

WICKOFF NICKOLI

■ Tim Tebow has the chance to become the third quarterback in SEC history to go 4-0 against Tennessee, joining former Gator Danny Wuerffel and Alabama's Jay Barker.
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Swamp Standoff

Rocky Top Dog

Kiffin will make Swamp debut

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Lane Kiffin and Tim Tebow have something in common.

They both have made unprompted promises to fans.

"I'm not promising how many wins we're going to have, how many championships," said Tennessee's first-year coach during his introductory news conference. "I can't do that. I don't know that. There's too many variables within that."

"But I can tell you this right now: No one is going to outwork us, no one is going to outwork me as a head coach and no one is going to outwork our staff that we put together. That's the promise I'm giving you. The wins will come after that."

Tebow's vow ended with confetti and a national championship. Many say Kiffin will have to fight to make the Volunteers bowl-eligible in 2009.

When the two cross paths Saturday, everyone will be watching.

RE-IGNITING THE RIVALRY

The Florida-Tennessee rivalry is traditionally a matchup between two of the Southeastern Conference's powerhouses and typically has post-season implications — in the 17 years since the SEC split into two divisions, the Gators or Volunteers have represented the East all but three times.

But while the UF-UT all-time series stands tied at 19 apiece, Smokey hasn't had a lot to cheer about in recent times. The Gators, who have never led in the rivalry's standings, have won 17 of the last 23 meetings, including four straight under Urban Meyer.

The team's last matchup in The Swamp (2007) featured UF's largest margin of victory in the series, a 59-20 blowout.

Kiffin is doing his best to change

perceptions while ensuring every Florida player, coach and fan has had the Sept. 19 showdown circled months in advance.

From his playful jab during his introductory news conference to falsely accusing Meyer of cheating, Kiffin hasn't backed down from arguably the top program in the nation.

Calling out Meyer hasn't sat well with UF's players.

"I don't like anyone talking about coach Meyer," Tebow said. "I try to not let it affect me, although you know I always have coach Meyer's back in anything because I know what type of a person he is, and I know what he believes in and I know what he stands for."

Offensive lineman Maurkice Pouncey added: "Coach is our family, man. We came here, he brought us here, put us under our wing, and we're going to put him underneath ours."

Still, Kiffin didn't pass up the opportunity earlier this week to take a dig at UF's spread offense and its ability to prepare receivers for the NFL. Former Pahokee High wide receiver Nu'Keese Richardson elected to attend Tennessee at the last minute this spring instead of coming to Florida.

"The only time I really see them lose kids, is because kids want to play in a pro-style offense," Kiffin said. "It's such a great place to play and they do such a good job of coaching, but you see some kids that don't want to play in that system because a lot of times it hurts them going to the next level for their draft status."

Florida, coincidentally, sent out a press release Tuesday afternoon ("Gators in the NFL — Week 1") that included a chart that listed college programs by receivers drafted since 2006. Florida is tied for the lead with six, while Tennessee has one.



Tennessee coach Lane Kiffin takes the traditional Vol Walk before the game against Western Kentucky on Sept. 5 in Knoxville, Tenn. Kiffin is 1-1 in his first season as the Volunteers' coach.

None of this would appear to make Gators fans any more enamored with Kiffin, who makes his debut in The Swamp on Saturday as a four-touchdown underdog.

But Tennessee safety Eric Berry respects his new coach for sticking his neck out.

"Our situation last year was kind of different because, in a way, we didn't know who had our back as far as from a coaching standpoint or anybody because of the season we had," Berry said. "So him coming in and saying what he said, no I wouldn't do it personally, but

"Coach is our family, man. We came here, he brought us here, he put us under his wing, and we're going to put him underneath ours."

— Maurkice Pouncey
"It just showed us that he had confidence in us. That really just made us want to play that much more for him, made us want to give it up for him and just really put it on the line. So in a way, I wouldn't call out anybody or anything like that, but it did help us from a team standpoint as far as how close we bought in to what he had to do and what he brought in to this program."

REPLACING A LEGEND

It is clear that this is Kiffin's program now.

Tennessee's 10-man coaching staff doesn't contain a single returning

member from the 2008 season.

In fact, Kiffin has tried to assemble an all-star cast around him, and it's costing the Volunteers' athletic department more than \$5 million this fall. Father Monte Kiffin, longtime defensive coordinator of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, moved to Knoxville to fill the same role and will make \$1.2 million for the 2009 season.

Aside from Monte Kiffin, Tennessee's staff mostly consists of coaches plucked from other SEC programs.

Recruiting coordinator and assistant head coach Ed Orgeron was the head coach at Ole

Miss from 2005-07 as a New Orleans Saints

assistant. Running backs coach Eddie Gran spent five years at Ole Miss (1994-98) before becoming an Auburn assistant from 1999-2008. Quarterbacks coach David Reaves had been on South Carolina's staff from 2002-08 before leaving for Knoxville. Linebackers coach Lance Thompson arrived from Alabama after a two-year stint. Wide receivers coach Frank Wilson was on the Ole Miss staff from 2005-07 before spending a year at Southern Miss then coming to Tennessee.

"It's our first year," Lane Kiffin said. "There's a long-term plan here that we're getting done."

How much patience Tennessee fans have remains to be seen.

The Volunteers faithful ran longtime coach Phillip Fulmer out of town after a 5-7 record last season despite a career record of 152-52 in 17 years as head coach.

"You know everybody has the chance to do things their way," said Fulmer, who is now an analyst for CBS. "We were very pleased with what we were able to accomplish during the majority of our time, and we did it without having to be brash and so on. But this is his style, what he thought he had to do."

"We didn't have a very good season last year. I certainly take full responsibility for that. And now, it's his turn to do it as he thinks he needs to do it. But the problem in this league is you're going to play great football teams every week once you get into the Southeastern Conference schedule. So if you're going to be brash, you'd better be able to back it up."

SLOW START

Kiffin's hiring spruced up Tennessee's offseason and brought a lot of hope to Knoxville. It has been less than a storybook beginning, with UT losing 19-15 to UCLA last week, a game the Volunteers entered as 9-point favorites. The Bruins were slated to finish seventh in the Pacific-10 Conference in the preseason media poll.

"It's sort of what Sarah Palin did for the Republican ticket. Maybe not get more votes, but energize the base of the Republican Party," said longtime CBS analyst Tim Brando. "It doesn't mean that it's necessarily going to be successful, but if that's what (Tennessee) wanted to do when they hired Kiffin, that's what he was able to accomplish in the offseason. Now, we'll see how much staying power he has and how successful he can be. He's got a long way to go, in my view, to be as successful as Phil Fulmer."

The success or failure of Tennessee's third coach in 33 years won't be decided Saturday.

But his first chance at living up to his pledge will come against a quarterback whose vow is etched on the side of Ben Hill Griffin Stadium.

Kiffin can only hope his promise will be as prophetic.

INJURY REPORT

PROBABLE

- OL Josh McNeil (knee)
- WR Gerald Jones (ankle, wrist)
- OL Cody Sullins (shoulder)
- OL Vladimir Richard (Achilles)
- OL Jacque McClendon (ankle)

INJURY REPORT

OUT

- WR Carl Moore (back)
- CB Jeremy Brown (back)
- S Dorian Munroe (knee)

DOUBTFUL

- LB Brendan Beal (neck)

PROBABLE

- WR Deonte Thompson (hamstring)
- DT Lawrence Marsh (ankle)
- LB Jelani Jenkins (ankle)

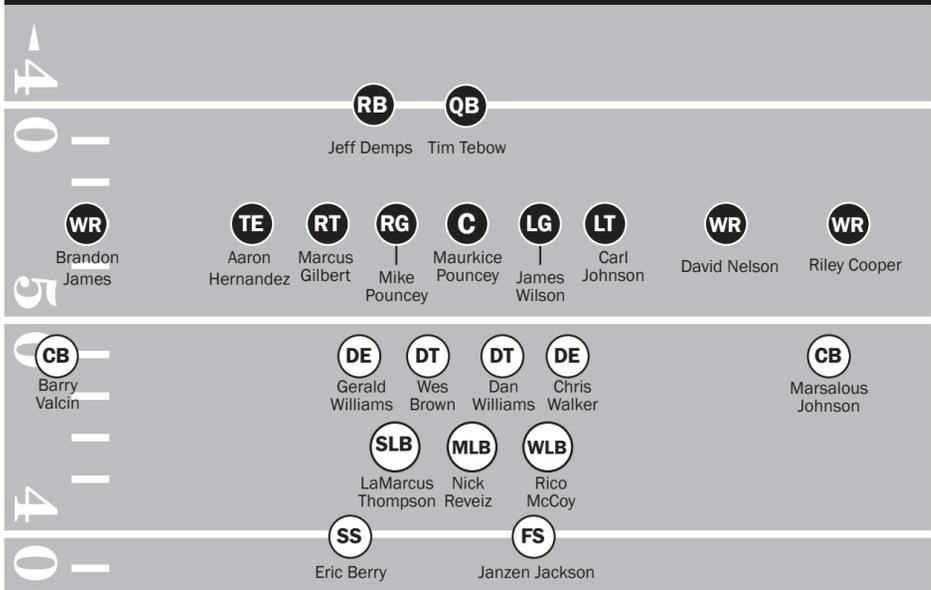
by the NUMBERS

- 1 Season Tennessee head coach Lane Kiffin lasted in the NFL.
- 26 Seasons Tennessee defensive coordinator Monte Kiffin, father of Lane, lasted in the NFL.
- 7 Interceptions last season for UF's Ahmad Black and UT's Eric Berry, tied for the most in the nation.
- 19 Wins for each school in the all-time series. With a win Saturday, Florida would lead the series for the first time ever.
- 190 Florida wins since 1990, the most in the nation.
- 174 Number of Tennessee wins since 1990, fourth most in the nation.

