32 Actor Holbrook
- 34 Poker kitty
- 36 Small chess piece
- 37 Soda in a float
- 38 Tax collection agcy.
- 39 Small point to pick
- 40 Complimentary
- 41 Skid row regular
- 42 Boston transit inits.
- 45 Eve's first home
- 46 Cleansed
- 48 "I wish it could be!"
- 49 Hair stiffener
- 50 Zany
- 51 Melodious passage
- 52 Grabs some shuteye
- 55 '80s-'90s quarterback
- Bernie
- 57 "The Grapes of Wrath" figure
- 58 Web cross-reference
- 60 NFL scores
- 61 "Say what?"
- 62 East Lansing sch.
- 63 Musket suffix

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## Calathes to enter NBA Draft with option to return

BY MIKE DIFERDINANDO

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UF point guard Nick Calathes is ready to test his NBA prospects. The sophomore said he will put his name into the upcoming NBA draft but will not hire an agent.

"I spoke with coach Donovan (on Sunday) night and told him of my intentions," Calathes said in a statement. "(He) was nothing but supportive, (and he) told me he'd do whatever he could to help me and my family make an educated decision."

By not hiring an agent, Calathes will be able to return to Gainesville for his junior season if he is not comfortable with his draft projections.



### Men's Basketball

"I love the University of Florida and am leaving my option to return open," Calathes said. "This is a great opportunity to take some time, look at my future beyond college, collect information and see where I'm at."

Calathes averaged 17.2 points, 6.4 assists and 5.3 rebounds per game this season. His 231 assists this season broke his own school record of 221 set a year ago.

"I don't even think it's about (being ready) anymore," UF coach Billy Donovan said after the Gators' season-ending loss in the National Invitation Tournament. "I think the one thing that people don't understand about the NBA is it's a league of investments, and you're making an investment. A lot of times you are making a long-term investment, and you are hoping that your investment gets better and better and better."

Calathes had the third triple-double in school history in the Gators' home win against Georgia on Jan. 28. He is also the owner of the second triple-double at UF, which came against Creighton in the second round of the 2008 NIT.

The deadline for underclassmen to declare for the draft is April 26. Players have until June 15 to remove their names.



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UF guard Nick Calathes drives during the Gators' 71-62 NIT quarterfinal loss to Penn State in the O'Connell Center on March 24. Calathes entered his name into the NBA Draft on Monday but will be eligible to return to UF next year.

## UF FOOTBALL

# Freshman DT Hunter preps for larger role next season

By BRIAN STEELE

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A little less than a year ago, Urban Meyer said it would be hard to keep incoming freshman defensive tackle Omar Hunter off the field.

You could almost shove all of Hunter's 308 pounds out there with the first-team defense.

Meyer wasn't bashful about praising Hunter's abilities, calling him the Tim Tebow of last year's recruiting class.

When Hunter arrived in Gainesville last summer, the blogs started up and the message boards oozed in anticipation.

He was considered one of the biggest — if not the biggest — prize of the 2008 recruiting class, and for

good reason. Hunter was the No. 2 defensive lineman by Scout.com and Rivals.com.

Unlike previous underachievers at defensive tackle, Hunter looked like one of those rare freshmen who would start as soon as they could find his jersey size.

Hunter's back and ankle had other ideas. The freshman was constantly injured, and as Lawrence Marsh and Terron Sanders stepped up to grab the starting tackle positions, Hunter and his potential became distant memories for fans.

In what would have been a shocker for Meyer and his staff when they signed him, Hunter redshirted after playing in just three games.

"It was a rough first year," he said. "A lot of things set me back."

Now, after being on campus for almost a year, Hunter is getting his chance to rise up the depth chart and back into prominence.

**"It was a rough first year. A lot of things set me back."**

**Omar Hunter**

UF freshman defensive tackle

"It's time," defensive line coach Dan McCarney said. "He's been here since May, almost a year. It's time."

Hunter's playing chances have improved since tackles Torrey Davis and John Brown left UF's program a little more than two weeks ago.

