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Cycling teams race downtown

By **KATHERINE BEIN**
 Alligator Writer

About 260 cyclists went for a ride around town this past weekend at the 15th annual Swamp Classic.

The two-day road race was sponsored by UF's Team Florida bicycle club, the city of Gainesville and local businesses, and races were held for all ages and skill levels.

"It's like a little moving circus," said Kenny Duffield, 21, who came by to check out the event. "It's different. I'm not used to seeing bike culture like this."

Saturday, cyclists competed in time trial races for individuals and teams in Archer. Sunday, riders pedaled along a downtown street course that circled Southeast 2nd Place and Southeast 2nd

Avenue between Southeast 1st and 7th streets.

Spectators gathered to cheer on their friends and watch as the pack rounded corners at speeds up to 40 mph.

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Kenny Duffield
 event attendee

Phil Gaimon, a recent UF graduate and coach for Team Florida, took first in his professional-level races, winning a total of \$500 for the weekend.

"It's a lot of hard work," Gaimon said. "It was pretty satisfying to end the weekend on that note."



Max Reed / Alligator

Shawn Gravois of Team Florida cycles in the Swamp Classic bike race Collegiate Group A division Sunday morning in downtown Gainesville.

CSI: NY star to speak

■ HE WILL BE PAID \$30,000.

By **ELIZABETH BEHRMAN**
 Alligator Writer

After getting a law degree from Harvard University, Hill Harper did what any other young law school graduate does — almost.

He got involved with theater, wrote three books, acted in several films, and for the past six years, he's played Dr. Sheldon Hawkes on CSI: NY.

Harper will be speaking tonight at 8 in the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom.

The Accent show is cosponsored by Black History Month and the Black Graduate Student Organization, said Jason Attermann, Accent chairman.

Harper will be paid \$30,000, according to the Student Government Finance Office.

"I'm going to talk about courage and fear and what stops people from achieving their goals and dreams," Harper said.

He said he speaks to about 20,000 students across the country each year.

He said he uses these opportunities to encourage students to be "active architects" in their lives, a term he will explain during his talk.

"I've had a lot of dialogue with students about what's going on in their lives and how to manifest their destiny," Harper said.

Whether they want to get into acting or not, Harper said the key to success is for people to present themselves as fresh and unique.

He said it is not always easy, but the most successful people in society bring something new to the table.

"It's a real challenge," Harper said.

On **Campus**

POLITICS

Senator urges passing of health care legislation

By **MATT HARRINGER**
 Alligator Writer

During a visit to UF Friday, Florida Democratic Sen. Bill Nelson had some critical words for his party.

Nelson called for the House of Representatives to pass the Senate's version of health care legislation, which would require Americans to purchase health insurance and exclude a public option.

The senator also criticized the president. "[President Obama] has not been engaged like he should," Nelson said. "If it's [health care legislation] going to pass in the House, it's going to have to be the president that's going to have to put on a pair of brass knuckles and get out that bull whip — start cracking the whip."

Nelson acknowledged there were problems with the Senate health care bill, like the Medicare giveaways for Nebraska, but he said if the House would pass the Senate version, changes could be made later through the reconciliation

process, which only requires 51 votes. He did have praise for one Democrat, though: Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, of Nevada.

"For Harry Reid to have cobbled together 60 very disparate, different-thinking Senate Democrats was near miraculous," he said.

The senator also spoke optimistically about the economy.

"We got the first good news in that nationally, there was a drop in the unemployment figures," he said. "It is now below 10 percent."

The senator stood by Obama's stimulus plan and said a high-speed rail would produce more than 23,000 jobs over the next four years.

"When the final story is written on the stimulus bill . . . you will find it did exactly what it was supposed to do," he said. "It gave an economic shot in the arm of the nation's economy."



Nelson

■ UF center Vernon Macklin surprised many with his 20-point performance against Mississippi State's Jarvis Varnado in the Gators' 69-62 win over the Bulldogs on Saturday. See Story, Page 14.



Mumbling, fumbling, stumbling robber fails twice in Memphis, Tennessee

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Communication skills were clearly lacking in a woman who police said tried to rob two Memphis credit unions.

She fled empty-handed both times. The Commercial Appeal reported the suspect is a short, thin black or Hispanic woman dressed in dark clothing with a red scarf.

A teller couldn't understand the would-be robber's mumbled commands in her first attempt Tuesday.

Police said the woman threw a holdup note at the teller, then ran from the building.

A few hours later at another credit union, a teller asked a woman several times if she needed help as the woman fumbled in her purse, then handed over a note. When she also pulled a gun, the teller left.

The woman ran outside, tripped and fell, dropped her gun — then got into a car and left.

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News Today

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Children in Developing Nations: A panel discussion
Monday, 6:30 p.m.
Pugh Hall Ocora

Gators for Asha and Children Beyond our Borders present Mission: Shiksha Construcción, an awareness week to promote and facilitate education of underprivileged children. The event begins Monday with an activity each day until Friday. Entry is free and open to everyone.

Carnations for the Cure

Wednesday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Reitz Union Colonnade

Buy your loved one a special Valentine's Day package for \$3 to raise money for the American Cancer Association. Hosted by the Community Involvement Cabinet.

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"DDR/DDR2", a film by Amie Siegel

Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Chandler Auditorium at the Harn Museum of Art

Introduced by Barbara Mennel, an associate professor in the department of English and Germanic and Slavic studies. Amie Siegel's 2008 film "DDR/DDR2", combines vérité interviews with staged dialogue to excavate East German traumas associated with both the Socialist state and reunifica-

tion. Siegel's lens finds filmic lessons, too, in her analysis of Stasi information operations and her inquiries into the suppression of psychoanalysis in the DDR. Free admission.

