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# NOT-SO-CLEAN SWEEP

## ■ THE STUDENT ALLIANCE PARTY WON 20 SENATE SEATS.

By ELIZABETH BEHRMAN  
Alligator Writer

Screams from the Unite Party were followed by chants of "No fee!" from the Student Alliance party at the Orange & Brew Thursday morning.

The Unite Party won a majority once again, claiming the executive ticket and 29 of the 49 available Senate seats.

The Student Alliance party grabbed 20 Senate seats, including eight graduate seats, the architecture seat, three engineering seats, the nursing seat, the fine arts seat and six seats from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The Unite Party presidential and vice presidential candidates got 5,376 votes and the Student Alliance Party received 3,921 votes.

During fall's election, the two minority parties won a total of three seats.

Supervisor of Elections Ariana Alfonso announced the results of the Student Government spring elections early Thursday morning.

About 130 members of the Unite Party and about 45 members of the Student Alliance party anxiously awaited the results at the Orange & Brew.

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Alfonso said 9,775 students voted during the election. About 9,800 students voted in the spring 2009 election.

Ashton Charles was elected as the new Student Body president, Marcus Dixon was elected as Student Body vice president and Virlany Taboada will hold the position of Student Body treasurer.

"I'm just so honored to be able to represent the students of the University of Florida, and I'm just so proud to be a Gator," Charles said.

Charles' parents were there to support her when the results were announced.

Lona Vuskovich, Charles' mom, said her heart was going crazy.

"It was worth it all," she said. "All the work paid off."

Ben Meyers, Unite Party spokesman, said he was pleased Unite won a majority of the seats.

"It's gonna be a great year," he said.

Although Unite gained the majority of the Senate seats, members of the Student Alliance party cheered when Alfonso announced that 56 percent of students voted against a fee to cover the repair of the Reitz Union and 55 percent voted against a fee to cover the expansion of the Reitz Union.

They grouped together by the Reitz Union amphitheatre and shouted "No



Steven H. Keys / Alligator Staff

Newly elected Unite Party Treasurer Virlany Taboada, President Ashton Charles and her mother, Lona Vuskovich, celebrate after hearing the results at the Orange & Brew Thursday morning.

## Pub to feature laser tag

By KATHERINE BEIN  
Alligator Writer

The latest downtown dive is putting a twist on childhood pastimes.

Mars Pub and Laser Tag, located at 239 W University Ave., where Wise's Pharmacy used to be, opens tonight.

However, the laser tag arena, at about 3,000 square feet, will be running within a week, said co-owner and recent UF grad Melissa Del Valle.

Unable to find fulfilling jobs, Del Valle, 21, and fellow Gator alumnus Gabriel Peña, 24, decided to open the business.

Games cost \$8 a person and \$7 for students, with a maximum of 14 players.

Children are welcome during the day, but Mars is 18-and-up after 10 p.m.

Del Valle said they'll stay open until midnight Sunday through Wednesday, but adults can drink and play until 2 a.m. Thursday through Saturday.

Del Valle and Peña are excited to open their **Gainesville** doors after about eight months of preparation.

"We had no idea how many people it would really take to get everything done," Del Valle said, adding that they've made lots of new friends along the way.

"It's been a really great relationship," she said. "We're excited to be part of the downtown community."



■ UF freshman Hudson Randall pitched five scoreless innings in his first collegiate start as the Gators held off UCF's late comeback to beat the Knights 7-6 in Gainesville on Wednesday night. See Story, Page 18.

### Gainesville man arrested after high-speed car chase

A wanted man was arrested after he tried to escape police in a high-speed chase in a stolen car late Tuesday night.

Claude Stephens, 41, drove away with the car when he saw it parked and running outside a gas station, according to a Gainesville Police report.

The car's owner immediately called police, who ran the vehicle's description over the radio.

Officer Anton Lipski noticed a car

matching the description and tried to pull it over for a traffic stop. The driver sped up and turned into a residential neighborhood to escape.

An Alachua County warrant was out for his arrest for violating parole. He has previously been charged with auto theft, burglary and dealing in stolen property, and Stephens is a registered sex offender.

— KATHERINE BEIN

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# News Today

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

**RUB Entertainment presents: The Cove**  
Reitz Union Auditorium  
Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and March 4, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

RUB presents a screening of the 2009 documentary "The Cove" about the annual killing of dolphins in a national park in Japan. Directed by former National Geographic photographer Louie Psihogios, "The Cove" is nominated for an Oscar at the 2010 Academy Awards and won the U.S. Audience Award at the 2009 Sundance Film Festival.

**Purim in Las Vegas Student Party at Chabad**  
Saturday, 9 p.m. to midnight  
Jewish Student Center

Celebrate Purim Vegas Style with Megillah readings, kosher deli buffet and sides, hamantaschen and desserts, l'chaim drinks casino games, live Vegas music, Vegas masquerade contest (or costume of your choice) and a chance to win great prizes. Purim fun and entertainment is anticipated. Casino games will be played for prizes only. No cash games or gambling. For students only.

**"New Muslim Cool" screening**  
Today, 7 p.m.  
FAB, Room 105

Islam on Campus is screening "New Muslim Cool," a documentary about Puerto Rican Muslim rapper Hamza Perez life in a post-Sept. 11 world. Snacks and drinks will be provided. For more information, visit [www.islamoncampus.com/](http://www.islamoncampus.com/).

**Chinese American Student Association New Year show**  
Saturday, 7 p.m.

Join us as we celebrate the New Lunar Year. We will showcase Chinese culture, featuring various performances such as a lion dance, traditional dance and many more. Come early for games and prizes. The show is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided. Doors open at 6:15 p.m.

**4th Annual Gator Disc Golf Tournament**  
Saturday  
Lake Wauburg South

The Department of Recreational Sports and the Gator Disc Golf Club are hosting a two-round disc golf tournament. There are three divisions: advanced, intermediate and women's. There will be trophy discs for the top three in each division, CTP discs and giveaways. Gates open at 9 a.m., and there will be a players meeting at 10 a.m. Lunch is not provided. The tournament is free for all UF students, \$20 for UF Faculty and non-UF people. UF Faculty and non-UF players must register before the day of the tournament. Please see [www.recsports.ufl.edu/](http://www.recsports.ufl.edu/) or [grove.ufl.edu/~gatordg/](http://grove.ufl.edu/~gatordg/) for more information about registration and tournament details.

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## FORECAST

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
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55/29	59/36	57/32	63/34	69/48

model your submissions after the events listed above. Improperly formatted "What's Happening" submissions may not appear in the paper. Press releases will not appear in the paper.

## NATIONAL

### Bandits rob delivery man of chicken wings in Ga.

COLUMBUS, Ga. (AP) — Police in Georgia are searching for a pair of hungry bandits who stole an order of chicken wings from a pizza delivery driver.

Columbus Police say the 19-year-old Domino's driver was approached outside a home Tuesday night by two men who asked for money. One of the men pointed a chrome pistol.

Police say one of the men then said, "give me the wings." They fled the scene with the \$36 order.

No cash was taken and the driver was not injured.

### Bikini barista charged with public exposure

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — Pierce County prosecutors filed a charge of unlawful public exposure against a 19-year-old barista accused of wearing only a thong bottom and X-shaped pasties on her nipples. Prosecutors filed the misdemeanor charge Tuesday against the woman who worked at the Bikini Bottoms espresso stand in Puyallup. A passer-by had complained last October about seeing the woman topless.

When a sheriff's deputy went to investigate the woman went to the back of the stand, took off the pasties and put on a bikini top.

The News Tribune of Tacoma reported the deputy confiscated the pasties as evidence.

