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■ **SOUTH CAROLINA CLINCHED THE SEC EAST WITH THE WIN.**

By **MIKE McCALL**
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The Gators threw a blue-out, and the Gamecocks blew out their title hopes.

Florida entered The Swamp with a revived offense and fan base Saturday night, but by the fourth quarter, UF had flat-lined and thousands of blue-clad supporters were on their way home.

No. 22 South Carolina dealt No. 24 UF a crushing 36-14 defeat in front of 90,855, ending the Gators' hopes of a season-salvaging trip to the Southeastern Conference Championship.

Now, the only way Florida is going to Atlanta is if it's offered a bid to the Chick-fil-A Bowl.

With their goal of an SEC title gone, the Gators will have to find other motivation for their last two games, such as sending the senior class out with wins against Appalachian State and Florida State.

"I'm not a quitter," safety Ah-

mad Black said. "I don't think anybody on our team is a quitter. We'll stick together and fight through

it." Saturday's game had all the hype of a title bout, with UF coach

Urban Meyer saying he wanted it "to go down in the books." It did, but in the wrong book.

The Gamecocks locked down the SEC East for the first time in school history and got their first-ever win in Gainesville. South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier notched his first victory at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium from the visiting sideline, snapping Florida's streak of 16 straight wins against division foes.

It was the Gators' worst home defeat since LSU beat them 36-7 in 2002, and it handed them three straight losses in The Swamp for the first time since 1986.

"Our guys were ready for this week. They gave us everything they had in practice, and obviously, it's a severe letdown," Meyer said.

Florida came into the game with a revamped strategy: a three-quarterback system that was supposed to give the Gators plenty of options to fix a struggling offense.

But nothing worked.

Not John Brantley's arm against the SEC's worst pass defense. He totaled 46 yards and an interception through three quarters, rarely taking a shot downfield.

Not the three-man weave at quarterback, which wasn't used often or effectively.

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AP Photo

Steve Spurrier, center, is carried on to the field by his players after defeating Florida to clinch the SEC East for the first time as South Carolina's coach.

March helps babies

By **JON SILMAN**
 Alligator Staff Writer

As they stood on the stage, all smiles and cheers, you wouldn't know that just a year ago they were fighting to save their daughter's life.

Cecelia and Michael Ribuffo won a fundraising prize at the seventh annual Gators March for Babies on Sunday. More than 1,000 people gathered on Turlington Plaza to walk and raise money for the March of Dimes, an organization committed to preventing birth

"I did everything by the book and still ended up with a premature baby."

Cecelia Ribuffo
 mother of a premature baby

defects and premature birth.

For Cecelia Ribuffo, 25, the organization was a solace to her after a long battle for her premature daughter.

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Cyclists cause concern

■ **"MORE PEOPLE ON BIKES ... MEANS MORE ACCIDENTS"**

By **DANIELLE SPATZ**
 Alligator Contributing Writer

UF Police Department officials are concerned about students' ignorance of bike safety laws in a county that ranks as the second most dangerous in Florida.

These rankings, which appeared in an article from the Bradenton Herald, may be a result of the fact that Florida is such a bike-friendly state, said UPD Lt. Robert Wagner.

"More people on bikes statistically means more accidents," he said.

Most bicycle accidents that UPD encoun-

ters involve a car, but these are just reported incidents. Wagner said that many minor incidents go unreported on campus.

The main cause for such a high number of accidents on UF's campus is students' lack of concern for safety laws, Wagner said.

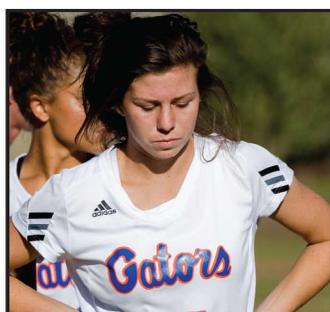
By law, cyclists are considered vehicles while on the road and therefore must follow all car laws.

Local News Dan Harcha, a junior mechanical engineering major at UF, works at the Student Government Free Bike Repair and said that some circumstances require bikers to consider themselves as cars more than others.