Still, for a former five-star recruit who was praised on nearly every down for the first 18 years of his life,

having to compete for playing time is unknown territory.

"I've learned those stars don't mean nothing. Absolutely nothing," Hunter said. "When you get here, everyone's on an even playing field. Everyone's just as big as you, just as fast as you, just as strong as you."

In other words, it was time for Hunter to man up.

"It's definitely different," Hunter said. "I'm willing to earn my stripes. Whatever I have to do. If I have to play the backup role until Marsh is gone, that's what I'm going to do."

That competitive attitude is exactly what Meyer has grown to love about his program now. A few years ago, a healthy Hunter could have been guaranteed multiple snaps a game. Not anymore.

"There's no free lunches around here," McCarney said.

For Hunter, it didn't even seem like a healthy body came free of charge. Hunter called part of the season "depressing" and said there were times when he really wanted to quit.

"I felt like I couldn't do anything right," Hunter said.

Then strength coach Mickey Marrotti talked to Hunter, and the red-shirt freshman realized there's still much he wants to accomplish. Even though he had such high expectations coming in, Hunter was still just a freshman with four years of playing time ahead of him.

"He's a better player," McCarney said. "He needs to be in the rotation, and it's up to him to do that."

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# Gators, Seminoles to resume rivalry in Jacksonville

■ SENIOR STEPHEN LOCKE WILL START AGAINST FSU.

By **KYLE MAISTRI**  
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It's hard to say which causes a bigger swing in momentum — winning a rivalry game or losing a rivalry game with a rematch scheduled just two weeks later.

When UF (18-8) and FSU (16-8) met in McKethan Stadium on March 17 for the first of three games this season, both teams were struggling to earn victories.

The No. 20 Gators came in to the matchup after suffering a sweep at the hands of Arkansas that capped off a stretch of seven losses in their last 11 games. Similarly, FSU had just dropped a game to Virginia, making it six losses in its last nine.

With both teams desperate for a win, UF edged out FSU 5-4 in a 3-hour-51-minute St. Patrick's Day marathon.

"This team has been down on itself, and it was a tough weekend at Arkansas," UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan said after the win. "Baseball is a really difficult game because of a lot of mental stuff going on, so we just tried to wipe the slate clean."

Since junior catcher Buddy Munroe laced the walk-off single to right-center field that gave the Gators that 5-4 win, the team has ridden a wave of momentum all the way in to tonight's contest with the Seminoles in

Jacksonville at 7.

UF has won nine of its last 10 games, including sweeps of Tennessee and Alabama, and has climbed into Baseball America's Top 25 for the first time since Feb. 23 after starting the season 3-0.

Senior Stephen Locke (0-0, 0.00 ERA), who rejoined the team in the middle of last week, will get the start in his second appearance of the season. The Gators have had trouble finding a consistent starting rotation, and the return of Locke should give them a stabilizing veteran capable of eating up innings.

"He gives us more depth and another quality left-hander that has been there, done that," O'Sullivan said.

FSU, however, has been just as hot since the dramatic defeat at the hands of its in-state rival. The Seminoles have won seven of their last eight and are coming off a road sweep of Maryland in College Park.

If the momentum FSU is riding isn't enough to equal that of UF, perhaps a little history will serve as a boost.

The Gators also took the first game of the series last season in Gainesville before getting shelved in Jacksonville 10-2 and narrowly dropping the third game 4-2 in Tallahassee.

While Locke and a slew of freshman arms such as Alex Panteliodis (2-2, 4.20 ERA), Anthony DeSclafani (2-0, 3.80 ERA) and Greg Larson (2-1, 1.42 ERA) have provided an unexpected lift for UF, preseason ace Patrick Keating (2-3, 5.72 ERA) has



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UF pitcher Stephen Locke throws a pitch during the Gators' 6-1 win against FSU at McKethan Stadium on March 18, 2008. Locke has provided a lift for UF since returning to the team last week.

been surprisingly disappointing in the early part of the season.