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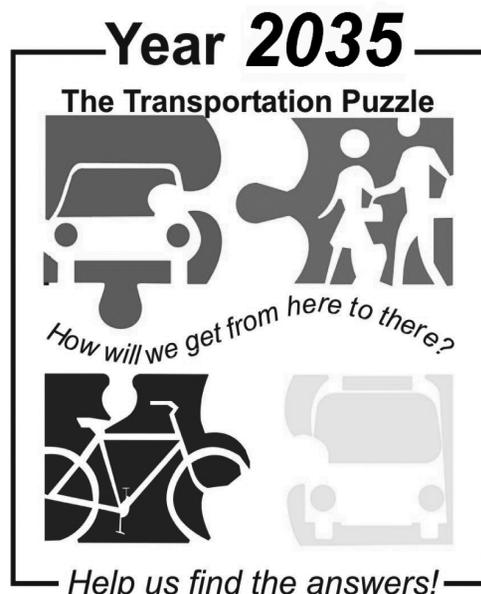
The Gainesville City Commission and the Alachua County Commission [sitting together as the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)] are developing the Year 2035 Livable Community Reinvestment Plan Update for the Gainesville Metropolitan Area. This workshop is the second in a series that will continue through the duration of the two-year study. This workshop is your opportunity to provide input on the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Needs Plan alternatives before they are presented to the MTPO for approval on March 15, 2010. With your input, this meeting will:

- refine potential transportation network alternatives to be evaluated for the Needs Plan;
- identify strategies to evaluate peak oil and greenhouse gas reduction factors; and
- confirm measures of effectiveness for the Gainesville Metropolitan Area's transportation system.

Please visit our Year 2035 Livable Community Reinvestment Plan update website at

www.livabletransportation.org

More detailed information concerning this public workshop can be obtained in several ways: by visiting the website at www.ncfrpc.org (click Metropolitan Transportation Planning); by writing to the MTPO, 2009 NW 67th Place Gainesville, Florida 32653; by appearing in person at the above address 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; or by calling (352) 955-2200. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, familial status, religious status, marital status, sexual orientation or gender identity. Any person requiring special assistance or accommodations, under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge), to participate in this workshop should contact Mr. Marlie Sanderson at (352) 955-2200, extension 103, at least five (5) days before the workshop.



AROUND GAINESVILLE

Students 'think pink' at party

By **ALLYSON FOX**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Pink shirts, pink plates, pink napkins and even pink M&M's filled the Gainesville Place clubhouse Friday night.

About 70 people went to the clubhouse to play pool, sing karaoke and raise money for Susan G. Komen for the Cure, a breast cancer foundation dedicated to raising money for research and promoting women's health.

About \$500 was raised at the party.

The event was sponsored by the UF chapter of Circle K International, a Kiwanis-affiliated college service and leadership organization.

During the event, Michelle Gumz, a post-doctoral assistant in the College of Medicine's division of nephrology, shared the story of her mother's fight against breast cancer.

Gumz's mother died from breast cancer in 2008, and Gumz said she was a tenacious woman who was active in the community.

"She lost her hair but never missed a day of work or lost her sense of humor," Gumz said.

Gumz stressed the importance of raising money and awareness about the disease.

Marsha Cohen, co-service chair of Circle K, said she wanted to put on the event because of the high number of people who have a connection to breast cancer.

"It's something that touches and affects so many people," Cohen said.



Danica Spears / Alligator

Michelle Gumz speaks about losing her mother to breast cancer at Gainesville Place Friday. See story, alligator.org.

Students kick off Chinese new year

By **MELINDA CARSTENSEN**
Alligator Contributing Writer

For the crowd of more than 1,000 who gathered Sunday night in the Phillips Center for the Performing Arts, the new year was just beginning.

The annual Chinese New Year Show, which was organized by the Friendship Association of Chinese Students and Scholars, included 20 acts performed by UF students and Gainesville residents.

Although the Chinese New Year begins February 14, the show celebrated the fusion of Asian and American cultures, with a performance of break dancing and singing to Lady GaGa's "Poker Face" and a traditional dance by students from the Hua-Gen Chinese School in Gainesville.

Before the program began, Consul General Gao Yanping from the Chinese embassy in Houston addressed the audience and, switching back and forth from Mandarin to English, spoke about this year's Chinese zodiac sign, the tiger.

He said the tiger symbolizes strength, power, vitality and productiveness.

UF Vice President and Provost Joseph Glover took the stage after Yanping and talked about the significance of the night's festivities for those far from home, specifically the estimated 600 Chinese students at UF.

"We have a great stew of student cultures [at UF]," Glover said. "And I know that even across the globe we can enrich each other."

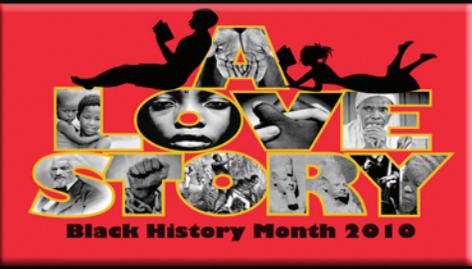
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Mayor candidate plans to revise discrimination law



Joey Flechas / Alligator

Mayoral candidate Don Marsh campaigns at a Tea Party rally at the Gainesville Target Range on Saturday afternoon.

Editor's Note: This is the first segment of the Face in the Race series, which will feature the five candidates for Gainesville's mayor seat.

By CJ PRUNER
Alligator Writer

When Don Marsh moved to Gainesville, he baled hay for \$25 a day and donated plasma twice a week for extra cash.

That was nearly 30 years ago.

Now Marsh, owner of a window-cleaning business, has a new challenge—running for Gainesville mayor.

He unsuccessfully ran for the Alachua County Commission in 2002, losing to Cynthia Chestnut.

"I was a loose cannon," Marsh recalled.

Marsh runs against Craig Lowe, Richard Selwach, Monica Leadon Cooper and Ozzy Angulo for the office in City Hall.

"We all are underdogs to apathy," said Marsh, who believes he will win if 20 to 25 percent of voters head to the polls on March 16.

In 2007, during the city's last mayoral race, only 10.73 percent of eligible voters cast a ballot, according to the Alachua County Supervisor of Elections Web site.

According to the latest campaign finance reports, Marsh has raised \$1,820.

Marsh said he would like to get local churches involved in government affairs, not-

ing their efficiency and ability to organize.

"Churches are all about accountability. Whatever religious group is in favor of doing good, I'm in favor of," he said.

