



# Islam Fair aims to break down stereotypes



Steven Keys / Alligator Staff

Nora Zaki, left, and Tasnia Osmani, right, served food at the Islam Fair on Monday afternoon.

■ ABOUT 200 PEOPLE WENT TO THE EVENT MONDAY.

By **CJ PRUNER**  
 Alligator Writer

Students snacked on hummus and listened to the sounds of devotional chants at the Islam Fair Monday on the Reitz Union North Lawn.

The fair is a celebration of Islam Awareness Month at UF. It continues today starting at 10:30 a.m. and is sponsored by UF's Islam on Campus.

Karim Khan, the vice president of external affairs for Islam on Campus, said about 200 people stopped by the tent Monday to ask questions, peruse through cultural artifacts and sample ethnic cooking.

Khan said the fair helps to raise awareness about the Islamic culture and dismiss any preconceived stereotypes people may have about the religion.

"A lot of people think of us as angry people with big beards," said Khan, who is half Pakistani and half Irish. "We want to show [people] that Muslims are their neighbors and that they're good people."

Hanging around the tents were traditional garments and religious decorations as well as photos of famous Muslims, such as Malcolm X, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Zinedine Zidane and Cat Stevens, now known as Yusuf Islam. Across from the tent, tables were set up representing different Islamic countries.

Guests were encouraged to take free samples of literature, including copies of the Quran as well as sample pita bread, hummus and grape leaves filled with rice.

UF freshmen Nora Zaki and Tasnia Osmani helped serve the free samples.

"I feel burgers are everywhere, but this isn't," Osmani said. "This offers something different."

## TECHNOLOGY

# SEC app lists traditions

By **JOEY FLECHAS**  
 Alligator Writer

Die-hard Southeastern Conference fans have a new way to satisfy their appetites for histories and traditions.

The College Kids, a company started by two Mississippi State University students in an entrepreneurship class, has released a new iPhone application called "College Rites," which features a checklist of more than 50 traditions from SEC schools.

The app, which costs 99 cents, has been out for two weeks. More than 40 have been sold, with 18 selling last week.

Co-owner and co-designer Christina Young, a chemical engineering senior, said the idea came from a trip she took to Auburn University for a football game.

She didn't understand the tradition surrounding Toomer's Corner, a street corner where students hang rolls of toilet paper from two trees after an athletic win.

She saw the need for the information to be easily available.

"It'll provide a good database for people to

look at and learn about the different schools," Young said.

The app allows people to search a database of SEC school traditions and histories, and it gives users the option of posting YouTube links and pictures of themselves completing the traditions.

"It's an SEC-focused app. It'll provide a good database for people to look at and learn about the different schools."

**Christina Young**  
 app co-designer

Users can also rank their favorite traditions and post smack talk on a message board.

"The message board will promote a spirit of rivalry," Young said.

UF advertising junior Jessica Keys said she liked the idea but wouldn't get the app unless it was free.

"It's more for the students who are really into going to the away games," she said.

# Parties fill exec spots

By **ELIZABETH BEHRMAN**  
 Alligator Writer

The Unite Party and the Student Alliance party have filled all the seats on their executive tickets.

On the Unite Party ticket, Senate President Ashton Charles is running for Student Body president. Marcus Dixon is the candidate for vice president, and Virlany Taboada is running for treasurer.

For the Student Alliance party, Ben Cavaturo is the candidate for Student Body president. Sagar Sane is running for vice president, and Rafael Yaniz is the candidate for treasurer.

Charles said she is honored to campaign with Dixon and Taboada and would not have chosen anyone else as her running mates.

"We make a really phenomenal

team, and we all really care about the university," Charles said.

Cavaturo said the Student Alliance party wanted to put together a list of candidates with as much real-world experience as possible, and he feels that goal was accomplished by adding Yaniz and Sane to its executive ticket.

Cavaturo said running against the Unite Party candidates is not going to change the Student Alliance party's campaign strategy.

"I think we have the most diverse ticket in terms of the experience of our members," Cavaturo said.

Charles said the Unite Party will not be making any changes to campaign strategies either.

"I wish them the best of luck," Charles said.

■ UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan and the Gators' baseball team opened practice Friday with plenty of depth and questions about the lineup looming heading into the upcoming season. See Story, Page 14.



## Waldo woman hits pregnant woman in fight over fingernails

A Waldo woman was arrested after she hit a pregnant employee in the head after a fight about a local nail salon's services Saturday afternoon.

Rashandra Bolton, 23, was arrested at Nail Forever, 114 NE Waldo Road, after she became angry and started arguing with the employees, according to the arrest report.

According to police, witnesses said Bolton knocked over supplies and equipment. She caused less than \$100 worth of damages, police

said. Bolton hit one of the employees and scratched his wrist, breaking his gold chain during the argument.

When a visibly pregnant woman stepped in to help, Bolton hit the woman in the head, neck and shoulders, leaving her with bruises, police said. Bolton was arrested shortly before 2:30 p.m.

— KATHERINE BEIN

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# News Today

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### CASA's First Meeting

Today, 7 p.m.  
CSE, Room E121  
The Cuban-American Student Association is having its first meeting Tuesday night in CSE, Room E121. Come meet our new officers and hear what we have planned for this year.

### RUB Entertainment Presents: RUB 10th Birthday Celebrations and Y2K Movie Trivia

Wednesday, 8 p.m.  
Orange & Brew  
RUB turns 10. Help us celebrate as we continue our birthday week celebrations with Y2K and movie trivia. Enjoy free admission, free food and a chance to win prizes while being crowned millennium pop culture master. For more information, visit us at [union.ufl.edu/rub](http://union.ufl.edu/rub).

### Keeping isREAL

Wednesday, 8 p.m.  
UF Hillel  
Come out and watch an award-winning Israeli film, "Turn Left at the End of the World." Snacks and drinks will be provided.

### Psychology Club/ Psi Chi Meeting

Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
Weil Hall, Room 270  
Our meeting will start at 7:20 p.m., but you are welcome to come at 7 p.m. for free pizza, to ask questions or to participate in our icebreaker activity. For more information, go to [www.psych.ufl.edu/~psichi/](http://www.psych.ufl.edu/~psichi/).

Got something going on?

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## LOCAL

### GPD investigates robbery in apartment parking lot

Gainesville detectives are investigating a robbery that occurred in the Rockwood Villas' parking lot early Monday morning.

Gainesville Police Department Cpl. Tscharna Senn said the victim was attacked in Rockwood Villas' parking lot at about 3 a.m. by two suspects, who police believe the victim was familiar with.

Senn said the robbery happened after an argument about money.

No weapons were involved in the robbery, and the victim was taken to a local hospital with minor injuries, she said.

Detectives are investigating several leads, and Senn said she's confident the suspects will be found.

— KATHERINE BEIN

## NATIONAL

### Police: Man killed Ohio teen throwing eggs at cars

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Police say charges have been filed in the 2006 death of an Ohio boy who was killed after he and two others threw eggs at passing cars.

