



ON CAMPUS

UPD lacks leads in swastika graffiti case

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A gray swastika was spray-painted on the side of the house being built by traditionally Jewish fraternity Alpha Epsilon Pi,

according to the University Police Department.

The symbol was discovered on Thursday night by a member of AEPi Fraternity, who was visiting the partially completed house at 14 Fraternity Row. It was reported to UPD on Sunday after a meeting of

the fraternity's executive board.

The incident follows another occurrence in early March where someone broke in through the fraternity's front door and defecated on the floor inside, said UPD Capt. Jeff Holcomb.

Fraternity members also no-

ticed a broken window in the back of the house around the same time, though they chose not to file a report with UPD, Holcomb said.

He said it's still not clear when the swastika was spray-painted on the house and said UPD had no suspects or leads as of Monday af-

ternoon.

"If you've just got spray-painting on a building with no witnesses and no determining evidence, it's kind of hard to follow up on," he said.

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Demand for state abuse shelters up 40 percent

By **EMILY FUGGETTA**
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The demand for domestic abuse shelters in Florida is up by about 40 percent since the recession started, according to a recent state report.

Cpl. Bruce Ferris, a Gainesville Police detective specializing in domestic violence, said that economic hard times result in more domestic violence because people are under financial pressure.

Ferris said that while domestic violence reports are more common among people of a lower socioeconomic status, the problem applies to all economic classes.

"There's domestic violence happening all over the city, but people with some resources don't always report to us," he said. "If your husband is well-known in the community, he's a big guy at

the church, he's got a job in jeopardy, a lot's not being reported because you don't want to ruin his career."

"(Abuse) tends to mirror what's going on in the greater societal picture."

Theresa Harrison
 Director of Peaceful Paths

Marala Scott, who co-authored a book with her husband called "In Our House" about her childhood experience with abuse, said potential abusers are like time bombs, and economic crisis can detonate them at any moment.

"My father had that same stress growing up, and he couldn't outwardly take out his frustra-

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SG to discuss education act

By **CHELSEA KEENAN**
 Alligator Writer

Student senators plan to discuss a resolution supporting the Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors, or DREAM, Act at tonight's Senate meeting.

The bill, which will be voted on in October by the U.S. Congress, would, if passed, give some undocumented students, who are between 12 and 30 years old, the opportunity to attend a U.S. university.

"This is about equal education, something that should not be denied," said Unite Party Sen. Gaby Alvarez, who represents UF's sophomore class

and is one of the resolution's authors.

A resolution is a piece of legislation that states the opinion of Senate but does not take action.

Student Government Alvarez wrote the resolution with Grey Caceres, president of UF's Coalition of Spanish Speakers through Advocacy and Service.

The bill, which was first brought before the U.S. Congress in 2004, requires students to have lived in the U.S. before turning 16 years old and have earned a high school diploma or its equivalent, such as a General Education Degree, or GED,

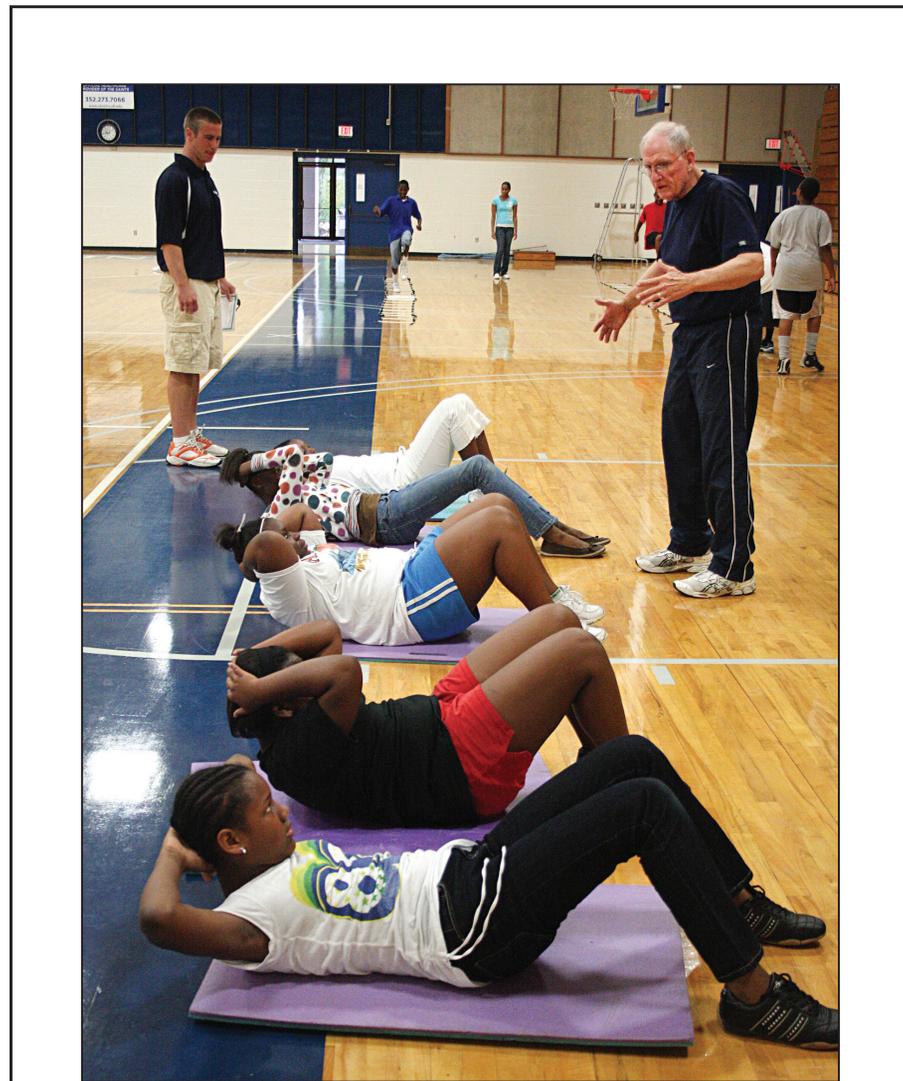
according to Alvarez.

Alvarez said passing the DREAM Act would benefit the U.S. because it would increase the country's educated work force.

Alvarez said she is optimistic the resolution will be passed during tonight's meeting.

Senate President Audrey Goldman, who represents students living in District A, said she believes this resolution will be a controversial topic since immigration is a sensitive issue.

"I hope the senators will vote according to what constituents want, and not to what their personal beliefs are," she said.



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Fitness Fun

Business manager for Santa Fe College fitness and retired baseball coach Harry Tholen, right, shows middle school students the proper way to do crunches as part of the East Gainesville Initiative at the second annual Fitness Fun Day in the SFC gymnasium Monday morning. The event was held to give young people tips on eating healthy and staying fit while having fun.

■ UF pitcher Patrick Keating (right) has struggled after starting the year as UF's ace. The righty looks to get back in the win column against Bethune-Cookman tonight in McKethan Stadium. See Story, Page 24.



GPD: No foul play suspected after man found dead in canal Sunday

Preliminary autopsy results from a man found dead in Gainesville indicated that there was no foul play.

The body of Timothy McMillan, 55, was found Sunday at about 1 p.m. after someone spotted his body behind JP Gator's pool hall, said Gainesville Police Department spokesman Keith Kameg.

Kameg said McMillan's autopsy

showed that his death was due to natural causes or the result of a fall.

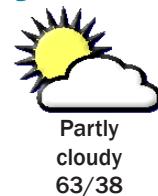
"We are still waiting for toxicology tests to come back," he said. "But that could take weeks to months."

Kameg said that McMillan was at the Veteran's Affairs Hospital the day he was found near a creek behind the shopping center on the corner of Southwest 13th Street and Southwest 16th Avenue.

— KATIE EMMETS

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Rally Against Budget Cuts

Today, noon
Plaza of the Americas
The United Faculty of Florida (UFF), the Graduate Assistants United (GAU) and Coalition Save our Schools are hosting a rally and mass teach-in against higher-education budget cuts.

RUB Entertainment Tie-Dying

Today, 11 a.m.
Reitz Union North Lawn
RUB Entertainment will be providing shirts and dye for a tie-dying extravaganza.

Speaker: U.S. Representative Kendrick Meek

Today, noon
Reitz Union Room 361
U.S. Representative Kendrick Meek, D-Fla., will speak about his bid for United States Senator.

UF Interfaith Forum

Today, 6 to 8 p.m.
Reitz Union Amphitheater
Learn about the core tenets of five of UF's largest religious organizations. Advisers of Campus Crusade, Gator FreeThought, Hindu Student Council, Islam on Campus and Jewish Student Union will share their religious beliefs. Attendees can ask questions that they want to know about God during the open mic Q-and-A.

Diversity in the Peace Corps

Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Yulee Hall
Come out and listen to returned Peace Corps volunteers as they share their experiences serving as minorities. Learn how they handled living in a different culture and what they did in their day-to-day activities. E-mail peacecorps@ufic.ufl.edu

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African Student Union Annual Showcase

Friday, 6 p.m.
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This year the theme is "African Renaissance — Rebirth of A Continent." With the showcase, we bring everyone within the community to experience African Culture. Visit www.asuatuf.com for more information.

"Polanyi in Brussels: Politics and the Making of a Transnational Market"

Friday, noon
Anderson 216
Talk by James Caporaso, University of Washington. Co-sponsored by the Center for European Studies and the Department of Political Science. Bring your lunch. Drinks provided.

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Chris Brown enters not guilty plea in beating case

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Chris Brown pleaded not guilty Monday to threatening and assault-

ing his girlfriend, fellow music star Rihanna.

The 19-year-old R&B singer entered his plea, speaking in a soft voice, while standing alongside his lawyer, Mark Gergos. His mother sat in the first row, red-eyed.

Within moments of the hearing, a lawyer for Rihanna said the singer was hoping a plea deal could be reached before the case goes to trial. "She would be pleased if this was over quickly," attorney Donald Etra said. He reiterated that Rihanna would testify if required.

Brown was charged in March by Los Angeles County prosecutors with felony assault likely to cause great bodily injury and making criminal threats. He was arrested nearly a month earlier after police said he was involved in an early morning altercation with a woman who identified the "Run It!" singer as her attacker.

Court records list Brown's victim as "Robyn F." Rihanna's real name is Robyn Rihanna Fenty.

Etra represented the 21-year-old "Umbrella" singer at Monday's arraignment, but did not speak during the five-minute hearing. He said afterward that the singer is in "fine spirits" and spending time with her family in Barbados.

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New survey allows RTS riders to make suggestions

By **MATT TRIPP**

Alligator Contributing Writer

A new survey will allow Gainesville bus riders to make suggestions to the Regional Transit System.

Starting today, RTS will ask riders to complete a survey designed to find out what customers would like to see changed.

The 25,000 surveys will be distributed by 25 monitors, who will ride selected routes. The survey comes as part of RTS's 10-year Transit Development Plan, which aims to keep the system adaptable and useful.

"We're trying to get an overall picture of what customers want," said Linda Kubitz, RTS marketing and communications specialist.

She said the survey will cover

everything from what routes need benches and shelters to the usefulness of the RTS Web site.

A similar survey was conducted about four years ago, but was not as in-depth, Kubitz said.

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Leah Chapman, a 19-year-old UF sophomore who has been riding RTS buses for two years, said she was glad they were doing

a survey.

"There are some problems with late drivers at the Park-N-Ride stops. But other than that it's great," she said.

The survey will also help determine where the new buses, which cost about \$360,000 each, would be most useful. Kubitz said the new buses will be cheaper than keeping older buses running.

