



Dorms battle for green title

■ THE CONTEST BEGAN JAN. 4.

BY PAIGE LACY
 Alligator Contributing Writer

UF residence halls have been participating in a friendly fight for the environment.

The halls are involved in an annual eco-challenge competition, which began Jan. 4 and encourages students living in dorms to conserve water, reduce energy consumption and reduce waste.

"The main thing is to promote environmental awareness," said Bo Chulawan, the director of the challenge. "We want students to feel they can make an impact, no matter how big or how small."

The competition ends April 21 during the campus

Earth Day celebration, when one residence hall will be proclaimed the winner.

To win the challenge, a residence hall must show the biggest improvement in energy savings per resident. The improvement is measured by comparing the results of this year's competition with the those of last year's competition.

Chulawan said prizes for the most sustainable residence hall will include a trophy made from recycled material and items to make the hall even "greener," including infrared light switches.

The challenge has different contests for different months.

January's contest involves

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Angela Cummings, a physical therapy student, gives Michael Norman a preview of the Walking Buddies program, Tuesday afternoon at Shands Rehabilitation Center in Magnolia Park. See story Page 4.

UF, faculty union reach long-awaited agreement

It covers teacher salaries, intellectual property

By JOEY FLECHAS
 Alligator Writer

After five years of negotiations, UF's Board of Trustees and the United Faculty of Florida at UF have reached an agreement that will create a transparent set of rights and responsibilities for faculty in the workplace.

Paul Ortiz, associate professor of history at UF and member of the United Faculty of Florida, said the agreement helps resolve ongoing concerns related to teacher salaries and sabbaticals.

Sabbaticals are leaves of absence in which professors teach or conduct research outside of the university.

The agreement also discusses intellectual property rights related to online course materials.

Once the contract related to the agreement is ratified, both the administration and the faculty must honor it, Ortiz said.

John Biro, the president of the United Faculty of Florida at UF, said the contract between UF and the UFF is still being reviewed by both parties.

Biro said the union is pleased with the agreement and that it has been a difficult debate for all parties.

"It's been good for everybody and very bad for everybody," he said.

Biro said the union aims to have the agreement ratified by mid-February, and he hopes the Board will ratify around the same time.

Student Government President Jordan Johnson, who is on the Board of the Trustees, said details of the agreement still need to be finalized.

"I would just say that I'm glad that there

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Steve Orlando
 UF spokesman

was an agreement reached," he said.

The road to agreement has not been easy.

According to Biro, the negotiations have lasted so long not only because of disagreements but also because the decision-making is part of a naturally lengthy process.

"It is a long, complicated agreement — almost 40 articles," he said.

Biro said that in mid-December, a breakdown in negotiations nearly led to an impasse hearing.

In an impasse hearing, a neutral third party, known as a special magistrate, would hear the statements of both sides.

The pressure of an impending hearing forced both parties to reach a tentative agreement and resume negotiations, Biro said.

UF spokesman Steve Orlando said UF is satisfied with the agreement.

"We are very pleased to announce that the University of Florida and the United Faculty of Florida (UFF) have reached an agreement on a new contract, thereby avoiding an impasse hearing," Orlando said.

"We will now move to the next steps in the collective bargaining process, which would include the ratification of the contract terms by the UFF members and the UF Board of Trustees."

■ Kentucky guard Eric Bledsoe scored 25 points and led the No. 2 Wildcats to an 89-77 victory against UF on Tuesday night. The Gators are 0-2 in SEC play this year. See Story, Page 14.



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Resumes get revamp

■ ABOUT 50 STUDENTS ATTENDED TUESDAY.

By **REBECCA DEELY**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Students didn't need a suit or a pair of heels for the interviews at Ace the Showcase Tuesday night.

The program, hosted by the Warrington Diplomats, gave students the chance to participate in mock job interviews and have their resumes and cover letters critiqued in an informal setting.

The event was held in Stuzin Hall from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

About 50 students, mostly business majors, attended to prepare for the upcoming career showcase on Jan. 19 and 20.

Matt Tringali, president of the Warrington Diplomats, said students need the most help with the

interviewing process.