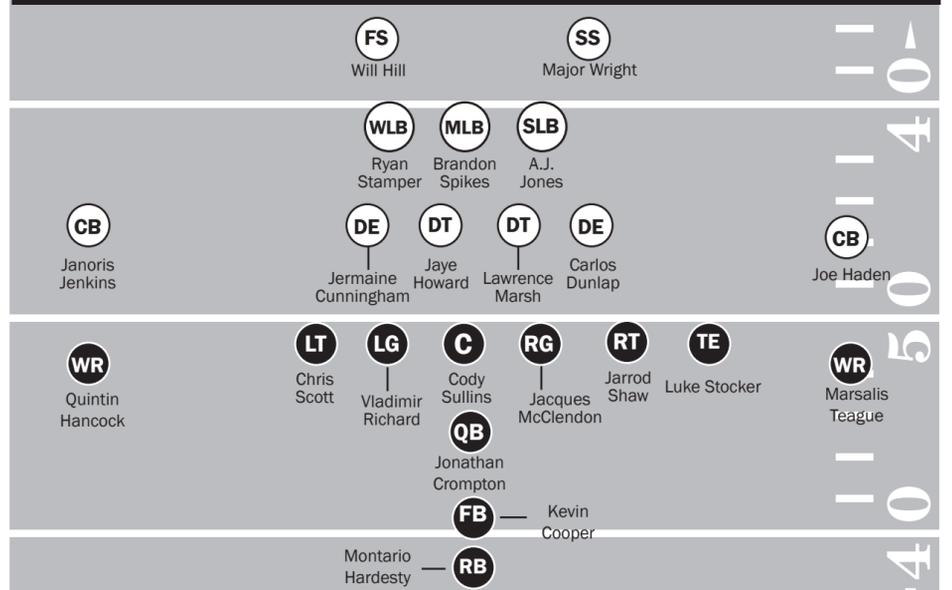
statistical breakdown

TENNESSEE		UF
39	Points Per Game	59
13	Points Allowed Per Game	4.5
185	Passing Yards Per Game	313.5
247.5	Rushing Yards Per Game	330
75	Passing Yards Allowed Per Game	147
59.5	Rushing Yards Allowed Per Game	84
11/25(44%)	3rd Down Conversions	16/23 (70%)
4/25 (16%)	3rd Down Defense	10/36 (28%)
11-13 (69%)	Red Zone Scoring Efficiency (TD %)	9-10 (90%)
4-4 (50%)	Red Zone Defense (TD%)	1-3(0%)
-3	Turnover Margin	+1

UF offense vs. Tennessee defense



UF defense vs. Tennessee offense





Gators home games boost local business

By **DAVID TINTER**

Alligator Contributing Writer

For a few days in the fall, Cody Atkinson's job gets a little crazy.

Atkinson, an employee of Gator Shop in UF plaza, works every Game Day.

"It's a mad house in here," he said. "The whole staff has to work. It's hard to even walk."

Gator Shop, like most of the stores and restaurants near UF, sees a huge boost in business on days when the Gators play at home.

According to Gator Shop manager Joi Bass, the store does about 60 percent of its business for the entire year on the six or seven days of Gators football games. Gator Shop makes most of its money selling T-shirts, but the store also has a variety of souvenirs and other merchandise.

Even with the rain Saturday, the store had

lots of business.

"The rain [doesn't] hurt us at all," Atkinson said. "People need ponchos and still come in to shop."

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But the demand doesn't stop at orange and blue shirts and fan hands.

According to barista Mary Holden, Leonardo's by the Slice doubles or triples its normal business on game days.

"We're always slammed on game days,"

she said.

With Gators game attendance nearing 100,000 at times, Gainesville is flooded with hungry and souvenir-seeking fans on game weekends. But it's hard for economists to measure the true effect on the local economy.

UF economics professors Roger Blair and Mark Rush are trying to figure it out.

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Volunteers give meals, hygiene kits to homeless

By **KATHRYN RANHORN**

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Ana Goni-Lessan / Alligator Staff

Diane James, 49, gets her hair cut by Melissa Greenwell of Élan Hair Studio at the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry fair on the Bo Diddley Downtown Community Plaza on Thursday morning.

Nearly 800 local homeless people showed up to the Bo Diddley Community Plaza Thursday morning for the 11th Annual Breakfast on the Plaza and Homeless Service Fair.

The fair, sponsored by the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry, provided free services including ID cards, health screenings, haircuts and bicycle repairs.

Coalition director Jon DeCarmin said the fair, which featured about 25 organizations, was especially helpful to those new to the streets.

Alachua's homeless population has increased by 70 percent over the past two years to nearly 1,600.

Unfortunately, the coalition's funding has decreased, DeCarmin said.

"We're running on 20 percent of last year's budget. This is a real stripped down and bare-bones version of the fair," DeCarmin

said, though the most important services were still available this year.

Volunteers served bacon, eggs, grits, muffins and donuts for breakfast at 8 a.m. They served about 550 people, and more than 90 identification cards were re-issued.

The home-cooked breakfast was provided and served by Fire of God Ministries.

"I was scared to death. I'm 55 and have no income."

Jonah Ralls

resident of St. Francis House

Jonah Ralls, who has been homeless for the past year, said he came mainly for the hygiene products.

Ralls has been living at the St. Francis House, a local homeless shelter, and heard about the services through friends.

"I was scared to death. I'm 55 and have no income," Ralls said about losing his business and

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NATIONAL

Federal act could send \$40B into Pell Grant funding

By **CJ PRUNER**

Alligator Writer

In an effort to take some pressure off students' wallets, the U.S. House of Representatives passed legislation Thursday that will help provide easier access to financial assistance for college.

The Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act, which passed by a vote of 253-171, is considered the largest federal

investment in education in American history.

The act, which will be presented to the Senate by the end of the month, will pour roughly \$40 billion into Pell Grant funding, raising the maximum annual awards to \$5,550 in 2010 and eventually to \$6,900 by 2019.

Other initiatives include providing roughly \$2.5 billion to historically black colleges, bolstering programs that aim to help students finish school and simplifying the Free Application For Federal Student Aid process.

The bill also aims to save taxpayers about \$87 billion over a 10-year span by switching the administration of loans from private banks to the Federal Direct Loan program and avoiding bank subsidies.

The legislation also aims to keep loan interest rates low, which are expected to increase to 6.8 percent by 2012.

"This is a very thrilling and very historic moment for our country," House Speaker Nancy Pelosi told reporters in a con-

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■ **Junior Emmanuel Moody fumbled on his only carry in UF's 56-6 win over Troy. Running backs coach Kenny Carter said Moody is working to regain the coaches' trust in practice. See Story, Page 22.**



South Korea: North Korea seeks recognition as nuclear state

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea is insisting on direct talks with the United States in an attempt to obtain recognition as a nuclear state, Seoul's top diplomat said Friday, warning that the North's atomic bombs are intended to target South Korea.

The remark — implying that the communist nation has no intention of giving up atomic weapons — is the latest in a series of warnings that a wary South Korea

has issued ahead of possible one-on-one negotiations between the U.S. and North Korea.

After escalating tensions for months with nuclear and missile tests, Pyongyang recently offered to hold direct talks with the U.S. — a longstanding demand from the reclusive North which maintains it had to develop atomic bombs to cope with what it calls "U.S. nuclear threats" — which Washington denies making.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Student Government Image Agency Applications

Image is accepting applications for directors and vice chairmen. Applications are due Friday at 4 p.m. in the Reitz Union, Room 305. Potential applicants can also visit www.sg.ufl.edu.

High Holiday Canned Food Drive at Hillel

Running through Sept. 28. Drop off cans at Hillel, 2020 W University Ave. Contact ufhillel.tzedek@gmail.com for more information

"A Streetcar Named Desire"

Today, 7:30 p.m.
Constans Theatre
Presented by the School of Theatre and Dance. The play, written by legendary playwright Tennessee Williams, will run from Sept. 18 to Sept. 27. Tickets for students, faculty, staff and senior citizens are \$13. Tickets for the public are \$17. Call the University Box Office at 352-392-1653 for more information. Tickets can be purchased at www.ticketmaster.com.

Rosh Hashana (Jewish New Year)

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Today, 7 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. Sunday, 10 a.m.
Rosh Hashana begins with services (Conservative and Reform) on Friday at 7 p.m., followed by dinner at 8:30 p.m. Both services continue on Saturday at 10 a.m., followed by lunch at 2 p.m. Only Conservative ser-

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89/72	90/72	87/72	89/72	87/72

vices will be held on Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m. Students can register for meals at www.ufhillel.org.

Chabad Jewish Student Center

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2021 NW Fifth Ave.
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Gainesville Area Humorous Speech and Evaluation Contest

Sunday, 1 to 3 p.m.
Room 1031 in the Entomology and Nematology Department
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Florida Alternative Breaks Student Panel Discussion

Sept. 24, 7 p.m.
Reitz Union Grand Ballroom
At this panel discussion, FAB students will share experiences they had during their travels.

Learn to Row event

Sept. 25, 6 to 8 p.m.
Newnan's Lake Boathouse, 7300 E University Ave.
Hosted by the Gainesville Area Rowing Club. The Learn to Row course is an introduction to rowing and includes indoor machines, sweep rowing and sculling. Participants should expect individual attention and time rowing on the water.

Got an event?

And want to post it in this space? Send an e-mail to bkelly@alligator.org with "What's Happening" in the subject line and an event synopsis.

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LOCAL

'Treebow' forced to get makeover

By **THOMAS STEWART**

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Unless Tebow has changed his number to seven, Treebow is no more.

The seven-and-a-half-foot-tall wood carving outside Ballyhoo Grill, located at 3700 W University Ave., that used to look like Tim Tebow has gotten a makeover at the request of the University Athletic Association.

Instead of Tebow's No. 15, the statue now wears No. 7.



Tebow

The Bible verse printed on the statue's eyeblack has also been painted over.

A manager at Ballyhoo said he wasn't allowed to comment on the statue, but another employee said she thought the changes were made Monday.

Chris Fragale, Ballyhoo's owner, could not be reached for comment.

Steve McClain, spokesman for the UAA, confirmed that the athletic association worked with Ballyhoo Grill over the past few months to resolve the issue.

According to National Collegiate Athletic Association rules, if a student-athlete's likeness is used to promote a commercial product, the student or the university has to take action to stop it.

The UAA deals with six to eight cases involving the rule a month, according to McClain.

Recently, the association sent cease-and-desist letters to a children's mental health organization that had placed a turtle bearing the likeness of

Tebow in downtown Jacksonville and a Fort Myers baseball team attempting to hold a "What Would Tim Tebow Do?" night.

The turtle's jersey number was changed from No. 15 to No. 1, and the baseball team's night was renamed.



Harrison Diamond and Thomas Stewart / Alligator Staff

The "Treebow" carving at Ballyhoo Grill is seen in January shortly after its completion (left), and the altered sculpture (right) on Thursday.

SG official resigns after DUI arrest

By **CHELSEA KEENAN**

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William Stewart Sedgwick IV, who was arrested early Wednesday morning for driving under the influence of alcohol, resigned his position as Student Government Finance and Fees cabinet secretary Thursday.

Student Body President Jordan Johnson said Sedgwick handed in a formal letter of resignation and an apology.

Student Government

"I obviously have taken a major stance about how I feel about drinking and driving," Johnson said. "The group of people who work alongside me are the first people in line that are supposed to further my agenda."