"We're spending money to save money," she said. "Replacing buses is our No. 1 priority."

The Gainesville RTS fleet has 50 buses eligible for retirement, which means they are more than 12 years old and have more than 500,000 miles.

The survey is scheduled to run Tuesday through Thursday of this week and next week.

Officer who arrested UF pitcher under investigation

By **KATIE EMMETS**

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Gainesville police officer Daniel Surrency, who arrested a UF baseball player for a DUI, is under internal investigation.

After Surrency arrested Stephen Locke, 22, Surrency wrote in the arrest report that Locke was driving 10 mph under the speed limit and swerved toward incoming traffic. Surrency

also wrote that Locke's eyes were bloodshot and his speech was slurred.

The State Attorney's Office dropped the case on March 7 after reviewing reports and watching the video of the traffic stop that was taken from Surrency's police car.

State Attorney Bill Cervone said although he thought there may have been probable cause for the arrest, probable cause does not equate to proof beyond a reasonable doubt.

"First, Locke lawfully refused to take a field



Locke

sobriety and a Breathalyzer test," Cervone said. "And the video recording does not show any erratic driving patterns because it was not turned on until right before Locke was pulled over."

There was no behavior such as falling or stumbling when he got out of the car, Cervone said.

In the video, Surrency said that he was call-

ing Ofc. Joey Devore to make the DUI arrest, so GPD would be eligible for a renewal of a federal grant. Sgt. Joe Raulerson said there is no DUI grant. He said Devore was called to handle the arrest so the other officers could resume routine patrol. Each DUI arrest can take up to three hours, he said.

Raulerson said that while watching the video he spotted about five signs that Locke was driving drunk, including failure to make eye contact and swaying back and forth.

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Nobel Memorial Prize winner speaks on economy

By **CAROLYN TILLO**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Nobel Memorial Prize winner and MIT institute professor emeritus Robert Solow spoke on the Obama administration's response to the financial crisis to a crowd of about 200 students and faculty at the Reitz Union Auditorium on Monday.

"I think that the stimulus package was too small and too late."

Robert Solow

Nobel Memorial Prize winner and MIT institute professor emeritus

Solow, 84, who labeled himself a lifelong Democrat, said Obama entered office faced with economic problems he did not create, including a deep recession, the collapse of the nation's financial system and a low level of consumer demand.

"I doubt that any president given this hand to play could have played it systematically better, and a lot of presidents would have played it worse," he said.

Solow, who won the Nobel Memorial Prize for his work on economic growth in 1987, said he favored the president's policy of reducing budget deficits over time rather than immediately.

Still, Solow did not hesitate to

criticize the new president's economic policies.

"I think that the stimulus package was too small and too late," he said.

He said he supports giving more money and said Obama may have to offer a second dose of stimulus at the end of the year.

Solow also found fault in the composition of the bill, adding more jobs would have been created if the \$3 billion allocated to the National Science Foundation had been used to subsidize state and local governments.

Solow noted the stimulus package was an improvement from past responses to American recessions, but spoke of mixed responses by U.S. citizens to the economic downturn.

American household incomes declined from mid-2007 to the end of 2008, Solow said.

Despite the American economy remaining just as capable of producing goods and services, many American families perceived themselves as poor, he said.

At the end of his hour-long speech, Solow stepped off the stage, only to be swarmed by admiring students asking about career advice, autographs and economic affairs.

Maria Barlett, a UF graduate student in international develop-



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Robert Solow, a Nobel Memorial Prize winner and professor emeritus in economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, talks about the economy and the Obama administration during his speech in the Reitz Union Auditorium Monday evening.

ment and policy administration, complimented Solow on his easy-to-understand economic terms. Before the speech, she said, she lacked enough knowledge to formulate in-depth questions about the U.S. financial situation.

Before closing his speech, Solow alluded to the problems faced by companies once considered too big to fail, such as Gen-

eral Motors and large banks.

"I would like President Obama to consider that too big to fail is too big to exist," Solow said.

If a company damages the economy, it should be broken up, he said, adding the government should function as a regulating force.

In a question-and-answer session, one audience member asked

Solow about how long the economy would take to recover from the crisis.

Solow said the recession could hit bottom in the next 12 months, but the time of an eventual recovery is unknowable to any degree.

It will take longer than a year for the economy to get back to anything Americans would describe as normal, he said.



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■ THOUSANDS OF VA PATIENTS TREATED WITH UNSTERILIZED EQUIPMENT.

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CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — A Veterans Affairs patient who was among thousands treated with unsterilized equipment has tested positive for HIV, the first such case reported since the department warned veterans they could have been exposed to infectious diseases.

The VA previously reported that hepatitis had been found in 16 patients, but the agency cautioned there was no way to prove that the patients contracted the illnesses because of treatment at their facilities. In an e-mail late Friday, the agency said it was investigating "the possibility of such a relationship."

The VA earlier this year warned more than 10,000 veterans to get blood tests because they could have been exposed to contamination while getting colonoscopies in Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Miami.

The endoscopic equipment in question was also used at an ear,

nose and throat facility in Augusta, Ga. All three sites failed to properly sterilize the equipment between treatments.

The VA has said it does not yet know if veterans who were treated with the same kind of equipment at its other 150 hospitals may have been exposed to the same mistake before the department had a nationwide safety training campaign. An agency spokeswoman has said the VA is certain the mistake with the equipment was corrected nationwide by March 14.

The problems dated back for more than five years at the Murfreesboro and Miami hospitals.

So far, less than a third — 3,174 — have been notified of their test results. The agency also is trying to locate patients whose warning letters were returned.

The statement Friday did not say where the patient who tested positive for HIV was treated, and the agency did not return telephone and e-mail messages Monday. In all, at least five veterans have tested positive for hepatitis B and 11 for hepatitis C, which is

potentially life-threatening.

No infections have been reported from Miami.

All three sites used endoscopic equipment made by Olympus American Inc., which said in a statement it is helping the VA address problems with "inadvertently neglecting to appropriately reprocess a specific auxiliary water tube."

The problem put patients at risk of being exposed to other patients' body fluids.

Megan Longenderfer, an Olympus spokeswoman, said the company sent notices to 5,800 "customer accounts," but a facility could have more than one endoscope.

A lawyer with more than a dozen clients who had colonoscopies at the VA hospital in Murfreesboro said some have tested positive for hepatitis but none for HIV.

Attorney Mike Sheppard said in an e-mail Monday that one client had esophageal cancer and died from "massive infection" soon after getting a colonoscopy. He said medical records are being reviewed for any connection between the infection and exposure.

Court upholds sentence for killer

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — The life prison sentence given to a militant abortion opponent was appropriate despite his claims that he only meant to injure rather than kill a doctor, a federal appeals court said Monday.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Manhattan found no merit to challenges raised by James Kopp, including an argument that his sniper-style slaying in 1998 of Dr. Barnett Slepian in the kitchen of his suburban Buffalo home was not intentional. A three-judge panel said it was irrelevant whether Kopp intended to kill Slepian.

Kopp, 53, was sentenced in June 2007 to life in prison plus 10 years. He was convicted in January 2007 of violating the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act by killing an abortion provider and of using a scope-equipped military assault

rifle in a violent crime.

The appeals court said Kopp was convicted under a law that only requires that he acted with intent to injure Slepian because he had provided reproductive health services. The statute allows for a life prison sentence if death results.

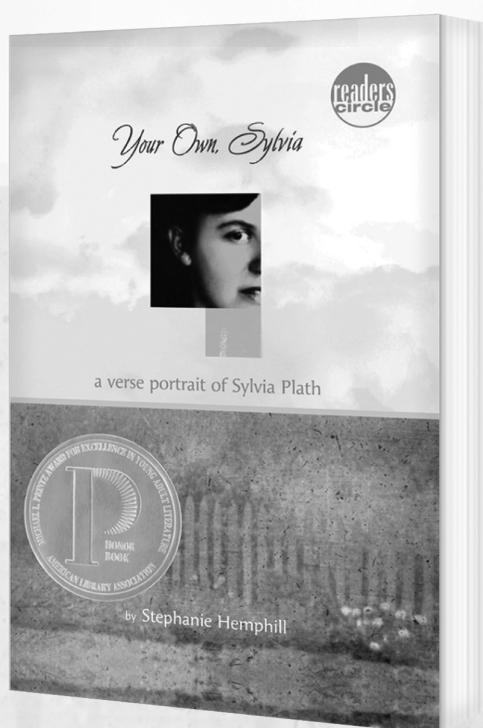


Kopp

The law does not require that Kopp intended to kill the doctor, only that Kopp acted with malice and demonstrated a heightened disregard for human life when he shot him, the court said.

"The truth is not that I regret shooting Dr. Slepian, I regret that he died," Kopp told reporters after the shooting. "I aimed at his shoulder, the bullet took a crazy ricochet, and that's what killed him."

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Acts of intolerance have no place in Gainesville

News of inflammatory graffiti on the side of a UF fraternity house has the Editorial Board dismayed by such thoughtless actions that only serve to oppress and spread ill will.

By drawing a swastika on AEPi's soon-to-open chapter house, the spineless individual responsible for the anti-Semitic action demonstrated behavior that embodies an archaic ideology utterly unacceptable in American society.

Whether the decision to spray a symbol of enmity stems from a disagreement between two fraternities or simply someone with a warped perception of the world, there is no situation in which one could justify this clear-cut example of malevolence.

Committing a hate crime puts a damper on the entire community, not just the group directly affected by such malicious behavior.

Gainesville and UF students alike pride themselves as a city and people that opens its arms to anyone and everyone — no better shown than by the recent city election.

The Editorial Board can't help but wonder why someone would risk fines and jail time just so that they could attempt to belittle a Jewish fraternity in the crudest fashion possible.

Yes, the swastika hurts and acts as a reminder of a trying history as a people, but we are confident that the men of AEPi will come together and emerge stronger as a result.

Actions such as these contradict what The Gator Nation stands for, and we urge law enforcement to make that known by charging any potential subject to the fullest extent of the law.

UF and Gainesville will not allow for acts of hate to go unnoticed in our own backyard.

Mean Beans

With final exams and projects looming on the horizon, the Editorial Board would like to take the opportunity to encourage you to consume massive amounts of coffee and don't stop.

Wait, what?

According to an article on CNN.com, caffeine withdrawal has caused major problems for coffee drinkers across the country to the point that they've experienced flu-like symptoms, such as headaches and even depression.

If a Starbucks addict fails to down a cup of joe as little as 12 hours after his or her latest fix, then he or she may start feeling lousy and unable to function.

The worst results ensue for coffee addicts trying to kick their habit cold turkey — a big no-no according to health experts.

Instead of going from five cups to zero overnight, the

best course of action would be adopting a "step-down" program that gradually weans the drinker off the good stuff (no, not Crown Royal).

As the end of the semester means long nights at Club West, we recommend if you plan on drinking coffee or any other caffeine-based drink to make sure to stay consistent.

If you know your schedule will include an off-day or two from studying, we encourage you to treat yourself to an iced coffee at Starbucks (unsweetened, Venti and room for milk) even when you aren't planning a marathon love session with your biology textbook.

Nothing sucks more than coming down with a panic attack on your one free day when you could be reacquainting yourself with the joys of "Half Baked" ice cream and a "Twilight" DVD.