He also plans to revise the city's anti-discrimination ordinance, which amends Chapter 8 of the city Code of Ordinances to include protection from gender discrimination.

The ordinance allows citizens to use bathrooms that suit their gender identity, defined as "an inner sense of being a specific gender" as opposed to biological sex.

Marsh believes the ordinance is too broad and could open the door to sexual predators taking advantage of the provision.

The solution would be to have transgender people acquire doctor confirmation, he said.

Marsh said he got the idea when current Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan discussed how people undergoing gender transformation visited doctors to help with the process.

"If a pedophile doesn't have doctor's orders, his ass is going to jail," he said.

Although he remained optimistic about his chances in the race, Marsh insisted that he does not see the race as a stepping stone to higher offices down the road.

"I'm here to serve the people for two terms and get out," he said. "I'm not going to Congress. I don't like Washington, D.C. You ever tried to drive there? I'm here to show that the average person can be represented in government."

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Valentine's singers serenade students

■ THE GROUP MADE MORE THAN \$2,000 LAST YEAR.

By ERIN JESTER

Alligator Contributing Writer

This Valentine's Day, the brothers of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, an honorary music fraternity for men, want students to give the gift of song.

The Sinfonians travel in groups of about 12 and perform a cappella renditions of popular and classic love songs.

Pricing starts at \$40 Feb. 12 and 13 and increases by \$5 for appointments between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. on Feb. 14. There will be a \$5 student discount.

"We're twice as good but half the price of a barbershop quartet," said Joe Uong, an anthropology senior and Phi Mu Alpha member.

Curtis Viselli, the group's musical director, said the Valentine's Day serenades have been ingrained in the fraternity's tradition for several years.

"It's a really big part of what we do," said Viselli, a music and physics junior. "Singing is the thing that we all do together."

Although the Sinfonians perform in the Music Building every week, Valentine's Day is their big event, Viselli said.

Last year, the fraternity made more than \$2,000 by performing all around the city and showing up at dorms, classrooms and restaurants.

"We went to the woods one time," Viselli said. "We'll go anywhere [in Gainesville]."

Fraternity members gathered in front of the Reitz Union between classes Wednesday to advertise the serenades by performing songs from their repertoire, including

"My Girl," "Happy Together," "Stand By Me" and the fraternity's signature tune, "A Serenade to a Girl."

Danielle Davis, a freshman, was surprised when the Sinfonians personally serenaded her as she was passing by.

"I think that people will like that," she said. "I definitely enjoyed it."

The Sinfonians are available for hire Feb. 12 through 14. Packages include three songs and a rose.

To schedule a serenade, send an e-mail to ufphimualpha@gmail.com.



Juliana Jimenez / Alligator

Soulful Singing

Ricky Dillard performs with a singer and the University Gospel Choir for the Gospel Extravaganza at the Phillips Center for the Performing Arts Friday night. About 800 people attended the event, which lasted about two hours. The choir put a new spin on religious hymns like "Holy, Holy, Holy," and "Our God is an Awesome God," by dancing and altering the melodies. See Story, alligator.org

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Editorial

Do Ask, Do Tell

America should end military discrimination

On Sunday, military newspapers released the results of a survey that revealed a sharp decrease in the number of active-duty troops who oppose people who are openly gay and serving.

And with recent statements from Republicans and military officials, it has become clear how most people feel: "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" is cruel and unnecessary.

So the Editorial Board has one question: When will we finally get rid of it?

President Obama announced during his State of the Union address that he would work with Congress this year to appeal it.

We appreciate the promise, but it's important that "this year" doesn't turn into "whenever."

That means Americans can't listen to professional naysayers like Rep. John Boehner, who hides his bigotry behind the "there are more important things to deal with" shield.

People who practice fundamentalism, witchcraft, Satanism and white supremacy — all of which are choices made by their observers — serve openly in the U.S. military.

But gay soldiers, who have about the same control over their sexuality as the Editorial Board has over the color of its members' eyes, have to keep their mouths shut.

"Don't Ask, Don't Tell" teaches men and women in the service and Americans as a whole that being gay or lesbian is something to be ashamed of, but as long as the policy is intact, the only thing we should be ashamed of is living in the country that won't stand up and defeat it.

Sex Ed

The Editorial Board would like to offer a bit of advice for all of you aspiring politicians out there: Don't make a sex tape, OK?

Now, this may seem like common sense, but this bit of advice never seemed to reach former Democratic presidential candidate John Edwards.

News of a sex tape starring his former mistress — you know, the mother of the kid he's been denying paternity of for the past two years — came out last week.

And now that we're thinking about it, the Editorial Board would like to extend its advice to everyone.

It is never a good idea to make a sex tape — never.

Because it'll always come back and haunt you.

Don't believe us? Ask any of the Kardashians.

ters, Verne Troyer (more commonly known as Mini Me) or even scary female wrestler Chyna.

The Disney Channel's Vanessa Hudgens even fell victim to this — well, sort of — when she had naked pictures posted on the Internet.

She almost got kicked off the cast of "High School Musical." Can we all please take a moment to think about how sad that would have been?

We get it — celebrities usually end up more famous than before, but we're sick and tired of you making these poor decisions and then being surprised or upset when the tape inevitably ends up on the Internet.

So why don't all of you invest in some ceiling mirrors and put the camcorder away?

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Column

Palin taking 'retard' comment too far

Well, it finally happened. I suppose it was only a matter of time before one of White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel's well-rumored, profanity-laced harangues would surface while he was in office. Indeed, it was only a snippet of his Chicago-sharpened talent, but it was worth the wait.

Apparently, in a meeting this past summer concerning plans for Democrat-on-Democrat attacks over the health care bill, Emanuel referred to the idea of such measures as "fucking retarded." Awesome. His statement's bold, brutal, South Philly-esque candor in contrast with the established decorum of his administrative position achieves a monumental horse-head-in-silk-sheets-level juxtaposition.