Johnson said Sedgwick's decision did not only reflect poorly on SG but on the UF Student Body as a whole.

"Any time a Gator makes a mistake, it looks bad for all of us," he said.

Applications to fill Sedgwick's position are available today on the third floor of the Reitz Union.

The applications are due Sept. 25.

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ON CAMPUS

Board serves breakfast to early birds

By **ANNIE QUINTANA**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Walking through Turlington Plaza will soon leave you with something other than coupons and fliers in your hands.

Starting Monday, Wake Up With RUB, provided by Reitz Union Board Entertainment, will be on Turlington Plaza at 8:30 a.m. with free breakfast prepared for all who stop by.

“There will be coffee, juice and all sorts of breakfast pastries available to everyone to help get a jump start on the week.”

Kate Morrison
Co-director of promotions for RUB

“There will be coffee, juice and all sorts of breakfast pastries available to everyone to help get a jump start on the week,” Kate Morrison, co-director of promotions for RUB Entertainment, said.

Breakfast will be provided every other Monday until Nov. 16.

“Breakfast hits people when they’re most receptive,” according to Amy Marty, co-director for RUB Entertainment.

RUB Entertainment is a student programming board that provides free events in and around the Reitz Union almost daily.

The board hopes breakfast will get people talking about events taking place on campus throughout the semester and will get more people involved in those activities.

“RUB events feature comedians, local and regional bands and karaoke nights,” Morrison said.

Wake Up with RUB hopes to inform the community of the events they sponsor on campus. But at the end of the day, its goal is to provide breakfast to the many college students that could really use a coffee on Monday mornings.

“Who doesn’t love free cookies and coffee?” Morrison asked.

For more information on RUB events, visit its Web site at www.union.ufl.edu/rub, follow them on Twitter or join the Facebook group.



Andrew Stanfill / Alligator Staff

Religious Rap

Miko Sy, 27, speaks to a student after rapping on Turlington Plaza Thursday afternoon. Sy is a Catholic missionary working with St. Augustine’s Church. For a video of his rap and an interview, see alligator.org/multimedia

Campus celebrates Constitution Day

By **ALISON SCHWARTZ**
Alligator Contributing Writer

It’s been a few years since the U.S. Constitution was signed — 222 to be exact.

But James Madison would have been proud as UF celebrated the ratification of the legendary document Thursday.

The UF Levin College of Law hosted the UF Constitution Day Program, streaming the presentation on the law school’s Web site for those not in attendance.

The program explored the polarizing topic of U.S. immigration policy.

UF freshmen Paola Rodriguez and Rocío Granela attended the presentation.

“We’re both immigrants, so it’s very

important to us,” Granela said. “People have a surface image, but you have to live it personally to understand it.”

UF law professor Juan Perea discussed “The Devil’s Highway,” a book that follows the brutal journey of 26 South and Central American immigrants.

“Some of the Constitution’s most important phrases and clauses protect persons, not just citizens,” Perea said. “We should be celebrating immigrants. This has always been a nation of immigrants.”

Perea said immigration issues tie back to the blurred lines of the Constitution.

“Everyone seems to agree that there is

some kind of immigration problem, yet I find it pretty hard to understand what that problem really is,” Perea said. “One of the things that seems to be happening under the Constitution is that there’s a real lack of clarity to the degree of rights undocumented immigrants are entitled to.”

The UF College Republicans tabled on Turlington Plaza, handing out pocket Constitutions to passing students.

Carly Wilson, UF sophomore and vice chair of public relations for College Republicans, estimated the organization handed out about 175 Constitutions.

“It’s a living, breathing document. Anything that we’re doing has its roots within the Constitution,” Wilson said.

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Jews balance holiday, game

By **DAVID TINTNER**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Tennessee fans won't be the only ones praying this weekend.

People all over Gainesville will be seesawing between faith and football Saturday as they choose between observing the Jewish new year and watching the Gators host the Volunteers in The Swamp.

"People always ask me, should I [TiVo] services or record the game," joked Rabbi Berl Goldman, co-director of the Lubavitch Chabad Jewish Center.

Goldman said he would like for them to observe Rosh Hashana, but it's possible to get some football in as well — Rosh Hashana services at Chabad start at 10 a.m.

UF junior Adam Bernatsky said the university should have considered making Saturday's face-off an evening game.

"We have one of the largest Jewish populations in the nation," he said.

Bernatsky said he usually starts tailgating for big games by 10 in the morning. On Saturday, he will miss most of the tailgating to go to services and rush back before

the game.

"It's annoying, but I'm so excited for this game," he said. "Nothing can ruin the day — except a loss."

UF's schedule is set by the Southeastern Conference years in advance, said Greg McGarity, executive associate director of the University Athletic Association, and television networks determine the time of the game.

"We have one of the largest Jewish populations in the nation."

Adam Bernatsky
UF junior

"You basically have 13 weeks to schedule 12 games," he said. "You run into some difficulty to avoid this date."

Gators fans are not the only ones running into scheduling conflicts with the Jewish holidays this year.

According to the Associated Press, the New York Jets complained to the NFL about having consecutive home football games scheduled on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur.

Despite the holiday, UF's game against Tennessee is

sold out, according to the University Athletic Association.

Goldman thinks that this Saturday's services will be packed, as well.

"Our phones have been ringing off the hook with alumni calling to say they are coming into town," he said. "They're coming for the game but still want to celebrate Rosh Hashana properly."

Goldman said that they are expecting more than 600 people to attend services and more than 1,000 to come to Chabad throughout the weekend.

Services are held in the backyard of his house on Northwest Fifth Avenue, and they will be setting up a second tent to accommodate the crowd.

"We have the benefit of being five blocks from the stadium," Goldman said. "We can hear every announcement and every touchdown."

Goldman said he won't be watching the game but will be praying for the Gators to win.

"What better way to start off the new year than to win three games in a row?" he said.



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Using The Force

President Barack Obama wields a plastic saber as first lady Michelle Obama and Track and Field paralympian April Holmes watch a fencing demonstration on the South Lawn of the White House Wednesday during an event supporting Chicago's 2016 Olympic bid.

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You're all revved up and ready for your first real football game of the season, and it's sure to be a good 'un. We know you're already parked on the couch with your Gators Snuggie and have your first pre-kickoff drink in hand — and we're happy for you, and we're gonna let you finish — but not before we present you with this week's edition of last-week's-Darts-&-Laurels-was-one-of-the-best-Darts-&-Laurels-of-all-time edition of...

Darts & Laurels

In case you missed the MTV Video Music Awards and have avoided the latest Internet meme, that was a reference to Kanye West insulting Taylor Swift on Sunday. West's logorrhea wasn't the only outburst to make headlines this week, though. From Rep. Joe Wilson (R-SC) to Serena Williams, we're sick of reading about people who can't keep their mouths shut. For speaking out at inappropriate times, the Department of Darts & Laurels would like to send a but-seriously-Beyoncé's-video-was-better **DART** to **sassy bitches**.

Speaking of sassy bitches, UF officials have sent a cease-and-desist notice to Ballyhoo Grill for its display of "Tim Treebow," an artistic rendition of Tim Tebow that literally makes his already massive neck into a log. National Collegiate Athletic Association rules dictate that no one can capitalize off a college player's name, but it's unlikely that people are going to Ballyhoo's Grill specifically to pray at the feet — or roots — of the wooden behemoth. For having a stick up its proverbial ass, we'd like to send a wooden **DART** into the shriveled, black heart of the **NCAA**.

While Ballyhoo Grill isn't making bank off of Tebow's perfectly sculpted body, one girl shared at PostSecret creator Frank Warren's speech Tuesday night how she profited from her dad's collection of adult magazines. For having the gumption to sell her dad's Playboys for ice cream money, we'd like to give a that-sure-beats-selling-lemonade **LAUREL** to **little entrepreneur girl**.

The girl probably couldn't get that much money from a gaggle of middle school boys, but she probably raised more than Wolf Blitzer on "Celebrity Jeopardy!" Thursday night. Going into Final Jeopardy!, Wolfie was more than \$4,000 in the red and was given \$1,000 just so he could compete in the final round. For faking us out with the sense of authority he displays as a TV newscaster, we'd like to send a we-thought-you-were-smart **DART** at **Blitzer**.

We sometimes get angry at Alex Trebek's smugness (he acts like he knows everything but really just reads off of a card), but Blitzer is sure to infuriate us next time we hear him read off a teleprompter on CNN.

Moving from wolves to coyotes, Jessica Simpson's pet maltipoo was snatched by a wild coyote on Monday. For offering a reward upon the return of her dog, we'd like to send a **LAUREL** to **Simpson** for her unrelenting optimism. Maybe the coyote really is reading her frantic Twitter updates.

But seriously, someone should tell her what happened.

Finally, four UF employees resigned this week after they were accused of using UF purchasing cards to buy items for personal use. For abusing the system when the university is already in Budget Crisis 2K9, we'd like to send a looks-like-you'll-have-all-the-time-in-the-world-to-learn-the-se-ductive-art-of-belly-dancing-now **DART** at the **fraudulent four**.

Obviously what they are accused of is wrong, but we can only puzzle over the fact that the same person supposedly owns "Sex and the City," "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" and something called "Perfect Hips Belly Dance Workout."

That's all for this week. Go Treebow?

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Column

West outburst not worthy of attention

It began as any standard Sunday night would. I headed over to a friend's house to grab some food, sip a cold beer and watch "Entourage" with the boys.

As is usually the case, I was expecting Ari Gold to provide me with the day's quota of arrogant, self-centered humor. But about an hour before Drama, E, Vince and the rest of the crew graced my television with their presence, I quickly learned that I was going to receive an extra helping of a conceited, overbearing, superstar talking just a little bit too much.

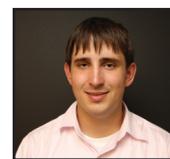
Yes, by now we all know that I am talking about none other than Kanye West and his antics Sunday night at the MTV Video Music Awards.

There is no need to recount the story, as we have all inevitably heard about it from a friend or seen the clip on YouTube. Or, like me, you were on Facebook right after it happened, and every single one of your friends posted an obligatory I-Hate-Kanye-West-and-Love-Taylor-Swift status, along with an explanation of the grave injustice he committed.

To be sure, President Barack Obama's description of West as a "jackass" is certainly adept. And if his drunken antics and blatant disregard for Swift's moment aren't enough to move you to tweet your support for Swift and let everyone know you stand in solidarity with her, this should. West interrupted "Entourage" night. Simply unacceptable.

Joking aside, what is our obsession with this 30-second sound bite?