### Police arrest driver of truck with gas hose dangling

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) —

Police arrested a South Bend man for drunken driving after other motorists reported their vehicles were struck by a hose from a gasoline pump dangling from the fuel tank of the man's truck. St. Joseph County Police say the 46-year-old man failed several sobriety tests after he was stopped Monday night on state Route 2 just west of South Bend.

He was taken to the county jail, where his blood-alcohol level tested 0.13, higher than Indiana's legal limit of 0.08.

An employee at a Speedway station said the man had purchased gas at the store with a credit card, then drove off with the hose still attached to the truck. Police returned the hose and nozzle to the gas station,

but had no estimate of damage to the pump.

## STATE

### Tampa man arrested for wearing clown mask, wig

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — A Tampa man faces charges after a deputy spotted him walking in a clown mask. According to jail records, the man was arrested Tuesday and charged with wearing a mask or hood on a public road over the age of 16 and resisting arrest without violence. The man, who turned 19 on Wednesday, has been released from Hillsborough County Jail on \$750 bond.

The St. Petersburg Times reported that a deputy saw the man wearing a clown mask and bright wig as he walked down a street with two other people. The group fled when deputies tried to question them, but were later located.

### Six Haitian orphans who were detained land in US

MIAMI (AP) — Six Haitian orphans completed a whirlwind journey Wednesday when they landed in Miami and were united with their new parents, four days after Haitian police seized them and sent them to a tent city because of fears they were being kidnapped.

"They're very calm," said Sabrina Sosa of a children's home helping with accommodations. "I guess they're still in some kind of shock."

The orphans were headed to the Port-au-Prince airport Saturday when a group of 20 men blocked four women accompanying the children, shouting: "You can't take our children!" Police briefly detained the women, and the orphans — ages 1-5 — spent three nights sleeping on the ground in a tent city. The U.S. Embassy official carrying the documents needed to take them through immigration had been running late.

The children were with their adoptive parents and being bathed and fed a typical Haitian meal, said Sosa, of His House Children's Home.

Fears of child trafficking have made it harder than ever for impoverished Haitian children to be adopted. Last month, 10 U.S. missionaries trying to take a busload of 33 children to the Dominican Republic without proper documentation were arrested. It turned out none of the children were orphans and two Americans remain in jail in Port-au-Prince.

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**CRIME**

# Crisis system debuts

**By ASHLEY LARA MOSES**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

Alachua County is going red.

Alachua County Emergency Management is encouraging residents to register for CodeRed, a new emergency-alert system.

CodeRed is a high-speed telephone communication service that delivers customized, prerecorded emergency messages to homes and businesses.

This service allows county officials to quickly deliver messages to targeted areas or the entire county.

"We need to have a toolbox of mechanisms to reach people," said David Donnelly, emergency management chief for Alachua County.

CodeRed allows individuals and businesses to register a primary phone number, an alternate phone number and an e-mail address, Donnelly said.

Cell phone users can also choose to be notified via text message.

Alachua County is one of 13 Flori-

da counties to have the CodeRed system.

Gainesville Police Department Cpl. Tscharna Senn said the system will benefit Gainesville residents.

"Anytime we can give knowledge to people in an easy way, it's a plus," Senn said.

**"We need to have a toolbox of mechanisms to reach people."**

**David Donnelly**  
emergency management chief for  
Alachua County

According to Donnelly, the county is in a two-year agreement period with CodeRed, which will last until Oct. 1, 2011.

The system is funded by a Homeland Security grant.

Residents will not be called unless they are in the system's database.

Residents can register with CodeRed at [www.coderedweb.com](http://www.coderedweb.com).

# Horrified SeaWorld guests watch whale kill trainer

## ■ THE PARK WAS CLOSED IMMEDIATELY.

### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO — A killer whale attacked and killed a trainer in front of a horrified audience at a SeaWorld show Wednesday, with witnesses saying the animal involved in two previous deaths dragged the trainer under and thrashed her around violently.

Distraught audience members were hustled out of the stadium, and the park was immediately closed.

Veteran trainer Dawn Brancheau, 40, was one of the park's most experienced. It wasn't clear if she drowned or died from the thrashing.

SeaWorld spokesman Fred Jacobs confirmed the whale was Tilikum, one of three orcas blamed for killing a trainer who lost

her balance and fell in the pool with them in 1991 at Sealand of the Pacific in Victoria, British Columbia.

Tilikum was also involved in a 1999 death, when the body of a man who had sneaked by Orlando SeaWorld security was found draped over him.

The man either jumped, fell or was pulled into the frigid water and died of hypothermia, though he was also bruised and scratched by Tilikum.

But Jim Solomons of the Orlando County Sheriff's Office said Brancheau slipped or fell into the whale's tank, which seemed to contradict Biniak's description.

Authorities provided few immediate details. SeaWorld in San Diego also suspended its killer whale show after Brancheau's death. It is not clear if the killer whale show has been suspended at SeaWorld's San Antonio location, which is closed until the weekend.

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## STATE NEWS

# Crist says jobs are first priority during session

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLAHASSEE — Governor Charlie Crist has one last year to make a lasting mark on Florida and he says his first goal as the 2010 legislative session begins with "jobs, jobs, jobs."

Just so happens that creating jobs was also his goal when last year's legislative session and unemployment has since gone up from 9.8 percent to 11.8 percent in December, even with the billions of dollars in federal stimulus money Florida received and Crist traveling the state to listen to concerns of businesses.

This year, Crist has several proposals to try to create jobs, including \$57.4 million in corporate income tax cuts, restoring a tax holiday on back-to-school clothes and supplies, delaying an increase in unemployment compensation tax, cutting red tape for licenses and permits and setting aside money to attract businesses and help the space pro-

gram.

"It's Issue One — Issue One — without a doubt," said Crist, who is leaving office after one term to run for the U.S. Senate. "It's all jobs, jobs, jobs. It's got to be Mission One."

**It's Issue One — Issue One — without a doubt. It's all jobs, jobs, jobs."**

**Charlie Crist**  
Florida governor

Among the other issues on the list are the environment, education, energy and ethics.

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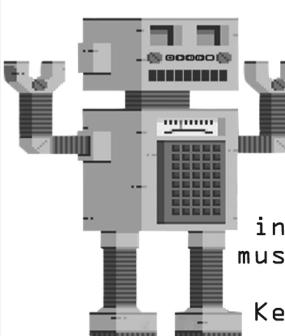
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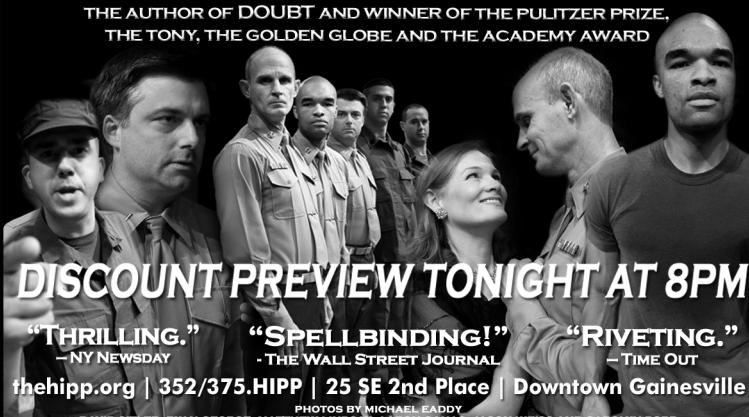
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# Center searches for tutors

■ STUDENTS VOLUNTEER FROM 2:30 TO 5 P.M.

**By MEGAN MERRILL**

Alligator Contributing Writer

With as little as two hours every week, students can impact a child's life and fulfill volunteer requirements for class.