Naturally, every P.C.-touting paladin came out of the woodwork, chiding Emanuel for his insensitivity, inappropriateness, offensiveness, etc., and among them, of course, was The Pitbull. It should come as no surprise that Sarah Palin chose to speak out on the matter, her special interest stemming from her son Trig Palin having Down syndrome. In fact, she called for President Obama to fire Emanuel over the issue, stating the phrase was equivalent to that of a racial slur. Well, let me save Emanuel some time in responding by saying that Palin's line of reasoning is "fucking retarded."

Had Emanuel characterized the aforementioned group's constituency by garbling his words and pounding his chest with his hand or noted the irony of Palin naming her son after a branch of mathematics, the offended groups and Palin would have had something to shake their fists at, as those actions would be, and are, distasteful.

Palin's comparison of "fucking retarded" to a racial slur is absurd. The phrase, as I implied above, is a general referent, not a personal one, so her likening is off-base from the get-go. Even if Emanuel described the group as "retards," the disparity in the magnitudes of her comparison's components still remains. The kind of malignant mentality a racial slur is indicative of emphasizes the historically universal and still-pervasive shortcomings of social perception, the victims and



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injustices of which being prevalent to such an extent as to render the intellectual prejudice Palin has in mind as merely inconsiderate and unfair.

In this very sense, Palin's call to oust Emanuel makes a mountain of a mole hill. But still, why the fervor? I believe it's simply Emanuel's irascible reputation being in the public mind combined with Palin's proneness for being wantonly inconsistent. (Now, if there was some way to provide evidence for my theory and also introduce it with a completely ridiculous statement.)

Luckily, Rush Limbaugh decided to speak up. Last week, he purposely misquoted Emanuel several times in an effort to disparage the concerned groups' members, calling an upcoming meeting between them and Obama a "retard summit." It was a thinly veiled attempt to take some cheap shots and perhaps push Palin's buttons. She evaded immediate response, relying on her spokesperson to indirectly refer to Limbaugh's comments as "crude and demeaning." She appeared on "Fox News Sunday" to backtrack her non-criticisms of Limbaugh by excusing his usage of "retard" as being purely satirical. You betcha, and so was my "trig" joke.

Furthermore, to make her inconsistency even more unbearably evident, I'd like to ask where Palin was last month when Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid's "Negro dialect" quote surfaced? She literally could have used the same exact argument she had against Emanuel, albeit in a different, if more appropriate, manner.

It seems Palin has definitively identified herself as less of a champion and more of a charlatan. And as for Emanuel, if people wanted to get on his case for anything, it should only have been for being vulgar. But, then again, we already knew that, didn't we?

Ryan Spencer is a psychology senior. His columns appear on Mondays.

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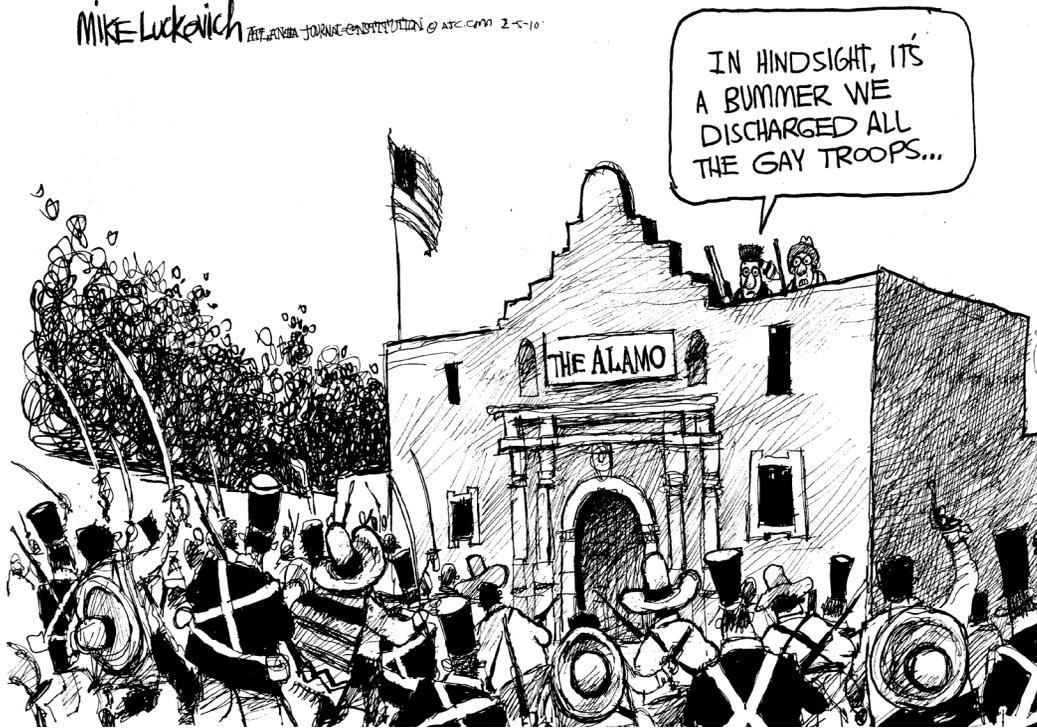
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Letters to the Editor

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Columns full of rambling

I'm getting a little tired of Paul Murty's column. I was bemused by — if not OK with — his argument that we should do away with guns. I'm a little less OK with his ignorant generalization of the Tea Party movement. And while I think Tea Partiers are all crazies, I don't stand on a podium and spout my ignorance of their cause. I really don't care if the opinions section is inflammatory, inspiring, sweet, horrendously offensive or boring, but please demand that thought be put into the opinion, otherwise it just becomes ignorant rambling. And I'd rather have one of those terribly boring sexToons than more ignorant rambling.

Chris Marth

Columnist lacks original ideas

The new Friday columnist, Paul Murty, is absolutely horrible. He doesn't have any original ideas, and it's pretty obvious he doesn't actually research his articles past Wikipedia. The economy is not well on its way to recovery. He talks about the preachers on Turlington Plaza as if it's breaking news and then the issue of gun control as if he knows everything, when actually he offered no ideas of his own whatsoever. At least last week's column, "Modern Tea Party is deeply flawed," was relevant to today. Could he write something that isn't dripping with disdain for anything Republican?