Celebrities pull ridiculous stunts like this all the time, and rarely do we pay homage to them with our collective Facebook and Twitter statuses. And usually CNN doesn't bother interviewing two "experts" (I was



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unaware that one could be an expert on rappers yelling drunken shenanigans in public) to report on such issues.

West has certainly done dumber things — remember when he fallaciously claimed to be the "voice of this generation"?

Whatever the reason may be, our ire is extremely misplaced. On the scale of injustice, this falls somewhere in between shooting a spitball at your little brother and forgetting to take out the trash last night.

Yes, West was a pompous ass as usual, but why are we up in arms about this minor outburst, yet larger issues such as health care reform, poverty and war barely register a tick on our radar? Hell, after Rep. Joe Wilson's (R-SC) outburst during the president's health care address, I counted maybe three Facebook statuses either for or against it. The next day most students seemed unaware that it had even happened and didn't know who Rep. Wilson was.

The fact is, we are Florida's brightest and best. A little obsession with celebrity gossip is understandable and probably even healthy. But the extent to which we are possessed by an irrelevant rap star's diatribe at a B-list award ceremony speaks to the fact that we need to readjust our priorities and concerns.

There are bigger, more disconcerting transgressions occurring in the world every single day. At least West was drinking Hennessy and keeping it classy.

Kyle Robisch is a political science and economics junior. His column appears on Fridays.

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

Reader response

Today's question: Should the NCAA leave "Tim Treebow" alone?

Thursday's question: Are you selling your football ticket for more than \$100?

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Letters to the Editor

Jesus neither liberal nor conservative

In response to Paul Murty: Like most fair-minded people, Jesus was both a liberal on some issues and a conservative on others. He felt a great drive to understand and help the poor. He also spoke of his admiration and respect for soldiers in service of their country. He tells us to "render unto Caesar what is Caesar's and render unto God what is God's." Here we can see a broad range of reasonable views emphasized to different degrees by both liberals and conservatives.

On the other hand, Jesus was not a socialist. He believed in the power of the individual through faith in the Lord and in his fellow man for positive change, not in the power of an overbearing state. And Jesus was especially not a communist, considering he did not believe in the bloody overthrow of the established order, and considering that as he was the son of God, he probably didn't think that belief in a higher power was, as Marx put it, the misguided 'opiate of the masses.'

Considering how many Christians and other people of faith were murdered for their beliefs by socialists and communists in the last century; calling Jesus either defies common decency and common sense.

Warren Rhea
4JM

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that 20 million people are currently infected with HPV and at least 50 percent of sexually active individuals will acquire the virus at some point in their lives.

Yes, Gardasil protects against sexually transmitted strains. However, HPV spreads through genital-to-genital contact, which can occur even without "having sex."

O'Conner thinks it's easy to prevent HPV infection, presumably through abstinence from the waist down. Even if a girl is completely abstinent until marriage, she has no way to guarantee that her future husband had no genital-to-genital contact with females before her. She also has no guarantee that she won't be date-raped or molested at some point in her life. It is naive to suggest that it is "a new level of wrong to vaccinate 11-year-olds." They are vaccinated because they will most likely have sex someday, and the key is to prevent infection before children become sexually active.

If the chicken pox vaccine is now required, I think Gardasil should be too. Ideally, though, women would educate themselves about sexually transmitted infections and be more realistic about their own sexual health before denouncing a lifesaving vaccine.

Rebecca Theobald
4LS

to think critically?

After all, how can something be called a fact unless it is tested? The public wouldn't have known that H.R. 3200 doesn't provide coverage to illegal immigrants if it weren't for Rep. Joe Wilson's (R-SC) false statement.

Who draws the line between fact and opinion? There is evidence (or lack of it) for and against the validity of everything. Each person evaluates that evidence and then decides whether to accept the idea as fact or reject it. Lehman's arrogance is that she wants to make that evaluation for us.

Plagiarism scandals and ideologues aren't what damaged the news industry, as she suggests. Rather it has been the media's insistence that it has to reach conclusions for people because they're too stupid to do it on their own.

It's obvious journalists are frustrated by the free flow of information that is destroying their monopoly on "the facts." But I'd rather live in a marketplace of ideas than in one where some things aren't allowed to be questioned. So bring on the conspiracy theories.

The truth stands on its own and is not afraid of debate.

Josh Burkard
4EG

ACORN rotten with corruption

I find it rather shocking that the Editorial Board of the Alligator so casually brushed off the actions of ACORN — the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now — in their Thursday column and were so quick to vilify the filmmakers who brought the situation to light. The Editorial Board described ACORN's actions as "explaining how to run

a brothel of underage 'women of the night' while evading the federal government."

The board should have been more explicit in their video descriptions. In the Baltimore office, the journalists claimed the girls were mostly 14 years old and from El Salvador. The ACORN employees then proceeded to explain how they could claim up to three of the girls as dependents and receive child tax credit.

What's more is that the Editorial Board claimed the "gotcha" journalists went to San Diego and were unsuccessful in their attempts. To the contrary. After airing videos from D.C., Brooklyn, and San Bernardino, a newly aired video from the San Diego ACORN office shows an ACORN employee who is actually a Mexican trained attorney advising the duo on how to traffic El Salvadorian prostitutes aged 13 to 15 to the United States through Tijuana because "he has contacts there."

By labeling these videos as "gotcha journalism," the Editorial Board did a disservice to the community and to the paper's credibility by brushing off the gravity and severity of the situation these videos bring to light.

The fact that there are five videos being aired now, and probably more waiting to be released, is only more evidence that this is no isolated incident. This type of corruption clearly goes beyond what the board described as the actions of a "handful of employees" and is seemingly woven into the fabric of the ACORN organization on a countrywide scale. Freezing funds is just the beginning, and the government should go beyond a mere investigation of the offices in question as the board advised on Thursday. They should investigate the entire organization nationwide.

David Drescher
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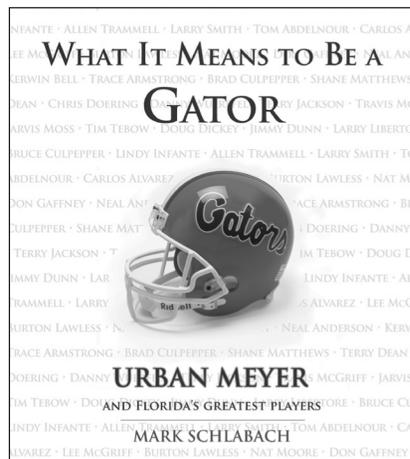
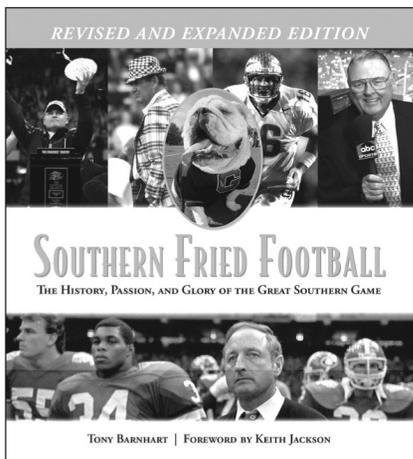
I felt a responsibility to address the misguided information given by Caitlin O'Conner on human papillomavirus and Gardasil.

According to the Guttmacher Institute, HPV is so common that it has been described as a virtual "marker" for having had sex. The

Marketplace of ideas good for society

Hilary Lehman's article on Wednesday was the epitome of journalistic arrogance. She argues that facts are "undebatable," and despite your opinions, some things cannot be questioned. Is this why we came to college? To accept what we're told? Or was it to learn how

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AROUND GAINESVILLE

Event to benefit historic house

By **MARIA PIQUET**

Alligator Contributing Writer

There's a somber view of a gray, desolate house with a weakening tin roof on Northwest Eighth Avenue.

The Smith-Griffin house stands amidst throngs of weeds and trees as a memory of a family's past and as a reminder of the neighborhood's history.

"We're trying to preserve history, and we need a place to put it," said Melanie Barr, the Smith-Griffin House chairwoman and Pleasant Street Historic Society corresponding secretary.

"The best thing to do is have a museum where people can donate their artifacts."

In order to make a dent in the \$250,000 it will take to restore the home, the Pleasant Street Historic Society will host Rock the House, a 1960s- and 1970s-themed benefit with live music, food and people

"We're all about downtown revitalization, historic preservation and preserving the history of the neighborhood,"

Melanie Barr

Smith-Griffin House chairwoman

dressed in tie-dye clothes.

The event will be held Sunday at the Thelma Boltin Center, 516 NE Second Ave., from 7 to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

Guests are encouraged to wear bell-bottomed pants, tie-dyed shirts and headbands. Mike Boulware and the Boltin Bad Boys will play songs from the 1960s and 1970s.

There will also be a silent auction with donations from downtown restaurants, the downtown Hampton Inn and the Magnolia Plantation Bed and Breakfast Inn, Barr said.

"We're all about downtown revitalization, historic preservation

and preserving the history of the neighborhood," Barr said. "When people's grandparents die, if you didn't ask the right questions, your history's gone. We don't want that."

Built in the 1870s by the last resident's grandfather, the house was home to the family until Claronelle Smith-Griffin, the last descendant, passed away in 2003.

In her will, Smith-Griffin donated the house to the Pleasant Street Historic Society, an organization that preserves the history of houses in the area north of downtown Gainesville, in hopes that it would be turned into a black history exhibit.

But before any restoration is done, the society needs to raise money.

The house can't be opened to the public until central air, insulation, new wiring, new plumbing and a new roof are all installed, Barr said.

Researchers cure monkeys' colorblindness

Researchers at the University of Washington and UF just spent 20 weeks monkeying around.

The team of researchers used a form of gene therapy to restore color vision to a pair of squirrel monkeys, which are naturally colorblind from birth.

Jay Neitz, a professor of ophthalmology at UW and one of the researchers who conducted the experiment, said his team conducted the experiment by inserting a specific color-detecting gene into the monkeys.

After 20 weeks of testing, the monkeys could suddenly discern new colors almost overnight, he said.

However, Neitz has higher goals in mind.

"The whole reason we embarked on this adventure was to cure all genetic disorders of the eye," he said. "Clinical human trials are a long way down the road. There are a lot of roadblocks to making sure that the gene therapy is safe for humans."