After School Gators, part of UF's Center for Leadership and Service, is in need of student mentors for elementary students, kindergarten through fifth grade, from 2 to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Meghan Taffaro, director of After School Gators, said they would love to take as many volunteers as possible because the school's paid staff members are overwhelmed.

Taffaro, a UF senior, has been a volunteer for about four years and said the experience has been rewarding for everyone involved.

"I have developed a relationship with a bunch of students, and the staff really appreciates us," Taffaro said.

The volunteers mentor at one of four

county schools, including M.K. Rawlings Elementary School, Metcalfe Elementary School, Joseph Williams Elementary School and Lake Forest Elementary School.

Kelley Kostamo, the project specialist for After School Gators, explained the first hour is an educational hour to help with homework, tutor or learn other educational skills. The second is an opportunity for the volunteers to get to know the children and have fun with them by playing games, like kickball or baseball, and doing arts and crafts.

**Community Outreach** "We just help out with whatever they need," Taffaro said. "We don't do a lot of fundraising. We give our time and are there to help."

To qualify for the program, volunteers need to fill out a volunteer form online or pick one up in the Center for Leadership and Service in Peabody Hall, Room 202.

For a list of other service organizations, visit the Center for Leadership and Service Web site at <http://www.leadershipandservice.ufl.edu>.

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# Five election complaints were filed as of 8 p.m. Wednesday

## RESULTS, from page 1

fee, no fee."

Cavataro, who hugged Charles after the announcement of her victory, said he was disappointed with the results but still proud of the 20 Senate seats his party won and the vote against the fees.

"That's a Gator revolution," he said.

Charles said the Reitz fee represents something students have voted against, and she wants to make sure to represent them.

Students voted in favor of an amendment that will update the Student Body Constitu-

tion, and 79 percent of students voted for UF to join the Workers Rights Consortium, which works to correct labor violations in factories that make clothing with university logos.

Campaigners braved the rain Wednesday in a last-minute attempt to get students to vote. Members of both parties offered their umbrellas to passing students.

When the polls closed at 8 p.m., about 75 members of the Unite Party headed over to The Swamp Restaurant while about 11 members of the Student Alliance party went to Mother's Pub & Grill.

Charles arrived with her mom, stepdad and younger brother at about 10:30 p.m. Her

mom has been in Gainesville since Monday and made cookies for all the party volunteers.

At Mother's Pub & Grill, members of the Student Alliance party snacked on \$2 burgers and sweet potato fries. Some drank Red Stripe and Pabst Blue Ribbon, but many Student Al-

liance party hopefuls were at home resting before heading to the restaurant.

The Student Alliance party trickled into the seating area outside the Orange & Brew beginning at 11:20 p.m.. They smoked cigars and, wearing their green T-shirts, chanted "Green means go."

The Unite Party came at about 11:40 p.m.

chanting "U-N-I-T-E," with Meyers in the lead, wearing his lucky shorts despite the cold.

Alfonso said that the election was a smooth one overall, despite concerns over double-voting. She said the election commission will look into double voting by the end of the week.

"It was raining a little bit today [Wednesday]," Alfonso said. "I think that hurt us."

Andrew Brown, chair of the Election Commission, said there were five election complaints filed as of 8 p.m. Wednesday, and he anticipates more will be filed. He said the election commission will be meeting on Friday at 6:30 p.m. in room 287 of the Reitz Union.



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Rafael Yaniz, Student Alliance party treasurer candidate, claps during the election results Thursday morning at the Orange & Brew.

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in public debate, because there is a need for it," Delaney said. "We can disagree, but let's find a compromise."

He said finding a balance will leave people walking away happy and satisfied.

Rod Smith, former Florida senator, said compromise is not a bad thing all the time. The United States was built on compromise, he said.

"You have to make sure that within your own party you don't get too narrow," Smith said. "Talk to people you don't agree with and find a middle ground."

Jordan Barrish, a public relations junior, holds the same mindset as the

three-member panel.

"I completely agree that we need more communication between parties," she said.

Nicole Flikier, a public relations senior, felt the political conversation lacked a means to an ending of bipartisanship.

"I believe that bipartisanship and civility need to happen," she said, "but I would have liked to know how they're working to make it happen."

Ann Henderson, director of the Bob Graham Center for Public Service, said the event was the perfect way to highlight the issue of bipartisanship in Florida before it is brought up in the state legislative session in March.

Henderson said none of the speakers were paid to speak.

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## Editorial

# Uphill Both Ways

## Author misunderstands our generation

We've all heard an older family member at some get-together telling us about how stupid and ungrateful our generation is and how, in his day, everything was much better. But imagine if he sat down and wrote a book about it.

Mark Bauerlein, an English professor turned author of "The Dumbest Generation: How the Digital Age Stupefies Young Americans and Jeopardizes Our Future (Or, Don't Trust Anyone Under 30)," claims young people are so attached to the Internet and texting that technology is making them stupider.

We can't argue with Bauerlein's assertion that a change is occurring. But the world changes, and we come out on the other side better for it. Is our generation dependent on the Internet? Yes. But does that mean we scratch our heads at the printed page or dissolve into chaos when hurricanes knock out our power? Although we are so interested in ourselves that we constantly post for the world to see, we can't be any more selfish than the group that was dubbed Generation Me. While we find surfing the Internet for our information faster and easier, we aren't shying away from higher education or reading for pleasure.

Bauerlein may see us as a dull-minded mass shifting from place to place as we attempt to stay forever plugged in, but we see individuals affected differently by the world and its changes. The Internet opens minds rather than closing them and helps us learn about things that might otherwise have been out of physical reach. And we're not afraid that we'll drop the written word or the way we've preserved it since the ancient Egyptians started scrawling on papyrus.

Bauerlein may see us as a mass of young people sans identity and individuality. But we're people who, like Bauerlein probably was at our age, are tired of being told how much better things were before we came along.

## Serial Killer Whale

Once again, a captive animal has killed its trainer, and this time, it's close to home.

On Wednesday, SeaWorld Orlando's 6-ton killer whale Tilikum killed his trainer during a performance. And this might not be his first offense. In 1991, he was in the water with two other orcas when a trainer was forcibly drowned.

Eight years later, park employees found a dead man draped over Tilikum's body, though no one knows how he ended up in the water. The Associated Press published a list of notable maulings, and they're averaging two a year.

So what do we see that the rest of the world seems to be missing? OK, we'll paint you a picture.

You're walking to class one day and out of nowhere a giant net scoops you up and puts you in a hot tub. And you live there for the rest of

your life. Sure, you're not so smart. Sure, they give you lots of cupcakes. But you live in a hot tub. And maybe they throw in a random guy you've never met.

It is really surprising that animals that were born to swim thousands of miles or run over expanses of land snap and attack the people who padlock them into cages and confine them to glorified bathtubs? We don't think so.

Aside from the undeniably unfit enclosures zoo animals are restricted to, the prisoners are expected to perform routines and interact with other animals they might not be paired with in the wild. This causes stress, which causes them to act out.

Until Americans stop imprisoning animals for fun and profit, we can't blame Tilikum or any other living thing in unjust captivity for lashing out against its captors.

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## Column

## America has chance to prove itself

As one of the most important battles in the war on terror rages in the Taliban stronghold of Marja, Afghanistan, another battle is being fought on American soil over the fate of suspected terrorists.

Namely, the case of Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, self-proclaimed mastermind of Sept. 11, has gained much popularity in the media.

While some believe that Mohammed should be tried in civilian court, others think of him as a military combatant and therefore only fit for trial in a military court.

Then there are those who believe the mere presence of Mohammed within our borders is enough to spark Armageddon.