Neri Stein
4JM

Guest column

Technological advances like Facebook more than just fun

There's this new thing out that's pretty fantastic.

It's called "Facebook." Oh, you've heard of it? Interesting.

Then you must know how much it helps your research skills.

That's right. If you thought all your Facebook stalking was simply you being a little bit creepy, you've missed the best part.

Here's how it works. Back in the day, if you wanted to learn information about a person, you had to talk to people.

Want to know if your coworker is single?

You'd better have a base of friends at work to discreetly inquire about her relationship status.

Want to know who a person's friends are?

You need to know people who can tell you.

There was a split: talk to people for things about people, go to the card catalog in the library for everything else.

And let's face it, people care about people a lot more than they care about plant

biology or the history of Madagascar.

So people's skills at getting information interpersonally would progress, while their ability to research facts would — well, let's just say it would never become a strong point.

Enter Facebook stalking. On the Internet, learning is learning.

It takes skills to find things out, but they are the same kind of skills for people and for information.

Delving into those Wikipedia links on a topic is really similar to reading the latest Apple rumors.

And consider finding out about that coworker.

She doesn't have a "relationship status" listed, so that could be good or bad.

Out of her 87 profile pics, none of them are with a guy.

She's way too cute not to have dated somebody, so she must have purged her boyfriend-y pictures. Maybe she's single, then.

There aren't any incriminating wall posts, just a lot of back-and-forth with a Filipe from Peru.



Will Penman
Speaking Out

An ethnic boyfriend? He's pretty overt about the pursuit if that's the case.

They should really switch over to messages.

Oh, there it is. An inconspicuous comment on a photo from a party two weeks ago: "haha can't wait to see you and your boo next weekend!" says Sarah Adams.

Sigh. Better luck next time. The principle extends beyond Facebook usage, of course.

Spelling is the domain of Firefox's little red corrections, grammar is a comparative Google search, and bibliographies are a fill-in-the-blank effort on some websites. It all goes to show that the distinction between work and fun is blurring.

In fact, I've gotten confused before about whether I was researching or wasting time.

Tell me a situation like this hasn't happened to you.

You're in a German class where you

have to do projects.

This week's writing assignment is on Konrad Adenauer, the first Chancellor of West Germany after World War II.

You pull up the Wikipedia page on him (in English and German), have a tab for Google image results, a tab for general Internet search results, and yet another tab or two for additional random, interesting sites.

And then you start digesting Adenauer.

Ten minutes later, you say to yourself, "Wow, I've been stalking the shit out of this guy. I should really get to work."

Then you remember that Adenauer is a historical figure, not your friend, and that you're almost finished with your project.

So in conclusion, don't hesitate to get your stalk on.

Because I think it's basically going to give us all A's for the rest of the semester.

I mean, Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg went to Harvard, and look what Facebook's done for him.

Will Penman is an English senior. His column appears weekly.

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UF climbs Peace Corps rankings

By **ERICA COOK**
Alligator Contributing Writer

UF jumped 11 spots to rank fifth in the nation for the number of Peace Corps volunteers it produces.

UF has 79 undergraduate alumni serving in the Peace Corps, according to the Peace Corps Top Colleges 2010 listing.

The University of Washington ranked first with 101 volunteers.

"It's a big deal for the South," said Amy Panikowski, UF campus recruiter. "There has never been a university in the south that has been in the top 10, and now we are in the top five."

Panikowski said she owes this year's recruiting success to the connections between former UF Peace Corps volunteers and applicants.

She said former UF Peace Corps volunteers create connections with applicants and give them a realistic view of what the Peace Corps involves.

On Campus

"I don't want to give them an over-romanticized view, but I do want them to get a real perspective of what they are getting into," she said.

UF alumni Emily New and John Washington have been dating since their days at Eastside High School in Gainesville, and they will be abroad serving in the Peace Corps for the next two years.

New will be working in the Republic of Georgia and Washington will be serving in Botswana. The two plan to maintain their five-year relationship regardless of the distance.

"We stayed together all through college," Washington said. "We will write to each other and try to meet some time in between."

"It's an accomplishment, and I have a lot of people who help me out," Panikowski said. "I have my own interns who help me with advertising and promotions; returning volunteers are also very helpful and share their experience."

ON CAMPUS

Event shares ideas, creativity

By **BRITT PERKINS**
Alligator Contributing Writer

Technology, entertainment and design came together for ideas worth sharing at UF's first TEDx event Saturday afternoon.

"The whole focus of TED is to bring different thought leaders together across the disciplines to engage with each other and share their ideas," said event coordinator Meaghan Barbin. "Interactivity is a huge aspect."

TED is an internationally active nonprofit that originally brought together professionals from the fields of technology, entertainment and design and has since expanded to include many other fields. The "x" stands for independently organized.

Ambassadors of the Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation hosted the event in Pugh Hall. About 70 people attended.

"We have one of the best pools of talent here at UF," said UF graduate Abhi Lokesh, an entrepreneur at the event. "It would be remiss of us not to tap into that creative pool."

Jessica Guyton, a UF health sciences senior, said she enjoys TED events.

"Stuff we don't care about, they bring pieces you can incorporate in your own life no matter what your interests are," Guyton said. "That's what it's about: bringing two different things together."

Guests included entomology professor Carl Barfield, assistant jazz professor Scott Wilson, dance professor Joan Frosch, distinguished service professor Sanford Berg, husband-wife team Miriam Zach, a musicologist, and Mikesch Muecke, an architect, and astronomy professor Charles Telesco.

Barbin said the ambassadors will host TEDx events annually at UF.

"I think it's going to be a lot easier going forward to have this event on a regular basis," Barbin said, "because people now recognize and have seen the faces of the other people around UF who want to make themselves better, who want to learn more about a wide range of topics and who want to make a change."



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Theater and dance professor Joan Frosch speaks at TEDx in Pugh Hall Saturday. Frosch spoke about her experiences in Africa.