"A lot of students don't get any interviewing experience until after they leave the college setting," Tringali said.

Tringali said the mock interviews lasted between 20 minutes and 30 minutes per student.

At least 10 students had mock interviews.

The questions came off a list compiled by the student diplomats who have been interviewed before.

They picked the questions they found to be the most common and challenging during their own interviewing experiences.

Taylor Schalk, a UF sophomore, said the hardest part of the interviewing is the timing.

"You really have to be ready right on the spot," Schalk said.

On Campus

Florida teen gets deal after police say he stabbed brother

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Toxic chemical taints some Claire's, Wal-mart jewelry *Friendship bracelets, charms included.*

By **MORGAN WATKINS**
Alligator Contributing Writer

UF students might want to think twice before buying some budget bling.

Since Mattel recalled nearly 1 million toys in August 2007 after they were found to be laced with lead, some Chinese manufacturers have been substituting the toxic heavy metal cadmium in low-cost jewelry.

An Associated Press investigation showed several Chinese-manufactured jewelry pieces contained cadmium levels of up to 91 percent by weight, according to the AP article.

Lab testing performed for the AP also revealed some items shed the substance easily, increasing concern for the effects of cadmium

exposure, especially in children and young adults, who are more susceptible to cadmium's effects.

Cadmium, the seventh most-hazardous substance in the environment, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, can cause severe liver and kidney problems, said David Barber, associate professor at UF's Center for Environmental and Human Toxicology.

"Cadmium has been recognized as a toxic metal for many years," he said. "I was quite surprised when I heard it wasn't something that was paid much attention to."

Some of the jewelry with high levels of cadmium was sold at Claire's and Wal-Mart, the AP investigation revealed.

The tainted jewelry included two charms for a "best friends" bracelet sold by Claire's and three flip-flop-shaped bracelet charms available at Wal-Mart, according to the AP.

Claire's issued a statement announcing it would discontinue the sale of the bracelet out of caution, although the company has no reason to believe the product is unsafe. The company requires that all merchandise pass tests at a lab approved by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

A statement issued by Wal-Mart announced the company would remove all items identified in recent cadmium-related media reports from its shelves.

Wal-Mart is also conducting its own investigation and is cooperating with the CPSC's current investigation.

Sonia Hayes Pleasant, spokeswoman for

the CPSC, said shoppers should avoid buying such products at this time.

"There's no way a parent can determine if a piece of metal jewelry contains any kind of metal, including cadmium," she said.

Cadmium, which is naturally found in soils and is used in some plastics, is restricted in some items such as painted toys but not in jewelry, according to the AP.

After lead became strictly regulated by the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008, manufacturers began searching for alternatives as the price of cadmium dropped.

A safer substitute for cadmium is zinc, which is the most-cited metal for lead replacement in jewelry imported to the U.S. for sale.

"Cadmium is one of the nastier heavy metals that are out there," Barber said. "It can have a lot of effects depending on how largely you're exposed."

Students stroll with seniors

■ THE PROJECT PAIRS STUDENTS WITH SEDENTARY SENIORS.

By **CJ Pruner**
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Michael Norman refuses to let his age control his life.

At 60 years old, Norman carries more enthusiasm than one would expect from someone his age, but he admits he lives a rather sedentary lifestyle.

"I'm sitting all day long," he said. "I need to get more active."

Enter Walking Buddies, a program designed to help people like Norman get out and moving one day a week for 12 weeks.

According to Stacey Bright, a senior injury awareness specialist with the Brain Inju-

ry Association of Florida Inc., the program will help in preventing falls for senior citizens and help them foster intergenerational relationships with students.

She also hopes that the program will help students gain experience in developing personal skills that could help them in their interaction with future patients.

"It's really a win-win for both parties," Bright said.

Initially launched at the University of North Florida in 2006, Walking Buddies is the first such project in Gainesville.

Once the program begins the week of January 25, enrolled senior citizens must attend 10 of the 12 sessions. Students may walk with up to five participants during the sessions.

Students with health-related majors interested in participating in the program should e-mail Craig Fox at foxca@shands.ufl.edu for more information.