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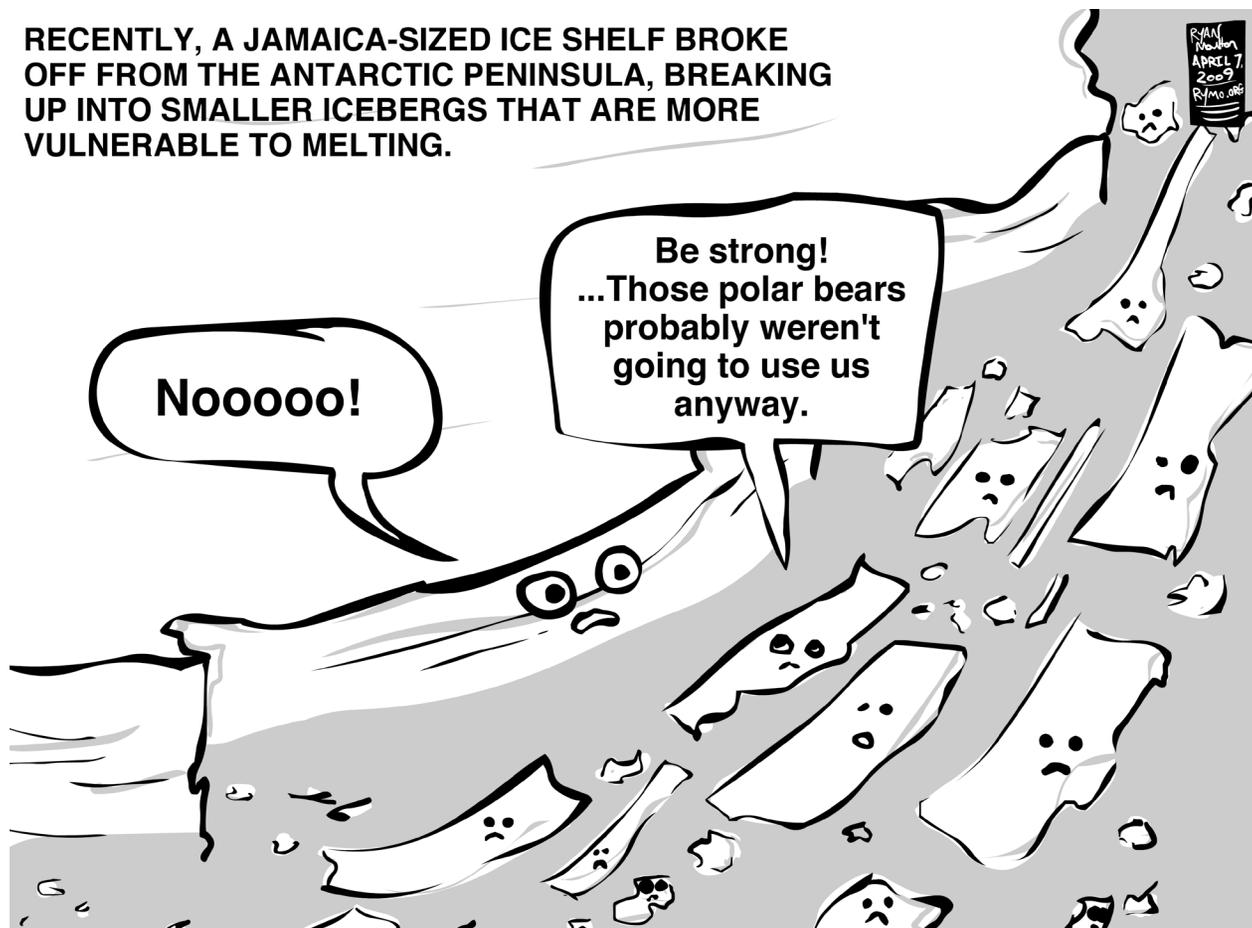
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RECENTLY, A JAMAICA-SIZED ICE SHELF BROKE OFF FROM THE ANTARCTIC PENINSULA, BREAKING UP INTO SMALLER ICEBERGS THAT ARE MORE VULNERABLE TO MELTING.



Column

Potheads targeted by new tobacco tax

Judging by how our national press covered the G-20 summit, President Barack "Blue Steel" Obama was off in Europe refereeing his wife's Zoolander-esque "walk-off" against French First Lady Carla Bruni-Sarkozy.

Largely invisible in the news was the fact that April 1 marked the implementation of the biggest federal tax increase ever levied on tobacco, a law that may be reaching out for more green than anyone has noticed.

Aside from being a passive-aggressive gambit, such a huge tax on tobacco falls much more severely on the poor. Since the tobacco taxes are scheduled to fund health insurance for poor children and families, one may see this as a defensible piece of legislation.

However, this only further snares our tangled health care situation by winding more governmental regulation around an already twisted private insurance landscape. You don't untie a knot by simply pulling on either end of the rope; just because smoking is bad and health insurance for impoverished families is good does not mean that this bill will be of any quantifiable positive impact to our broken medical racket.

Nobody in the American media really seemed to care.

Those that did run stories about the tax increase all dutifully spouted the official governmental line about how the tax would force people to quit smoking, which inanely simplifies a litany of social and psychological realities.

This 2009 tobacco tax, though, is particularly notable for being the first time the American government has successfully taxed marijuana smoking.

While this law weighs down cigarette packs, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco and snuff with 158-percent tax



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increases, the real money is being made on blunt smokers. The law taxes large cigars more than 700 percent more, while small cigars and "roll your own" wrappers were hit with tax increases over 2,000 percent.

Gas station owners are outraged — the cheeky-eyed customers who buy blunt wraps and papers also end up buying a lot of overpriced

chips and sodas.

Experts are predicting Funyuns sales to plummet nationwide.

The April 15 deadline to file federal income taxes, the ultimate American un-holiday, falls right before the 4/20 national marijuana smoking holiday. Since this issue ties into both unruly taxation and the roll-your-own crowd, I hereby suggest a national day of protest for blunt aficionados somewhere in between these two days.

Most of the taxed and blunted will be scrambling to fill out paperwork on the 15th, and on the 20th weedheads will be sinking into couches across the country and will be too busy watching DVDs to take part in an organized protest.

Saturday, April 18 seems like a fair compromise.

I know that organizing smokers to do anything other than listen to music or play video games is a Herculean task, but I even have a nifty motto everyone can chant — "No taxation without legalization."

Just remember — bring your own damn Funyuns.

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

Today's question: Will you roll fewer blunts after the tobacco tax takes effect?

Monday's question: Do you own an iPhone?

21% YES
79% NO
164 TOTAL VOTES

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Letters to the Editor

Cut expenses, not faculty

In my opinion, the impending budget cuts show what each department and the university values. Here is a recent example of misplaced values.

An outstanding College of Journalism and Communications professor, Dr. Judy Robinson, is one of many whose job security is in jeopardy. She models effective teaching strategies, responds to student needs, incorporates cutting-edge technologies, inspires innovative thinking and designs meaningful assignments. Her class has been one of the best courses of my graduate career.

During the semester, the class's lab has received an overhead projector (\$2,000 - \$4,000) and an Elmo projector (\$800-\$3000) to replace

ones in perfect condition. With financial restraints, we should reduce operating expenses and keep outstanding faculty. If we use projectors until they need to be replaced, perhaps we could make it through the recession without cutting faculty. The teachers are the ones who are going to educate us, not the equipment. Stop spending money on equipment and keep the people who are contributing to the university's success.

Anna Warner
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Homeless need better food

In response to an article regarding the ongoing debate about policy concerning the act of feed-

ing the homeless, I feel obliged to speak about a recent experience that may provide some insight for others on this situation.

About two weeks ago, the University of Florida's Leadership Development Institute co-sponsored an event called "GOT FOOD?" with Actions, which included a daylong fast and a scavenger hunt. Amongst the tasks were feeding and then interviewing a homeless person. Upon interviewing several of the homeless, I was surprised to hear that many homeless steer clear of the meals served by the St. Francis House.

With the mention of the St. Francis House establishment, most of the interviewees retorted with repudiation and disgust. Why? Many, if not all, of the homeless in-

terviewees reported that they often fall sick after eating a meal from the St. Francis House.

This is an inevitable problem when it comes to housing and nourishment. Such problems as those expressed by the homeless interviewees may contribute to the onslaught of serious health issues that would only lead to a greater problem within the Gainesville community.

While there is the obvious problem of what policy should be passed in order to regulate the number of meals that should be served at places such as the St. Francis House and the Salvation Army, perhaps the true question is how much longer will the Gainesville homeless be subject to the low-quality food served at the

local shelters.

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Curving is grade redistribution

Johnathan Lott ought to get his facts straight before trying to be cute. UF does have a grade redistribution system. It is called curving grades, which literally means you force grades in to a normal distribution; they are fit to the bell curve. Many of the university's most commended students would fail out if they were graded merely on their raw percentage scores rather than on a curve.

Deeb Paul Kitchen II
Department of Sociology instructor

Guest column

Genetically modifying crops produces plentiful, resilient food

Before watching the video "Harvest of Fear," I had never heard of genetically modified organisms.

Most people do not know they have consumed genetically modified crops because there is no law saying that they must be labeled as such.

Genetically modified crops, also known as genetically modified organisms or GMOs, are crops that have been injected with a specific plant or animal gene that enhances the crop's ability to fight a particular virus, infection or disease, making it immune so the crop can flourish.

The simplest way to do this is to use a gene gun. Scientists literally shoot genes into the crop with compressed air.

GMOs are used in agriculture to create healthier and more abundant crops.

For example, in Hawaii papayas were being destroyed by a virus. Once genetically modified, the papaya were not only immune to the virus, but they grew larger.

Scientists can also modify the genes of crops so they do not need pesticides because the crop can produce its own defenses against pests.

This helps farmers save an abundant amount of money because all they have to do is plant the GMO without having to worry about spraying it with chemicals.

One argument for the use of GMOs is that they produce a lot more food, which could curb world hunger. This problem will not go away without help from science. With GMOs, there will be more food, which will help everyone out.

GMOs have not been found to be harm-

Austin Giovanetti Speaking Out

ful to humans. It has taken three decades of research and not one problem has arisen due to GMOs.

An argument against them is that we do not know the long-term effects of these organisms.

Only time will tell what will happen, if anything, because of the GMOs we consume.

The second argument against the use of GMOs is a moral one. Is it right to be shooting genes from an animal into a plant, or vice versa?

Also, GMOs are not labeled for the consumer.

I am in favor of GMOs.

A major problem in the world today is starvation. With GMOs, more food will be produced, but the hardest part will still be distributing it.

A second reason I am for GMOs is that not only will we have more food, but it will be stronger. The crops produced will be immune to disease, infection and viruses.

With proper research, the food will be healthier than ever.

This is a giant step; who knows where it will take us to finding cures or exploring any other possibilities?

I know that the future may be unknown and frightening, but isn't that how science works — strategically groping around the unknown hoping to find answers?

Austin Giovanetti is a pre-professional biology senior.

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UF constructs multimedia lab

By **HUNTER SIZEMORE**

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The sounds of hammers, drills and country radio filled Weimer Hall's basement Monday afternoon as workers remodel for a million-dollar multimedia lab.

The lab is funded by \$1.5 million in project money allocated over two years by UF to Dr. John Wright II, the College of Journalism and Communications' dean, when he took his post.

Scheduled to open in August, the lab will be used by journalism and telecommunications students.

New courses, which are expected to be created specifically for the lab, will bring together students from the two majors, according to David Carlson, director of the Center for Media Innovation and Research and manager of the project.

On Campus

"It's gonna be cool, I wish we could have done it 10 years ago," he said.

The lab will contain a 3-D projector, a "whisper room" for recording audio without interference and a wall of about eight 56-inch flat-screen monitors which can be controlled to display a single image or dozens of videos, among other configurations.