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 - Hershey's caramel candy
 - John who married Pocahontas
 - The yoke's on them
 - In the sack
 - Sci-fi staple
 - Small salamander
 - Therapist's response
 - Domesticated
 - Pool legend portrayed by Jackie Gleason in "The Hustler"
 - 1860s White House nickname
 - Midsection
 - Pecan or cashew
 - Mingle at the party
 - NBA center who was a three-time MVP
 - Big name in elevators
 - Spider's creation
 - Shoe without laces, e.g.
 - Emulate Rembrandt
 - Holiday of the Old West
 - Lady's man
 - It's in the eye of the beholder
 - Caveman Alley
 - Top draft status
 - Wild West show markswoman
 - Lanka
 - Food from a shell
 - Female sheep
 - Immigrant's subj.
 - Meteors, and what 20-, 28- and 48-Across all are
 - Dog from Wales
 - Supermodel Macpherson
 - Hops drier
 - Fire station signal
 - Age, as tires
 - "... be a pal!"
 - Actress Zellweger
 - Stitches

- DOWN**
- Oui's opposite
 - Gave the ... fired
 - Arizonan's neighbor
 - Naysayer
 - Word with trout or sherbet
 - Fixated
 - Majors and Trevino
 - Old music halls
 - Sound from a woodpecker
 - Name of several Norwegian kings
 - Peru's capital
 - Tootsies
 - Conclusions
 - War site during LBJ's presidency
 - Antacid brand
 - One-celled organism
 - Attacked by Dracula, say
 - Novel on the Net
 - Kid's interlocking block
 - Ali Baba's magical command
 - California NFL team, briefly
 - Involve
 - Feng ...: Chinese aesthetic system
 - Picnic side
 - Line on a golf course schedule
 - Hindu mystic
 - Tin alloys
 - Former V.P. Spiro and family
 - Affirmative vote
 - Al Capone feature
 - Sock darning's target
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 - Leif, to Eric the Red
 - Blowup letters?

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By Jerome Gunderson
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- Colorado goaltender Craig Anderson tied an NHL record in 2009 for most wins in October (10). Who else holds the mark?
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Macklin leads UF past Miss. St.

By **ADAM BERRY**
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With one of the best big men in the Southeastern Conference coming to Gainesville, no one expected Vernon Macklin to play the best game of his career at Florida.

But Macklin outplayed Mississippi State center Jarvis Varnado, scoring a career-high 20 points on 10-of-14 shooting and grabbing six rebounds as UF (17-6, 6-3 SEC) topped MSU (16-7, 4-4 SEC) 69-62 in the O'Connell Center on Saturday.

Macklin went right at the nation's second-leading shot blocker throughout the game, establishing position down low, hitting his baby hook shot and throwing down a few dunks against Varnado.

"He (Macklin) played great today. I was waiting for this breakout game for him."

Alex Tyus
UF junior power forward

"(UF coach Billy Donovan) wanted us to go right at (Varnado's) chest," Macklin said. "Don't be scared to go in there and make tough shots. He's going to make you alter a lot of shots, but you've just got to keep going at him."

Varnado, who was averaging 5.2 blocks per game before Saturday, scored 16 points but needed 16 shots to do so, and he only recorded one block in 32 minutes of play.

Donovan encouraged Macklin before the game to not be intimidated by Varnado, as going up weakly against such a ferocious shot blocker would play right into his strength.

"The worst thing to do against a shot blocker is to go away from him, because now the guy has no contact and can jump up," Donovan said. "I thought Vernon, if he could get the ball in there, could do some things against him."

Instead, Macklin had to "do his work early," Donovan said, by getting position inside and creating an angle to score — something he has often struggled to do this season.

"That's actually the game plan with a lot of the bigs, but sometimes I don't do a great job of doing it," Macklin said. "Coach keeps telling me all the time to do it every game, so this game I came out and tried my hardest to do it."

The 6-foot-10 center shot just 3 of 7 in the first half, but Macklin kept



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UF center Vernon Macklin scored a career-high 20 points in the Gators' 69-62 win over Mississippi State on Saturday.

Varnado quiet on defense until 2:31 remained before intermission. Varnado scored five points and got his first block of the game during that stretch.

Macklin came out strong after halftime, scoring the Gators' first 10 points and shooting a perfect 7 for 7 in the second half.

"He did a great job of passing out when they started double-teaming him," junior power forward Alex Tyus said. "His jump hook's always there. I feel like we need to do a better job of trying to make more of an effort to get him the ball."

"He played great today. I was waiting for this breakout game for him."

Macklin's output was needed given the lackluster offensive performances by Tyus, Kenny Boynton and Erving Walker. UF's top-three scorers entering the game combined for 21 points on 7-of-35 shooting.

But Macklin and junior forward Chandler Parsons picked up the slack. Parsons filled up the stat sheet with 18 points on 5-of-8 shooting, 12 rebounds, six assists and two steals.

"That shows how good our team is," Parsons said. "We don't have to make shots to win. We can play defense, we can go inside, we can go outside. Some guys aren't going to have perfect games every night — they're not going to shoot the ball well."

Jones clinches win with free throws

■ THE GATORS EDGED MISSISSIPPI STATE 80-78 IN DOUBLE OVERTIME.

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Jordan Jones stood at the free-throw line, the whole game dependent on how she would perform in the coming moments.

With only 2 seconds left in the second overtime of a game tied at 78, Jones drove into the lane, where she was fouled by Mississippi State's Alexis Rack.



Women's Basketball

Before taking the two momentous shots, Jones thought of teammate Azania Stewart, who tells herself as she walks to the free-throw line that the other team is foolish for giving up a guaranteed two points.

The confidence worked.

"I knew they were going in as soon as they left my hand," Jones said of the free throws.

Sure enough, both shots found the net. Senior Steffi Sorensen intercepted the ensuing inbounds pass, sealing Florida's 80-78 victory Sunday in the O'Connell Center.

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2010 football depth chart

The Gators' football roster for 2010 is pretty much set now that National Signing Day is over, which means it is now possible to make accurate depth chart predictions for next season.

Quarterback: John Brantley

He has been waiting for his turn for the last three years. Jordan Reed moved to tight end, so his backup will likely be incoming freshmen Trey Burton or Tyler Murphy.