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WEATHER

Sales fall with degrees

By CLARE LENNON

Alligator Contributing Writer

It might not come as a surprise to shivering Gators that the recent cold snap is freezing business for some of Gainesville's hot spots.

The chill has interrupted the typical warm-weather routine that makes up the majority of many businesses' income.

Mandi Navaro, owner of Golden Gator Tanning, said this winter has been especially bad for business.

"I still have my regulars who don't go without a tan, but less people are coming in," she said.

The weather has also impacted business for The Swamp Restaurant. While the restaurant has multiple indoor rooms and a bar, outdoor seating is also frequently used.

"When it gets really, really, really cold, you've got to seat the same customers in half the space," said events and office manager Kathleen Williams. "We do it fairly well, but it's a challenge."

Yogaberry, a popular frozen yogurt shop that replaced Dejá Brew this fall, is using the weather to its advantage to promote its lesser-known coffee products.

"The other sales have taken a hit with these crazy temperatures," manager Kyle Turner said about recent frozen yogurt sales.

Turner added he was not surprised by the sales that dropped along with the temperature.

"We know that when it warms up and spring rolls around, that's when everybody's coming," he said.

Starting Monday, Turner said Yogaberry will offer \$1 coffees and \$2 lattes to cater to chilled students on a college budget.

However, other stores that cater more strictly to the frozen-treat crowd must pursue a different strategy than coffee.

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Kathleen Williams

The Swamp Restaurant events and office manager

Michael Herbert, assistant manager of TCBY on Southwest 34th Street, said the ice cream chain sees a decrease in sales every year with the cold weather.

"This year has been a little slower, but there's also a decrease probably because of the increase in competition," he said.

Herbert also said TCBY is offering daily specials, but for the most part, the company plans to wait for the cold to pass.

Herbert added the frozen yogurt business usually picks back up around spring break, when students can trade in fur boots for flip-flops and scarves for sunglasses.

Major quake hits Haiti

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Editorial

Just do it

Senators should allow students to vote on fee

The Editorial Board would like to encourage Student Government senators to do the right thing. Just this one time. Please.

We may have spent years berating you and constantly pointing out your faults, but we're happy to take your side on an issue as hotly debated as the Reitz Union student fee. That is if you actually put the students first and allow a referendum question to appear on the spring ballot.

We here at the Alligator are in complete support of having students vote on whether they support the \$20 flat fee and \$3 per credit hour.

We understand some of you want a big, fancy new student union. (However, \$56 million is a good chunk of change.) We also understand that even with the new fee, our tuition would still be substantially lower than most colleges.

And don't worry, graduate students. We haven't forgotten about your problems with the fee either.

We know all of this, but we still believe that the students (you know, the ones who voted for you to represent them) who will be paying for this fee should have a say, because isn't that the point of democracy?

However, don't just put the question on the ballot and then toss the results to the side (handscanners at Southwest Recreation Center, anyone?)

Listen to the opinions of UF students or, at the very least, pretend to take their opinions into consideration.

And students: If the senators are so kind as to give you the power to vote on the fee, please don't disappoint us by not showing up to the polls come Feb. 23 and Feb. 24.

Payhack

Google announced Monday that it will stop censoring Web content on its Chinese site after the Gmail accounts of human rights activists were hacked, and the Editorial Board thinks it's about time.

While they didn't come right out and say it, a Google blog post hints that the attack came from within China's government.

In 2006, with the development of Google.cn, Google agreed to censor content the Chinese government deemed objectionable — a surprising step that threatened the freedom of Chinese citizens.

While the Editorial Board feels that Google made a mistake in ever agreeing to censor the search results on

its page, we acknowledge that the company is making the right decision now.

In its blog post, Google also notes that cutting censorship might not be the only repercussion of the snafu — Google may rethink business operations with China altogether, which we think would be both the right decision and a truly ballsy move.

According to Forbes.com, China passed the U.S. in Internet users in 2006 — just around the time Google made its deal with China. We realize how much revenue China brings to Google, and we respect the company for putting people first — above money.

We only wish they did it three years ago.

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Column

Census questions display ignorance

When I saw a link for the spanking new "race and ethnicity" guidelines from the U.S. Census Bureau plastered across the ISIS homepage, I had to check it out.