"There are some situations when you

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■ **The Florida soccer team lost to Duke in the second round of the NCAA Tournament 4-2 in a shootout. The two teams played to a scoreless double-overtime tie. See Story, Page 14.**



Gainesville Police arrest man accused in November 5 robbery

A Gainesville man was arrested last Wednesday in connection with a robbery Nov. 5 during which police say he struck the victim several times on the face.

According to a police report, Michael Wims Jr. was charged with unarmed robbery, felony battery and possession of marijuana. He stole about \$95 and a diamond earring worth \$1,200 from Michael Rennold Madrazo.

He had arranged to meet Madrazo, and when he did he struck him on the face with

a hard object, knocking him to the ground. Wims then continued to hit the victim on the face.

A witness told him to stop and stayed with the victim until an ambulance arrived.

Officers found 3.4 grams of marijuana in his pocket.

Wims said he hit the victim because he was concerned the victim was going to hit him first. He denied taking the money or the earring.

—LIDIA DINKOVA

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

RUB Entertainment Presents

"The Crying Game"

Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.
Reitz Union Auditorium

An intriguing tale of a group of IRA kidnappers and the British soldier they nab and want to exchange for one of their own. An astonishingly good and daring film that richly develops several intertwined thematic lines, "The Crying Game" takes giant risks that are stunningly rewarded. Admission is free.

RUB Entertainment Free Concert

Monday, 7 p.m.

Rion Ballroom

RUB Entertainment presents pop-punk sensation Saves The Day for free. Hailing from Princeton, N.J., Saves The Day has been a dominating force in the genre since 1998, selling more than half a million albums and touring with acts such as Weezer, Say Anything, Motion City Soundtrack and blink-182. Special guests Ocean Is Theory, from Atlanta, and The Sophomore Attempt, from Jacksonville, will also be performing.

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Ben & Jerry's fundraiser for the Ronald McDonald House

Today, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Ben & Jerry's, Archer Road
The Honors Introduction to Professional Development classes would like to invite you to Ben & Jerry's this evening to help support the Ronald McDonald House Charities of North Central Florida. Between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m., 30 percent of sales will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House. So come out, bring your friends, enjoy some frozen treats and help out a good cause.

Habitat for Humanity's Kaplan/Holiday Silent Auction

Tuesday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Reitz Union North Lawn
The Kaplan/Holiday Silent Auction has finally arrived. Looking for a convenient way to shop for the holidays, while

helping your local community? Look no further! Auction items will also be shown online at ufhabitat.org and range from Gainesville Health & Fitness membership to a free Kaplan course. Proceeds go directly toward fighting poverty housing in Alachua County. Contact bforster@ufl.edu or ufhabitat.org for more information.

CORRECTION

In Friday's article about a gospel performance at Hillel, Joshua Nelson was incorrectly identified as an art intern for Hillel. Amanda Solomon is the arts intern.

The Alligator strives to be accurate and clear in its news reports and editorials. If you find an error, please call our newsroom at 352-376-4458 or send an e-mail to editor@alligator.org.

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SANTA FE COLLEGE

1,000 honor veterans at Santa Fe's Liberty Fest

By TYLER COLE
and JERRY BRUNO

Alligator Contributing Writers

For Master Sgt. Jim Yakubsin, coming home from the Vietnam War wasn't easy.

"Vietnam was televised, and many people looked at us weird when we got back because of the images they saw on TV," he said.

But on Sunday at the first-annual All American Liberty Fest, Yakubsin felt like his service was appreciated.

"The Vietnam guys made me feel what I did was right," he said.

About 1,000 people came together at Santa Fe College to honor veterans, ranging from WWII to Iraq, at the festival.

The event was sponsored by Santa Fe's Collegiate Veterans Society and replaced the Bikers on Parade event that had been held for the past nine years.

All of the proceeds raised would benefit the Gainesville Fisher House Foundation, according to Patti Fabiani, executive director of the foundation.