Twenty-two-year-old Michael Gross Jr. faces charges of murder and tampering with evidence in the slaying of Danny Crawford, who was 14 when he died Dec. 2, 2006, in Columbus.

According to police reports, witnesses say Crawford and the others hit a Jeep Cherokee with eggs shortly after midnight, and a passenger opened fire after the driver of the vehicle chased them. Crawford was hit as he tried to run away.

— THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## CORRECTION

Monday's edition of the Alligator incorrectly reported that fax machines should be turned off to save energy. The article also said students can adjust thermostats in classrooms. They cannot.

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Susan Stewart  
Editor, InsideUF  
Associate Director, Public Relations

### UF provides help for Haiti

Helping Haitians now is greatly important. Everyone is encouraged to lend a hand or to aid organizations here at the University of Florida or elsewhere.

A team of faculty and staff from three UF colleges recently provided medical assistance in Haiti. In addition, a UF forensic expert helped identify earthquake victims.

Additional university community members or groups who desire to travel to Haiti in their university capacity, or plan to use any university account, must coordinate arrangements through Lynn Frazier, the UF Haiti-project coordinator. Anyone who travels without approval will not be covered by university or state insurance or have the benefit of sovereign immunity. Frazier may be reached at [lfrazier@ufl.edu](mailto:lfrazier@ufl.edu) or 352-392-0186.

A Web page, [www.aa.ufl.edu/haiti/](http://www.aa.ufl.edu/haiti/), has been created by the Office of the Provost to communicate Haiti information.

To donate to Gators United for Haiti, a student-run project that is supervised and aided by UF administration, please visit <http://gatorsunitedforhaiti.org/> or join the Gators United for Haiti Facebook group.

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Chunxian Chen

**Fact**  
Sugar Belle is available in stores throughout the U.S. East Coast.

Fred Gmitter developed Sugar Belle, and says the fruit "makes you happy when you eat it."

## UF's Sugar Belle is sweet success

Sugar Belle, a name meaning sweet and beautiful, is the first University of Florida-created citrus variety intended for commercial production.

Fred Gmitter, UF professor of citrus breeding and genetics, worked many years for Sugar Belle, a bold mandarin orange hybrid, to be where it is today.

Hired in 1985 as a UF assistant professor, Gmitter soon noticed a neglected block of trees left behind by a retired professor.

"I tasted (the fruit on) every tree—most were horrible," said Gmitter. "Then I tasted fruit from this one tree and it was phenomenal." The tree is now known as Sugar Belle.

Gmitter then began propagating the tree, knowing that he had found a valuable citrus selection.

One of the first large-scale field trials was on the east coast of Florida.

But after growing for a few years, a setback occurred. Citrus canker, a highly contagious disease that attacks fruit, was found near the trees. The entire group had to be burned.

"That was really devastating," Gmitter said.

That didn't stop the determined Gmitter and soon, after producing more crops, taste trials began. Sugar Belle won "big-time" as the favorite among the taste-testers, he said.

It is a very bold, rich-tasting citrus with high levels of sugar. "Makes you happy when you eat it," he said.

Sugar Belle has numerous benefits that make it stand out from other competitors. It has a high percentage of vitamin C, ripens four to six weeks earlier than other varieties of citrus and it has shown a greater tolerance to the fungus *Alternaria*.

After long hours and hard work, Gmitter is really satisfied with Sugar Belle. But now the rest is out of his hands.

"It's like when you first take your kids to kindergarten. You are still attached but you have to let them go—I have that feeling about Sugar Belle," said Gmitter. "Didn't expect that feeling, but it's strange. It's like having a 25-year-old kid."

By Jenna McVey

### UF Calendar

#### Feb. 3

"Biometrics for Human Identification: Technology and Policy," speaker Anil Jain, professor at Michigan State University, 7:30 p.m., Pugh Hall Ocora.

#### Feb. 4, 5, 6

"Current Approaches to Spanish and Portuguese Second Language Phonology," 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Reitz Student Union, room 282.

#### Feb. 10

"Race and the Trace of History," speaker Patrick Wolfe, research fellow at La Trobe University, Australia, and Harvard University, 4 to 6 p.m., Dauer, room 219.

#### Feb. 11

"Environmental Issues in South Asia," speaker Ann Gold, professor at Syracuse University, 7:30 p.m., Pugh Hall Ocora.

UFPA presents Soweto Gospel Choir, 7:30 p.m., Phillips Center, admission fee. Call 352-392-2787 for more information.

This is a sampling of events from the electronic UF calendar.

For more event details, or to submit an event to the calendar, click "UF Calendar" at [www.insideuf.ufl.edu](http://www.insideuf.ufl.edu).

### Note This

#### Black History Month events offer music, comedy and more

The University of Florida kicked off Black History Month Monday with an opening ceremony at Reitz Student Union. Many more activities are planned.

Some of the more than 20 upcoming events include a performance by R&B artist Rudy Currence at 7 p.m. today at Orange and Brew, a leadership conference from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Feb. 6 at Ustler Hall, the Miss Black and Gold scholarship pageant at 7 p.m. on Feb. 12 at the Reitz Student Union Grand Ballroom, and a comedy show at 7 p.m. on Feb. 26 at the Reitz Student Union Grand Ballroom.

For more information on Black History Month, visit <http://ufblackhistorymonth.com/events.aspx>.

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# Commission talks about 'green belt'

■ THE 11.5-MILE PIPELINE WOULD COST ABOUT \$5M.

By **MINCH MINCHIN**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

Sewage may soon be passing through the city of Waldo faster than cars.

If given the green light, the city of Waldo, which is infamous for being one of the nation's worst speed traps, will pay for most of the construction costs of an 11.5-mile wastewater pipeline.

In a meeting Monday night among members of the Gainesville Community Development Committee, Gainesville Regional Utilities Board and representatives from the city of Waldo, city manager and officials

tentatively agreed to move forward on the project that would allow Waldo to build the pipeline along U.S. 301 between Waldo and Gainesville.

Official approval for the estimated \$5 million project is expected to come within two weeks, Gainesville

**Gainesville City Government** Commissioner Scherwin Henry said.

The city of Waldo will use a governmental stimulus fund to cover construction costs, according to Gainesville Commissioner Thomas Hawkins.

The pipe is expected to replace Waldo's outdated sewage system, which is currently pushed to the limits by the town's nearly 800 residents, Waldo City Manager Kim Worley said.



Juliana Jimenez / Alligator

David Richardson, assistant general manager for water and wastewater systems for Gainesville Regional Utilities, speaks at a City Commission meeting on Monday night.

## BLACK HISTORY

# Campus Black History Month events kick off Monday

By **ROBERT IMFELD**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

Love is in the air for this year's Black History Month.

"A Love Story," this year's theme, reflects the trials and tribulations, the ups and downs of both black history and love, and the need to celebrate the journeys of both, according to Rhana Gittens, the marketing director of Black History Month.