The senior has all but lost his Friday-night designation and has been relegated to the bullpen at times during the season.

Against FSU, O'Sullivan went to Keating to shut the door in the ninth inning, but the right-hander coughed up the lead and allowed the Seminoles to tie the game.

Despite Keating's struggles, his

catcher is optimistic that he can turn things around.

"Pat's going to be fine," Munroe said. "He's always got good stuff. I got more confidence in him than anyone else."

## Donovan smart to remain in Gainesville

Good move, Billy Donovan.

The UF men's basketball coach passed up the Kentucky job for the second time in three years Friday.

The never-ending speculation surrounding now-former Wildcats coach Billy Gillispie had Donovan in the running well before Gillispie was officially fired at 4:30 p.m. Friday.

Donovan did not take long to quell the rumors.

Donovan, a former Kentucky assistant coach under Rick Pitino, released the following statement shortly after the Wildcats formally announced one of the worst-kept secrets of last week: Gillispie's firing.

"In response to the rumors circulating about my interest in other jobs, I wanted to address this as quickly as possible. I am committed to the University of Florida and look forward to continuing to build our program here."

My editors, in fact, found it so insignificant (or perhaps old) that they put no mention of the incident in Monday's paper.

I beg to differ. This is an important decision for both Donovan and UF.

Listen, the grass isn't always greener. An ironic but obvious example of this is the Kentucky problem itself. Wildcats boosters ran Tubby Smith out of town in 2007 because he didn't meet their expectations.

Whether those expectations are in any way realistic in this day and age — where parity is higher and no power ever really stays at the top anymore — is a topic for another column.

In 10 seasons, Smith won a national championship and made the Elite Eight on three other occasions. He won the Southeastern Conference regular season and SEC Tournament titles five times each. He averaged more than 26 wins per season and won more than 75 percent of his games.



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That brought Gillispie to Lexington, Ky., after Donovan, who reached unprecedented status among the coaching ranks after winning back-to-back national titles, turned down the Wildcats' offer before his Orlando Magic fiasco.

It's hard to believe Donovan will ever make his way to Lexington now. He has spurned the Wildcats twice, clearly letting them know the Kentucky job does not mean more to him than his current beloved status in Gainesville.

I would be the first to agree that Donovan under-achieved the past two years by missing the NCAA Tournament in back-to-back seasons after making nine straight appearances in the field of 65.

Some have pointed out how much better the Gators would have been if Donovan had been able to beat out Gillispie for All-SEC big man Patrick Patterson. It is a valid point.

Still, the Gators had plenty of talent to get to the Big Dance this year, but it was unfortunately only shown in too-short glimpses. Not being able to get the most out of his players is a knock on Donovan, and his revelation March 23 that this year's team "overachieved" is, quite frankly, ridiculous.

But if Donovan (rather than his players) receives most of the criticism for the failed rebuilding effort, he cannot also be denied the praise earned for two straight national championships.

It's one of the terrible double standards in America: Players get the praise, and coaches get the blame.

So celebrate the news that Donovan is returning to Gainesville, because now his name will remain synonymous with UF.

And that's best for all parties involved.

## Garza gets loss versus old team

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FORT MYERS — Tampa Bay Rays starting pitcher Matt Garza faced his former team for the first time, but the Minnesota Twins had the upper hand.

Garza, named the Most Valuable Player of the 2008 American League Championship Series, struck out five batters but gave up 3 earned runs off eight hits in six innings of a 3-2 loss to the Twins on Monday.

"I just got my work in," said Garza, a first-round draft pick by the Twins in 2005 out of Fresno State.

The Twins traded Garza and shortstop Jason Bartlett to the Rays for infielder Brendan Harris and outfielders Delmon Young and Jason Pridie before last season began.

"I really didn't think about facing my old team or anything like that," said Garza, who pitched well despite the loss in front of a crowd of 5,072 fans, the smallest crowd this spring training at Hammond Stadium.