It isn't a matter of the American justice system or what court this mad man should be tried in. Just pure, instinctual fear.

It's exactly what terrorism calls for: an unbridled fear that sends people into a panic.

That panic often leads them to think and do irrational things.

But what are people afraid of, and what does the fear accomplish?

There is no doubt the threat of terrorism is real, but at the same time it must be put into perspective.

Terrorist attacks do not occur in this country on a daily basis (though I'm sure the 24-hour news outlets would love to see the ratings boost from all the coverage).

In the almost nine years since Sept. 11, attacks have been foiled on people like Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab who, even with thoughts of 72 virgins waiting for him in the afterlife racing around in his head, could not wire a bomb to properly explode from its hiding place in his

**Eric Tegethoff** underwear.

**Speaking Out** If attempted attacks on this country are numerous, they are about as well thought out as that

last minute idea you had for a party in your dorm freshman year with your RA sleeping in the room next door to you.

Sept. 11 itself stands alone as a wholly tragic fluke in our history.

So, to imagine that one man in custody of the U.S. government could wreak such havoc is quite preposterous.

But if terrorism is really just a mind game, then it appears that Mohammed may have some American citizens beaten.

The question for the remaining, rational Americans is: What do we hope to accomplish with the trial of the Sept. 11 mastermind?

A civil trial for Mohammed has its inherent problems. Evidence obtained from torture cannot be used in court.

However, a civil trial for such an evil man is more like a testament to American rule of law for the world to see.

Though spreading democracy and the American way of life are immensely pompous ideologies in foreign affairs, the power of equality under the law, a country's moral compass to a large extent, is a policy worth preaching.

In addition, it gives us the chance to show our enemies we're not afraid of their bully-like tactics. Terrorism only works if it causes us to live in complete terror.

*Eric Tegethoff is a biology senior.*

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### Reader response

**Today's question:**

Are you glad SG elections are over?

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## Letter to the Editor

### Online voting would solve problems

Double voting has been a concern in Student Government elections for years, and there have always been allegations directed at the Greek houses. If Supervisor of Elections Ariana Alfonso is worried about double voting, she should advocate for a switch to online voting tied to UF IDs. The centralized list of who has voted would prevent any double voting and save the Student Body tens of thousands of dollars each election.

William Foster  
UF alumnus

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### Gainesville's priorities are lacking

I find it interesting that there is no limit to how many stacks of pancakes IHOP can give away, and yet the city imposes a 130-meal limit when St. Francis House feeds the homeless.

Jason Ybarra  
Alligator reader

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### Recent Holocaust references inappropriate

In response to David Hanan's letter likening UF's tolerance of the Dove World Outreach Cen-

ter on campus to tolerance of genocide, I'd like to make a few points.

The members of Dove World Outreach Center spoke in a free-speech zone. If you have a message of intolerance to push, feel free to have a shouting match with some crazies. The rest of us would rather get to class on time than argue with idealogues, but we don't condone hate.

Genocide still happens and proud citizens of the free United States know it. Despite this, atrocities continue and the death and displacement of millions of people as a result of political violence in Africa is unchecked. Maybe if our government stopped trying to push sanctions on Iran and tried pushing some on the Democratic Republic of Congo, something could be done for these people. As it is however, the West continues to buy coltan (used to make all your cellphones and iPods) from violent warlords and support governments that turn a blind eye to genocide. Lastly I would like to request that UF students stop equating everything to the Holocaust. Neither the Student Alliance Party nor members of the Dove World Outreach Center are Nazis, and we cheapen lessons taught by a dark page in history when we take the Holocaust out of context.

Lily Bruns  
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Mariangela Vacatello

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## corey smith does it again

Corey Smith, famed for his songs about college, drinking and having a good time, takes the stage at The Venue tomorrow at 9 p.m. to introduce his newest album, which he says is his best one yet.

Plus, why you should wrap it up and wear a condom, a Mac's restaurant review, where to shop for consignment treasures, an all new sexToon and a new computer gadget that just might be better than the tablet.

Photo Courtesy of Corey Smith



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## Take a look inside, it's a party in a box

By RICHARD O. STEHLI  
avenue writer

There is no way to pack so much excitement into a single beer purchase as with a brewery sampler pack. Featuring four to six different beers, usually spanning the entire spectrum from light to dark, a 12-pack of beer and a handful of friends can quickly become your very own beer-tasting party.

Short of physically going to the brewery where the beer is made (also highly recommended), sampler packs are by far the most efficient way to taste an entire line of beer. Many distant breweries ship only variety packs to Gainesville, and sometimes you can even find a bottle or two of limited-release or seasonal beer tossed in with the standard fare.

For maximum visual appeal, pour half a glass of every style so you can see the color range from light to dark.

The aroma will be best in these bigger glasses, so even if you don't share the glasses to drink, let everyone smell the beer in a big glass. Drink an ounce or two of each down the line in the same order (light to dark) to get a general feel for any beers that you particularly like, and then focus in on your favorites in larger quantities.

In the end, think of it as a three-step process: Buy the sampler pack, drink the sampler pack and profit. My methodology is only a suggestion; however, with a few close friends and a variety of beers to choose from, I guarantee that you are going to have a good time.

The best place in Gainesville to find variety packs is Ward's Supermarket, located at 515 NW 23rd Ave.

Visit The Avenue online for more information on specific brewery sampler packs.

### Behind the Bar

## online

## Students take over blogosphere

By BENJAMIN EVANS  
avenue writer

It's no secret that blogging can put you on the fast track to success. But how much you achieve out there on the Web depends on the amount of work you're willing to put in.

Marissa Fuchs, 21, tries to get in about four posts a day. Brenton "Ace" Brown, 21, aims for about 25.

Fuchs launched her fashion blog last September, and Brown's music blog is less than 2 months old, but the two friends have already received an overwhelming amount of positive feedback. It didn't take long after meeting them to see why.

Fuchs met me for our interview with her BlackBerry in hand, dressed in frilly, Indian-inspired shoes, ripped jeans and a loose black shirt hanging off one shoulder. The Long Island native is one of those people you meet and instantly know she can teach you a thing or two about fashion.

Her blog, MarissaCaseyTrend.com, grew out of bored days in her room and the library, scouring fashion sites and blogs for the latest trends. She shared her fashion tips with friends and soon saw that people were interested in what she had to say.

"Most people don't have the time to go to different sites, so I do it for them," Fuchs said.

One goal Fuchs has for her blog is to show what celebrities are wearing and find affordable alternatives for college students who might not have the money for designer duds, she said.

Brown also keeps his subscribers up-to-date on fashion trends, letting them know about the newest kicks on the market or the latest designer Kanye West is wearing. But the main focus of his blog, AKidNamedB.com, is hip-hop.

"I wanted to create a place for me to get my music out there, get other

## BERRY COOL

### "BERRY BOWL" DESSERT

By SHAYNA BROUKER  
avenue writer

#### Ingredients:

1 cup of frozen mixed berries  
1 cup of yogurt  
1 banana  
4 strawberries, sliced  
1/2 cup apple or pomegranate juice or skim milk  
1/4 cup granola  
honey to taste  
handful of ice

#### Directions:

1. Dump the ice, yogurt and frozen berries into the blender and blend on high until ice chunks are broken up. Add juice or milk as needed to blend, stopping to stir occasionally.
2. Add half of the banana and blend until smooth. The smoothie should have a thick consistency.
3. Pour smoothie into a bowl and add the other half of the banana (sliced), sliced strawberries and granola. Drizzle with honey and serve.

## ONLINE

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musicians heard," said Brown, who has opened up for Drake, Redman and Method Man under the name B. Brown, formerly Boogs Milli.