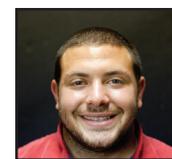
Running back: Jeff Demps

Although he will keep his starting job, he will continue sharing carries with Emmanuel Moody and Chris Rainey.

Z receiver: Omarius Hines

Carl Moore could push Hines for this spot, but Hines looked good in his limited time last season.

X receiver: Deonte Thompson



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son Thompson flashed moments of brilliance last year but will need to be more consistent if he is going to hold off T.J. Lawrence and some other younger receivers.

Slot receiver: Andre Debose

This was supposed to be his job last year, but a hamstring injury prevented him from ever stepping on the field.

Tight end: Gerald Christian

Desmond Parks has been in the system for a year but has not shown coaches much. Christian is already on campus, which will help him gain ground quickly.

Left tackle: Xavier Nixon

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TEERING OFF WITH PHIL KEGLER

■ Warren Sapp was on Pardon the Interruption last week talking about how he won't do MMA because he's a "big teddy bear" now. I wonder if the woman he allegedly battered in his hotel room agrees. ... Who would've thought Florida would be battling USF on the NCAA Tournament bubble? ... The Super Bowl is a great thing, but I'm just glad the two weeks of buildup are over.

NFL HALL OF FAME

■ Former UF running back Emmitt Smith was elected to the National Football Hall of Fame on Saturday. He will be inducted in Canton, Ohio, on Aug. 7.

POLL RESULTS

Previous question:

	Count	Percent (Votes)
How many teams should make the NCAA Tournament?	65	67% (40)
	128	13% (8)
	32	12% (7)
	96	8% (5)

UF rebounds from 12 down in second half

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In the Gators' previous game, a 66-58 loss to Vanderbilt, Jones shot 1 for 4 from the charity stripe. UF coach Amanda Butler said she got in Jones' ear after that game, and Jones responded with a perfect 11-for-11 performance on free throws Sunday.

"There was a different look in Jordan's eye (Sunday), and it was confidence," Butler said.

Jones led Florida (13-10, 6-4 Southeastern Conference) with 21 points, while Sorensen and senior Lonnik Thompson added 12 points and 11 points, respectively.

"There was a different look in Jordan's eye (Sunday), and it was confidence."

Amanda Butler

UF women's basketball coach

To give Jones a chance to be a hero, UF had to make up for a sluggish start to the second half. After trailing by one at the intermission, Mississippi State (15-9, 6-5 SEC) began the second half on a 19-6 run.

The Gators struggled to contain the 6-foot-5 Chanel Mokango, who led all scorers with 22 points.

During the Bulldogs' run, the Gators gave up easy, often uncontested baskets in the paint.

Down 52-40, Butler took a timeout with 12 minutes left, and UF seized momentum.

Sorensen knocked down three three-pointers, and Sharielle Smith and Azania Stewart



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UF guard Jordan Jones goes for a layup during the Gators' 80-78 double-overtime victory against Mississippi State.

made clutch baskets inside the lane with less than two minutes left to force overtime.

Once overtime began, an unlikely star emerged for Florida. Point guard Lonnik Thompson scored all nine of UF's points in the first overtime. In the game's previous 40 minutes, Thompson was scoreless.

"Hitting (my first) layup felt good," she said. "My teammates were like, 'Ok, L is back.'"

Facing a bigger team, Butler decided to change the defense throughout the game in an attempt to confuse Mississippi State.

"We did a really good job going between man and zone, throwing traps out there," Butler said. "I thought we kept playing very, very well. I think that, as much as anything, had an impact on how they shot the ball."

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He started the last five games of his freshman year and should continue that streak next season. Matt Patchan was battling for time at this spot before a torn ACL ended his season, so he could push Nixon for the position.

Left guard: Carl Johnson

Johnson started every game last year and made the move to guard when Nixon assumed the starting job at tackle.

Center: Mike Pouncey

With his brother jumping to the NFL, he will slide over to Maurkice's old spot.

Right guard: Nick Alajajian

Although veterans Mo Hurt and James Wilson each started some games last season, neither impressed the coaches enough to hold down a job while Alajajian and Jon Halapio were lauded for their first years.

Right tackle: Marcus Gilbert

He started every game in 2009 and will not be unseated from the starting job.

Defensive end: Justin Trattou and Ronald Powell

Trattou is the only sure thing at the position, and Powell will be going against Duke Lemmons and William Green for the other starting job. But the five-star recruit will be too talented to keep off the field.

Defensive tackle: Jay Howard and Omar Hunter

The starting title will not

mean much as this will be a rotating door with Lawrence Marsh, Brandon Antwine and Gary Brown coming in often. Freshmen Sharrif Floyd and Dominique Easley could also earn playing time.

Strong-side linebacker: A.J. Jones

Jones was one of the biggest surprises of 2009 but will still need to hold off Brandon Hicks to be the starter in 2010.

Middle linebacker: Jon Bostic

He only has to beat out injury-plagued Brendan Beal.

Weakside linebacker: Jelani Jenkins

This job is wide open and whoever fills it will need to put on weight. Hicks could switch over from strong side if needed.

Cornerback: Janoris Jenkins and Josh Shaw

Jenkins has started almost every game for the previous two seasons, and Shaw is the best cornerback of the loaded 2010 class. He will be going up against Jeremy Brown and Adrian Bushell for the job opposite of Jenkins.

Strong safety: Ahmad Black

He has been a staple on the defense the last two years and won't be challenged next season.

Free safety: Will Hill

He has been the third safety since he arrived on campus but must still hold off Dee Finley.

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UF GYMNASTICS

Gators top 'Pack for fourth-straight

By TOM GREEN
Alligator Writer

Florida got off to a strong start on the uneven bars Friday night against N.C. State and used it to propel the team to its fourth-consecutive victory, 195.475-194.450.

The Gators registered the five best bar scores of the meet, including a pair of 9.85s by senior Amanda Castillo and freshman Marissa King, who both won their first events of the season.