The first time I took the FCAT, I had a fit. I demanded to know why I had not been provided with a "multiracial" box to tick.

Racial diversity at my school meant three black students, a half-Korean kid and me, so my guidance counselor was a tad unprepared. I insisted I should check two boxes — I couldn't play favorites with my parents. She said no.

The new census is an improvement if only in that you can check more than one box. There are two questions, each with its own list of answers and politically correct disclaimers.

The first addresses whether you are Hispanic. It states: "The above part of the question is about ethnicity, not race," so whether you are black, white or blue, if you're from Central or South America, you're hispanic.

Yes, Cubans and Puerto Ricans as well. Question done, now let's move onto race.

As an anthro student, I word-vomit "social construct" as soon as I hear the word race.

As far as I'm aware, the U.S. government didn't enslave or abuse any of my ancestors, so I don't really see a reason the government needs to know with which group I would rather associate myself.

What purpose does a racial category serve in the census?

As one of my professors was told when he asked this question during his time as one of the census's "expert consultants": It's the law.

Lily Burns
Speaking Out

The instructions are to choose one or more from the following racial groups. These groups are as follows: American Indian or Alaska native, Asian, black or African American, native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, and white.

Each choice comes with a paragraph defining the category and they use the phrase "a person having origins in" a lot.

I get the feeling that anthropological know-how is becoming hip in the politically correct world in which the current administration lives.

So what I think they were trying to demonstrate was some race consciousness. The intended question should probably have been written: Where in the hey did your ancestors live before colonialism went and redrew the continent of Africa?

It's a questionnaire written by somebody who probably wasn't there the day their anthropology, sociology, biology or anatomy professor talked about human variation.

And it's a section of the questionnaire I'll be skipping. Thank you, UF and ISIS, but I don't feel like standing up and being counted. I have my passports.

You know which countries they are from. That should be plenty.

Whether or not it's officially recognized, race is an issue. As long as populations with recognizable physical differences interact, it will always be an issue.

Prescribing racial categories doesn't help. What does help is treating every individual as a human being and not just a number.

Lily Bruns is a third-year anthropology major.

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Reader response

Today's question:

Should Google break its contract with China?

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Guest column Politics hard to parody

When Time Magazine declared the age of irony dead following the Sept. 11 attacks, its conclusion was right, even if it was working from faulty premises.

Time foresaw the Clinton-era zeitgeist of a lackadaisical global hegemony being replaced by a new age of sobering national purpose. There would be no more cynicism among the people, and certainly no more of that sociopathic opportunism among our leaders. How could there be?

Of course, we now know that plans to focus public outrage away from the actual culprits behind Sept. 11 and toward the unrelated goal of controlling Iraq began literally hours after the worst terrorist attacks in American history, with the twisted wreckage of the World Trade Center still billowing asbestos-laced ash, the acrid smoke only temporarily veiling a forever-altered New York City skyline. So Time got that one wrong.

But one element of irony has indeed been on life support in recent years — political satire. Not because we've all become angels; just the opposite. Events have become so outrageous that it's becoming harder to effect a decent parody anymore.

It began before Sept. 11 — the purest example being the Clinton impeachment farce — but has steadily gathered steam in the past decade. In 2004, at a White House correspondent's dinner, President Bush participated in a skit where he was "looking around the White House" for the weapons of mass destruction we never found in Iraq. Trillions of dollars and tens of thousands of lives lost, and Bush — and the press corps — was having a laugh about it. How do you parody that?

Guantanamo Bay. Torture. Rendition. The surveillance state. These are the things of Orwellian nightmares, and yet they've all come to pass — in most cases with widespread public acceptance. Satire works through the use of exaggeration, but how do you improve upon a scenario like snatching a person up without explanation, taking him to a strange country, inflicting upon him continuous physical

Sterling Barnard and psychological pain, and then refusing to let him go because he might now be radicalized against you — even if he wasn't before — all done in the name of freedom? It's impossible.

Things have only gotten worse since Obama was elected. Recently, I saw a sign being proudly waved at one of those tea party protests complaining about Obama. I honestly couldn't tell if the middle-aged, gray-haired man holding it was serious or just slyly commenting on the clown show taking place around him.