"I felt great," he said. "I felt lively."

Rays manager Joe Maddon said he enjoyed watching Garza grow in his first season as a Ray.

Garza went 2-0 with a 1.38 ERA against the Boston Red Sox during the ALCS.

"His confidence is at a very high level right now," Maddon said.



Garza

# Meyer doesn't see I-formation in Gators' future

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have, so we can run (the I-formation) all we want, but if the players struggle or they're young and

inexperienced, we won't run that package." Last spring, the Gators prac-

ticed in formations with two tight ends to utilize Cornelius Ingram and Aaron Hernandez.

But those plans took a big hit when Ingram went down with a knee injury and missed the entire season.

With Ingram now headed for an NFL career, Hernandez is the only reliable tight end left.

"Right now, you have Aaron Hernandez, who's playing great — one of the top five players on the team — but (freshman Desmond) Parks has no idea which way right or left is, and the fullbacks are struggling as well, so it's not looking very good," Meyer said.

**OKINE BEEFING UP:** Earl Okine has eaten and lifted his way into a new position.

The Gainesville High graduate and redshirt freshman was recruited as a 235-pound defensive end, but at 280 pounds, his future is on the interior of the defensive line.

"Coach McCarney had a feeling (Okine would end up at defensive tackle)," Meyer said. "I thought he'd be a Jarvis Moss-type end, but he just keeps growing and growing."

"He's up to 280 pounds, benching 400. And he's not done growing, either."

Those on hand to watch UF's spring practices in the past week have been treated to a bizarre sight: quarterbacks Tim Tebow and John Brantley taking snaps under center.

Under new offensive coordinator Steve Addazio, the Gators are experimenting with the I-formation in addition to their usual spread offense.

"We're testing it out, I guess you could say," Brantley said. "We'll see how it goes."

According to coach Urban Meyer, it's not going very well so far.

Meyer cited the lack of depth at tight end and the absence of a dependable fullback as reasons why the I-formation doesn't have a promising future for the Gators.

"That I-package, I'm not sure how long that will be sticking around here," Meyer said.

"You want to have it in, but like I said four years ago when I walked on this campus, we don't really have an offense (for it). It's an offense based on what we



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UF quarterback Tim Tebow practices taking the snap under center during spring practice Wednesday. Although UF tried out the I-formation in practice, it looks like the team might not use it next season.

# Bolling pitches complete game to stop losing skid

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The two-game losing streak didn't last long for Santa Fe College.

The Saints (20-15, 9-4 Mid-Florida Conference) defeated St. John's River Community College 8-5 on Monday with the help of starting pitcher Bobby Bolling.

Bolling, who is undefeated this season, pitched a complete game, gave up seven hits and had seven strikeouts.

"Bobby did exactly what he has been doing all year, and that is throwing strikes,"

Saints coach Johnny Wiggs said. "He has given us a chance to win, and that is all we can ask of him."

"It is way too early to be scoreboard-watching."

**Johnny Wiggs**  
Santa Fe baseball coach

Wiggs and his staff opted to sit certain starters who have been struggling this season and give bench players a chance to prove themselves worthy to play in the fi-

nal stretch of the season.

"We try every game to put the best lineup on the field," he said. "If guys on the bench are playing well, then they deserve the opportunity to get in there and play."

Saints left fielder Andy Mee continued his hot streak by leading the Saints with three hits for the game. Catcher Brett Bozeman brought home 3 runs in his five at-bats, while third baseman Chad Graziano had two hits and an RBI.

Although Wiggs is not counting on another nine-game winning streak, the Saints will take a conference win wherever they

can get it.

"It's good to get back on the winning way after losing one on Friday and one on Saturday," he said.

On Wednesday, SFC will travel to square off against Central Florida Community College. The Patriots trail the Saints by one game in the MFC standings. Currently in first place, SFC leads third-place SJRCC by two games after Monday.

"It is way too early to be scoreboard-watching," Wiggs said. "Every year it is a super-competitive conference, and it comes down to the final few games."

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