Brown's secret to success is simple. He's almost always at his computer working on his blog. When he's away, he's only thinking about getting back to do more, he said. All his work has luckily not been in vain because he's even beaten some of the top hip-hop blogs to news stories.

Chances are, if you hear a new song, Brown heard it two weeks ago.

"I like to be the gatekeeper of a lot of music," he said.

Fuchs plans on moving to L.A. after college to begin a career in event planning. Her blog could jump to the next level this year, with talks of celebrity photos being exclusively put on her blog, she said.

Brown was recently asked by California-based clothing company Circle of Success to go to L.A. to blog about its clothes.

# 'Defiance' opens at The Hipp

By JON SILMAN  
avenue writer

You may not know who John Patrick Shanley is, but you may have heard of the Tony- and Pulitzer-winning author's famous melodrama "Doubt," recently brought to the silver screen. The author's second play in a trilogy about American hierarchy, "Defiance," is storming the Hippodrome theatre tonight in a run that will last through March 21.

In a special preview price tonight, tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students. They'll normally run \$25 to 30 for adults. Jessica Hurov, director of advertising and marketing at the Hippodrome, is excited about the prospect of this production. The play's setting is a North Carolina marine base in 1971. The camp is awash in racial tensions and a young black captain is promoted in an attempt to stem the racial tide of discontent. The young captain

and his superior officer are soon caught in a "riveting web of moral issues that set the stage on fire." In order to realistically portray marine protocol, Hurov went to the local armed forces recruiter and Veterans of Foreign Wars to ask for some help.

"We talked to active duty and retired marines to make sure it's true to life," Hurov said. "They collaborated with us on everything from how to salute to the authenticity of the costumes."

The Hippodrome is a self-producing professional theater that plans its season a year in advance. When a play is successful, an agent for the playwright will make the rights available to regional theater. According to Hurov, "Defiance" was grabbed as soon as it became available.

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# sexToon



# Corey Smith introduces new album at The Venue

By MICHELLE PROFIS  
avenue writer

Georgia native Corey Smith has amassed a reputation for singing songs about feelin' good. And just how good? Read on to find out why he wants to give you his music for free, why his fans are bloodthirsty and why John Mayer annoys him. Smith plays at The Venue tomorrow at 9 p.m. with tickets starting at \$15.

## How does it feel to be a Bulldog in Gainesville?

Gig at every big rivalry in every college town in the SEC, I look at it like that. It's a lot of fun, but I hope that

people know me for my music and my songwriting and not that I'm a Georgia football fan.

### Tell us about your new album.

I've always written from personal experience about things that were important to me. I've never thought a lot about what people would think. If I did, I wouldn't have written songs like 'Purple' or 'If I Could Do It Again.' I knew there were gonna be some fans that were not gonna like it, but if it's about making records that were only attempts to get more people to like me, I wouldn't be doing my job, right?

### What's your writing process?

I think most of them are my attempt to resolve some sort of conflict I'm having internally. Writing for me is therapeutic. It's my way of dealing with things. I don't think a lot about what people are going to think of if I deal with my issues openly in the songs, then the songs will resonate.

### What do you love about being on the road?

The food is awesome. Seeing the country, meeting the people. I just love to travel, but at the same time, I don't like being away from my family.

**Why do you let your fans download your music for free on your Web site when all your music is on**

### iTunes?

I would rather have people listen to my songs than not listen to my songs. I love it when they pay for them. It's great I can support my family, but more than that I just want people to listen to them. I just make it available to people. For me, it's not about the money as much as it's about the whole experience.

### How do you think Twitter has influenced the music community?

I'm not sure about Twitter yet. I've been doing it for four or five months now, and I'm still not sure about it. I think I delete more tweets than I post. No one cares about what I'm

doing. As cool as I think John Mayer is, I don't really want to know John Mayer. I think the more we get to know these people, the more flaws we are gonna find and the less we will respect them.

### Craziest fan moment or experience?

One time, I got bit by a fan. I was taking a picture with this lady in Arkansas, and she was drunk and older. I take pictures with everyone every night, and she just reached over and bit me. Hard, almost drew blood, WTF. I was so pissed off. Damn lady. I don't know how I'm going to explain the bite mark.

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## Protection can be perfection

By MICHAEL PERRONE  
and AMELIA HARNISH  
avenue writers

He says...

"Do you mind putting on a condom?" is one of those questions that make men cringe with disappointment. Of course I mind. I mind having to put the foreplay on pause. I mind having to stumble in the dark for my pants and dig through the pockets.

But even though it is such a monumental hassle, I comply. In the interest of safe sex and of ensuring there won't be any mini-me's running around anytime soon, I make sure to wrap it up, every time.

And in reality, it's a no-brainer. With all the negative consequences of sex today - unwanted pregnancy, HIV/AIDS and other STDs - there is no reason not to wear protection. The '70s are long gone. The era of carefree sex has been replaced with an era of awareness and responsibility.

Now, the only way to guarantee that you won't knock anybody up or get syphilis is abstinence. But that's no fun. According to the National Institutes of Health, condoms have an 85 percent success rate at preventing pregnancy and STDs when used properly.

As men, it is our duty to always have the necessary protection at our disposal. That means keeping a supply in your bedroom, car and pocket. Just don't store them in your wallet. All the friction from opening and closing your wallet will, over time, degrade the latex, which means that the jimmy you've been keeping in there since high school isn't to be trusted.

And speaking of friction, never double up. You may think that you are taking the road safe by twin-bagging it, but this can cause your rubbers to break.

We can all agree that sex with a condom doesn't feel nearly as good, but using lube can help remedy that problem a bit. Using petroleum-based lubricants like Vaseline break down the latex. For the chemistry majors out there, it's like acid to your condom.

To close on a serious note, there is no reason why you shouldn't be practicing safe sex. Every time you knock boots without some form of contraception, you are playing a dangerous game, where losing means having a baby, catching something or worse. So wise up, and do like the Boys Scouts say. Always be prepared.

Drew: Find yourself hungry on the weekend?

Then stay the hell away from Mac's Drive Thru, 'cause it ain't open. These two critics learned that the hard way, but that's one of the few flaws of this classic Gainesville eatery.

You might have some trouble finding Mac's: It's in a tiny little shack across the street from Tutoring Zone. Pretty ordinary on the outside, but it grills up a mean burger on the inside, and that's

John: They also serve up a prime fish sandwich. Just as Mac's burgers are better than your average burger, the fish sandwich steps up its game as well.

Drew: At around \$2, pretty much everything on the menu is fired up right there in front of you.

John: Mac's basically took the childhood concept of managing a lemonade stand and just biggerized it. Any closing comments?

John: While Mac's Drive-Thru is a bit of a trek away from where you probably live, it's a good spot for a Tutoring Zone Tuesday or just an escape from your everyday mass-produced burger chain. It's got all the grease and satisfaction of your standard McDouche without the feeling that usually comes after. In fact, you'll wish you'd ordered more.

## she says...

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## technology

By JON SILMAN  
avenue writer

The litl is a big idea from a small computer company based in Boston. In its purest form, it's a computer so simple to use that you don't have to spend an irritatingly long hour explaining the way it works to your grandmother - she can (gasp) figure it out on her own right out of the box. It's kind of like a netbook, but it exists "in the cloud."

Cloud computing is a nerdy term for Internet computing where everything exists on the Web. It's the idea that you don't actually need to install any software to the machine because everything you need is on the Web. "Computers are like cars," said James Gardner, VP of Marketing for litl. "Some people like manual transmissions where you have more control of the engine and maintenance of the vehicle. Others prefer an automatic transmission, so they don't have to worry about any of that."