Carlson believes that while the upgrade is expensive, learning to combine old and new media is necessary to prepare students for the evolving field of communication and for UF to remain a top journalism college, he said.

"People are catching up and it's time for us to take another leap forward," he said.

Carl Byngton, a Ward Construction employee, isn't sure that construction will be finished by the deadline.

"Things don't happen too fast around here," he said of projects undertaken on UF's campus.

The additional \$500,000 of the dean's project money is expected to go toward a similar collaboration center for advertising and public relations majors, Carlson said.



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Out-of-Place Poetry

A student wonders why "everyone" left after he recited his self-proclaimed vulgar poetry at the Orange & Brew's open mic show Monday night during the WISA International Month Poetry & Comedy Night with the Asian Student Union and Black Student Union. "Keep it G-rated," another student yelled from the crowd of about 10.

INTERNATIONAL

Obama works to mend ties with Turkey, Muslims

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Declaring the U.S. "is not and never will be at war with Islam," President Barack Obama worked Monday to mend frayed ties with NATO ally Turkey and improve relations with the larger Muslim world.

Obama acknowledged still-raw tensions over the Iraq war but said Muslims worldwide have little in common with terrorists such as al-Qaida and have much to gain in opposing them. Reaching out, he also spoke of Muslim connections in his own background.

"We seek broader engagement based upon mutual interest and mutual respect," Obama said in a speech to Turkey's Parliament.

It was his first visit to a predominantly Islamic nation as president, and he struck a balance between extending a hand to Muslims in general and discussing Turkey's central role in helping to bring stability to a post-war Iraq and the wider Middle East.

"Our partnership with the Muslim world is critical, not just in rolling back the violent ideologies that people of all faiths reject but also to strengthen opportunity for all its people," he said. He portrayed terrorist groups such as al-Qaida as extremists far removed from the vast majority of Muslims.

Turkey has NATO's largest Army after the U.S., but relations between the two countries soured after

the 2003 invasion of Iraq, which the Turks opposed. Turkey barred U.S. forces from going through its country to attack Iraq.

Now, however, since Obama is withdrawing troops, Turkey has become more cooperative.

Sharing parts of its southern border with Iraq, Turkey's role in main-

taining security will be pivotal after U.S. combat troops are gone, despite the Turks' lingering problems with Kurdish militants in northern Iraq. Turkey also has important leverage with both Afghanistan and Pakistan and has served as a broker between Israel and several Arab states.

"Turkey's greatness lies in your

ability to be at the center of things. This is not where East and West divide — this is where they come together," Obama said.

He acknowledged hard feelings over Iraq. "I know that strain is shared in many places where the Muslim faith is practiced. So let me say this as clearly as I can: The Unit-

ed States is not and will never be at war with Islam."

Obama's visit was closely watched by an Islamic world that harbored deep distrust of his predecessor, George W. Bush.

Al-Jazeera and Al-Arabiya, two of the biggest Arabic satellite channels, carried his remarks live.

The president invoked his own heritage: "The United States has been enriched by Muslim Americans. Many other Americans have Muslims in their family, or have lived in a Muslim-majority country. I know, because I am one of them."

Obama's Kenyan father and grandfather were Muslims, and he spent time as a child in Indonesia, the country with the world's largest Muslim population.

The president spoke for about 25 minutes from a small white-marble-and-teak rostrum in the well of a vast, airy chamber packed with Turkish lawmakers in orange leather chairs.

Except for a few instances of polite applause, the room was quiet during his speech. There was a more hearty ovation toward the end when Obama said the U.S. supports the Turkish government's battle against the Kurdish rebel group PKK, which both nations consider a terrorist group, and again when he said America was not at war with Islam. Lawmakers also applauded when Obama said the United States supports Turkey's bid to join the European Union.



AP Photo

President Barack Obama gestures during a joint news conference with Turkey's President Abdullah Gul, not pictured, Monday in Ankara, Turkey.



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Dramatic Dancing

Students practice dancing techniques in their Western dance and music class on Monday. The class, taught by Professor Mohamed Dacosta, is open to non-dance majors.

Jail offers culinary class

■ FOUR INMATES ATTEND THE PROGRAM.

By **KATIE EMMETS**
Alligator Writer

Jimmy Bailey loves to cook. In fact, he cooks four times a day.

He cooks breakfast, lunch and dinner for the inmates of the Alachua County Jail, and lunch once a day for the staff.

Bailey, 46, who was arrested in September for theft, is one of four inmates who are attending the 90-day culinary program offered at the jail. Through the program, the inmates learn about kitchen safety, sanitation, cooking utensils and food storage.

"Inmates cooking to earn a certification to possibly get a job when they get out of jail, that's something new," ASO Bureau Chief Eugene Morris said.

The food service company ARAMARK provides the class with its food, supplies and teachers.

Ninety-five percent of the inmates are going home after they serve their time in jail and most of them live in Gainesville, he said.

"From the time someone walks in the door to the time they go home, it is our job to get them ready for reentry," Morris said. "And it is their job to take advantage of what we provide."

Morris said the jail held a construction program last fall for the inmates, and a few of them who have been released are now taking construction courses at Santa Fe College.

If the inmates pass the course's final test, they will be certified food service professionals, Morris said. He smiled as he said that his speech at the course graduation will probably include "a recipe for success."

Study abroad steady despite economy

By **AMANDA HINES**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Despite the economic downturn, the number of students grabbing passports to head to Paris with UF's College of Journalism and Communications has remained steady.

Melissa Johns, 21, stood in the financial aid line at Criser Hall at least two times this semester.

She said she needed funds to study abroad for her senior summer trip with the journalism department.

"It's expensive, but it is also a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," she said. "I have been putting it off for the past three years, and I know if I don't do it now, I never will."

Although the program is one month long, Johns plans to stay for an additional month. She estimated she will need about \$7,500 for airfare and living expenses during that time.

Johanna Cleary, an assistant professor in UF's telecommunications department, has been involved in the College of Journalism and Communications study abroad trips for the past two years. She said the department was concerned enrollment for the program might be down because of the economy, but added the number of participants will match the amount in last year's group.

"It took us a little longer to get there," Cleary said, "but in light of how serious the economy is, we feel pretty good about how the program has turned out."

She said she was surprised that the

program's additional side trip to London is full, even though it cost about \$500, in addition to the basic program cost of \$5,690.

Cleary said two more faculty members were scheduled to be added to the program given the popularity of the trip last summer.

She said the program hoped it would bring more students than last year, but the economy's decline has kept the numbers equal.

"We will be able to offer everything we wanted, however," she said, "I think we have come off pretty well of things considered."

Student Life

Cleary said because the France study abroad trip occurs during the summer, the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program will not cover its fees. However, she said there are other funding opportunities, such as Florida Prepaid College Plan and outside student loans.

Mike Weigold, an advertising professor, is in charge of the application process for the program and said available scholarships are offered through UF's International Center.

"The downside here is you will need to commit to the program before you know if you get a scholarship," Weigold wrote in an e-mail.

For remaining costs, loans may be obtained through institutions that offer financial aid, he said.

Johns said she didn't qualify for additional aid through UF and all of her current aid has been used for fall and spring semester classes.



AP Photo

Aftershock

Two men hug each other as people and volunteers stand amid debris in the city of L'Aquila, after a strong earthquake rocked central Italy early Monday. The earthquake killed at least 16 people, as well as collapsing buildings and leaving thousands of people homeless, officials and news reports said. Officials said the death toll was likely to rise as rescue crews made their way through the debris.

Facebook, MySpace breeding grounds for scams

■ **MOST CASES DEAL WITH FRAUDULENT CHECKS.**

By **AMANDA HINES**
Alligator Contributing Writer

As more people join Facebook and Myspace, the social networking Web sites have become a breeding ground for money scams.

Caitlin Murphy, a 20-year-old sophomore at Santa Fe College, received a check for \$2,300 for two tickets she sold for \$200 on Facebook's Marketplace application.

"I felt weird about the whole transaction," Murphy said, "but I followed the directions the seller gave me because I could have

used the money."

She said the buyer contacted her through e-mail and told her to consider the tickets sold for \$200 even though she listed the tickets for \$50.

After getting the check, Murphy said the letter attached said to put the check into her account, get a money order for the sum left over and send the money order to a different address.

She said a teller at the Wachovia Bank on Southwest Archer Road warned her that the check may be fraudulent.

The teller consulted with co-workers and then called a number that told her the funds for the check were not there.

"If I would have sent the money order, the check would never go through and I would have been out \$2,000," Murphy said.

According to Tiffany Dunn, a verification unit analyst for Wachovia Bank's loss management department in Northeast Florida, fraud through social-networking sites is becoming a popular way to target college students.

"Most of the time students are in desperate need of money and are easily tricked," Dunn said.

She said most of these cases are usually through fraudulent checks that scammers use to buy items off places like Facebook's

Marketplace application or eBay.

"Any time you sell something and someone sends you a check for more than the item is worth, and then wants you to send them the rest of the money back, it is usually a scam," Dunn said.

Murphy said she e-mailed the buyer and told him she lost the tickets to avoid controversy. She said he had her address and she didn't want to take any chances.

The growing numbers of scams through social-networking sites has triggered response from the Better Business Bureau.

The Northeast Florida Better Business Bureau office in Gainesville is linked to consumer tips on how to be protected against

scammers on social-networking sites.

According to the news release, wiring money to a different location is common, and if completed there is no way for consumers to get the money back.

Even though check fraud has long been a problem, Dunn said the number of cases are rising because social-networking Web sites allow people to claim to be friends with someone they don't know.

"If the money is too good to be true," she said, "it probably is."

Dunn said you should never accept checks from someone you don't know and to try to use a payment system like PayPal to safeguard transactions.

LOCAL

Forecasters predict record temperature drop in G'ville

By **ANA GONI-LESSAN**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Weather analysts predict that Gainesville will see a record temperature drop to 33 degrees early Wednesday morning.

A cold front is expected to move into northwest Florida, followed by a cold air mass from Canada.

"The air coming behind the cold front is going to be even colder because of where

it's coming from," said Phil Peterson, a forecaster for the National Weather Service in Jacksonville.

The previous record cold for April 8 was in 2007, with a morning temperature of 35 degrees, according to the National Weather Service Web site.

Gainesville has already experienced record heat, a dry spell and record rainfall this year, Peterson said.

"The whole year has been very strange,"

"At this time, we're at Mother Nature's hand."

Frankie Hall

Director, Agriculture Policy Division of the Federal Farm Bureau Federation

he said.

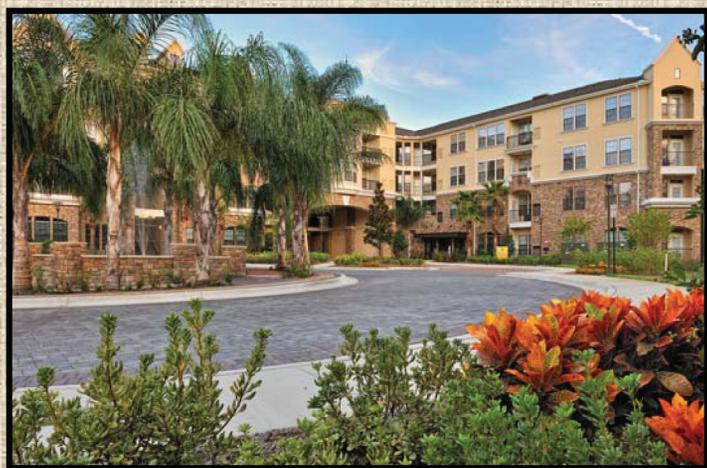
Frankie Hall, the director of the agriculture policy division of the Federal Farm Bureau Federation, said some vegetables like

watermelon, peppers and green beans might be damaged by the cold weather.