The foundation is raising money to build a house on the grounds of the veterans hospital to serve veterans and their families while they are being treated for surgery and serious illness, Fabiani said. Construction is expected to begin in the fall of 2011.

"Being that it's our first year, I'm not sure how much we will raise, but having young kids learning more

about what our veterans do for our country is really important," Sandra Torres-Pintos, an event coordinator, said.

There were 18 veteran organizations, ranging from the Iwo Trio to the Korean War Veteran Association. Each of these organizations had rep-

resentatives that spoke about their experiences in combat or how they support the veteran community in Alachua County.

Warrant Officer Clif J. Cormier served in the 3rd marine division in the battle of Iwo Jima in 1945. Cormier, who is 90 years old, said

the event was special to him because it helps keep the memories alive.

"I get to share my experience of 65 years ago to anyone that asks," he said.

Cormier, along with his two friends who served in the 4th and 5th marine divisions, founded Iwo

Trio so people can learn and discuss the Battle of Iwo Jima and other major battles of WWII.

Jackson Sasser, president of SFC, said that the liberty festival was one of the most important events the college has ever been involved with.

"It's events like these that are the real treasures of our community," he said.

Joe Galloway, co-author of "We Were Soldiers Once...And Young," which was made into a film starring Mel Gibson in 2002, was a guest speaker.

During his speech, he expressed his gratitude toward veterans and spoke about his experience as a reporter in the Vietnam War.

"I'm here to say thank you, a simple thank you to the men and women who let nightmares erupt their sleep," Galloway said. "I owe you my life, some of you literally. I can never pay for that, but I can try."

After Galloway's speech, Sasser dedicated The Liberty Oak, a memorial on SFC's campus, to all the veterans in attendance at the festival. He also recognized several veterans, including some who earned the Purple Heart for their acts of service.

Sasser said the festival will be an annual event and that the outcome for its first year was inspiring.

"I don't want to know anyone who doesn't respect the warrior," Sasser said. "These are the people I respect — those who fight and sacrifice their lives for our country."



Max Reed / Alligator Staff

The Gator Guard Drill Team performs a step pattern routine at the All American Liberty Fest on Sunday at Santa Fe College. The event was held to honor veterans ranging from WWII to Iraq.

InsideUF

Your campus news source

Campus events target tobacco use

UF faculty, staff and students who want to quit tobacco use have lots of opportunities this week for help.

GatorWell and the American Medical Student Association are marking the 35th anniversary of the Great American Smokeout on Thursday with events throughout campus.

GatorWell's Health Hut will feature tobacco cessation materials from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Hub and from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday at the

Southwest Recreation Center; from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday on the Plaza of the Americas; from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday on the Reitz Student Union Colonnade; and from 9 to 11:30 p.m. Friday at Gator Nights in the Reitz Student Union.

AMSA will set up a resource table from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday at the Plaza of the Americas.

Effective quit-smoking services and

resources are available throughout the year for students, faculty and staff who want to quit tobacco use.

The Quit Smoking Program is one of the services available through GatorWell. It offers more than \$350 in discounts on smoking cessation medications and the opportunity to work with a quit coach. Appointments are available for enrolled UF students.

For UF faculty and staff, a free smoking cessation class and free or discounted medications are offered by the university's Employee Assistance Program. Spouses and partners of UF employees also are welcome to participate in the program. Call 352-392-5787 for more information.

Visit <http://www.tobaccofree.ufl.edu> for a more information.

Serene and Not So Serene Republics: Some Contemporary Native Art

SA+AH Harn Eminent Scholar Chair in Art History presents lecture by **Lucy Lippard** art critic and independent curator

Harn Museum of Art
November 16 at 6 p.m.
This event is free.

Visit <http://saahharnscholar.net/> for more information.

Photos reflect world

Grinter Gallery features winning photographs from the juried Seventh Annual Global Culture Photography Competition through Dec. 3. Sponsored by the UF International Center, the theme is "Global Culture." Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 352-273-3000 or visit www.arts.ufl.edu/galleries.