In this analogy, the litl would be

a car that drives itself. The company sent me one to try out, and it came in fancy compartmentalized cardboard packaging along with a note welcoming me to the litl family. The litl's simple design had me on the Internet within seconds, but I wanted to take it through the paces.

I went on Hulu and watched an episode of "Family Guy" while I checked my e-mail. The litl was fast and responsive, and I was surprised with the lack of Internet lag. The interface is divided into "cards" (think channels on the Nintendo Wii) on the screen, which represent different Web sites and built-in features like weather and a "media wall." The screen also flips to feature an "easel mode" in which the computer basically becomes a viewing screen, and it's easily controlled by a knob that rotates through the on-screen cards.

The litl has a HDMI input that lets you use your TV as a viewing screen, and its browser is based on Mozilla

software and is similar to Firefox. The keyboard has a "litl" key that automatically takes you back to the home screen from wherever you are, making navigation a breeze.

It incorporates many of the Web 2.0 applications (like Shutterfly and flickr) right out of the box. Because nothing is stored on the computer, there is no way to lose any of your data. Also, the litl presents everything neatly without all the usual desktop clutter of a typical Mac or PC. The unit can be ordered online and costs \$699.

With a comparable netbook from Acer on the market for \$300, I asked Gardner to explain the price point. He said that the litl is a premium product that's great for your parents and grandparents or younger children to use. There's no maintenance, software or updating to worry about. The high-tech screen was designed to be viewed from any angle, and the litl's durability makes it ideal for any room of the house. Litl comes with an un-



Provided by Lisa Hendrickson

Order the Litl online for \$699 at [litl.com](http://litl.com) and follow the company on Twitter @asklitl.

ditional two-year warranty, and it has a USB port so you can upload pictures from your digital camera. Whether the litl will do for comput-

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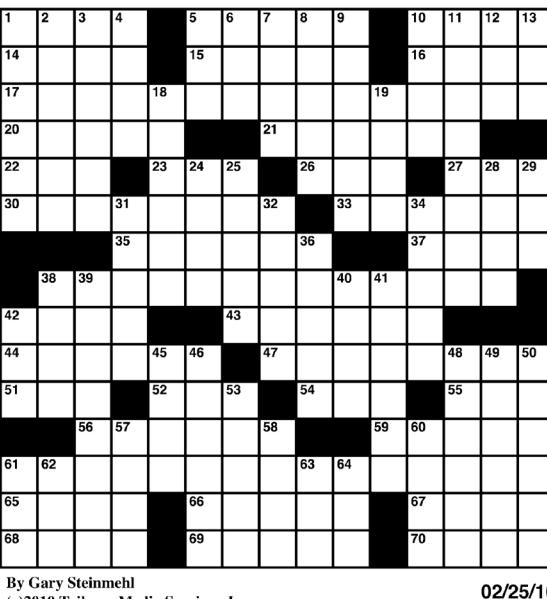
**ACROSS**  
1 Quick kiss  
5 Bond player, seven times  
10 Confiscated auto  
14 End of a fronton game?  
15 Back list  
16 Court cry  
17 Detectives assigned to unsolved mysteries?  
20 Buddy boy  
21 Calls, in a way  
22 Waste not  
23 Navig. guide  
26 Quarterback Roethlisberger  
27 Stable diet?  
30 Soak through  
33 Siesta shawl  
35 Local groups  
37 Start of a theory  
38 Intermission queues?  
42 Hawaii's "Valley Isle"  
43 Midwestern landscape  
44 Ring setting  
47 Carrying capacities  
51 Pavement warning  
52 Word processor setting  
54 Mad Hatter's drink  
55 Fjord relative  
56 Like some bio majors  
59 Daphne eloped with him on "Frasier"  
61 Shower gifts for brie lovers?  
65 Word that can precede each word in 17-, 38- and 61-Across  
66 Crucial artery  
67 Regarding, to counsel  
68 Fesses (up)  
69 Watch secretly  
70 "Just a couple \_\_"

2 Kay Thompson's impish six-year-old  
3 Mobile maker  
4 William the pirate  
5 Hamm of soccer  
6 Switch positions  
7 River forming part of Germany's eastern border  
8 Betty Ford Center program  
9 Oozes out  
10 Prefix with tiller  
11 Sleeping aid  
12 A pop  
13 Jigger's 1½: Abbr.  
18 Clear and convincing  
19 High Court count  
24 Poker holding  
25 Condescend  
28 Big louts  
29 House call?  
31 Partner of words  
32 Gay leader?  
34 Unilever laundry soap brand  
36 Like a whip?  
38 Train guide  
39 Continental

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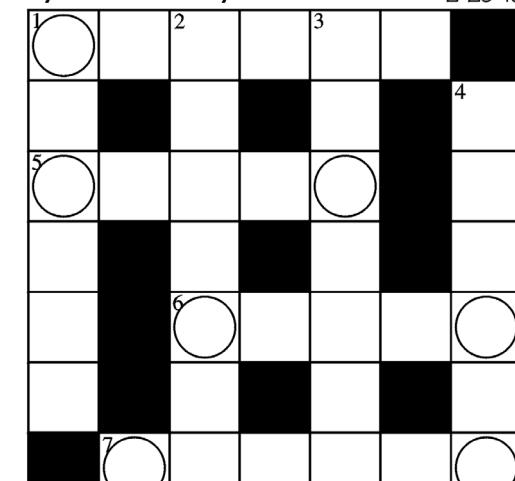
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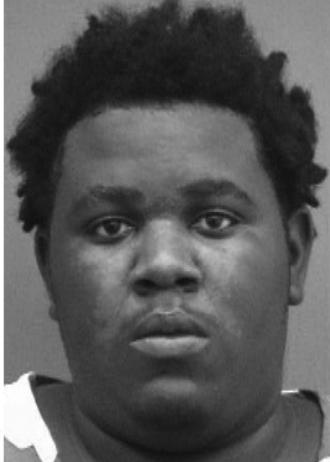
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## No. 5 Gators hold off late charge to top Knights 7-6



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UF freshman pitcher Hudson Randall pitches early in the Gators' 7-6 win against UCF at McKethan Stadium on Wednesday night. Randall did not allow a run in his first start, which was delayed 30 minutes because of rain.

■ FRESHMAN HUDSON RANDALL THREW FIVE SCORELESS INNINGS.

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Hudson Randall's first start was just like he imagined. Only wetter.

Rain pushed Randall's debut back 30 minutes Wednesday, but once he took the mound, the freshman pitched five efficient innings, allowing no runs on only three hits as No. 5 Florida (4-0) beat UCF (3-1) 7-6.

Since signing with the Gators during his senior year at Atlanta Dunwoody High, Randall said he constantly thought about making his first start at McKethan Stadium.

"(The game) was everything I pictured," he said. "It wasn't the best of days, but I worked with it and did what I could."

Randall threw first-pitch strikes against 12 of the 18 batters he faced and used his two-seam fastball to help induce nine ground-ball outs.

"He was in total control of the game," UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan said. "I thought he was outstanding."

O'Sullivan is keeping the Gators pitchers on a short leash early in the season, and Randall was restricted to 71 pitches. But in a combined 18 1/3 innings, the UF starters have yet to surrender an earned run.

Florida jumped on UCF starter Brian Adkins early  
**SEE BASEBALL, PAGE 19**

### UF WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## Florida falls to No. 22 Vandy

By EUGENIO TORRENS

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Jennifer George played one of the best offensive games of her young career, but it was Vanderbilt's Hannah Tuomi who had a career night.