UF kicked off 28 days of Black History Month events Monday night with a reception attended by about 300 people at the Reitz Union Rion Ballroom.

Gittens said the month's events will include at least one program each day.

The event featured a performance by the University Gospel Choir, which sang "Lift Ev'ry Voice."

Alton Edmund, vice president of the choir, said the group is excited for its upcoming performance at the Phillips Center on Friday, Feb. 5, because renowned vocalist Ricky Dillard will be performing onstage with them.

The ceremony also included a speech by the executive director of BHM, Kamali Burke, and three members of the Gators United for Haiti group announced they had raised about \$16,000.

Jean-Luc Adrien, one of the group's leaders, said the University Athletic Association promised a donation of \$50,000.

The ceremony ended with representa-

"Black History Month to me is celebrating the strength, pride, and passion that black students who came before us had."

**Kayla Morse**

vice president of the Black Student Union

tives from each of Black History Month's co-sponsors signing a document to signify their commitment to the mission of Black History Month.

Other events this month include The Great Gator Debaters Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom and a John Legend performance Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 7

p.m. at the O'Connell Center.

Desiree Chase, a health education senior, said she is excited to model in the Fashion X-Clusive on Friday, Feb. 19.

Chase has been participating in BHM events since 2005 and has noticed considerable changes since then.

"I feel like it's getting bigger," Chase said. "BSU is working hard."

Kayla Morse, the vice president of the Black Student Union, said the events are a way to celebrate individual groups within the Gator Nation.

"Black History Month to me is celebrating the strength, pride, and passion that black students who came before us had," Morse said.

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## GREEK LIFE

## Fraternity holds plasma drive

By STEFANIA FERRO

Alligator Contributing Writer

Students lacking spare change can donate blood plasma to raise money for Gators United for Haiti.

From Feb. 1 to Feb. 15, students can donate plasma to DCI Biologicals, a plasma center in Gainesville, as part of a Haiti fundraiser sponsored by Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity Inc.

Vladimir Charles, the fraternity's president, said students can decide what percentage of the money they earn from their plasma will go toward the relief fund.

"At the end of the day, UF is trying to unite in the effort to raise \$50,000, which I'm sure we're going to all

exceed, and it just makes more sense to collaborate on this," Charles said.

Ricardo Marengo, the fraternity's vice president, said eight members of the fraternity plan on donating plasma Saturday. The fraternity hopes to raise at least \$300 by the end of the drive, Marengo said.

The fraternity will be tabling on Turlington Plaza with donation jars from seven other student organizations. The organization that earns the most money from tabling and plasma donations will receive prizes such as gift cards and free food from Chipotle Mexican Grill, Marengo said.

Charles said other organizations can still join the fundraising efforts.

## Signing Gators get game gigs

They will sign during anthem

By ERICA COOK

Alligator Contributing Writer

Members of Signing Gators are lending their hands at UF gymnastics meets, basketball games and baseball games to sign the national anthem while it is being sung.

Alyssa Lunin, a former American Sign Language teaching assistant, came up with the idea to bring sign language to the games.

Lunin said she wanted to combine her passion for sign language and her love of sports.

She contacted the University Athletic Association to pitch her idea.

The signers vary from students enrolled in American Sign Language 1 to advanced former students and teaching assistants.

Alexandra Klein, the treasurer of Signing Gators, said four signers perform at each game.

"The first couple of times performing were definitely nerve-racking, especially with peers in the

audience," Lunin said. "However, after a couple of times, the nervousness goes away."

The signers could eventually perform at other athletic events.

Martin Salamone, UAA Assistant Athletics Director of marketing, said the signers could perform at football games depending on how the signers' performances go this semester.

"It's all about making sure our fans have the best possible experience," Salamone said.

The signers' next performance will be at the men's basketball game against Mississippi State University on Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

## January weather cold, not coldest

■ GAINESVILLE'S COLDEST JANUARY WAS IN 1940.

By MELINDA CARSTENSEN

Alligator Contributing Writer

Last month's cold weather left Gainesville residents turning up their heaters and scrambling to buy gloves and scarves. But this January wasn't the coldest one the city has seen.

Although at the start of the year Gainesville had its coldest two-week period in climate history, the average monthly temperature did not exceed previous records, according to an e-mail from National Weather Service Meteorologist Jason Hess.

According to Hess, the city's average temperature in January, 49 degrees Fahrenheit, was 5.3 degrees below normal and tied as the third coldest January since 1903. The coldest January in Gainesville was in 1940, when the average was 46 degrees. The city's all-time low was 10 degrees on Jan. 21, 1985.

Hess said there were 15 days last month when temperatures reached 32 degrees or lower. The lowest temperature, 17 degrees on Jan. 11, was the city's fifth coldest day recorded.

According to Hess, the National Weather Service expects temperatures in Gainesville to be lower than average in February, March and April.

"While we are not expecting that kind of cold snap in February, subfreezing temperatures will remain possible," he said.

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## Editorial

# Sore Losers

## Taylor Swift deserved her award

Leave poor Taylor Swift alone. We're tired of reading your Facebook statuses proclaiming how "Beyonce had one of the best videos of all time" a la Kanye West.

We don't want to hear any more of your complaining about how Lady Gaga is the best thing to happen to music since Michael Jackson died (too soon?).

And we're tired of reading endless comments about how the Grammys sucked more than a sour lemon.

If all of you were so pissed about Swift's triumph over our Lady Gaga, (we also unabashedly adore her and her all-new twist to the phrase "camel toe") stop watching and flip on Leno or Conan.

Oh, wait.

Whatever you think about the 20-year-old, "Love Story"-crooning country music crossover, let's get a few things straight.

Swift's album "Fearless" was the highest selling album of 2009. The Associated Press named Swift as 2009's entertainer of the year. And the release of her latest album saw the largest opening U.S. sales week in 2008 by a female artist in any genre of music.

That's a big deal, especially for a 20-year-old country singer.

And you're bashing the girl who got dumped by one of the Jonas Brothers. Seriously?

We love "The Fame" and "The Fame Monster" as much as the next guy. In fact, "Bad Romance" might be on repeat on several of our playlists.

But the facts speak for themselves.

We're sorry, Gaga, and we're going to let you finish, but Taylor had one of the best albums of all time.

## Come on, Phil

The Editorial Board is going to try something new today.

Instead of our usual pleas to the Student Body, Student Government, Bernie Machen or anyone else who annoys us (which turns out to be quite an extensive list), we're going to try and bargain with one of the most famous furry friends in the nation.

That's right, Punxsutawney Phil, we're talking to you.

Now, we realize whether or not Phil sees his shadow will probably have zero effect on the weather, but just go with us here, OK?

We're sick and tired of the cold, and our paychecks are far too small to allow

us to purchase new winter clothes.

Let's recap the kind of winter we've had thus far.

January showed record lows for the city of Gainesville. Local farmers had problems with frozen crops. We even suffered a mitten shortage.