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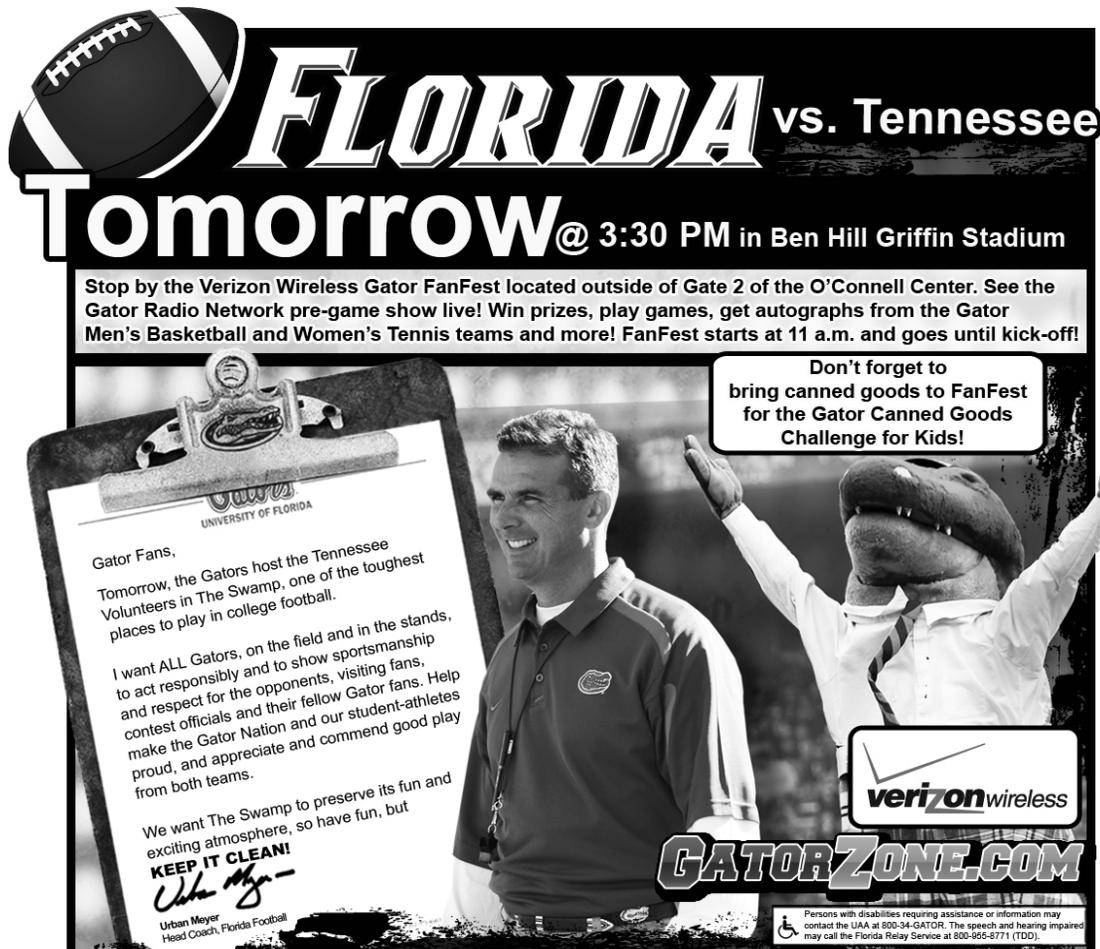
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Raymond Clark III, 24, is led into court in New Haven, Conn., by Judicial Marshals and a New Haven Police officer Thursday for an arraignment in connection to the murder of Annie Le, a Yale graduate student whose body was found stuffed inside a lab wall Sunday.

Lab tech charged with Yale student's murder

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — As police charged a Yale animal lab technician with murdering a graduate student who worked in his building, a portrait began to emerge Thursday of an unpleasant stickler for the rules who often clashed with researchers and considered the mice cages his personal fiefdom.

Police charged 24-year-old Raymond Clark III with murder, arresting him at a motel a day after taking hair, fingernail and saliva samples to compare with evidence from the grisly crime scene at Yale's medical school.

Bond was set at \$3 million for Clark, who kept his head down and said "Yes, your honor," when asked whether he understood his rights.

The muscular former high school baseball and football player is charged in the death of 24-year-old Annie Le, a pharmacology doctoral student at Yale who vanished Sept. 8. Her body was discovered five days later — her wedding day — stuffed into a utility compartment behind a wall in the basement of the research building where she and Clark worked.

Authorities offered no details about the crime Thursday. They would not discuss a motive, largely because Clark will not talk to police, and would not disclose the DNA test results or how they connected Clark to the slaying.

The Rev. Dennis Smith, a Le family spokesman, said he was not authorized to comment on the arrest. Smith said he did not know whether Le had ever complained about Clark.

Clark appeared in court with two public defenders who were new to the case. A private-practice attorney who had represented him during the investigation did not attend the hearing and said Thursday he no longer represents Clark. The attorney declined to give a

reason.

Public defender Joseph Lopez said he was still reviewing the case and declined to comment.

Co-workers told police that Clark was a "control freak" who viewed the laboratory and its mice as his territory, according to a law enforcement official who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the investigation is ongoing and many details remain sealed.

The official said police are looking into whether Clark's attitude led to a deadly workplace confrontation with Le, who was just 4-foot-11 and 90 pounds. But investigators say that's just a theory at this point.

The investigator also said authorities do not necessarily need to prove a motive because they have an abundance of strong forensic evidence.

As a technician, Clark's duties included cleaning mouse cages and the floors of the lab.

Le's work involved experiments on mice that were part of research into enzymes that could have implications for treatment of cancer, diabetes and muscular dystrophy.

The New York Times reported that Clark grew angry if lab workers did not wear shoe covers. "He would make a big deal of it, instead of just requesting that they wear them," said a researcher who asked not to be identified.

ABC News reported that Clark sent a text message to Le on the day she vanished requesting a meeting to discuss the cleanliness of mouse cages in the research lab.

At a news conference Thursday, New Haven Police Chief James Lewis called Le's death a case of workplace violence. He would not elaborate except to say reports that the two had a romantic relationship were untrue.

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SG parties debut platforms for fall elections

By **CAROLYN TILLO**
Alligator Writer

The Orange and Blue Party wants Student Government to share the wealth.

Its party platform offers a plan for eliminating what it identifies as wasteful spending in SG, including parking decals and cell phone reimbursement plans given to SG officials.

Policy and Communications Director Ben Cavataro said his party wants SG money to be used on things like the readership program, concerts and speeches, which will benefit all students.

"I would say that the overarching theme is working for students, not just ourselves," he said.

Cavataro said the platform features ideas for a scooter repair shop similar to the bicycle repair shop located at the Reitz Union.

O & B Party In addition, Cavataro said the Orange and Blue Party favors switching from WebMail to Gmail.

Students can keep the same e-mail addresses but use the Gmail interface, he said.

The Orange and Blue Party also advocates working with the Reitz Union Board of Managers to provide more affordable food options at the Reitz Union for students.

Orange and Blue Party President Kyle Huey said another idea involves creating separate parking decals for students who come to campus to use the gym.

The decals would be cheaper than normal parking decals, Huey said.

He said his party differs from the others because it has a proven track record of getting things done.

The Progress Party doesn't want students to feel isolated from the workings of Student Government.

Progress Party President Dave Schneider said he sympathized with students who chose not to vote in previous elections because they didn't know about the issues their senators advocated.

"That is a moment where I feel alienated by the process, and I feel very alienated by the system," he said.

Schneider said the entire Progress Party has signed waivers allowing its voting records to be released online, so students can know more about the decisions the party's elected officials are making.

Those running during the fall election plan to sign similar pledges next week, he said.

Progress Party Schneider said the party platform advocates online voting, which would save money during a time of budget cuts and make it easier for students to vote.

The party platform also disagrees with the need to use \$15,500 to hire a consulting firm intended to conduct research for SG projects.

Instead, the party favors bringing in public relations and business administration students to accomplish the same goal.

The Progress Party also hopes to add more paper recycling bins to Turlington Plaza to keep up with the heavy traffic of students, according to the platform. The party also hopes to work with engineering students to create a more efficient campus sprinkler system.

He said SG has been seen up to this point as an undergraduate resume-builder.

The Unite Party wants to hear what students have to say.

Jason Yoepp, Unite Party spokesman, said the party plans to increase the number of comment boxes available around campus and add new comment boxes to off-campus apartments.

Party officials will collect the suggestions and review them every two to four weeks, Yoepp said.

The Unite Party is also hoping to gain student input on the creation of a new, more modern student union, Yoepp said.

"We want to make sure this is more catered to what students want than what Aramark or the university wants," he said.

Unite Party

Yoepp said.

He said the Unite Party is also concerned with issues of health and safety. It plans to improve the lighting at Regional Transit System bus stops and add more emergency call boxes around campus, especially after Gainesville's recent increase in crime.

Feedback from students remains one of its top priorities, however.

"A lot of students feel Student Government is not approachable," Yoepp said. "But, with respect, a lot of students never take a moment to say to their Student Government, 'Hey, here's what I want to do.'"

ORANGE AND BLUE

- ▶ Cut Student Government executive perks
- ▶ Fight Aramark price gouging and push for affordable dining options
- ▶ Support expanded scooter parking and a free repair shop
- ▶ Expand free printing in Reitz and across campus
- ▶ Promote and reward recycling
- ▶ Demand that UF eliminate financial aid delays

PROGRESS

- ▶ Improve student life on campus
- ▶ Achieve real transparency and responsible governance in Student Government
- ▶ Pursue sustainable policies at all levels of UF
- ▶ "Insource" projects within the University of Florida Student Body
- ▶ Advocate on behalf of graduate students
- ▶ Demand that UF eliminate financial aid delays

UNITE

- ▶ Improve lighting at bus stops and increase emergency call boxes
- ▶ Plans to create a 24-hour study center at Hub
- ▶ Supports more parking on campus
- ▶ Plans to increase comment boxes on campus to give students more of a voice in SG
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RESEARCH

UF scientists develop camera to study black holes

By **MOLLY LARMIE**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Black holes can't be seen with the human eye, but the UF Department of Astronomy is looking anyway.

After seven years of construction, UF has designed the Flamingos-2 camera and spectrometer. The device produced its first images of space at the Gemini South telescope, located on Chile's 9,000-foot-tall Cerro Pachon mountain.

Last Thursday and Friday, Flamingos-2, which stands for Florida Multi-object Infrared Grism Observing Spectrograph, captured images of the Milky Way galaxy, team leader and UF astronomy professor Stephen Eikenberry said.

Once it is sufficiently tested, Flamingos-2 will operate in near-infrared light just beyond the human-eye range to study black holes, Eikenberry said.

"In the center of the Milky Way, there is a super massive black hole that is 5 million times the mass of

"In the center of the Milky Way, there is a super massive black hole that is 5 million times the mass of the sun."

Stephen Eikenberry
UF astronomy professor

the sun," he said. "There are hundreds of smaller black holes, too."