Despite entering the game averaging just 9.6 points per game, Tuomi scored a personal-best 26 points on 10-of-10 shooting and was one rebound shy of a double-double.

Her effort was enough to lead No. 22 Vanderbilt (20-8, 9-6 Southeastern Conference) past UF 71-60.

In a game more tightly contested than the final score indicated, the Gators (14-14, 7-8 SEC) came within one point of tying the Commodores but were never able to claim the lead.

"We were dominated in the paint by Hannah Tuomi," UF coach Amanda Butler said. "Just really disappointed with our post defense that we couldn't do a better job on

an individual that generally does not perform a scoring role for their team."

Vanderbilt came into the game as one of the top-shooting teams in the SEC and didn't disappoint Wednesday night. The Commodores shot 57.8 percent from the field, including 41.7 percent (5 of 12) from beyond the arc.

UF shot 40.4 percent from the field, but that number picked up significantly in the second half, when the Gators improved their shooting to 46.7 percent.

George contributed seven points before the break while UF struggled from beyond the arc, shooting a 27.3 percent clip.

She was whistled for her fourth personal 16 seconds after coming in at the 10:54 mark in the second half, and her minutes were

Butler

**SEE W-HOOPS, PAGE 19**

### TEeing off with MIKE McCALL

■ Denver Broncos and former Georgia running back Knowshon Moreno is under some heat for allegedly punching a UGA freshman, and my brother's high-school friend, at a bar in Athens on Saturday night. This really comes as no surprise. I flipped through my brother's yearbook today, and the kid won "Most Likely to Get Jacked in the Face by His Sports Hero" by a landslide.

### UF's fate not in Tucker's hands

Want to know what it'll take for the No. 5 Florida baseball team to reach the College World Series?

Forget Preston Tucker.

Tucker, a member of the pre-season watch list for the Golden Spikes Award — the sport's version of the Heisman Trophy — is a baller, but the Gators' fate doesn't rest in his hands.

The first baseman won't get to swing much unless his teammates are a threat as well, and that's the key for UF.

Last year, Tucker hit .364 with 15 home runs and 85 RBIs and earned the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Freshman Hitter of the Year Award.

In UF's five NCAA Tournament games, he hit .650 with three homers. But in the Super Regional, Southern



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Miss took the bat out of his hands.

In Florida's season-ending, 7-6 loss to USM, Tucker homered in the first inning, then saw a total of zero strikes during his next three at-bats, all walks.

His teammates brought him around to score after the first walk, but he was left on base for the next two, and that's the strategy teams will try to use against Tucker this year.

It's up to the top of the lineup to keep that from working. Center fielder Matt den Dekker and second

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### UF TENNIS

■ The No. 6 UF men's tennis team's match against No. 19 FSU on Wednesday was postponed due to weather. It will be made up on March 17 at 4 p.m.

### WEEKLY AWARDS

■ UF center fielder Matt den Dekker was named to the inaugural Primetime Performer Weekly Honor Roll by CollegeBaseball360.com, and Bob Van Overbeek earned SEC Freshman of the Week for men's tennis.

## UF SWIMMING

# Gators hit water for first of two primers for NCAAs

**By MATT RUBIN**  
Alligator Writer

With the Southeastern Conference behind them, the UF men's and women's swimming and diving teams are ready to look toward the NCAA Championships.

The Gators have two tune-ups left before the women hit the water in West Lafayette, Ind., on March 18, and the men take the pool in Columbus, Ohio, on March 25.

They'll compete in the first of those today through Sunday at the Florida Swimming Senior Championships in Orlando.

Following the SEC Championship Meet in which the men's and women's teams both finished second, Florida will use the meet to shift its focus toward the national scene.

That means getting as many swimmers qualified for the NCAA meet as possible, as

well as developing younger swimmers for depth.

For this reason, the Gators won't bring a full roster to Orlando. They'll focus on swimmers who failed to qualify at the SEC Championship and those who didn't compete at all.

"We've been really fortunate here at Florida to bring along some younger athletes that are a little less experienced and we take maybe a few more than some other teams in the country do," UF coach Gregg Troy said. "But some of those people become the Conor Dwyers and the Jeff Raymonds. Jeff Raymond has scored a lot of points for us. They're the ones that really help us down the road, so we're developing."

Dwyer notched five NCAA automatic-qualifying times at the SEC Championship, two as an individual and three as part of relay teams. Overall, the Gators had five qualifying times on the women's side and 13 from

the men, and they'll be looking for more this weekend.

By having more swimmers earn low NCAA provisional-qualifying times or even automatic-qualifying times, they'll not only increase the chance of individual swimmers

doing well, they'll better the odds of placing high as a team at the national meet.

"On the men's side, we have four or five guys that are kind of one-event guys," Troy said. "We don't take them to conference meet but they're specialists, maybe in the distance freestyle or they're really good in the butterfly but not quite as well-rounded. This is their opportunity because they can still get to the NCAAs."

"We think we might have two or three more become standard and a couple of them can even score at the NCAAs, so it's really important for us team-wise, those couple of extra points. We've got to give them a great chance to see if they can qualify."

Former Olympian Gemma Spofforth tallied three of the women's squad's five automatic-qualifying times at the SEC meet, but Troy said he was happy with his swimmers' performances overall.

"The women did a great job of fighting last weekend," Troy said. "We have somewhere between ten and fifteen qualified for the NCAA meet. I feel really good about our chances moving forward that we're going to be outstanding at the NCAA meet. We were certainly not pleased about being second, but we were really happy with the performances."



Troy

## Adams' RBIs prove pivotal after UCF comeback

### BASEBALL, from page 18

taking a 3-0 lead in the second — and never trailed. After hitting 1 for 9 in the opening weekend, Bryson Smith was pivotal for the Gators' offense, going 2 for 2, drawing two walks and scoring twice.

Smith hit fifth against the Knights, a spot higher than he did while struggling. O'Sullivan said he hoped the move would give the junior college transfer more confidence.

"I don't know if that's the reason why he got two hits, but I'm sure it said something to him when he saw his name in the lineup hitting fifth instead of seventh or eighth," O'Sullivan said.

Second baseman Josh Adams added two important insurance runs in the sixth when he hit a double to right-center field, driving in freshmen Nolan Fontana and Mike Zunino. Adams himself scored later in the inning on an Austin Maddox double that gave the Gators a 7-0 lead.

But seven runs weren't enough of a cushion. UF relievers Nick Maronde and Greg Larson struggled following a rough weekend against USF in which the two allowed a total of five runs in 1/3 of an inning on Sunday.

Maronde entered in the sixth on Wednesday and gave

away three earned runs in two innings. Larson relieved Maronde but only lasted 1/3 of an inning, allowing another three runs.

In the young season, Maronde and Larson have ERAs of 23.14 and 16.87, respectively.

O'Sullivan said Maronde's struggles are due to his inability to put batters away. The UCF rally began after Maronde gave up consecutive two-strike hits.

"I know he's a little down," O'Sullivan said, "but to be quite honest with you, I'm encouraged with the way he threw tonight. He's just got to make better two-strike pitches."

Junior Kevin Chapman was able to stop the bleeding for the Gators, forcing a flyout to end the eighth and shutting down the Knights in the final frame.

With two outs and the potential tying run on first, Chapman ended the game by striking out UCF left fielder Chris Duffy, who hit a two-run homer in the eighth.

"Anytime there's a tight situation... I love getting in," Chapman said. "It's awesome because the adrenaline's flowing."

The Gators will host Siena tonight at 6:30.

## Undersized Commodores control the paint in victory

### W-HOOPS, from page 18

limited in the rest of the game. She chipped in six after intermission that

all came before her fourth foul, and she finished with 13 points on 6-of-9 shooting in 23 minutes.