"A late frost could hurt these tender crops," Hall said.

Farmers in North Florida do not have irrigation systems that farmers in South Florida have, which also can be used to blanket the crops with ice to protect them from freezing.

"At this time, we're at Mother Nature's hand," he said. "We just hope and pray that it is not as bad as they predicted it to be."



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Shooter's letter depicts 'poor life'

■ THE LETTER INCLUDED PHOTOS OF WONG SMILING WITH TWO GUNS.

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BINGHAMTON, N.Y. — The man who opened fire in an immigrant center, killing 13 people before taking his own life, felt he was persecuted by police, couldn't accept his "poor life" and was intent on killing himself and at least two other people, according to a letter mailed to a television station the day of the massacre.

The letter's authenticity could not immediately be verified Monday. It was mailed to News 10 Now, in Syracuse, and postmarked Friday, the day Wong went into the American Civic Association community center and started shooting.

Part of the letter reads: "I am Jiverly Wong shooting the people."

The letter was dated March 18, more than two weeks before the shooting, which occurred in a neighborhood of homes and small businesses.

It included photos of Wong smiling with two guns, a gun permit and his driver's license.

The letter ends with him saying he can't "accept my poor life," that he is taking on the job of a judge and will "cut my poor life." He writes "at least two people with me go to return to the dust of the earth."

Police speculated Wong, who was ethnically Chinese but was from Vietnam, was angry over losing a job



AP Photo

The casket of Roberta King is carried from Temple Concord in Binghamton, N.Y., Monday. King was killed in Friday's shooting at the American Civic Association in Binghamton.

and frustrated about his poor English skills.

The letter reads, "I am sorry I know a little English."

It indicates a delusional man obsessed with unidentified police he says taunted him and tortured him,

even going into his room, watching him sleep and touching him while he slept.

The letter says police stole money from his wallet and stopped their cars in front of him 32 times in efforts to make him crash into them.

U.S. children fatter than ever

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — A striking new study says almost 1 in 5 American 4-year-olds is obese, and the rate is alarmingly higher among American Indian children, with nearly a third of them obese.

Researchers were surprised to see differences by race at so early an age.

Overall, more than half a million 4-year-olds are obese, the study suggests. Obesity is more common in Hispanic and black youngsters, too, but the disparity is most startling in American Indians, whose rate is almost double that of whites.

The lead author said that rate is worrisome among children so young, even in a population at higher risk for obesity because of other health problems and economic disadvantages.

National News

"The magnitude of these differences was larger than we expected, and it is surprising to see differences by racial groups present so early in childhood," said Sarah Anderson, an Ohio State University public health researcher. She conducted the research with Temple University's Dr. Robert Whitaker.

Dr. Glenn Flores, a pediatrics and public health professor at University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, said the research is an important contribution to studies documenting racial and ethnic disparities in children's weight.

"The cumulative evidence is alarming because within just a few decades, America will become a 'minority majority' nation," he said. Without interventions, the next generation "will be at very high risk" for heart disease, high blood pressure, cancers, joint diseases and other problems connected with obesity, said Flores, who was not involved in the new research.

The study is an analysis of nationally representative height and weight data on 8,550 preschoolers born in 2001. Children were measured in their homes and were part of a study conducted by the government's National Center for Education Statistics. The results appear in Monday's Archives of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine.

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UF Voices

Center is leader in children's culture

The Center for Children's Literature and Culture is a unique inter-disciplinary, humanities-based center dedicated to the study of children's culture and the production of innovative, creative works of scholarship and the imagination.



John Cech

In the past, the center has co-hosted a series of international colloquia, "Transforming Encounters," which have featured such scholars and public figures as Robert F. Kennedy Jr., Genevieve Patte, Philippe Cousteau, Richard Louv and Geoffrey Canada. The Center has helped sponsor a range of other public programs — from an exhibition of the childhood photographs of Jacques Henri Lartigue (in conjunction with the Harn Museum of Art) to the development of a comic book for use with migrant teens in North Florida.

The center also has produced "Recess!" — a nationally distributed, daily public radio program (<http://www.recess.ufl.edu>) about the dynamic cultures of childhood. The show has been called "a 'New Yorker' of kid's stuff" because of its mix of biographical and historical notes, original stories, and reviews of the latest books, music, movies and other media being produced for children.

Currently, the center is developing a series of short, online documentaries about children's culture, using UF's remarkable Baldwin Library of Historical Children's Literature, <http://web.uflib.ufl.edu/spec/baldwin/baldwin.html>, as one of its primary resources. The center hosts a monthly speakers' series on children's literature and culture. These "conversations" are free and open to the general public.

For more information about the center and any of its activities, please visit <http://www.clas.ufl.edu/cclc>, call 352-392-6650, ext. 290, or contact me at jcech@english.ufl.edu.

John Cech

Director, UF Center for the Study of Children's Literature & Culture; producer/host of "Recess!"

Top Stories

The Gator Nation is everywhere — including the high seas

The U.S. Coast Guard added a University of Florida-adopted vessel to its fleet during a commissioning ceremony held Monday, March 9, at Coast Guard Sector St. Petersburg.

UF officially adopted Coast Guard Cutter Alligator, an 87-foot coastal patrol boat. As part of the adoption, the vessel will host a Gator graphic on its flag box, a case containing ceremonial and signal flags.

"She will be a welcome asset for Sector St. Petersburg, one of the Coast Guard's busiest and most active commands," said U.S. Rep. John Mica, a UF graduate and keynote speaker of the ceremony. "The often tough and difficult demands of modern Coast Guard missions require highly capable, multi-mission platforms, and the Cutter Alligator is exactly that."

Mica is the ranking member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure in the U.S. House of Representatives. The committee supervises issues relating to the Coast Guard and maritime transportation.

Rear Adm. Steve Branham, commander of the Seventh Coast Guard District, presided over the ceremony.

Patricia Mica, the congressman's wife and the vessel's sponsor, also spoke at the ceremony.

"I am honored to be the Coast Guard



Office of Congressman Mica

Mark Nouss (UF Alumni Association board of directors president), Rep. John Mica, Patricia Mica, Lt. j.g. Andrew Vicks, Carlos Alfonso (UF trustee) and David Mica pose in front of Alligator.

Cutter Alligator's sponsor," Patricia Mica said. "It gives me great pleasure to be a part of this time-honored naval tradition."

Rep. Mica's brother, David Mica, also attended. The former UF Alumni Association president took part in the momentous ceremony, along with his wife and children. David Mica's children include two UF graduates and one current UF student.

More than two-dozen members of The Gator Nation, including representatives of both the Tampa and Pinellas County Gator Clubs, were present for the vessel's commissioning. UF mascots Albert and Alberta also were in attendance.

Carlos Alfonso, UF trustee, was recognized during the ceremony, along with Joe Hice, UF associate vice presi-

dent of marketing and public relations, and Dan Williams, UF director of marketing.

After the ceremony, Alfonso said, "It was an honor to represent the University of Florida at the commissioning of cutter Alligator and to recognize the hard work and dedication of the U.S. Coast Guard and the men and women who will sail her."

Lt. j.g. Andrew Vicks now has command of the 11-member crew and will conduct Alligator's missions along the western coast of Florida. Missions include search and rescue, maritime law enforcement, marine environmental protection and homeland security.

Alligator joins cutters Nantucket, Ocracoke and Crocodile as part of the Sector St. Petersburg patrol fleet. The boat is the fifth United States commissioned vessel to bear the name Alligator.

UF's ceremonial adoption of Alligator was at no cost to the university.

By Bridget Brennan

In Focus

UF partnership tests car powered by household electrical outlet

Fluctuating gas prices and environmental concerns are leading many to electric-powered cars, and a new University of Florida partnership hopes to find out if it's really a cleaner, cheaper and more reliable choice.

UF Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Extension researcher Pierce Jones is working with North Carolina-based companies Progress Energy, Advanced Energy and Duke Energy to test a Toyota Prius modified to use electricity delivered through a regular household electrical outlet.

"This isn't a new idea, but it is one that now has to be closely examined because it's likely to be a reality in just a few years," said Jones, who is participating in the research as part of UF's Program for Resource Efficient Communities. "There are a lot of questions to be asked and a lot of details that have to be ironed out beforehand."

The UF car is one of 12 that have been deployed throughout Florida and North Carolina. The researchers involved are charting basic use patterns, such as how much gasoline and electricity is consumed. Similar vehicles are able to travel more than 100 miles on a gallon of gas.

Perhaps more importantly, though, the



Thomas Wright

UF researcher Pierce Jones is helping test plug-in electric hybrid cars. The project is designed to show that such cars need not be a burden on already taxed electrical grids.

project also seeks to show that electric cars won't overburden local electrical grids. For years, the largely unspoken concern about

electric cars is that they could become a victim of their own success. Too many electric cars plugged in at the same time, some worry, could cause power failures.

The hybrid is equipped with smart-charging hardware that moderates the time and pacing of the charging. Additionally, the car will be tested with a technology-dubbed Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) functionality.

V2G allows the car's charging system to synch with the local electrical grid. Not only does this stop the car from drawing on an overtaxed grid it also could contribute small amounts of electricity (for which the operator would be reimbursed) back in—thus helping the entire electrical grid become more reliable.

The project also will document drivers' patterns to help determine how charging stations and billing should be implemented.

"It used to be that electric vehicles were rare, but I think they're going to be here before we know it," Jones said. "That means that we've got to figure out the tricky details of how they're really going to work so we can make the best use of this new technology."

By Stu Hutson

Seen & Heard

Grant will help fight worldwide malaria

The University of Florida has received a \$1.5 million grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to develop modeling tools for malaria elimination.

David L. Smith, associate director of disease ecology at UF's Emerging Pathogens Institute and an associate professor in the zoology department, will lead work on the new project. Smith's previous research has focused on policy-oriented science related to malaria outbreaks, spread and management.

This is the first time a UF researcher has been awarded a direct grant from the foundation.

Fisher faculty on top-authors list

A new working paper authored by Jean L. Heck of Saint Joseph's University has named several Warrington College of Business Administration faculty to a top-ranked authors list. Joel Demski,



Joel Demski

Frederick E. Fisher Eminent Scholar in Accounting, was named the most prolific author in accounting literature of the past half-century (1959-2008). Demski was ranked the No. 1 author in two analyses.

W. Robert Knechel, Ernst & Young Professor, and Stephen Asare, KPMG Term Professor, also appear on the top-ranked authors list. Knechel and Asare are ranked No. 391 and No. 529 respectively.

Professor named to Judicial Nominating Commission

Jon Mills, a UF Levin College of Law alumni, dean emeritus, professor of law, director for the UF Center for Governmental Responsibility and former Florida Speaker of the House, has accepted an appointment by U.S. sens. Bill Nelson and Mel Martinez to serve a two-year term on the Florida Judicial Nominating Commission (JNC).

The Florida JNC is a 56-member commission charged with the thorough review and recommendation of the most qualified candidates to serve as U.S. District Court Judges, U.S. Attorneys and U.S. Marshals in Florida. Once the nominations are approved by Nelson and Martinez, the names of the nominees are presented to the White

House for the president's consideration.

Mills will serve on the JNC Northern District Commission. There are a total of 12 UF College of Law graduates serving on the Florida JNC Commission.

Jennings wins Eco-Challenge Energy competition

Jennings Hall is the winner of the 2009 Eco-Challenge: Battle of the Halls energy competition among University of Florida residence halls. Jennings Hall residents saved 2.95 kilowatts (kwhs) per resident, per day in February 2009 compared with February 2008. This is a savings of 40,639 kwhs.