Eikenberry said the Flamingos-2 will also collect images of older,

smaller galaxies that formed in the early stages of the universe to get a better understanding of the formation of larger galaxies, such as the Milky Way.

"If you look far away in the universe, you are also looking far back in time," he said.

Design and construction of Flamingos-2 cost \$5 million, most of which was provided by funds from the federal government, Eikenberry said.

The project involved more than 30 UF scientists, engineers, stu-

dents and staff.

Because Gemini South is one of the world's largest and most sought after telescopes, observatory time is difficult to secure, Eikenberry said. But the instrument's presence in Chile will ensure UF at least 30 nights of observation per year.

Eikenberry added that Flamingos-2 joins another UF instrument at Gemini South: the T-RECS mid-infrared camera.

The T-RECS camera is used to view cooler objects like young forming stars and planets.

Faculty voice concerns about ending sick leave payouts

■ **ENDING PAYOUTS COULD SAVE \$2 MILLION TO \$4 MILLION FOR UF.**

UF faculty expressed their concern over the proposal to end sick leave payouts in response to budget cuts at Thursday's Faculty Senate meeting.

Currently, faculty can convert unused sick leave into paychecks when they leave UF, but the proposed policy would end that practice

as of Jan. 1, 2012, said UF provost Joe Glover.

Tom Auxter, a faculty senator, called the proposal "shocking."

"They would like to collect the tiny benefit you get after being \$20,000 behind your counterparts at other universities," Auxter said.

UF plans to cut \$16.6 million from its budget this year, and officials predict the move could save between \$2 million and \$4 million.

The proposal seems like a fair way for fac-

ulty to help with UF's budget troubles, Glover said.

"It seems like everybody would contribute a little bit to closing the budget gap," he said.

Glover also announced details of two other proposals at the meeting.

Under one plan, UF would standardize the pay rate for summer classes to \$5,000 for a

three-credit-hour class. Deans could raise the amount if necessary, he said.

Under another plan, UF would offer voluntary retirement plans to employees 65 and older. They would have to decide by January and leave UF by the end of June, he said.

Those who choose this option would receive one year of salary in return. It's unclear how much this program could save UF.

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Gazans improvise to honor Ramadan traditions

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Gazans have been learning to adapt to Hamas rule and a stifling border blockade, both now in their third year. But their skills of improvisation are particularly challenged during the holy month of Ramadan, when devout Muslims fast from dawn to dusk.

Coca-Cola is a Ramadan favorite in Gaza, but is banned by Israel's blockade on the Hamas-ruled territory, which only allows in humanitarian aid and basic foods.

International News

That helps make the holy month peak season for the territory's smugglers, who throughout the year haul everything from motorcycles to detergent through tunnels under the border with Egypt.

During Ramadan, demand is particularly high for soft drinks and chocolates — sweet treats consumed after the fast-breaking evening meal, which Israel also bans. Smugglers also beef up imports of shoes, clothes and toys, bought in larger quantities for Eid el-Fitr, the three-day holiday capping Ramadan when families traditionally buy new clothes and other gifts.

Tunnel boss Jihad says he imports more than 100,000 cans of soda a day during the fasting month, particularly Coca-Cola — double the amount he normally

hauls in. Jihad, who asked that his family name not be used because he works in an illicit activity, has 32 laborers working from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m., six days a week, using an electric pulley to move the goods.

Most of the smugglers observe the fast, adding to the hardship of working in the unstable under-

ground passages. More than 100 men have died in tunnel collapses since Israel and Egypt imposed a border blockade on Gaza in June 2007 after Hamas seized power of the coastal territory.

On a recent morning, a smuggler, 25-year-old Atta, rested between hauls on an iron-frame bed

in the sandy, rubble-strewn area near a tunnel exit. "It's always the thirst and tiredness. But I won't break my fast," he said, shrugging his shoulders in a smeared white undershirt.

With the Islamic militant Hamas increasingly cementing control and silencing opponents, some Gazans

resort to subtle acts of defiance.

Choosing a Ramadan lantern is one. The brightly painted, battery-powered lanterns are hung in homes as a symbol of the season and come in different colors.

This year's best-seller is yellow, the color of Hamas' political rival, Fatah, said Taha, a Gaza City toy vendor. Green, the color of Hamas, isn't in much demand.

"Customers tell me: 'I want yellow, I don't want any other color!'" Taha, 21, said.

"Now I've got a whole bunch of green lamps I can't sell," said the merchant, who asked not use his family name because he didn't want to get in trouble with Hamas.

Gaza residents once proudly waved their factional flags from their rooftops. But under Hamas' tough rule, Fatah loyalists are often hounded, and few people dare to hoist flags of other factions, making lanterns a subversive sign of loyalty.

The lack of demand for green isn't necessarily a sign of dwindling support for Hamas, lantern sellers said. Hamas loyalists are free to wave their own green flags, so they don't need green lanterns to make a statement.

Gaza's few leftists are snapping up Taha's pink lamps — the closest to their signature color red.

"But nobody wants the blue lanterns. They aren't factional," Taha said.



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Indian Muslims break their fast at the Jama mosque in New Delhi, India, Thursday. Muslims across the world are preparing for Eid al-Fitr, the festival marking the end of the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan.

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Marching to a Cleaner Beat

The Pride of the Sunshine Fightin' Gator Marching Band practices its recycling bin piece on Norman Field on Thursday for the upcoming "Green Show" during half-time at Saturday's football game.

About 800 attended HOMELESS, from page 1

moving to the streets.

One organization at the fair offered free legal consultation.

Daniel Kahn, a lawyer for Three Rivers Legal Services, Inc., helps the homeless with legal issues involving income and assets, contracts and disability.

Kahn believes Gainesville's active homelessness advocacy is due to its "passionate and progressive social sentiments combined with its strong emphasis on economic growth."

Michelle Zukarfein has been homeless for many years and said the fair's services are helpful, but they won't solve Gainesville's homeless problem.

Local News

"The city's main problem, however, is affordable housing," Zukarfein said.

Most advocates and fairgoers echoed her concern — the city's shelters only offer 400 beds to accommodate the 1,600 homeless, including more than 500 children.

"We are trying to solve a national issue with a local budget," DeCarmine said.

The fair also offered health screenings and health care referrals, basic pet care and food, counseling and victim services, food stamp registration and free blankets and hygiene supplies.

Tom McCament, a homeless man who spends his afternoons praying for families and children on the streets, said he hoped the event fostered more community involvement with the homeless.

"With more unity, it could all change in the blink of an eye," he said.

Miller: Bill will help Fla. school system

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ference call. "It's fiscally responsible and the best investment we can make in our nation's future."

George Miller, a democrat from California who serves as the chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor, said the bill was a result of a strong bipartisan effort and support from banks — an unlikely suitor considering the revenue they anticipate losing when bank loans switch to Federal Direct Loans.

"At the end of the day, the banks just couldn't justify \$8 billion to \$10 billion of profit for a product [bank loans] that wasn't superior," said Miller, who believes the bill will have no trouble passing through the Senate. "They did what they thought would be best for students and their families."

Critics of the bill say it will stifle competition, place a burden on the middle-class tax-

payers and cripple banks that rely on student loan interest payments.

The bill's supporters argue that the flow of finances into the American system will actually save taxpayers money by cutting out government subsidies toward the banks that make the loans.



Pelosi

Miller briefly addressed specific examples of states that are taking scalpels to educational programs in an effort to save money. In regard to Florida's situation, he said new programs made possible by the bill will help strengthen state institutions while alleviating tuition costs, which have increased in the past year. However, Miller was quick to point out that the programs will not be simply handouts.

"Governors are going to have to compete to make sure they get these funds," he said.

Night games best for business

ECONOMY, from page 1

According to Blair, national studies show the impact game days have on the economy is not as significant as people think.

Blair said a large portion of the money spent ends up leaving the local area. "Say you fill up your tank with gas for \$3 a gallon," he said. "The guy who owns the station paid \$2.90 for it, and that money goes back to Jacksonville or wherever it came from."

However, because Gainesville is so small, all businesses are still better off on game days, Blair said.

"People are milling around, walking around, buying souvenirs, going to lunch and having a great time," he said. "Clearly people are spending money."

"If 60,000 people go into New York, it doesn't make a dent," he said. "But in Gainesville the percentage increase in population is enormous."

For the Gator Shop and most other stores, night games are the best, Bass said. Big games, rivalry games and especially the Florida State University game are always huge moneymakers, too.

Without fail, game days are always successful — even when the Gators are not doing well, Bass said.

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1 1988 tennis Grand Slam winner
5 Partner of alas
10 "City of Seven Hills"
14 Sitcom named for its country star
15 Supple
16 French state
17 Cupid
18 Hope of one placing a personal ad?
20 Camera bag accessory
22 "Carmen," e.g.
23 Quite large
24 In a while
26 Peruvian worshiper?
30 "... the two shall be ___": "Wedding Song" lyrics
31 "Sweet Caroline" singer Diamond
32 Krazy of comics
35 Delighted
36 Former Alaska Territory capital
38 Baked beans, e.g.
39 Collector's goal
40 Il ___: Mussolini
41 Talk show host Gibbons
42 Knock a motorcycle daredevil flat?
45 One you won't find in a foxhole?
48 Prepares to shoot
49 Bank claims
50 Ready
54 Kid going nuts with building blocks?
57 Insolvent S&L company
58 Roman road
59 Die down
60 Novelist Hunter
61 One and only
62 Hotel conveniences
63 Archaeology projects

- 4 Agricultural worker
5 State without proof
6 Train maker in the National Toy Hall of Fame
7 Dirt bike relatives, briefly
8 Friend of Fidel
9 Prefix with plunk
10 Grain cutter
11 Playful swimmer
12 Computer shortcut
13 Revolutionary Alien
19 Traveler's haven
21 Auto mechanic's job
24 Onion relative
25 New Balance rival
26 Falls behind
27 Maui or Kauai
28 Barrier at a zoo
29 Big name in chips
32 Chicken ___: deep-fried dish
33 Wood-shaping tool
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UF VOLLEYBALL

Gators to open SEC play

By ANTHONY CHIANG

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Before their last match against No. 3 Washington, coach Mary Wise said the Gators aren't used to playing as the underdog as they did in a loss to the Huskies.

That unusual circumstance was short-lived as UF heads into league play shooting for its 19th straight conference title.

No. 5 Florida (6-1) will look to continue its dominance of the Southeastern Conference tonight as it will begin league play on the road against Ole Miss (6-4) at 8 p.m. before facing Arkansas (6-5) at 2 p.m. Sunday.

After a tough nonconference schedule that featured three ranked opponents, the Gators view league play as a chance to start fresh.