It's hard for me to even keep up with the talking points each week. To hear some tell it, Obama is an elitist, overly intellectual know-nothing who's so thoughtful and nuanced that he's all rhetoric and no substance. He's a radical Christian-Muslim terrorist sleeper-agent who calls Osama bin Laden Sundays after church.

He's certainly the most stridently socialist ironman since Stalin even though he doesn't have any kind of real power and is just being controlled by his suspiciously Semitic advisers. And just for good measure, he's probably sleeping with all the nation's young white women even though he's a black supremacist who is agitating for the Afro-revolution.

It's impossible to parody. And the fact is, it's becoming impossible to ignore this growing community of fellow travelers that is completely untethered from what was once called consensus reality.

They believe what they want to believe — whether it's that health care reform is akin to Nazi death camps or that global climate change is really a worldwide conspiracy of scientists out for research grants — because it fits their preconceived ideological commitments. To these mostly old, mostly white, mostly insane people, there are no truths, only interpretations. Empiricism has become an obstacle to be overcome rather than a philosophy to be embraced.

It's scary. And it's going to get worse before it gets better.

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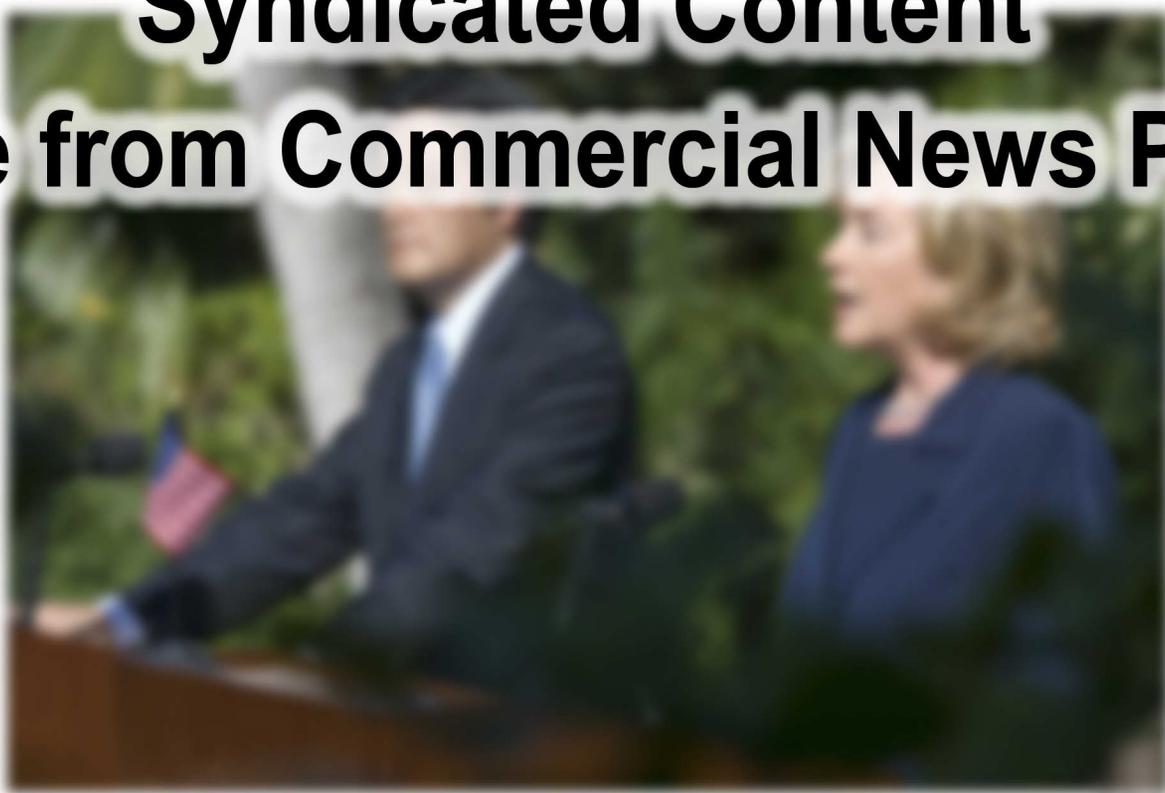
WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's administration has accepted a delay in a decision on whether to build new U.S. military bases in Japan, according to a senior administration official.