"As good of a job as George did

for us on the offensive end today — which I thought she did a fantastic job — we were giving up just as much on the other end," Butler said.

VU outscored Florida 36-30 in the paint and outrebounded UF despite being one of the smaller teams the Gators have faced. UF had bettered some of its taller opponents, like Tennessee, on the glass but found itself on the short end of the boards 31-24.

"They haven't been one of the stronger rebounding teams in our league this season," Butler said.

Eleven first-half turnovers allowed the Gators to stay in the game and prevented VU from opening the lead, but the Commodores' hot shooting neutralized their miscues.

Florida used a 9-2 run in the second half to chip away at Vanderbilt's lead. But every time UF threatened, the Commodores either got a three-pointer or a Huomi and-one layup, which happened after a Jordan Jones' free throw that left VU up by one before Huomi converted on the three-point play.

A radio broadcast contributed to this report.



Ana Goni-Lesson / Alligator Staff

Forward Jennifer George came off the bench to lead Florida with 13 points on 6-of-9 shooting in the Gators' 71-60 loss at Vanderbilt.

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baseball Josh Adams hit ahead of Tucker, and designated hitter Austin Maddox is behind him at cleanup.

Odds are Tucker is going to get his this year. The question is whether opponents will have to pitch to him, and if they don't, whether he'll make it past first base.

Florida got this season off to a very promising start in this department, as the formula for success was on display in the first inning against USF on Friday.

Against Bulls ace Randy Fontanez, the pre-season Big East Conference Pitcher of the Year, the Gators' first four at-bats yielded four runs.

Den Dekker singled, Adams brought him in with a towering home run to left field, Tucker walked (of course) and then Maddox came through with an opposite-field blast. UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan couldn't have drawn that up any better.

"The whole key to our offense, I believe, is Josh and Matt getting on base and forcing other teams to have to pitch to Preston," O'Sullivan said. "If they do that, I think we're going to score a bunch of runs."

Maddox is the biggest question mark in that plan. Den Dekker and Adams are veterans with solid seasons under their belts, while Maddox is a newbie. And as the guy behind Tucker, he's the most important.

He impressed in his first two games by homering in each, but he's hitting .210.

Luckily, he has a good mentor one spot above him in the batting order, as Tucker knows what it's like to be a freshman in the spotlight.

"There's always a lot of pressure, not from your peers, but you're putting a lot of pressure on yourself trying to prove that you do belong here," Tucker said. "The first swing he took at a college ball, he hit it out."

"He showed that you can't pitch around me every time because he'll put up some numbers."

Tucker hasn't put up crazy numbers himself so far (.267, zero home runs, zero RBIs), but O'Sullivan isn't worried.

"He gets upset, but he'll be fine," O'Sullivan said. "That's part of it. If you look at anybody who has had the success he has had, you're going to get pitched to differently."

"I'm not worried about him. He's going to stay in that third spot all year."

He's right not to worry about Tucker. It's a long season, and he'll hit his stride. Whether the Gators hit their stride as a team will depend on the other guys keeping pace.

# Braves top prospect draws lofty comparisons

## Heyward competing for right field job

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KISSIMMEE — The comparisons are already out of control for Atlanta Braves prospect Jason Heyward.

Chipper Jones said the 6-foot-5, 245-pound Heyward looks like former Braves first baseman Fred McGriff, only bigger.

Eric Hinske said Heyward hits line drives like Cliff Floyd.

Leave it to manager Bobby Cox to trump those comparisons.

Cox says the ball sounds different coming off Heyward's bat. It's a familiar sound, but one Cox says he has not heard in a long time.

"There's a little sound off the bat," Cox said. "His line drives are kind of like ol' Hank Aaron's sound."

Heyward, widely regarded as the top prospect in baseball, has heard plenty of compliments, but it's a little different to be mentioned with a Hall of Famer who retired as the career home run king.

"That's cool. That's an awesome

comparison," Heyward said.

Cox quickly acknowledged that Heyward, who has played in only 50 games above Class A, shouldn't be grouped with Aaron. But it was almost as if Cox couldn't help himself.

"We don't want to put him in that class yet, but same sound," Cox said.

Cox said he's not worried about Heyward, only 20, handling the attention he will receive if he wins the starting job in right field.

"Heyward is going to do all the right things," Cox said Wednesday. "He's got one of those quiet egos."

Heyward, from Henry County High School south of Atlanta, was named baseball's top prospect by Baseball America, MLB.com and ESPN.com after he hit a combined .323 with 17 homers and 63 RBIs at Class-A Myrtle Beach, Double-A Mississippi and Triple-A Gwinnett.

Heyward's visit to Gwinnett was brief; he was 4 for 11 in three games at the end of the season.

Cox and general manager Frank Wren say they are not worried about rushing Heyward. The Braves have enjoyed success while allowing such players as Andruw Jones, Rafael Furcal, Brian McCann and Tommy Hanson to make similarly quick ascents to the major leagues.

"It reminds me very much of my very first spring training with the Braves in 2000 when we came into spring training with a kid out of A-ball, Rafael Furcal," Wren said. "He came into spring training and never left. He kept showing us that he belongs and he became a difference-maker on our ballclub."

McCann, now a four-time All-Star catcher, skipped Triple-A when he was called up in 2005. Hanson made only 11 starts at Gwinnett before he finished third in last year's NL Rookie of the Year voting.

It seems the right field job is Heyward's to lose. Heyward is the reason the team made only a modest offer to Johnny Damon before Damon signed with Detroit.

"We were never real aggressive in going after Johnny Damon because we do like the way our club lines up," Wren said. "If that was a case where it was the right situation, we'd have been very interested in having Johnny Damon, but we didn't think it was a move that would make a big difference for our club."

The Braves already have a Damon-like player in Nate McLouth, the projected leadoff hitter and center fielder. The team needs a power-hitting outfielder. Cox and Wren hope Heyward fills the void.

The left-handed hitting Heyward caused a stir with his first batting practice of the spring on Tuesday.

One of his long home runs over the right-field wall hit a soft-drink truck with a loud clang. Another drive cleared the right-field wall and bullpen before smashing through the sun roof of assistant

general manager Bruce Manno's car in a parking lot.

"I never try to see how far I can hit it," Heyward said. "If I hit a ball far in BP, that's just a part of my swing. I'm a line-drive guy and that's how I try to hit a ball. Anything that comes off a line drive is great."

Manno's car was being repaired on Wednesday when Heyward hit an even longer homer over the yellow wall that stands behind the parking lot.

"You cleared the wall!" an incredulous Hinske announced to Heyward.

"Against the wind," Cox noted later with a smile.

Hinske, Joe Thurston and J.C. Boscan hit in the same group with Heyward. There was a good-natured debate about the order they would hit. Clearly, no one wanted to hit behind Heyward and suffer the comparisons.

"I'm hitting fourth," Heyward said.

No one argued. It seemed to be a good fit.



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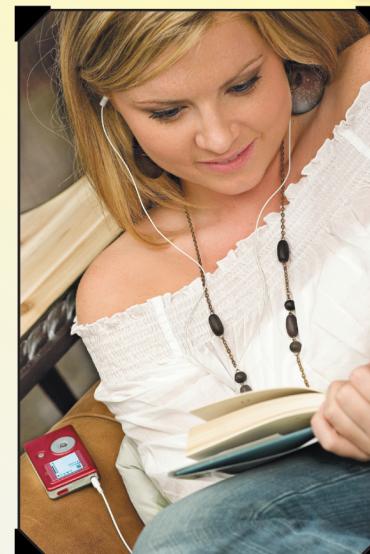


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