"This weekend, everybody starts on common ground, we are all 0-0," coach Mary Wise said. "Before, any win just bettered the league. Now, you have to hunker down and just take care of your own."

The Gators will continue their longest road trip since 2003 and play their first two conference matches away from Gainesville for the first time in three years.

Tonight's road match against the Rebels might prove to be one of the tougher ones they will see in the SEC, not only be-

cause of Ole Miss' scrappy nature, but in large part because of the unusual venue they will play in. The volleyball court at the Gillom Sports Center is located at the end of a field house and has very little room to chase down balls.

"It's a pretty unique place to play in," senior libero Elyse Cusack said. "It's a small facility and it can get super loud. You just have to keep the communication up and try to calm the crowd down."

As if that didn't pose enough of an obstacle already, UF will be sure to get the best effort from Ole Miss or any other SEC team they face.



Wise

"Winning 18 straight conference titles is a big deal, and we know that we are going to get every team's best shot on the road," Cusack said.

But if history repeats itself, the Gators will have a successful weekend. The team has won its first two games against SEC opponents in 10 of the last 11 seasons and has won all 18 league openers under Wise.

While UF may have already faced the toughest opponents on its schedule, the team will have to overcome another obstacle in the SEC.

"The difference in league play is there are no secrets," Wise said. "That target on our back hasn't gotten any smaller, but that's what we've become used to."

Recruiting fuels rivalry

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For Kayla Bala, tonight could have been the first time she played in James G. Pressly Stadium.

Bala, a freshman from Lakeland, went on an official visit to Tallahassee last year. If things went differently, she might be sporting garnet and gold when No. 7 Florida (5-2-0) hosts No. 5 FSU (6-1-0) at 7 p.m.

Maybe not.

"I didn't like (Tallahassee) as much as here, and I didn't like the colors that much," Bala said.

Bala is one of many players who chose between the Gators and the Seminoles as high school seniors.

"We're looking at the same players. ...Florida gets some of the kids; we get some of the kids," FSU coach Mark Krikorian said.

For those players, the annual rivalry lets them prove they made the right choice, and Krikorian suggested that aspect fuels the fire.

Krikorian came to FSU in 2005, and the Seminoles have been the state's premier team since.

Florida State reached the College Cup three of the last four years, including a national championship game appearance in 2007. During that same stretch, coach Becky Burleigh's squad has not advanced past the round of 16.

However, the Gators hold the upper hand in head-to-head matchups. Florida's seniors are 2-1 against the Seminoles, with every match decided by one goal.

Burleigh said the FSU game is typically more physical, something she likes.

"It's a fun game to play. It's why people come to UF — to play rivalry games," Burleigh said.

Perhaps the Gator most anxious for kickoff is senior Angela Napolitano, who was tackled hard by an FSU player in the 85th minute and hyperextended her knee last year. The injury kept Napolitano out of practice for a week.

"I'm ready to play a full game against them," she said.

Last year, a shutout from goalkeeper Katie Fraine and an early goal from Tahnai Annis gave Florida a 1-0 victory.

The year before, then-senior Keleigh Hudson's 83rd-minute goal helped the Gators steal a 2-1 win.

In 2006, the Seminoles won at home 1-0 front of more than 4,000 fans — 3,000 above their stadium's listed capacity.

Like this year, FSU was the higher-ranked team in those games, but Napolitano said that never matters.

"When it's a rivalry like this, rankings go out the door. Those things don't matter because everyone plays their best game."



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Few college football programs have as polarizing of an effect as the mighty Pirates of East Carolina. It's no surprise, then, that the ECU-UNC contest produced a five-five split in the votes this week.

We left it up to Mike McCall, lover of all things Purple and Gold, and Mike DiFerdinando, hater of all that is good, to settle the debate in the alligatorSports Brand Picks Column.

WHY UNC WILL COVER THE SPREAD...

After all these years, McCall is still clinging to some disillusioned notion that ECU football is relevant and legitimate.

It's OK, Mike. I know you bleed Purple and Gold.

But that doesn't change the fact that the only thing more pathetic than your beloved Pirates in the city of Greenville (and I use the term city loosely) is the mediocre chicken restaurant that you so desperately defend.

Just like Bojangles, ECU is average at best. Butch Davis and Greg Little should have no problem putting away a team that plays in a conference whose main TV contract is with CSTV.

The only thing more ridiculous than the notion that East Carolina Teachers Training School (as it was originally known) has a chance against UNC is the Pirates' earring-wearing mascot.

—MIKE DIFERDINANDO

WHY ECU WILL COVER THE 7.5-POINT SPREAD...

There are only two things that make Mike DiFerdinando happy: listening to Anthony Bourdain ramble and making people miserable.

He routinely leaves the pressbox to go running through the stands and knock ice cream out of the hands of children.

He eats at Panda Express, which means he's eating your lost pets.

Once a week, he sells counterfeit tickets to hospital patients, then takes the cash downtown and lights it on fire in front of homeless people.

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Moody works to regain trust after fumble

By PHIL KEGLER
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Running back Emmanuel Moody is still working to regain his coaches' full trust after turning over the ball last week.

The junior coughed up the ball on his first carry against Troy and didn't touch the ball the rest of the game.

"I don't know where he stands in his mind-set, but he knows where I stand in my mind," running backs coach Kenny Carter said. "You can't turn the ball over."



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UF running back Emmanuel Moody fumbles the ball on his only carry of the Gators' 56-6 win against Troy in The Swamp on Sept. 12.

Meyer, Gators fans should heed Timberlake's advice

As contemporary poet Justin Timberlake once sang, "What goes around comes around / You should know that."

"Don't want to think about it (no) / Don't want to talk about it."

While I'm sure JT's muse was some girl who did him wrong in the past, he might as well have been talking directly to Florida coach Urban Meyer and the thousands of bloodthirsty Gators fans who will be on hand to witness what will likely be a public shaming of the Volunteers and coach Lane Kiffin on Saturday.

Much like Timberlake, Meyer doesn't want to think about it (no) and certainly doesn't want to talk about it, but eventually, some of these rivalry games have to start going the other way.

Meyer was asked if he thinks the balance of rivalries tends to be cyclical in nature, and if he is at all surprised by the resounding success he has had against Tennessee, Georgia and Florida State during his time in Orange and Blue.

His response was that of a man without karma on his mind.

"You're asking a lot of questions I don't think about," Meyer said.

And who could blame him?



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Since taking over as head coach at Florida, Meyer has gone 11-1 against UF's three rival schools, with the only loss coming against Georgia in 2007.

The Gators' 2007 59-20 drubbing of the Volunteers was Florida's biggest win in the rivalry. Last season's 49-10 beatdown of Georgia was the worst loss of coach Mark Richt's career and the second biggest margin of victory for UF in the series' history. And the Gators have dismantled the Seminoles by a combined score of 90-27 in the last two meetings.

With that recent success, I doubt that any UF fans are thinking about what might come back around over the next couple of years.

It would be foolish to think the Vols, 'Dawgs and 'Noles will all be down for any significant amount of time, so Florida fans should enjoy Meyer calling timeouts at the end of last year's Florida-Georgia game and whatever comes about in Saturday's second half in retaliation for Kiffin's offseason behavior.

"We have things that we do to take care of that when they do fumble. He knows why he fumbled, that's the No. 1 thing."

Now, Moody has to fight to get back into a rotation with two other talented backs, sophomores Jeff Demps and Chris Rainey. Moody was second on the team in rushing — nine carries for 86 yards — in Florida's opener.

"He has to get himself in a position where he earns our trust again and he will," Carter said. "Unfortunately those things happen, but there's a price to pay for it."

"You're always going to hang on that one time when a guy fumbles. You have to continue to be diligent in practice and prove that it was an accident."



Football

DEBOSE HAS SURGERY: Wide receiver Andre Debose underwent successful surgery Thursday to repair a torn hamstring tendon in his left thigh. Full recovery is expected to take four to six months.

Coach Urban Meyer said he gave his prized recruit the same speech he gives to all players dealing with a serious injury.

"It's not the injury to the athlete that matters, it's the reaction to the injury," Meyer said. "We don't have a player on the team that's not been banged up or hurt. That's part of the game. It's the reaction. If you go in the tank, fall behind in school, act like you're miserable, don't take advantage of an opportunity to get bigger and stronger, that's the reaction."

Without question, this is the best time in history to be a Gators fan, but who knows what will happen after Tim Tebow and Brandon Spikes leave Gainesville.

This must be how fans felt about UCLA basketball in the '70s, Miami football in the '80s and Duke basketball in the '90s. When you're sitting on top of the mountain, it's hard to imagine the long tumble down to the bottom of the slope and the tough climb back to the peak.

For at least the rest of this season, however, Meyer and UF fans have little to worry about.

The Gators will, in my opinion, sweep their rivals and cruise through their schedule, yet again finding themselves as one of two teams selected by the BCS to play for a national title.

But one day, it won't be that way.

And if Meyer is still around, he will be forced to think about the days when games against Tennessee, Georgia and FSU were nothing more than an opportunity for fans to make a killing on betting Florida to cover.

Whenever that time comes, you, the fan, will still be here even if Meyer has since departed.

So act respectfully toward your fallen foes this season, because karma's a female dog (and so is my editor's Puritan censorship).

TEERING OFF WITH MIKE McCALL

■ Instead of his egotistical rambling at the HOF induction, I wish MJ had just stood up during C. Vivian Stringer's speech and said, "C-Viv, I'm really happy for you, and I'mma let you finish, but I'm the greatest basketball player of all time. All time!" ... The NCAA is a darker place without Myles Brand, who managed to make me feel a little better about the business that won't call itself a business.

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UF CROSS COUNTRY

Gators look to win opener for fifth straight year

By **JESSICA ETTER**
Alligator Writer

For the past four years, the men's and women's cross country teams have won their first meet, and this year looks to be no different.

After placing 17th at the NCAA Championship in November, the No. 14 UF women's cross country team begins the season tonight at the Mountain Dew Invitational.

"Of course there are some expectations on the women's team,"

coach Todd Morgan said. "But we haven't even done anything yet. We haven't even run one race."

Sophomore Genevieve LaCaze, who won the invitational last year, said the new freshmen and graduate student Stacey Johnson have added a new level to the women's team.

"We know deep down that we have a truly great team," said LaCaze, the 2008 SEC Freshman of the Year. "We have many returning athletes and a couple great new additions to the team."

While many of the women returned this season, the unranked men's team, which missed the cut for the NCAA Championship last season, will run in its first meet without All-American Jeremy Criscione, who used his fourth



Morgan

year of cross country eligibility last season.