The Eco-Challenge: Battle of the Halls competition was co-sponsored by the Inter-Residence Hall Association, the UF Office of Sustainability, and the department of Housing and Residence Education Green Team/Recycling/Sustainability Committee.

Jennings Hall



Jennings Hall

Happenings

Listings in this section are a sampling of events at the University of Florida, compiled from entries listed in the full calendar that appears on the Web at calendar.ufl.edu. To submit an event online, visit <http://calendar.ufl.edu/submit/>.

April 9
UF Office of Sustainability co-sponsors "Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed." Phillips Center, 8 p.m. Free and open to the public. Call 352-392-7578 or e-mail Anna Prizzia at aprizzia@ufl.edu for more information.

April 10
Spring drop or add a course by college petition deadline. Call 352-392-1374 or visit <http://www.registrar.ufl.edu> for more information.

Spring withdrawal from UF (W assigned) deadline. Call 352-392-1374 or visit <http://www.registrar.ufl.edu> for more information.

April 13
O'Connell Center presents "Yanni: Voices." O'Connell Center, 7:30 p.m. Admission fee and open to the public. Call 352-392-5500 or visit <http://www.oconnellcenter.ufl.edu> for more information.

April 16
CRC presents "Education Recruitment Day." Reitz Union Grand Ballroom, 10 a.m. — 2 p.m. Free and closed to the public. Call 352-273-2308 or visit <http://www.crc.ufl.edu/students/careerfairs.aspx> for more information.



April 18
Florida Museum presents "Earth Day." Florida Museum of Natural History, 10 a.m. — 3 p.m. Free and open to the public. Call 352-273-1820 or visit <http://www.flmnh.ufl.edu> for more information.



April 19
UF Friends of Theatre & Dance presents "Splendor in the Park." UF President's House, 5 p.m. Call 352-273-1490 or visit http://www.arts.ufl.edu/theatredance/fofd/splendor_details.asp for more information.

Ongoing Events
April 10-11 and 14-19
School of Theatre and Dance presents "Pride & Prejudice." Constans Theatre, 7:30 p.m. on April 10-11, 2 p.m. on April 14-19. Call 352-392-1653 or visit <http://www.arts.ufl.edu/theatredance> for more information.

April 16 and 18
UPFA presents "UF Opera Theatre in Tosca." Phillips Center, 7:30 p.m. Reserved seating: \$25-35. Call 352-392-ARTS(2787) or visit <http://www.performingarts.ufl.edu> for more information.

Note This

UF communication awards recently announced

The University of Florida recently announced the winners of its annual communication program. The Golden Gator program recognizes communication efforts that strengthen the university and help to meet its mission of teaching, research and service.

For more information on the Golden Gator communication program, visit <http://ufcn.urel.ufl.edu/goldengators/index.shtml>.

Golden Gator Award (First Place)

- **Magazine:** Levin College of Law
- **Web/Interactive:** UFCN
- **E-Newsletter:** Health Science Center
- **Special Event:** Community Relations
- **Annual Publication:** College of Fine Arts
- **News Release:** UF News Bureau
- **Broadcast:** Florida Museum of Natural History
- **Photography:** UF News Bureau
- **Brochure:** Florida Museum of Natural History
- **Print Newsletter:** UF Foundation
- **Visual Design:** European Studies, CLAS
- **Communication Program:** Florida Museum of Natural History

Silver Gator Award (Runners Up)

- **Magazine:** UF Foundation; College of Engineering
- **Web/Interactive:** College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Career Resource Center; Levin College of Law; Public Utility Research Center/Warrington College of Business Administration; Office of Research
- **E-Newsletter:** Levin College of Law
- **Special Event:** Housing and Residence Education
- **Annual Publication:** UF Foundation; UF Alumni Association; Florida Museum of Natural History
- **News Release:** Health Science Center (two awards); UF News Bureau; Housing and Residence Education
- **Photography:** Health Science Center (two awards); UF News Bureau
- **Brochure:** Health Science Center (two awards); IFAS (two awards); College of Public Health and Health Professions; Harn Museum of Art
- **Print Newsletter:** Health Science Center; Harn Museum of Art
- **Visual Design:** Student Affairs; Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center/IFAS
- **Communication Program:** Solutions For Your Life/IFAS

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UF UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
The Foundation for The Gator Nation

University administration, Anti-Defamation League express support

GRAFFITI, from page 1

The damage to the house was estimated to be \$200 or less, making it a second-degree misdemeanor, he said. UPD would likely upgrade the charge to make it a hate crime, he said, which would bump up the charge to a first-degree misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in prison and a \$1,000 fine.

"We're taking this very seriously," said Alex Mehler, a member of the fraternity.

"This was a hate crime," Mehler said. "An act of anti-Semitism."

He said the fraternity is trying to make people in the community aware of the incident to prevent similar things from happening in the future.

"This is how hatred starts; this is how the genocide started," he said, referring to the Holocaust.

Mehler said the fraternity has been in contact with UF officials as well as members of state government such as Rep. Adam Hasner, R-Delray Beach, the House majority leader who has advocated for Jewish issues.

"They are all outraged that...

such an act happened on the UF campus," he said.

Matt Friedman, who became the new president of AEPi on Monday, said the fraternity doesn't know who is responsible and said he realizes it may not even be someone from UF or Gainesville.

On Campus

"We're not pointing fingers at anyone," he said.

"We're just trying to make sure this doesn't happen again."

Patricia Telles-Irvin, UF's vice president for student affairs, sent a letter to the fraternity on Monday

offering her support.

"It is unfortunate such an act of vandalism, particularly with a symbol which has come to stand for hate and reminds us of one of the greatest tragedies of human history, occurred on the University of Florida campus," she wrote.

The Anti-Defamation League, which fights anti-Semitism, bigotry and extremism, according to its Web site, also issued a news release from its Florida branch condemning the incident.

Mehler said the fraternity plans to move into their new house in

time for fall semester.

Luke Napoli, vice president of neighboring Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity, expressed disappointment after walking out of his house's kitchen Monday around noon and seeing the spray-painted swastika.

"That's not cool," he said, adding he doesn't think his fraternity is responsible.

"Why would we put that up?" he asked. "We have to look at it."

He didn't rule out the possibility entirely, though.

"I hope its not one of our new, stupid young guys," he said.

Economy may play role in abuse increase

VIOLENCE, from page 1

tions at work. He would have lost his job," she said. "But when he came home, he took out those frustrations on us."

Scott said another factor is that often the abused is financially tethered to the abuser.

"That's why Mom stayed. She didn't think she had any alternative because she couldn't afford to take care of six children," she said.

Scott called abuse the silent killer, saying that victims of abuse — men, too, though less common than women — are often reliant on their abusers for economic and emotional stability and don't stand up for themselves.

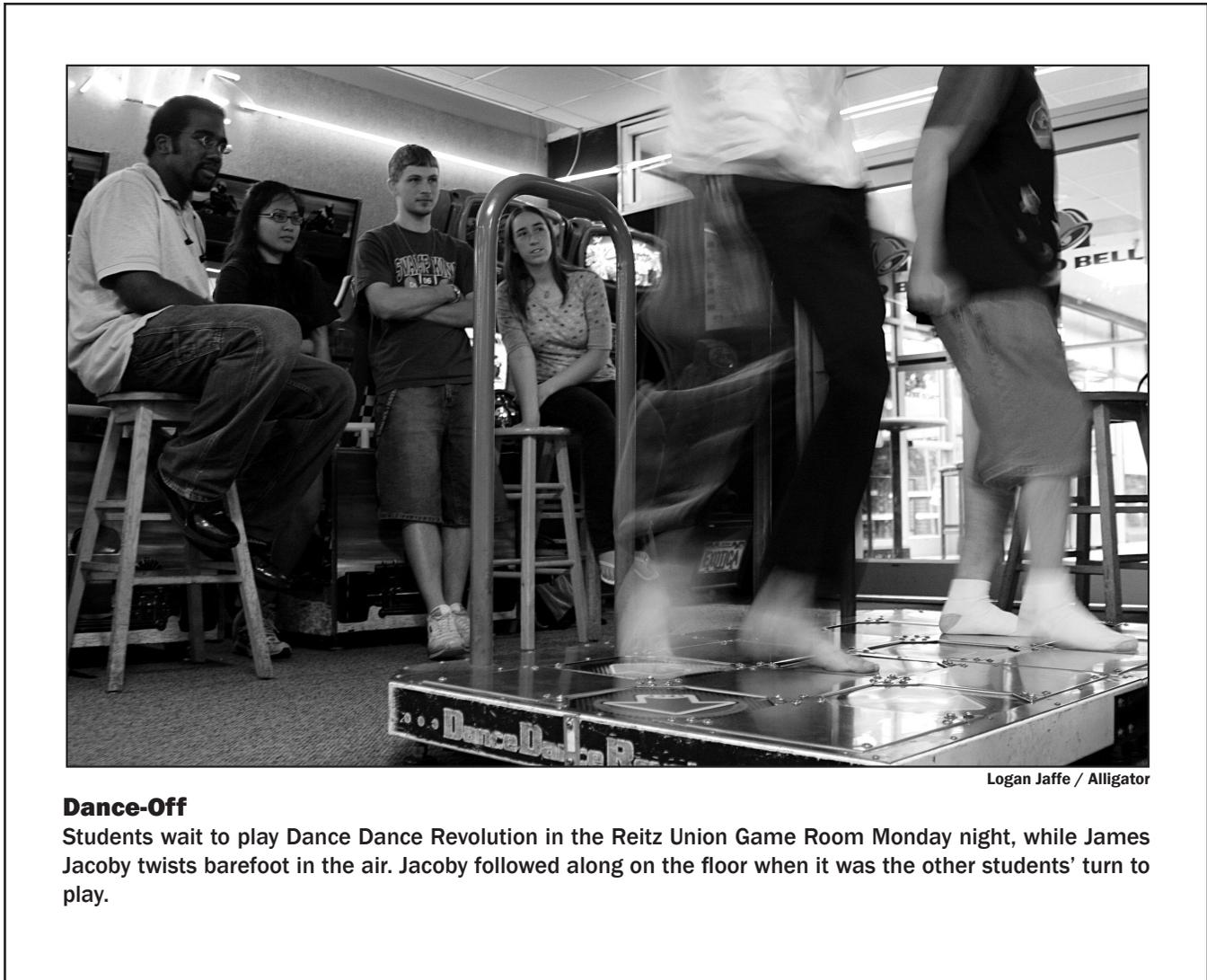
"I am not one of those women. I would just not accept it," she said. "But I got that way by seeing my mother beaten until she was unconscious and her teeth were knocked out and her eyes were black."

Theresa Harrison, director of Peaceful Paths domestic abuse shelter, said in the past year the organization has seen a radical increase in the number of abuse victims looking for help, especially those who need financial assistance.

"(Abuse) tends to mirror what's going on in the greater societal picture," she said. "The reason we're seeing on a statewide level such a dramatic increase is that this recession has hit people harder than most of the external factors we've seen in the last 15 years."

Harrison said it's important to realize that stress is not an excuse.

"Ultimately, violent behavior is chosen behavior," she said. "Despite the millions of people who are being impacted by the recession every day, the majority of them aren't engaging in violent behavior as a tactic to deal with their stress."



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Dance-Off

Students wait to play Dance Dance Revolution in the Reitz Union Game Room Monday night, while James Jacoby twists barefoot in the air. Jacoby followed along on the floor when it was the other students' turn to play.