And even though we had temperatures as low as 17 degrees, Gainesville didn't even get a little snow.

So please, we're begging you, Phil, Mother Nature or to whomever we should be directing this editorial: Cut us Floridians a little slack because we can't take the cold anymore.

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## Column

# Ending relationships has its positives

Breakups aren't fun. In fact, as far as things in relationships go, they pretty much suck.

To be clear, I'm generally a proponent of ending relationships that aren't right. Being with a partner who is willfully manipulative, ungrateful or selfish can have a toxic effect on your life and the lives of those around you. Being with a partner whom you constantly find yourself tolerating more than appreciating is unfair to both your partner and anyone who'd be willing to offer your partner something more than mere tolerance. And staying in a relationship with someone you love but with whom you are fundamentally incompatible is a recipe for frustration and tear-soaked confusion.

While every situation is different, I think it's generally a good idea to at least consider ending any relationship that falls under those broad categories. But just because it's a good idea doesn't mean it hurts any less when the breakup happens.

Breakups, after all, can be horrifying. Discovering that your love is no longer wanted, is no longer good enough or never even existed can make you feel lonely. If the breakup is with someone about whom you genuinely cared, it can be an unusual type of pain that feels like the only person who can help you is the one who hurt you, and it feels ridiculous even thinking that — as ridiculous as getting stabbed and then asking your assailant if he or she has any gauze you can borrow.

But it's not all bad.

Breakups give us a sort of emotional credibility. After all, it's a statement about how we feel for those we care about even after being hurt. It's one thing to be willing to take a chance and leave ourselves vulnerable if we haven't been stung; it's an entirely different thing to know how much it could hurt and still be open to it.

And there's some comfort in knowing that, as unique and personal as a breakup feels, we are not alone. These



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are the same feelings that dot, in some fashion, the millennia of human history. The feelings that come with getting a "We need to talk" text message know no temporal boundaries. Heartache, apprehension and loss are very old parts of who we are. To wit, even Abe Lincoln had his Ann Rutledge — though, admittedly, that was less a breakup than

a fatal fever. It still must've hurt, though.

If nothing else, breakups connect us in a very vibrant way. Relationships with people of all ages, races, religions and sexual orientations all involve breakups — and there's a strong kinship that can be formed with the universal truism that breakups are a bitch. We all know that breakups are painful, and knowing that provides good motivation for us to be there for each other.

Remembering all this does not necessarily help when you're freshly broken up, though, and knowledge isn't a vaccine against heartbreak. Even people who know all this still wind up eating and drinking copious amounts of things that come in pints, and they still belt out poorly considered, semi-intoxicated karaoke covers of Alanis Morissette songs. (Neither here nor there, but I may no longer be welcome at a certain Applebee's.)

But maybe it helps put breakups in context. A breakup, at its best, can be an act of selflessness, courage or emotional liberation. And almost every breakup shapes our relationship with love — what it means to us, why it matters to us and why we're willing to fight for it.

It's not the most fun way to go about doing that (it's probably among the suckier ways, in fact), but it's good for us, even if it doesn't feel like it.

Joe Dellosa is an advertising senior. His columns appear on Tuesdays.

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

## Reader response

### Today's question:

Do you think Taylor Swift deserved her Grammy?

### Monday's question:

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## Letter to the Editor

### Student Alliance Party lacks qualified candidates

Let's talk about the experience of the Student Alliance Party executive ticket.

Its presidential candidate's extent of experience is being a student senator who was recommended for disqualification by the Election Commission. While I applaud effort, there is a rather substantial learning curve from student senator to Student Body president. It seems far fetched that the Student Alliance Party has realized this.

Its vice presidential candidate has no experience whatsoever at UF other than being a student — a

graduate student. And he wants to manage the cabinet?

The party's treasurer candidate is probably the most questionable of them all. His previous experience: assistant chief of staff, where he accomplished nothing. Zero. Zip. Sounds great! Let's sign him up to manage a \$14.4 million budget. Is this what Student Government elections are coming to?

To the Student Alliance Party: Next time, please have enough respect for the Student Body to provide us with decent choices for the executive ticket. Until then, run for Student Senate, Mr. Dream-big-and-not-live-in-reality.

Josh Winegar  
UF student

## Guest column

# America's drinking problem serves as way to escape reality

Every foreign tourist who comes to America must think we are walking advertisements for the latest low-calorie Budweiser. America has a drinking problem and a culture that once scoffed at the idea of moderation.

Perhaps it was during Prohibition in the 1920s — when every drink was precious — that this nation adopted the principle of savoring every drop, so long as you can finish your drink in a minute or less.

Regardless, it was clear from the beginning that you were either a drinker or soon to be one. If you don't drink, it's best not to say so because you are bound to be ostracized. How do you explain to someone that you don't like numbing all the circuits in your brain? And it's not as if you can escape alcohol's tempting hand. From football games and camping to movie theaters and your little sister's boring school recital, there really is no setting that isn't conducive with drinking.

### Eric Tegethoff Speaking Out

It starts on the most sacred of days too. One birthday, you're eating cake and hitting piñatas. By the time you turn 21, you're taking shots and knocking over that jackass who told you to slow down on the sauce.

And yet, no one seems to understand why that is. It's just assumed that social events require lubrication in the form of alcohol. It becomes ingrained in us as Americans from the time we are born that getting drunk will lead to a good time.

Maybe it does sometimes. It all appears to be an escape from a reality we'd rather not accept. Instead of evaluating where we stand, we'd rather get drunk and forget our problems.

We're kept like fish in a barrel, doomed to swim a circle in the same stagnant water. Funny thing is, most of us don't even need a new barrel, just cleaner water. Life can be more enjoyable with the simple recognition and acceptance of truths about

ourselves. There is no need to hide those truths behind a bottle. In fact, that bottle contains the world's oldest truth serum so you might as well deal with reality on your own terms.

Or maybe the problem is bigger than that. Maybe the problem starts because of the way we treat alcohol. From the time we first see beer, it is clear to us that beer has one purpose: getting you drunk. There seems to be no other redeeming quality. It tastes bad, leads you to make poor decisions and the next morning you feel like a horse on the way to the glue factory.

So, in an act of ultimate self-hypocrisy, you could've found me at Gasparilla this past weekend. This pirate-themed parade is the largest collection of drunkards east of New Orleans' Mardi Gras. But I never claimed to be a saint, and I have no shame telling you I know this column is done because I just finished my last beer.

*Eric Tegethoff is a biology senior.*

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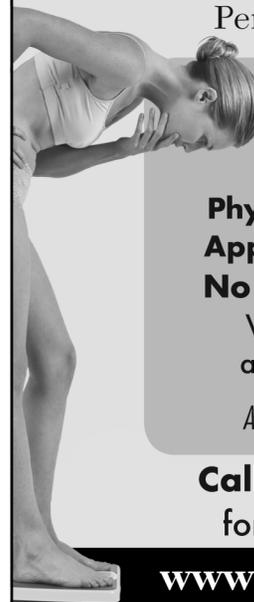
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**STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

# Unite, Student Alliance parties to wrap up slating

By **ELIZABETH BEHRMAN**  
Alligator Writer

Slating interviews for Student Senate positions with the Unite Party and the Student Alliance party will come to an end Tuesday at 5 p.m.