The official said the administration is "open to a variety of options" and is currently reviewing the situation. The official also said that the administration is "committed to maintaining a strong and enduring alliance with Japan."

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President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama walk on the grounds of the White House in Washington, D.C., on Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2010.

Senate stalls fee vote

By **ELIZABETH BEHRMAN**
Alligator Writer

The Reitz Union has been around for more than 40 years, but for Student Government senators, discussions about its renovation and expansion never get old.

Senators voted Tuesday night to postpone voting on a bill that would add a question about the Reitz Union expansion fee to the spring Student Government election ballot.

The question, which consists of two parts, will allow students to express whether the fee should be implemented, and if it is, whether it should be used to cover expansion as well as the repairs in the Reitz Union.

Senate President Ashton Charles, a member of the Unite Party, said the vote is being postponed so that several student organizations and the Reitz Union Board of Managers can review the legislation.

Charles, one of the sponsors of the bill, said students have attended forums about the fee and deserve the opportunity to review a bill related to it.

"It is something that everyone has been working really hard on, and we owe them the chance to see it and have their input," Charles said.

Charles said postponing the vote on the bill may not change the legislation at all.

Student Government She said there will still be time to put the question on the ballot for the upcoming elections.

"We've already set the precedent for communicating with people and we're being consistent with the policy," Charles said.

Although the vote is being postponed, Charles said the Unite Party is pleased with the compromise senators reached with members of the Orange and Blue Party and the Progress Party while they were drafting the bill.

Halls to host environmental events

CHALLENGE, from page 1

reducing the amount of water usage per resident, February's contest focuses on waste reduction, and March and April's contest focuses on recycling efforts.

Robby Perreault, a sophomore industrial and systems engineering major and a Thomas Hall resident assistant, said the hall's walls are decorated with posters. Bulletin boards are to raise awareness about shower timers installed in the hall's bathrooms, he said.

The timers serve to remind students to take shorter, cooler showers to save water.

Leah Zigelzsky, a UF freshman who lives in Jennings Hall, said the challenge has also encouraged her to recycle.

"I've definitely realized a lot more ways that I can make changes in my routines, which would help this cause a lot," Zigelzsky said.

The group's Facebook page also said the challenge awards individual students for any extra efforts they make toward being more eco-friendly.

They may be awarded for using reusable to-go boxes from Gator Dining, for

example.

Britany Ziems, the eco-challenge representative for Reid Hall, Yulee Hall and Mallory Hall, said the halls will host events to help promote environmental awareness.

"The main thing is to promote environmental awareness. We want students to feel they can make an impact, no matter how big or how small."

Bo Chulawan
IRHA spokesman

Ziems said snacks will be served and Wall-E will be shown at the Yulee Hall basement Thursday.

She said she wants to encourage students in a relaxed way rather than hosting formal speaking engagements.

"We want to get our message across by having fun, not [by] boring people," said Ziems.

For more information about the challenge, visit <http://www.sustainable.ufl.edu>.

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Guard play too much for UF to handle

■ ERIC BLEDSOE AND JOHN WALL COMBINED FOR 44 POINTS.

By ADAM BERRY
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Freshman phenom John Wall received the majority of the pregame hype, but it was his fellow freshman guard who stole the show Tuesday night.

Eric Bledsoe scored 25 points, grabbed seven rebounds and dished out five assists, leading No. 2 Kentucky to an 89-77 win against Florida in the O'Connell Center.

The Gators (11-5) kept it close throughout, tying it up with 5:14 remaining in the game, but the Wildcats (17-0) prevailed thanks to a balanced inside-outside game and an impressive performance by Bledsoe, who more than doubled his average of 10.3 points per game.

"We put a lot of attention on Wall, and Bledsoe ended up hurting us," said sophomore point guard Erving Walker, who led UF with 20 points. "We gave him some open looks that he shouldn't have had, but he just made plays. I've got to give him credit - he made plays."