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2 For Rent unfurnished

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5 MINUTES TO UF

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3 Subleases

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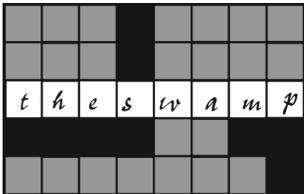
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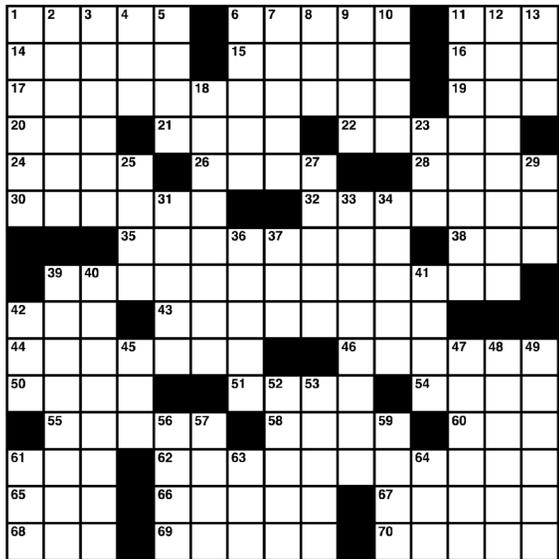
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Working on, as homework
 - 6 44th president
 - 11 Actress Gardner
 - 14 The blahs
 - 15 Rice dish
 - 16 "Big" London clock
 - 17 Astound
 - 19 Sob
 - 20 Pickle holder
 - 21 Oater actor Jack
 - 22 "It's a Wonderful Life" director
 - 24 Cyclotron particle
 - 26 Chain known for breakfasts
 - 28 Breathing organ
 - 30 Litter cries
 - 32 "Married ... With Children" dad
 - 35 One hanging around
 - 38 Suffix with web
 - 39 Gossipy types
 - 42 Letter after sigma
 - 43 Refined grace
 - 44 Kate of "The Reader"
 - 46 Sarge's order
 - 50 "Plop, plop, fizz, fizz" brand word
 - 51 Hard to recall
 - 54 "Don't __ me, bro!"
 - 55 "That rings a bell"
 - 58 Dam with thread
 - 60 Encountered
 - 61 Saturn SUV
 - 62 Classic baking powder brand
 - 65 __ loss: puzzled
 - 66 Hang in midair
 - 67 Kate's sitcom pal
 - 68 '60s "trip" drug
 - 69 33-Down's field
 - 70 Like really old bread
- DOWN**
- 1 Hip-hop record label
 - 2 Airing after midnight, say
 - 3 Way to organize all your ducks?
 - 4 Pencil remnant
 - 5 Scoff at
 - 6 Talk's Winfrey
 - 7 USS Missouri nickname
 - 8 __ mode
 - 9 Fem.'s opposite
 - 10 Aptly named shaving lotion
 - 11 Six-pack enhancer?
 - 12 Open porches
 - 13 "Pick a card, __ card"
 - 18 Qualified
 - 23 Like "algae" or "termini": Abbr.
 - 25 Uris's " __ 18"
 - 27 Italian cheese city
 - 29 Class with showers
 - 31 Prize founder
 - 33 Price known for Verdi roles
 - 34 "How to Talk Dirty and Influence People" author Lenny
 - 36 Canines and molars
 - 37 Bit of work
 - 39 Large-scale financial rescues
 - 40 Bozo
 - 41 Revival structure
 - 42 "Up, up and away" defunct flier
 - 45 Declare
 - 47 Skating gold medalist Dorothy
 - 48 Log-in requirement
 - 49 Lipton rival
 - 52 "Waves of grain" color
 - 53 Striped equine
 - 56 Sound rebound
 - 57 Porke's dinner weight
 - 61 Batman portrayer
 - 63 N.Y.'s Fifth, for one
 - 64 Mop & __: floor cleaner

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Bonifacio hits inside-the-park homer in season opener

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MIAMI — The major league's first inside-the-park homer on opening day since 1968 left Emilio Bonifacio a bit winded.

"He came into the dugout, and he was gassed, and he couldn't breathe, and he was asking people for water," Florida teammate Cody Ross said.

Meanwhile, the crowd kept roaring, so Ross and Dan Uggla gave Bonifacio a push up the steps for the first curtain call of his life.

Bonifacio became a crowd favorite in his Marlins' debut Monday, going 4 for 5 with a thrilling homer in a 12-6 victory against his former team, the Washington Nationals.

Florida also hit three homers over the fence, including Hanley Ramirez's grand slam.

"That's the way you start a season," Ramirez said.

The offense was a bonus coming from Bonifacio, who joined Florida with a reputation as a slick-fielding but light-hitting speedster. It turned out he's fast enough to beat out a homer.

His first big league homer landed short of the warning track but sailed over center fielder Lastings Milledge because he was playing so shallow.

The last inside-the-park home run on opening day was hit on April 10, 1968, by Boston's Carl Yastrzemski. Bonifacio said he never heard of the Hall of Famer, but then Yaz probably never heard of the 23-year-old Bonifacio, who's known more for his speed than his bat.

"He's the fastest guy I've ever seen in my life," Ramirez said.

Bonifacio stole three bases and scored all four times he reached. Jorge Cantu and Jeremy Hermida hit Florida's first two homers. Ramirez drove in five runs and Cantu three. Ricky Nolasco (1-0) pitched six innings to win in his first opening-day start.

The Nationals looked much like the 2008 team that lost 102 games, the most in the majors. Starter John Lannan (0-1) departed after three innings, trailing 6-1. The bullpen fared no better and a defense that was woeful last year committed two errors.

One bright spot for Washington was the bat of newcomer Adam Dunn, who drove in four runs with a double and a homer.

"I was pretty confident I was going to hit one this year," he said with a laugh.

Bonifacio singled, stole a base and scored in the first, then did it again in the third.

But his best moment came with a runner on in the fourth, when he drove Jesus Tavarez's 3-2 pitch to deep center. Milledge retreated and dove but failed to come up with the ball, and Bonifacio flew around the bases and slid home ahead of the throw.

"Pretty exciting," said Bonifacio, who at first thought Milledge was going to make the catch. "When I saw him start running back I said, 'Oh, he doesn't have it,' so I started running hard."

The cheering crowd of 34,323 held up further play until Bonifacio re-emerged from the dugout with a wave.



AP Photo

Hanley Ramirez (left) greets Emilio Bonifacio after his inside-the-park home run in the Florida Marlins' 12-6 win against the Washington Nationals on Monday.

Bonifacio joined Florida in the November trade that sent outfielder Josh Willingham and left-hander Scott Olsen to Washington. He established career highs in hits and stolen bases.

"Good for him," Nationals manager Manny Acta said.

"He deserves a lot. He's not only a great kid, but he also works hard and has a lot of abilities."

Jordan, Stockton, Robinson among Hall of Fame class

■ JORDAN WON SIX TITLES IN HIS 15-YEAR CAREER.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — Air Jordan has a new name: Hall of Famer.

Michael Jordan was elected to the class of 2009 on Monday, set for induction in September with his Dream Team teammates David Robinson and John Stockton. Utah Jazz coach Jerry Sloan and Rutgers women's coach C. Vivian Stringer are also part of a class announced in Detroit.

Induction is Sept. 10-12 in Springfield, Mass., home of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

"I don't like being up here for the Hall of Fame because at that

time, your basketball career is completely over," Jordan said. "I was hoping this day would be 20 more years, or actually go in when I'm dead and gone."

Jordan's Hall of Fame selection was a slam dunk after he retired as perhaps the greatest player in history, and he gave much of the credit Monday to his college coach.

"There's no way you guys would have got a chance to see Michael Jordan play without Dean Smith," Jordan said.

His soaring dunks, Nike commercials and "Air Jordan" nickname helped stamp him as one of the most recognizable athletes around the world. He finished a 15-year career with the Chicago Bulls and Washington Wizards with 32,292 points — the third-highest

total in league history, behind Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Karl Malone. His final career average of 30.12 points per game goes down as the best, just ahead of Wilt Chamberlain's 30.07.



Jordan

His work ethic, drive, skill level and competitive spirit were unmatched," Jordan's former Bulls teammate and now the team's general manager, John Paxson, said.

Jordan was a five-time NBA

MVP, won six championships with the Bulls and another in college with North Carolina.

Tar Heels coach Roy Williams was an assistant with Carolina on that 1982 championship team and was at Monday's induction, where Ty Lawson won the Bob Cousy award as the nation's top point guard.

Jordan retired twice during his career. He first came back to the Bulls in 1994 and won three more championships before retiring again in 1998, then had an ill-fated two-year stint with the Washington Wizards before calling it quits for good in 2003. He's now managing partner of the Charlotte Bobcats.

On Monday, he joked that when he saw Stockton and Robinson, he was ready to put his shorts on

again.

"I always want to be able to have you thinking I can always go back and play the game of basketball and put your shorts on," Jordan said.

"Hall of Fame to me is like, OK, it's over and done with."

Jordan won two of his titles in the 1990s against Sloan, Stockton and the Jazz.

Stockton spent his entire career with Utah, finished with 19,711 points and holds NBA records for 15,806 assists and 3,265 steals. He also holds NBA records for most assists in a season (1,164 in 1990-91) and highest assist average in a season (14.5 in 1989-90).

"Growing up, I never thought about the Hall of Fame," Stockton said. "All I wanted was a chance to go to college."

FSU wide receiver Owens suspended after DUI arrest
Senior's blood alcohol content nearly twice legal standard of .08

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLAHASSEE — FSU football coach Bobby Bowden has indefinitely suspended senior wide receiver Rod Owens on Monday after the player's weekend drunk driving arrest.

Police spokesman David McCranie said Owens was arrested in Tallahassee on a DUI charge after blowing near-



ly double the state's legal standard of .08 on a breath test early Sunday. He was released from jail later that day.

The school said it would not have any further comment on the incident. Owens didn't return a message left for him at the school and a home telephone listing wasn't

available.

Five players — all receivers — sat out at least one game

last fall for their role in a campus brawl that led to the arrest of two players. One of those athletes, sophomore Bert Reed, was suspended three times last season for different reasons.

Receiver and punt returner Preston Parker was kicked off the team in February after multiple arrests.

The Seminoles will be thin at wide receiver next year as Parker and Greg Carr, both starters in 2008, will not be with the team.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Rain postpones Rays-Red Sox opening-day game

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — The rain rolled in and the Tampa Bay Rays ran off the field five minutes after starting their workout.

Their first opening day as American League champions had already been postponed until Tuesday, originally an off day, because of a forecast of heavy rain and high winds.

First baseman Carlos Pena didn't mind waiting to take his cuts at the home of the Boston Red Sox.

"We didn't want to hit anyway," the Rays slugger said Monday with a laugh as he returned to the tiny visitors' clubhouse at Fenway Park. "We'll hit tomorrow."

They hit enough against the Red Sox in Game 7 of last year's AL Championship Series to win 3-1 and advance to the World Series, where they lost to the Philadelphia Phillies.

There have been some interesting personnel changes since then.

Rocco Baldelli, whose RBI single broke a 1-all tie in the ALCS finale, is now with Boston. Pat Burrell, whose double began the winning

rally for the Phillies in the decisive fifth game of the World Series, is with Tampa Bay.

Some things remained the same — Boston's Josh Beckett and Tampa Bay's James Shields, Monday's scheduled starters, will meet in a rematch of Game 6 of the ALCS, a 4-2 Red Sox win.