The Unite Party interviewed 45 students, and the Student Alliance Party interviewed 61 students.

Fifty Senate seats are available.

Nick Mildebrath, campaign manager for the Student Alliance party, said his party has interviewed enthusiastic students with new ideas for Student Government.

He said he is excited so many potential candidates have come by to slate.

"It doesn't matter how great your platform is if you don't have anybody good running on it," Mildebrath said.

Unite Party spokesman Ben

Meyers said the Unite Party interviewed more students on Monday than it did on Friday.



Mildebrath

He said the Unite Party has a lot of great potential candidates. "We're looking for diversity,"

Meyers said. "We're looking for a great set of viewpoints that represent campus as a whole."

UF freshman Dara Schopp, who slated with the Unite Party, said she wants to become more involved with the Unite Party because it has done so much progressive work on campus.

"I just like being a part of something that stands for positive change," Schopp said.

Michael Crowley, a UF aerospace engineering senior, chose

to slate with the Student Alliance party because he wants to bring UF's College of Engineering more recognition from SG.

"I feel like the Student Alliance really is a party that has the students' interests at heart," Crowley said.

Supervisor of Elections Ariana Alfonso said that the Action Party and the Valence Party are also registered for the spring election but did not conduct interviews.

# Support group helps students with sick, dead loved ones

■ THE GROUP MEETS THURSDAYS.

By **KAREN SULLIVAN**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

Loreal Dolar was about to enter her first year of college when life took a drastic turn. She was on vacation with her family in

Hawaii when her mother died in a snorkeling accident. She didn't know where to turn.

Dolar found a way to cope with her loss: forming Gator Students of Ailing Mothers and Fathers.

"I know I'm not the only person going through this," she said.

The UF chapter of the National Students of AMF Support Network helps students

grieving the illness or loss of a loved one. The group's first meeting is Thursday in the Reitz Union, Rooms 278 and 279 at 7:30 p.m..

The chapter will have peer-led, open-discussion groups.

Lauren Levy, the support group coordinator for the chapter, met Dolar at a grief support group in the fall of 2009 after losing her father to cancer

in May.

"I want this peer-to-peer group to be a place where students can feel free to be vulnerable and say, 'Let's not have an agenda this week. This is what's on my heart, and what I'm wrestling with. What do you all think?'" Levy said.

For information, students can visit "Gator Students of AMF" on Facebook.

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1brs from \$505 - 150 ft from UF!  
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**Wake Up 10 Min Before Class**

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Walking distance to UF and downtown  
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1 & 2 bdrm. Luxury Apartments  
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Walk to campus & the stadium  
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Pine Rush Villas Pet Friendly No Wgt Limits  
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Near UF and Oaks Mall  
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**\* 1st Month Free and \$40 Moves You In!!**

Homestead Apts Pet Friendly No Wgt Limits  
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Additional \$200 off next month  
SW Archer Rd. Area  
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Totally Renovated 1/1 \$599  
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Villas at Ashton Square  
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Just off SW 34th St.  
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**2 For Rent unfurnished**

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Sundowne Pet Friendly No Weight Limits  
Studio \$469 1/1 \$519  
Walk to Butler Plaza and Regal Cinemas  
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**\* One Month Free and \$40 Moves You In!!**

Gator Village Pet Friendly No Weight Limits  
1/1 \$489  
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1 yr lease, SD, NS, NP. Call/Text  
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**Renting Now and for Fall!!**

We have REAL 1/1s  
**3 blocks to UF - GATORNEST**  
575 sq ft, \$550 PLUS ONE MONTH FREE!  
300 NW 18th Street  
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400 sq ft, only \$450!  
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No application fee, most pets ok.  
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**2 For Rent unfurnished**

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2BR 1BA APT \$560/mo incl. water, sewer,  
pest control, garbage. Top floor, carpet, large  
windows. Walk to UF or take RTS 13, 16 or  
17. 407-922-0029 2-5-11-2

1/1, Ridgeview, free water, next to park, on  
the bus line, cent H/A, courtyard, 2 miles to  
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2/2 Condo with washer/dryer, screened-  
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located off 34th & Archer Rd. 2 units  
available \$750/mo. Call 317-5060 215-5996  
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2BR/1BA Duplex, WALK to SF College.  
Tile Floors, Newly remodeled kitchen, pri-  
vate parking, fenced in yard. Rent \$600/mo.  
Deposit \$300. Pet Deposit \$200. Please call  
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cent H/AC. 3627 SW 15th St. \$900/mo. All  
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2-8-10-10-2

450/mo - Roommate Wanted in new 2/2 -  
On Newberry & nw55th st -cable/net/utilities  
NOT included-NO PETS-Grad student pre-  
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**Ashley Pearson**  
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Brown Hair,  
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**Wanted for:**  
Robbery with a Deadly  
Weapon and  
Aggravated Battery

**ALACHUA COUNTY**  
**CRIME STOPPERS**  
Call (352) 372-STOP

**2 For Rent unfurnished**

5/3, 1900sf, nice, w/d, no pet fee, no lease, 1st month free, 1500 month, 15 min to UF. 352-301-2403 2-2-5-2

SMALL CABIN 2/1, 20 ACRES  
Watermelon Pond views. 27802 SW 120th Lane, Newberry. Horse pens, dog door. Needs work. \$575/mo. \$750 move-in 330-329-8834 2-2-5-2

★★★★HOUSE 4BR/2BA★★★★  
Available 8/1. Lovely, remodeled. W/D. Bike to UF. No pets. Details: 3532 NW 7th Ave. \$1400/mo. 373-1558 or 246-8645 2-2-10-5-2

Available Now. 2BR duplex behind Norman Hall. Cent H/AC, ceiling fans, \$625/mo. \$500 sec dep. 1117 SW 7th Ave. No dogs. Call 372-4903 or 917-416-6968 2-4-5-2

AVAILABLE AUG 1. Large 4BR/2BA house, Wash/dry provided, privacy fenced, pets ok, full sized hot tub on back screened porch, dishwasher, carport, \$1600/mo. 3413 NW 8th Ave 352-339-2342 2-5-10-5-2

AVAILABLE AUG 1. 3BR/1BA house. Nice. Nine blocks from campus, wash/dry provided, cent H/AC fenced private backyard, hardwood floors, detached garage. \$1125/mo. 924 NW 9th Ave. 352-339-2342 2-5-10-5-2