UF managed to keep the game within striking distance for much of the second half due largely to the efforts of Walker (20 points) and junior power forward Alex Tyus (17).

The Gators got off to a strong start, holding Kentucky to just four points in the opening eight minutes and crashing the defensive glass in a way they had failed to all season.

The Wildcats missed their first six shots before Bledsoe put in a fast-break layup to put his team on the board, and Wall, who finished with 19 points, didn't score his first basket until nearly six minutes into the game, when he tore down the court and dropped in a transition layup.

The Wildcats found their stroke, though, with back-to-back threes by Bledsoe and Darnell Dodson

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Harrison Diamond / Alligator Staff

Kentucky guard Eric Bledsoe shoots past UF freshman center Erik Murphy during the Gators' 89-77 loss to the Wildcats in the O'Connell Center Tuesday.

Calipari's job made easy by talented freshmen

John Calipari's offense is simple. Lucky for him, his players are beasts.

And he unleashed his beasts on Florida in a methodic 89-77 victory Tuesday night.

I imagine Calipari's instructions inside the Kentucky huddle are no more complicated than a children's nursery rhyme.

See John Wall run. Run John run. John runs fast.



Kyle Maistri

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Only John's not the cute little spotted dog from the book. He's a pit bull - a trained killer.

Coach Cal's best friend is given simple orders: Push the ball up the court as fast as you can and as far as you can.

Look first for an easy lay-in for yourself. If that's not there, a quick pass for a layup or dunk. And if all else fails, kick it back out for an open jump shot, or reset the offense from there.

The third option is not usually needed.

I wouldn't be shocked to learn that the Wildcats don't practice with a ball. Wall and Eric Bledsoe, who went off for 25 points against the Gators, probably just lead the team out to the track where they run sprints for two hours.

"When Wall's coming up the floor 100 miles per hour, Bledsoe is resting and when Bledsoe is coming up the floor, Wall is resting," UF coach Billy Donovan said. "So it's kind of like a two-headed monster the way they come at you off the dribble."

Off of every missed shot, Kentucky got out and ran.

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UF WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Gators trying to find starting lineup

By EUGENIO TORRENS
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The starting lineup for the Gators went from a who's-who hodgepodge to a consistent starting five that, above all, brings one thing to the Southeastern Conference schedule.

And that is experience.

The current starting lineup for the Gators (Sharielle Smith, Azania Stewart, Steffi Sorensen, Jordan Jones and Lonika Thompson) boasts five players who all have prior SEC experience, including transfer Jones who sat out last year but was thrust into a starting role her fresh-

man year against conference foes as a point guard for South Carolina.

It hasn't been that way all season. Coach Amanda Butler has shuffled the starting lineup and has trotted out six different combinations throughout the season.

"To be honest with you, it's not really set."

Sharielle Smith
UF senior forward

The most effective of those lineups has been the current one that holds a 5-3 record and has remained consistent the last seven

games, including the three SEC games this season (2-1 record in those games).

But that doesn't mean they are guaranteed anything.

"To be honest with you, it's not really set," Smith said. "It has been consistent the last couple of games, but I don't think it's set."

"Everybody knows if you, individually, if you don't set the tone in one game or you don't have necessarily some of your best play, there is an opportunity for other people to step up and take your position."

Substitutes may come in quick and of-

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TEERING OFF WITH BOBBY CALLOVI

■ I understand the hate Lane Kiffin is getting for leaving Tennessee for USC, but he will not fail there. He has already surrounded himself with great offensive (Norm Chow), defensive (his dad) and recruiting (Ed Orgeron) coordinators. ... In other college coaching changes, I hope Skip Holtz takes the USF job. Not because he is a good fit, but because it would strip McCall of his beloved coach.

NCAA FOOTBALL

■ Tennessee coach Lane Kiffin has left the Volunteers to replace Pete Carroll at USC, where he was once an assistant. Kiffin spent just 14 months in Knoxville.

POLL RESULTS

Previous question:

Which Gator could have benefitted the most from returning for his senior year?

	Percent (Votes)
Wright	72% (57)
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Ma. Pouncey	6% (5)

Recent cases of player abuse a cause for concern

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Gators unable to match up with Wildcats' frontcourt in the post

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that cut the lead to one.