And the Rays, despite their climb from last place in 2007 to the World Series, still are opening the season on the road, subject to the uncertainties of the early spring weather in New England, rather than in the warmth of their dome at home.

"It's not really a surprise to me," said Shields, who has never played a season opener at home in his three full seasons with the Rays. "We've got to win more to get that honor."

Not necessarily. "You would think" the AL champs would open at home, Rays outfielder Carl Crawford said, "but I think they make these schedules a while before."

The last postponed Red Sox home opener was in 2003, also because of rain.

There was plenty of warning

Monday as long-range forecasts called for rain to start during the afternoon and continue through the day. It stopped briefly after the

Rays left the field, then began raining heavily 15 minutes after the scheduled 2:05 p.m. starting time.

Tampa Bay manager Joe Mad-

don agreed with the decision to call the game early but said, "I know the weather's good at Tropicana Field."



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Grounds crew members run as they pull a tarp over the infield at Fenway Park in Boston on Monday. The opening-day game between the Boston Red Sox and the Tampa Bay Rays was postponed due to rain.

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UF GOLF

Women close in on season's first tournament win

By **ANTHONY CHIANG**
Alligator Writer

It looks like winning could be on the horizon for the Gators.

After their first top-three finish in their last tournament on March 25, the No. 30 UF women's golf team put itself in position to repeat the feat and possibly win their first tournament of the year.

Monday, the team finished the first two rounds of the Lady Gator Invitational in third place with a team score of 46 over par, just three shots behind first-place Duke and Alabama.

But the Gators aren't satisfied. "It does feel good, but we all had higher expectations," freshman Andrea Watts said. "We wanted to be leading this tournament going in to the last day."

Although no UF golfer had a great round, three Gators finished in the top 12 individually.

Watts had the lowest score of the day for the team at 8 over par. She was consistent and shot 4 over par in each of the rounds Monday, and she is tied for fifth overall.

Jessica Yadloczky finished the day with a score of 10 over par. Although her play was not as good as

usual, it was still good enough for a share of the ninth-best individual score.

The final piece of the trio was freshman Evan Jensen, who shot 11 over par Monday. Despite a tough first-round score of 9 over par, she bounced back with a score of 2 over par in the second round and is in 12th place overall.

The success of Watts, Yadloczky and Jensen were reflected in the

team's score.

"We all put enough into contributing to the team, and the more we can help, the better we're off," Watts said.

With one more round to play today, the Gators will start the day just three shots behind first place.

Although this team has never been so close to victory before, it knows that only a tournament win would be success.

"We've never been this close to a win before," Watts said. "We can all taste it, and we want it so bad."

MEN'S STRUGGLES CONTINUE: Just when they thought it couldn't get

worse, it did.

The No. 5 UF men's golf team fell to 14th place after a team score of 26 over par in the second round of the U.S. Collegiate Championship in Atlanta.

With a combined score of 34 over par over the first two rounds, the Gators are 31 strokes behind first-place Stanford.

None of the UF golfers has a tournament score under par.

The closest is senior Billy Horschel's score of 3 over par. While he was 2 under par after the first round, he struggled on Monday with a score of 5 over par.

Keating to get shot at redemption tonight

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nings of work, and — with a 7-run lead — did not come back out for the sixth. O'Sullivan sent Keating out to keep the Commodores at bay and allow the Gators to leave Nashville, Tenn., with a series win.

Keating's one-inning performance did not make a very strong case to keep him in the rotation, as he allowed 3 runs and gave Vanderbilt hope in what appeared to be a UF blowout. Vanderbilt went on to score another 11 runs on its way to a 16-9 victory in the game and a 2-1 victory in the series.

"(Keating is) just going through a tough time, but he'll battle through it. He's a tough kid, and he will get through it."

Kevin O'Sullivan
UF baseball coach

With his chances running out, Keating must begin to work his way back to Friday starts with a strong outing against Bethune-Cookman. Otherwise, he could find himself in the bullpen waiting for another starter to slip up before he's given another opportunity to start.



Andrew Stanfill / Alligator Staff

UF pitcher Patrick Keating practices pitching during the Gators' 6-3 win against Louisville on Feb. 20 in McKethan Stadium. Keating has been inconsistent this season and may find himself without a starting job soon.

North Carolina runs through tournament with double-digit wins in each game

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Tom Izzo said. "That's an easy statement to make."

The Tar Heels (34-4) were up 55-34 at half-time, breaking a 42-year-old title-game record for biggest lead at the break and setting the mark for most points at the half.

"We handled injuries, handled some losses," Williams said. "The youngsters standing behind me are great, great young men. I'm

the luckiest coach in America, I can tell you that."

This collection of NBA talent was too, too much from wire to wire, from the start of the tournament to the very end.

North Carolina won every game by double digits, something that hasn't happened since Duke did it in 2001.

Lots of basketball fans saw this coming, including America's No. 1 Hoopster-in-Chief.

Yes, President Barack Obama picked the Tar Heels to take it all in his much-publicized

bracket.

Magic Johnson, Michigan State's Spartan-in-Chief, joined Larry Bird at center court to present the game ball, a tribute to the 30-year anniversary of their historic matchup and Michigan State's first title.

From there, it was pretty much all "Showtime" all the time — but not for Michigan State. Heck, Magic didn't even stick around for the end of the game. He was spotted walking up the tunnel with 3 1/2 minutes left.

Izzo tried to call a timeout to stop the

onslaught with 6:45 left in the first half. His team came out and promptly turned it over — one of 14 in the first half, compared to only 12 baskets.

Goran Suton led the Spartans with 17 points, and Kalin Lucas, the Big Ten Conference player of the year, had 14 — most scored once the game was out of hand. Michigan State pulled within 13 a couple times late in the second half, and the crowd of 72,922 — mostly pulling for the Spartans — tried to make some noise.

Meyer declines to comment on reports of failed drug test by former WR Harvin

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didn't practice, as he's nursing a hamstring injury.

Starting linebackers Dustin Doe and A.J. Jones were held out as well, but Meyer was buoyed by the return of redshirt freshman linebacker Brendan Beal (knee) and defensive end Carlos Dunlap (abdominal strain).

The offensive line is especially depleted. Mike and Maurkice Pouncey, Carl Johnson, Matt Patchan and James Wilson have all struggled with injuries, and Wilson reinjured his left foot Saturday.

"James is getting an MRI tonight," Meyer said. "He's had some feet problems, and I don't know (his status). He was doing very well before he got hurt, and the good news is that even if it's something serious, he'll be fine in the fall."

The only positive has been that new arrivals Nick Alajajian and Jonotthan Harrison are getting plenty of reps in practice as a result. The experience should help with UF's lack of depth on the line, offensive coordinator Steve Addazio said.

MEYER WON'T COMMENT ON HARVIN'S DRUG TEST: Last week, a report on NFLDraftBible.com claimed that former

UF wideout Percy Harvin, along with two other players, tested positive for marijuana at the NFL Scouting Combine.

The report cited several sources, as well as an NFL team, and Meyer refused to comment on the situation Monday.

"I'm not going to comment on that other than that I love Percy, and he has done a lot for our program," he said. "I would just be shocked."

When asked if Harvin had ever failed a drug test while at UF, Meyer said, "I'm not going to talk about guys (or) stuff like that."

MICHIGAN STATE 72 NORTH CAROLINA 89 Tar Heels run away with NCAA title

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — There was a team of destiny out there, all right. It's the North Carolina Tar Heels, and the final chapter of their story was about as heartwarming as a demolition derby.

Tyler Hansbrough, Ty Lawson and North Carolina won a national championship a season or more in the making, stomping out Michigan State's inspirational run Monday night with an 89-72 blowout that wasn't even that close.

Hansbrough scored 18 points, Wayne Ellington had 19 and Lawson led all scorers with 21 and also had a record eight steals — and now they and Danny Green can all head to the NBA feeling good about their decision to return to school to bring home Carolina's fifth championship, and the second for coach Roy Williams.

All those upperclassmen, save Hansbrough, came back in part because their draft prospects didn't look so good. They also didn't want their college careers to end on last year's embarrassing loss to Kansas in the Final Four. That was a dud of a game in which they trailed 40-12 in the first half and Billy Packer was telling CBS viewers it was over.

This time, North Carolina led 36-13 around the time "Dancing With The Stars" was starting on another network. At least nobody knew how that one was going to end.

"We've been working so hard since last year when we fell short," said Ellington, who was named most outstanding player. "I wanted to redeem myself. We worked so hard."

Michigan State (31-7) simply never got any momentum. From the start, it was clear there was no way Carolina was losing control of this one, no chance for the Spartans to serve up that definitive ray of sunshine and warm-and-fuzzy smile for a state that's been battered by the ailing economy.

"The best team won," Michigan State coach

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AP Photo

North Carolina's Deon Thompson shoots during the Tar Heels' 89-72 victory in the NCAA Championship Game on Monday in Detroit.

Injury bug strikes UF in practice

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So far in spring practice, Gators are dropping like flies.

UF entered the spring with 18 players listed as limited or out, and a few more names have been tacked on to that list recently.

Freshman tight end Desmond Parks suffered a sprained knee in practice Monday, and he had to be carted off the field. Before Parks was driven away, coach Urban Meyer went over and spoke with him to keep his spirits up.

"He's a young player with eyes like saucers right now between academics and football," Meyer said. "He's a such a great kid. I love that guy. It's not the injury — everyone gets hurt — it's about how an athlete deals with the injury. I grabbed him on his way off and I'll go talk to him again (after practice)."

The Gators already lack depth at the position, where Parks is the only viable backup for starter Aaron Hernandez. If Parks' injury is serious, Meyer said he may use fullbacks T.J. Pridemore and Steven Wilks to fill the void behind Hernandez.

"We might go without a tight end," Meyer said. "We don't play a tight end in tight. We play the guy that moves around. Right now, T.J. Pridemore has made great strides, and Steve Wilks is even showing a pulse. (New tight ends coach) Brian White is doing a great job with those guys because a week ago, it bordered on comical."

Wide receiver David Nelson sprained his right foot during Saturday's scrimmage. He was on crutches Monday, but Meyer expects him to be fine. Fellow wideout Deonte Thompson also

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UF BASEBALL

Keating in struggle to retain starting job

By **BOBBY CALLOVI**

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At the start of the season, the Gators had one sure thing in their starting rotation, and that was their ace, Patrick Keating.

Now, he is struggling to hang on to a spot in the starting rotation.

When UF (19-11) takes on Bethune-Cookman (15-15) tonight at 6:30 in Gainesville, Keating (2-3, 5.44 ERA) will have another chance to get back on track, and it may be his last.

He will take the mound at the start of

the game, but another poor outing could send him out of the rotation for a while.

Following a bad start against Alabama on March 29 — Keating lasted just 3 1/3 innings and allowed 5 runs — UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan spoke about possible changes to the rotation and even addressed Keating's situation directly.

"I'm going to tell Patrick that he's going to be one of our guys," O'Sullivan said. "He's just going through a tough time, but he'll battle through it. He's a tough kid, and he will get through it."

Throughout the week, O'Sullivan said he had not decided on any changes to the rotation, but his decision on whether

Keating would start the final game of the series at Vanderbilt depended on how the rest of the series went.

The Gators and the Commodores were even at 1-1 after the first two games of the series, and Keating had yet to throw in a game. It should have been a lock for O'Sullivan to turn to his preseason ace for the deciding game in a conference match-up.

Instead, O'Sullivan chose to go with Stephen Locke, who was reinstated fewer than two weeks ago after being kicked off the team before the season began.

Locke allowed just 2 runs in five in-

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