**2 For Rent unfurnished**

AVAILABLE AUG 1. Nice 4BR/2BA house. Close to campus, hardwood floors, wash/dry provided, private back yard, fireplace, central heat/air. 352-339-2342. \$1550/mo. 1105 NW 10th Ave. Plenty of parking. 2-5-10-5-2

AVAILABLE AUG 1. Clean modern 4BR/2BA house. fenced backyard, pets ok, fireplace, wash/dry provided, wooded private big yard. \$1425/mo, central heat/air. 2606 NW 34th Street. 352-339-2342 2-5-10-5-2

AVAILABLE AUG 1. Clean nice 4BR/2BA house, privacy fenced backyard, pets ok, hardwood floors, fireplace, plenty of parking, wash/dry provided, dishwasher, cent heat/air \$1400/mo 830 NW 16th Ave 352-339-2342 2-5-10-5-2

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**2 For Rent unfurnished**

3BR/2BA house. Huge fenced backyard. Pets ok. Nice neighborhood. \$925/mo. Please call Kathie at 378-3082 2-9-10-7-2

Near Campus. 1/1 Cute with Washer/Dryer and Dishwasher. Safe. Second floor of Tumbling Creek on SW 9th st. Pets w/ deposit. First and \$500 Security Deposit to move in. Call 352-375-7030. 2-11-10-8-2

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Close to UF, cute & clean 2BD/2BA 1000sq ft, storage/laundry room with W/D hk-ups, pool. Pets considered. Rent \$695/mo Phone (352) 359-8311 3-31-37-2

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Walk/Bike to UF  
Big 3 bd/ 1 ba  
New Kitchen / Huge Yard  
Must See, \$1,500/mo  
352-375-8256

4-21-52-2

★★Sorority Row Area★★  
Historic 3 bd/ 2 ba  
Completely Remodeled  
W/D inc. Spiral Staircase  
Walk to Class, \$1,500/mo  
352-375-8256

4-21-52-2

**2 For Rent unfurnished**

★★8 Blocks to UF★★  
Great Deal on Large Upstairs  
2 bd/ 1 ba Hardwood Floors  
Save Money @ \$750/mo  
352-375-8256

4-21-52-2

★Walk to Class & Stadium★  
2/1, W/D, Granite Countertops  
Hardwood Floors & Fireplace  
Huge Bedrooms, Covered parking  
\$1300/mo  
352-375-8256

4-21-52-2

★★Large 5 Bedrm House★★  
1 full & 3-1/2 baths  
Plant Atriums, Unique floorplan, W/D  
Plenty of Parking, 8 blocks N of UF  
\$2,500/mo 352-375-8256

4-21-52-2

2 BLKS TO NORMAN HALL!  
2BR 1BA Apts \$600/Mo  
5 Blks to UF, Central H & Air  
Laundry Fac. Carpet, Pets Allowed.  
829 Sw 5th Avenue.  
Call Merrill Management Inc.  
352-372-1494 2-12-10-9-2

2BR 1BA, Carpet, Window A/C,  
Nat gas ht. 1 BLK to UF \$600/Mo  
216 SW 12th St.. Call  
Merrill Management Inc 352-372-1494 x10  
2-12-10-9-2

2901 NW 14th Street  
1BR 1BA Apt Near Sams  
Club. Carpet, Window A/C,  
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Rental Refs a must! Call  
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319 NW 16th Avenue. Call  
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**3 Subleases**

**DON'T WAIT TO PLACE YOUR SUBLEASE AD**  
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**4 Roommates**

Roommate Matching HERE  
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The Landings 336-3838  
The Laurels 335-4455  
Greenwich Green 372-8100  
Hidden Lake 374-3866  
4-21-71-4

1BR INDIVIDUAL LEASES IN FURNISHED 4BR CONDOS. 2 blocks to UF. \$299/mo incl elec, cable tv, internet, pool, laundry facility. 914 SW 8th Ave. 378-4626 4-21-09-71-4

**4 Roommates**

1BR/1BA or 2BR/2BA avail now for responsible mature individual. \$400-\$800/mo OBO + utils. Brandywine on Archer Rd. yttek@hotmail.com or 305-332-6566 2-2-10-516-4

Enjoy A Romantic Old House  
Near library downtown. \$295-\$375/rm + utils. Short term. No pets. No smoking. 378-1304 2-2-10-10-4

Mill Pond/Gainesville Health & Fitness!!  
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							○
		7	○				

**ACROSS**

<b>CLUE</b>	<b>ANSWER</b>
1. Reason	TMEIOV
5. Construct	AEISR
6. Feudal noble's home	RAMON
7. English river	HTMASE

**DOWN**

<b>CLUE</b>	<b>ANSWER</b>
1. Type of bird	TRANIM
2. Victory	MIURPHT
3. Asian country	EIVMANT
4. Chain _____	RSTEOS

**CLUE:** The \_\_\_\_\_ is about 1,000 miles long.

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5 Rx's  
9 By oneself  
14 Square fare?  
15 Film beekeeper  
16 Defunct filer with a blue-globe logo  
17 Links goals  
18 Laundry room device  
20 "Four Quartets" poet  
22 Leavening agent  
23 Havana residue  
24 Organ with a hammer  
25 Some daisies  
27 Nonmember's club amenity  
30 "\_\_\_ Beso": Anka song  
31 Printer brand  
32 Cone maker  
33 Zoomed  
34 Place for a dip on the road  
38 \_\_\_-date: current  
41 Harlem chamber  
42 Like Homo sapiens  
46 Arafat's gp. until 2004  
47 Patient strategy  
50 Jones or Johnson  
52 West in old films  
53 Swaying direction  
54 Crete peak: Abbr.  
55 Mental blackout  
57 Indisputable evidence  
59 Okra units  
61 Mortise's mate  
62 1993 Nobelist Morrison  
63 Land east of the Urals  
64 Lead singer with The Police  
65 Graceful molding  
66 Dorm unit, and word that can follow each word in 18-, 27-, 34-, 47- and 57-Across

**DOWN**

1 Roadie's load  
2 Prepares, as leftovers  
3 Heron habitats  
4 "Anything \_\_\_?"

5 Stan "The Man" of baseball  
6 Matador's opponent  
7 Insect repellent ingredient  
8 Triton's realm  
9 Perform on stage  
10 "\_\_\_ Theme": "Doctor Zhivago"  
11 Basic dance  
12 Ilie of tennis  
13 Ambulance initials  
19 Rescued damsel's cry  
21 "... \_\_\_ man put asunder"  
23 Some lie about theirs  
25 Partner of hop and jump  
26 Groundskeeper's buy  
28 Artsy Manhattan area  
29 Key equivalent to B  
33 Punch hard  
35 Without exception  
36 Falco of "The Sopranos"  
37 "Gosh"

38 Co. with brown uniforms  
39 Nose-dive  
40 Trattoria dessert  
43 Crime family member  
44 Medium with much talk  
45 Prefix with natal  
47 Walking in the shallows  
48 Protected by shots, perhaps  
49 Family nickname  
51 F-series camera maker  
55 Bug-eyed  
56 Practice on canvas  
57 Bourbon et al.: Abbr.  
58 Pontiac in a '60s hit song  
60 "Casablanca" pianist

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# Colts' DE Freeney still questionable against Saints



AP Photo

Indianapolis officials say defensive end Dwight Freeney has a 50-50 chance to play in the Super Bowl on Sunday due to a low ankle sprain.