From there, the game turned into a run-and-gun affair, with both teams racing down the floor for points in transition. The style played perfectly into UK's hand, and the Wildcats' athleticism was on full display as they pulled ahead 38-31 by the end of the first half and never trailed for the rest of the game.

"I think the speed and size and length after a period of time starts to wear our guys down just because of our lack of depth,"

Donovan said.



**Men's
Basketball**

In the opening 20 minutes, the Gators showed no signs of picking up their three-point shooting where they left off against Vanderbilt, but they found an unlikely weapon from the outside in Tyus.

Tyus, who had only attempted one three this season prior to Tuesday, hit his first two of the season before halftime.

UF hit only one other three in the opening 20 minutes — a

bank shot by freshman guard Kenny Boynton with less than a minute remaining. The Gators shot better in the second half but finished at just 38 percent from the field and 30 percent from three-point range.

UF also struggled to stop UK's post players, as forward Patrick Patterson scored 15 and DeMarcus Cousins added 13. With Cousins in foul trouble throughout the game, UK coach John Calipari turned to freshman forward Daniel Orton, who scored just two points but grabbed nine rebounds and had four huge blocks.

UF leans on Smith to provide rebounding presence

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ten for the Gators, and Florida's starting five isn't the most athletic or dominant rotation, but the one thing Smith seemed to associate with these starters was a high basketball IQ.

"This would be our smartest lineup," she said. "It's not necessarily about who's quicker on defense, it's more about who's smarter on defense. The starting lineup out thinks a lot of other starting lineups."

Generally, that starts with the point guard. Thompson set a career high in steals (seven) against Ohio on Dec. 28.

Thompson running the point has allowed Jones to move back to her natural shooting guard position. Jones leads the team in scoring, assists and steals.

A smaller front court featuring Stewart as the only player taller than 6 feet, at 6 foot 4, has been managed by Smith, Stewart and Sorensen.

Smith leads the team in rebounding with 7.3 boards per game and Stewart has improved her play over winter break, boosting her scoring and rebounding averages.

The toughness instilled in the players by Butler makes the others, besides Stewart, a rebounding threat despite their lack of size.

"We're willing to all scrap and battle and fight for every loose rebound," Sorensen said. "A big amount of pride of the first four minutes is the statement you make: you either get hit in the face, or you hit the other team in the face."



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UF forward Sharielle Smith dribbles the ball down the court during the Gators' 71-68 double overtime win against Auburn in the O'Connell Center on Jan. 7.

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The Wildcats big men gave the ball up quickly to the speedy Wall and Bledsoe, and they did the rest.

It's worth noting that perhaps the best — certainly the quickest — backcourt in the nation is comprised of two freshmen. Two freshmen who look like they've been running fast breaks for as long as they could dribble a basketball.

As good as Kentucky's high-speed offensive attack is, I wasn't sold on its defense. If the Gators could have shot better than 30 percent in the first half, the result would have been totally different.

Donovan has UF committed on the defensive end, and the improvement is noticeable. But without Nick Calathes, it doesn't appear that the Gators have a way of generating easy baskets the way Kentucky does with Wall and Bledsoe.

Walker turned in an admirable performance — 20 points — but got little help from anyone besides Alex Tyus, who hit two threes with the shot clock winding down, dumped in 17 points and was the only UF big man not to run and hide from Patrick Patterson and DeMarcus Cousins.

The game looked up in the air with as few as five minutes remaining, but the Wildcats' wild dogs had one last finishing push at the end of the marathon.

When Walker almost single-handedly brought back the Gators with his 16 second-half points, Bledsoe hit a three from the wing to extend the lead to six points and Wall made the play of the game, blocking Boynton off the glass from behind on a runout before sinking four free throws to ice the game.

As it turns out, Calipari's beasts also have a little greyhound in them.

Former Georgia RB Walker set for MMA debut at 47

■ THE FORMER GEORGIA running back is set to make his MMA debut at 47 years old. Walker, who played for the Georgia Bulldogs from 1987 to 1990, is expected to fight on Jan. 16 in Las Vegas.

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