"I've never really considered myself a bar worker," King said. "But to get my first win there is encouraging."

The quick start on bars helped No. 3 Florida (4-1, 3-0 Southeastern Conference) jump out to an early .700-point lead after one rotation, which was enough to hold off No. 22 N.C. State (3-2) in Raleigh, N.C.

"We hit on our handstands, and the aggressiveness was there on bars," UF coach Rhonda Faehn said. "We carried that momentum moving forward in the meet and had an awesome vault as well."

"We were all a bit shocked because we've never seen [freshman Ashanée Dickerson] do that. She is human, though."

Rhonda Faehn
UF gymnastics coach

The Gators implemented changes to the lineup and a few routines against the Wolfpack, hoping to put together a higher team total.

A couple of those changes paid dividends Friday night, as sophomore Elizabeth Mahlich improved her bar score with a 9.80, and King tallied another 9.775 on balance beam, which Faehn said was King's best performance of the season.

Freshman Randy Stageberg also recorded a 9.80 in her return to floor exercises after missing last week's LSU meet due to an illness.

Not all of the tweaking Florida did to its routines paid off, though. Freshman Ashanée Dickerson scored a 9.20 on bars after missing on one of her release moves.

"We were all a bit shocked because we've never seen her do that," Faehn said. "She is human, though."

The meet marked the first time this year Dickerson did not finish in the top two in the all-around.

Instead, N.C. State's Brooke Barr took home the all-around title with a 38.925 and King was second with a 38.850.

Freshman Liz Green also took home her third-straight beam title with a 9.825.

UF shuffles roster, shuts out Troy

■ THE GATORS' WOMEN HAVE WON 71-STRAIGHT MATCHES AT HOME.

By ANDREW OLSON
Alligator Writer

The lineup was different, but the result was familiar.

The No. 7 Gators (5-0) featured a new doubles lineup at the No. 3 spot, and moved singles players No. 2-6 all up one court to make room for freshman Brittany Borsanyi at the No. 6 spot, in their 7-0 win over Troy on Sunday.

No. 15 freshman Lauren Embree, who usually plays on the first court, did not play.

UF women's coach Roland Thornqvist said the decision was about letting everyone get playing time on a team with such depth.

In singles, Embree was replaced by No. 13 freshman Allie Will at the No. 1 spot.

Freshman Caroline Hitimana played at the No. 2 position in doubles with senior Anastasia Revzina, who usually partners with Embree.

Hitimana and Revzina had no trouble winning their set 8-2 to clinch the doubles point.

Will did not stumble in her first time at No. 1 as she won in straight sets 6-4, 6-1.

"I told Allie, any time you're at No. 1 wearing that Florida jersey, you're going to get their best shot," Thornqvist said. "Whoever you face is going to play like they have nothing to lose against the Gators."

The Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Week thought she could have performed better despite the results.

"It was a good experience, even if I didn't play my best tennis," Will said. "I had my teammates' support and I felt I played a much better second set after the nerves settled."

Borsanyi did not lose a set in her debut. She and sophomore Claire Bartlett won their doubles set 8-6. They were the last of the three doubles teams to finish.

"When you're the third team to finish you have the attention of the whole stadium," Thornqvist said. "That's something you can't prepare for in practice."

In singles play, Borsanyi won in straight sets 6-0, 6-4.

UF's home match winning streak is now 71.

With the four-day ITA Team Indoor Championships starting Friday in Madison, Wis., Florida perhaps gets its best test today when they host USF at 3 p.m.

"They have the best one through six lineup we've faced so far," Thornqvist said.

USF has shown a tendency to play up to in-state competition. The Bulls beat No. 21 FSU 5-2 on Jan. 23 in Tallahassee.

The men's team easily defeated FAU 7-0 on Saturday.

It gave the men's team one last chance to gain court experience before the Gators (4-1) head to Charlottesville, Va., for the quarterfinals of the ITA Indoor Championships.

Only two of the matches Saturday did not end in straight sets with freshmen Sekou Bangoura Jr. and Billy Federhofer both needing a tiebreaker.



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UF freshman Allie Will won her match 6-4, 6-1 on Sunday playing in the No. 1 position for the first time in her UF career.

Florida shows off talented roster at Virginia Tech Invitational

The Gators took first place in seven events

By RYAN BUTLER
Alligator Writer

One of the UF men's and women's track and field teams' greatest strengths are their depth, and they showed that to some of the elite teams in the Southeastern and Atlantic Coast Conferences this weekend.

The Gators won seven events and landed four automatic and 12 provisional qualifying times in this weekend's Virginia Tech Invitational.

With its distance team home for the weekend, UF won events in throws, jumps

and sprints.

"Our goal is always to have a well-balanced team so one event doesn't have all the pressure on them," head coach Mike Holloway said.

Senior Shara Proctor put in the most impressive performance of the weekend, landing the second-best women's long jump in the world this season. Her 6.67m/21-10.75 was the 12th-best collegiate jump of all time.

She also qualified for the NCAAs in the triple jump with her 13.88m/45-6.50.

Fellow jumper Christian Taylor post-

ed a 16.26m/53-4.25 in the triple jump to qualify for the NCAA finals after winning the event in the championship meet last season.

Shot putter Mariam Kevkhishvili continued her great season, breaking her own school record with a throw of 18.56m/60-10.75.

It was her 10th-straight win in an indoor competition and was the third-best throw in collegiate history.

On the men's side, junior Kemal Mesic recorded one of the top six throws in the nation. His 18.99m/62-3.75 throw allowed him to finish first in the meet and hold the

fourth-best distance in UF history.

A pair of freshmen sprinters for the Gators also put in strong performances. On the women's side, Lanie Whittaker won the 400-meter dash in 54.06. Tony McQuay finished second in the men's 400 with a time of 46.90.

In his first meet of the season, Jeff Demps qualified first in the preliminaries of the 60 with a 6.64, .04 seconds off an NCAA Championship automatic qualifying time.

Demps ran a 6.61 in the finals to finish second while football teammate Chris Rainey improved from a 6.74 in the prelims to a 6.70 in the finals, good for fourth place.



Track