■ HE INJURED HIS RIGHT ANKLE IN THE AFC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME.

## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT LAUDERDALE — Dwight Freeney still hopes to play in the Super Bowl. His sprained right ankle might not allow it.

A person close to the All-Pro defensive end told The Associated Press in an e-mail Sunday night that the ankle was "really bad" and it could inhibit Freeney or keep him out of the game. The person requested anonymity because the information was different from what the Indianapolis Colts said earlier in the day.

Indy officials continued to say Freeney has a low ankle sprain and remains questionable for the game against the New Orleans Saints, which means he has about a 50-50 chance of playing.

"He is under the care of our athletic training staff," Colts spokesman Craig Kelley said. "Nothing we have seen changes our diagnosis that he is questionable. He has a third-degree, low basketball sprain."

Earlier Sunday, ESPN.com reported that Freeney had torn a ligament, which would make it "difficult" for Freeney to play Sunday against New Orleans.

But even if Freeney does play, there are questions about how effective he'll be.

Freeney relies on incredible speed, remarkable spins and leverage to attack opponents. An ankle injury, however, could impact how he pushes off the foot, either slowing him down or preventing him from making the spins, to pressure Saints quarterback Drew Brees.

The former league sacks champion has 13½

this season, the sixth time in eight NFL seasons he's had at least 10.

Freeney also has a history of healing fast, including earlier this season, when he returned seven days after hurting his quadriceps — an injury that some reports said would keep him out up to three weeks. That was in late September.

Freeney did not miss a game until Nov. 29 at Houston, when he sat out with an abdominal injury. The only other game he missed this season was the regular-season finale at Buffalo, when most Indy starters played sparingly or not at all.

"He is under the care of our athletic training staff. Nothing we have seen changes our diagnosis that he is questionable. He has a third-degree, low basketball sprain."

**Craig Kelley**

Indianapolis Colts spokesman

"He has had injuries before where they said (he's) not going to play and he has come back," Colts tight end Dallas Clark said during the Pro Bowl. "He is a competitor, he is one of the toughest guys on our team and I never expect him to miss anything."

The Colts have been closely monitoring Freeney since he hurt his right ankle in last week's AFC championship game.

Trainers initially wanted to put Freeney's foot in a walking boot, but he didn't wear it after the Colts' 30-17 victory. Freeney did not practice Wednesday, Thursday or Friday and has not been available to reporters since the game.

## NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

# Ochocinco, other NFL players to report from Super Bowl

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CINCINNATI — Chad Ochocinco and other prominent NFL players will be asking the questions and giving reports during Super Bowl week.

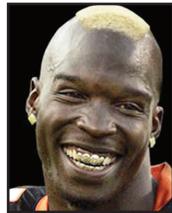
The media-savvy Bengals receiver plans to attend news conferences and parties leading up to the title game in Miami, gathering insights from coaches, players and celebrities

for his array of social networks.

He'll have help in the unprecedented plan. Redskins tight end Chris Cooley, Ravens Pro Bowl running back Ray Rice and Cardinals Pro Bowl defensive lineman Darnell Dockett also will be toting microphones and tossing questions at the Colts and the Saints — and maybe even commissioner Roger Goodell.

It's the first such venture since the receiver formed his "Ochocinco

News Network" with Motorola.



Ochocinco

on Sunday night.

Ochocinco and three helpers plan to function as reporters, updating a Web site and Twitter feed during the week. The players have hundreds of thousands of regular followers on their personal Twitter accounts and other social network platforms.

They expect to attend media sessions where players and coaches are available, conduct interviews with guests at the media headquarters and provide behind-the-scenes

glimpses at the nightly Super Bowl parties in Miami.

The goal is to provide players' reactions to the whirlwind week.

"That's what everybody wants to hear," Ochocinco said. "They want to hear the players' perspective. They don't want to hear what the other (media) outlets say about what they feel is going on. People want to hear what the players feel about the events, the whole nine yards."

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## Gators open practice with questions behind the plate



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UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan's team started practice Friday with holes still in the lineup. O'Sullivan has a variety of options he could use because of the Gators' depth.

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It wasn't hard for the Gators to exceed expectations last season.

But this year, it will be just as easy for No. 7 Florida to disappoint.

Unlike last season, when the Gators were picked to finish 11th in the Southeastern Conference, many expect them to win the SEC East in 2010.

UF's depth will play a big role in turning that prediction into reality. It brings back a sophomore class that impressed in its first season along with the top class of freshmen in the nation.

In the team's first practice of the season Friday, UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan noticed his options.

"There is certainly more depth," he said. "We have a lot of guys battling for spots."

One that will be up for grabs until the season begins is the catcher position.

Highly touted freshmen Austin Maddox and Mike Zunino join sophomore Ben McMahan in the

race to see who will be the backstop when the season starts.

"Our depth behind the plate is as good as probably anybody's probably in the country," O'Sullivan said.

In order to get as many of them into the lineup as possible, O'Sullivan is looking into moving first baseman Preston Tucker to the outfield for some games.

"He played a little bit of outfield in high school," he said. "If we were to do that, we would probably put him in right so he stays on the same side of the field. If we were



### Baseball

to be able to put him in the outfield, that gives us one extra bat we can put in the lineup."

That will leave first base open for the 6-foot-3 Maddox, who received some playing time at the spot in Friday's scrimmage.

Another area UF addressed over the offseason was pitching.

They added five pitchers, including big lefty Brian Johnson, who embodies O'Sullivan's love for versatil-

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### UF MEN'S GOLF

## UF ends Day 1 tied for fifth

By **MATT RUBIN**  
Alligator Writer

After two rounds of competition at the Arizona Invitational, the Florida men's golf team is currently in a three-way tie for fifth place.

The Gators ended Monday's 36 holes shooting a total of 560 (281-279, -8) in Tucson, Ariz., trailing current leader California by 17 strokes.

UF's struggles might be due to some rust, as the tournament was the team's first competition of the spring schedule and the first since its second-place finish in the Isleworth Invitational on Oct. 27.

Although the Gators hadn't competed in over three months, UF coach Buddy Alexander expected more from his team, especially as good as the weather conditions were Monday.

"We didn't play particularly well today in that this golf course is really different," Alexander said in a press release. "The wind wasn't blowing, so it was a pretty easy day to score, but we didn't adjust. I don't think we realized how easy the course was, and the team needed to pick up on that as the day

went on but didn't."

Senior Tyson Alexander (70-69, -3) finished both of his rounds on a positive note. He birdied two of his final three holes in the first round and sunk an eagle on the 18th hole in the second round.