Even though there are 12 under-

classmen on the men's roster, senior Justin Taylor said some of the athletes are stepping up to fill the shoes of Criscione.

"The older guys on the team are trying to set examples for the younger ones," Taylor said. "For the last two years, we have been the first team out of the race to nationals, and it has been devastating. We sat down with the freshmen last week and told them all of this."

Before the UF teams run, high school students from Florida will run 5,000 meters beginning at 4:30

p.m.

Morgan said having high school runners at the meet will allow the teenagers to see what cross country is like at the next level.

The women's team will run its 5K at 6:30 tonight, and the men's team will run its 8K at 7 at the Mark Bostick Golf Course.

"It's our first meet, and it will be a good way to kick the season off," Morgan said. "This meet is definitely going to affect my decision on who I will run in two weeks at Notre Dame."

No. 9 UF men face talented field in season's first tourney

Florida lost three-time All-American Horschel

By **KELSIE HOECHERL**
Alligator Writer

The UF men's golf team will open its season in Olympia Fields, Ill., this weekend at the Olympia Fields Country Club/Fighting Illini Invitational.

"Being the first tournament of the year, I think that everyone is excited and ready to go," senior Tyson Alexander said. "I think we're starting a little later than we did last year, and so everyone is a little bit more anxious. I really don't have any expectations [about how we will perform]. We lost Billy

Horschel, who was a first team All-American three years, and now we have no one that's pretty proven like that. I'm just kinda going in with no expectations and seeing how we stack up at the end of the tournament."

Alexander will be teeing off for the Gators, joined by senior Tim McKenney, juniors Andres Echavarria and Bank Vongvanij and sophomore Max Kieffer in the starting lineup.

Coach Buddy Alexander determined which five players would represent UF in the first tournament after the players shot seven qualifying rounds.

Five of the 11 players on the Gators' roster are underclassmen, with three freshmen and two sophomores, but age is not necessarily an indicator of talent.



Golf

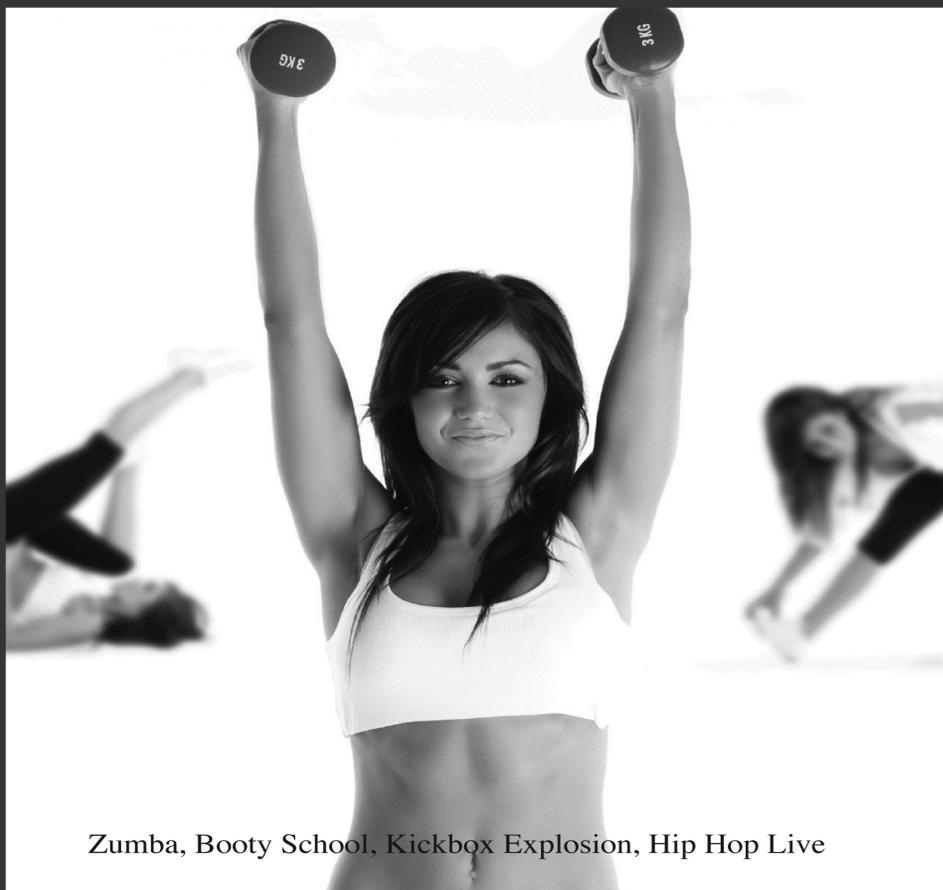
until we get down to the end of the year," Alexander said. "We have the five that we are going with this week and next week it could be a totally different five; that's how

golf works, and that's how young people work. Sometimes they're good one week and inconsistent [the next]. We'll just have to find our best five and keep getting better."

No. 9 Florida will face stiff competition from a field featuring seven of the preseason top 12, including No. 1 Oklahoma State, No. 3 Georgia and No. 5 Stanford.

"Golf is an individual sport wrapped in a team concept in college, so they all want to beat each other but they also realize that they are all teammates and they support each other," assistant coach Steve Bradley said. "There's no doubt in my mind that they all wanted to beat each other while they were out there."

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And he insults my beloved Pirates and favorite restaurant in the hopes that I'll spend my nights the same way he does, crying into a pillow.

But it won't work, because ECU is going to Paint it Purple this weekend in Chapel Hill.

By that, I don't mean win, but I do mean lose by a touchdown or less.

I have a sixth sense for how much the Pirates will lose by (last week I bet them to lose by 15 or more to West Virginia, and they lost by 15), and this game will be close, just as ECU's 34-31 win over the Tar Heels in 2007 was. — **MIKE MCCALL**

Editor's Note: DiFer agreed a month ago to accompany Mr. McCall to a Thursday night ECU game in November.

Now, on to the picks!

In first with an 11-9 record is Mike "I've got something in my front pocket" DiFerdinando, who in a stunning departure from his Butters-like self, tried to make his father pay to park at his house for a game despite the fact that his pops pays the rent. You're grounded, mister!

Tied for first with an 11-9 record is the Miami Herald's Joe "You look like Jodie Foster" Goodman, who will be celebrating an anniversary Saturday: two years of avoiding getting bashed in the face on back-to-back Fridays and showing up to games

with a busted nose.

Sitting in a tie for third at 9-11 is Bobby "Skeets" Callovi, who got to see how grown-ups live for a few hours Thursday after his girlfriend lent him her car. No doubt he returned it full of empty juice boxes and half-chewed McDonald's Happy Meal toys.

Also tied for third at 9-11 is Mike "Yeezy did what now?" McCall, who is too cool to know what is going on with anything on MTV yet can name and recite character traits for all eight of Jon and Kate's kids.

Beginning the three-way tie for fifth at 8-12 is Kyle "Mike Piazza's just in touch with his emotions" Maistri, who doesn't often find himself speechless, but Jeff Demps interviews always do the trick, when he closes his eyes and dreams he's on a 75-yard piggy-back ride.

Also tied at 8-12 is the Orlando Sentinel's Jeremy "Please call Lane Kiffin a bozo" Fowler, who would give all the trendy golf shirts in his wardrobe for 15 minutes alone with Andre Debose's hamstring.

Also at 8-12 is the Florida Times-Union's Mike "The Zooker gets a bad rap" DiRocco, whose blog, "Piece of Di Roc," hasn't been updated since Dec. 1. It's not his fault, though. Grandparents are never good with computers.

Starting the three-way tie for last at 7-13 is the Gainesville Sun's Ed "My uncle's in town, I can't work" Aschoff, who carries a jar of Vaseline and a pocket pack of tissues just in case Urban Meyer singles out Adrian Bushell for his special teams

efforts.

Tied for last place at 7-13 is Phil "Not in my paper" Kegler, who believes our readership can handle nothing more vulgar than language he would use around the Pope.

In dead last place — thanks to the alphabet — with a piss-poor record of 7-13 is the Palm Beach Post's Ben "OGIO till I die" Volin, who spent the week in Knoxville chasing Lane Kiffin and taking his sexual frustrations out on various livestock.

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UF quarterback Tim Tebow will try to become only the third SEC quarterback to go 4-0 against Tennessee. Former Gator Danny Wuerffel also accomplished the feat.

Tebow looks to go 4-0

■ THE SENIOR STARTED HIS LEGACY AGAINST THE VOLUNTEERS IN 2006.

By **BOBBY CALLOVI**
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Just less than eight minutes remaining, down 20-14 at Tennessee facing fourth-and-1 on Tennessee's 28-yard line, and Florida coach Urban Meyer calls a timeout to discuss what to do.

But there was no doubt in his mind what he was going to call. Meyer would send in his then-freshman quarterback to run the ball with the game on the line.

"There was really no hesitation. When I said it over the headset, it wasn't, 'Hey, whoa, whoa, whoa,' and sometimes that happens, but it was just an unbelievable moment for Florida football," Meyer said.

That's how quarterback Tim Tebow's now-legendary career began, with a 2-yard rush to pick up the first down late in the game in front of a packed Neyland Stadium back in 2006.

The Gators finished off the drive with the game-winning touchdown and left Knoxville with a 21-20 victory on their way to the BCS national championship.

Since then, Tebow and the Gators have not had any problems with the Volunteers, handily beating them in the next two meetings 59-20 in 2007 and 30-6 in 2008. Tebow had a very successful 2007 outing, throwing for 299 yards and two touchdowns and one interception 14 of 19 for 299 yards and rushing for 61 yards and two touch-

downs.

He didn't have to do much last year, completing 8 of 15 throws for 96 yards and two touchdowns while adding 26 yards on 12 rushes.

The senior signal caller will look to finish his career unbeaten against the Vols on Saturday in The Swamp. He would join former Gator Danny Wuerffel and former Alabama quarterback Jay Barker as the only Southeastern Conference quarterbacks to go 4-0 against the Volunteers in their career.

"It's been a big game (to me) ever since I was 5, 6 years old, watching (Peyton) Manning and (Danny) Wuerffel and all those guys play in this game," Tebow said. "To finish off undefeated would be special."

There has been no question in anyone's mind whose hands the ball would be in when the Gators were facing any type of short-yardage situation ever since his emergence in his first game against Tennessee.

The 2-yard run was just a glimpse of what was to come from Tebow in the future.

"It was one of the beginnings to see what he was like in clutch situations," Meyer said. "That was the first real one he was in where he had to go make the play to help us win the game, and he did."

Tebow has not disappointed, playing his way to a Heisman Trophy in 2007 and leading UF to its second national championship in three years last season.

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