Junior Bank Vongvanij (71-68) tied Alexander and six other golfers for 10th place at -3.

One of those other golfers was freshman Tommy Mou.

Mou (69-70, -3), competing as an individual, carded one eagle, eight birdies and seven bogeys in his collegiate debut.

One shot behind was senior Tim McKenney (68-72) who tied for 18th place at -2. Junior Andres Echavarria (72-70) tied for 30th at even par.

Rounding out Florida's lineup in 71st place was freshman Tyler McCumber, who finished with a total score of 158 (77-81, +16).

Monday was an up-and-down day for McCumber, with more of the latter than the former.

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## 2010 class is Meyer's best yet

On Wednesday, we may all be witnesses to a miracle.

The Big Three of recruiting gurus — ESPN, Rivals.com and Scout.com — are on the verge of agreeing on which school has the nation's top class.

Since 2006, when ESPN joined the game, the three have never come to the same conclusion, but with just a day to go until National Signing Day, Florida is a unanimous No. 1.

In a business so heavily based on often-arbitrary opinions, and where analysts can garner attention simply by being different, this is quite the accomplishment.

And it's a miracle in more ways than one.

If it holds, and these players resist their natural inclination to create drama, it'll be the most impressive recruiting job of Urban Meyer's career.

And it puts the Gators back where they were before that beatdown loss to Alabama — on top.



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A few months ago, Florida was the unquestioned best program in the nation.

It had the best coach, a quarterback in the discussion for best college player of all time and was

favorable to win a third national title in four years.

Then, UF lost, Meyer started buggin' out and Tim Tebow went from being The Man to one of the most scrutinized NFL Draft prospects ever.

The Gators fell out of the spotlight by losing to the Tide, and questions about Meyer's future made an easy target for opposing coaches to use on the recruiting trail.

This is a crucial time for the program, and in the face of it, Florida has amassed another stacked recruiting

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### TEERING OFF WITH KYLE MAISTRI

■ North Carolina coach Roy Williams said it can't be worse than it is right now for the Tar Heels. The other 346 Division-I schools that aren't the defending national champion might think differently. ... Gilbert Arenas is going to make an effort to "rebuild his relationship with the youth." Starting with a water gun fight at his house.

### SEC EAST STANDINGS

1. Kentucky	5-1
2. Vanderbilt	5-1
3. Tennessee	4-2
<b>4. Florida</b>	<b>4-3</b>
5. South Carolina	4-3
6. Georgia	1-5

### POLL RESULTS

**Previous question:**  
Where will Tim Tebow be in three years?

	Percent (Votes)
<b>QB in NFL</b>	<b>47% (32)</b>
Non-football	34% (23)
NFL non-QB	15% (10)
Other league	4% (3)

## Freshman class expected to play major role

**BASE**, from page 15

ity and depth.

"When we first got here, our goal was to deepen the pitching staff. That's not done overnight," he said. "It takes more than one recruiting class, but we feel good about where we are at right now."

Johnson not only pitches but can hit as well. When he isn't on the mound, he is an option to play either first base or the outfield.

For center fielder Matt den Dekker, it is hard to imagine that this season's group of freshmen could top the year the

now-sophomores put together, which included Tucker's historic season.

"It's crazy. We had a lot of freshmen last year that stepped up and played well with Tucker and some of the pitchers," den Dekker said. "Looking at this year, we have some players that are going to jump in right away and get some playing time and probably making an impact."

O'Sullivan expects to tweak his lineup multiple times before finding the right one.

"We are going to toy with our lineup an awful lot for the first three or four weeks before we have conference play," he said. "We'll try a lot of different stuff because we are able to do that."

### Catching Options



**Freshman**  
Mike Zunino  
6-foot-2, 220 lbs  
Bats R/ Throws R

**Resume:**  
•Drafted in the 30th round in 2009 by the Athletics  
•Batted .464 with 43 hits, 37 RBI and 12 HRs in his senior year of high school  
•Rated the No. 4 catcher in Florida, according to Prospectswire.com



**Sophomore Ben McMahan**  
6-foot, 210 lbs  
Bats R/ Throws R

**Resume:**  
•Started six games  
•1 HR  
•Drafted in the 30th round in 2008 out of high school by the Yankees



**Senior Hampton Tignor**  
6-foot-1, 195 lbs  
Bats R/ Throws R

**Resume:**  
•Started 46 games  
•.272 career batting average  
•3 career HRs



**Freshman Austin Maddox**  
6-foot-3, 230 lbs  
Bats R/ Throws R

**Resume:**  
•Drafted in the 37th round in 2009 by the Rays  
•Member of the 2008 USA 18-U National Team  
•Batted .544 with 33 RBI, 23 runs, 11 doubles and 9 HRs in his senior year of high school  
•Rated as the top catcher prospect in Florida, according to Prospectswire.com

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## MIKE

class and pulled in kids from all over the country.

And it looks like Meyer is fostering the same kind of atmosphere Pete Carroll had while he was at USC, where highly rated players sign regardless of how many other big-time guys have committed to play the

same position.

By Rivals.com's rankings, Florida has commitments from the Nos. 1, 7 and 19 weakside defensive ends, the Nos. 1, 2 and 11 defensive tackles, the Nos. 3, 4, and 11 cornerbacks and the Nos. 2 and 12 safeties in its class.

Of course, recruiting rankings are far from an exact science, and star levels don't

translate into wins, but this certainly can't be seen as a bad thing.

Even with a somewhat shaky situation surrounding Meyer's future, the Gators have remained the dominant force when dealing with recruits.

When Lauderdale Lakes Anderson High four-star safety Demar Dorsey started having second thoughts about his com-

mitment to UF, the Gators kicked him to the curb.

Things could easily have taken a turn for the worse during this recruiting season, but as of now, Florida has pulled off a big win.

If this class stays intact, it'll offer something that seemed impossible a little more than a month ago: stability.

## Team resumes play today

**GOLF**, from page 15

Although McCumber was the only Gator to tally two eagles on the day, he also took eight strokes on a par 3 in the first round.

Before Monday, McCumber led the team with a stroke average of 71.6.

"Overall, we'll need to turn it up a notch or two and hopefully get a good round to finish this tournament up."

**Buddy Alexander**  
UF men's golf coach

Entering the Arizona Invitational, the Gators were ranked the third-best team in the country by Golfweek, their highest ranking of the season.

"I think that everyone was pretty average today," Alexander said. "Overall, we'll need to turn it up a notch or two and hopefully get a good round to finish this tournament up."

The Arizona Invitational will conclude with its final round today.

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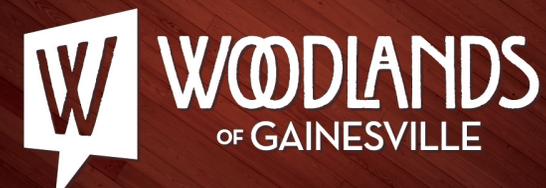
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