Beethoven tribute

The Gainesville Chamber Orchestra pays tribute to Beethoven with a 7:30 p.m. concert Friday in University Auditorium. Tickets are \$15 for students, \$20 for 65 and older, and \$25 for the general public.

Ethnic exhibit at Harn

The Hapa Project exhibition continues through Dec. 12 at the Harn Museum of Art. Once a derogatory label derived from the Hawaiian word for "half," Hapa has since been embraced as a term of pride by many whose mixed racial heritage includes Asian or Pacific Island descent. Kip Fulbeck photographed more than 1,200 subjects and gave them the opportunity to self-designate their ethnic heritage and individually write their response to the question, "What are you?"

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UF Calendar of Events

Nov. 17
90s Night presented by the Singer-songwriter Society. 7 to 9 p.m. Orange and Brew.

Symphonic band concert conducted by John M. Watkins. 7:30 p.m. University Auditorium. \$10 general public, \$8 faculty and staff/non-UF students. Free to UF students.

Nov. 18
Digital Convergence Series: LiveVibe TV presented by the Digital Worlds Institute, College of Fine Arts. 7:30 p.m. Digital Worlds REVE. \$10 General Public, \$8 faculty & staff/non-UF students. Free to UF students.

Percussion ensemble directed by Dr. Kenneth Broadway. 7:30 p.m. Music Building. Event is free.

Nov. 19
Poets Inc. presents poet and musician Rafael Casal. 7 to 10 p.m. Orange and Brew.

Multicultural and Diversity Affairs' Transgender Day of Remembrance Vigil. 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Plaza of the Americas.

"Icing on the Break 2k10" cultural dance and hip-hop festival hosted by the Hip-Hop Collective. 7:30 p.m. to midnight. Rion Ballroom.

Nov. 16-18
UF Habitat for Humanity Silent Auction. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Reitz Student Union North Lawn

Nov. 18-19
Penny Wars Fundraiser for the Coalition of Hispanics Integrating Spanish Speakers Through Advocacy and Service (CHISPAS). 9:35 a.m. to 1:55 p.m. Reitz Student Union Colonnade.

For more event details, or to submit an event to the calendar, click "UF Calendar" at www.insideuf.ufl.edu.

Laptop heat may cause reversible male infertility

■ TRENDS SHOW FERTILITY IS DROPPING IN DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.

By **ERIC HENELY**
Alligator Contributing Writer

A study released last week shows that high heat from laptops could lead to a shortage of power below the belt for men.

The study, which was published online in the journal *Fertility and Sterility*, shows there might be a potential link between decreased fertility for men and heat from laptops.

Leg position is a primary factor, said Dr. Denis Healey, a urologist at Bay Medical Center in Panama City who completed his residency at UF.

He believes that laptop trays, which are designed to

cool the bottom of a laptop, are not as effective as simply keeping an open-leg position.

It's one of the most heat-sensitive areas of the body, and just a few degrees of temperature change can profoundly affect performance, he said.



Vieweg

"I believe that there is going to be a lot more fertility problems in the future as a result of laptop usage," Healey said.

After avoiding heat for six months to a year, sperm counts can increase back to normal.

However, Healey warned that the longer the period of heat exposure, the more permanent the damage becomes.

Under a microscope, he said that he can easily tell which sperm have been damaged by heat.

"The sperm have blown-up heads. A lot of them will

either have no tails or very short tails. It's very noticeable," he said.

Dr. Johannes Vieweg, chairman of the Department of Urology at UF, said the study is part of a larger effort to determine why fertility rates are dropping in developed countries.

There are alarming trends, particularly in Europe, that suggest that infertility is becoming more pronounced, he said.

Both doctors agree on the importance of prevention and a simple self-examination that can detect many testicular and fertility problems.

If men do notice changes, Vieweg recommends that they go to the doctor without being ashamed.

"Urology isn't something that naturally calls to you," Healey said. "If we can prevent this from becoming a problem, everyone benefits."

Shands patients get artsy

They showed off art Sun.

By **MARISSA PRIETO**
and **KRISTEN KING**
Alligator Contributing Writers

Since the Shands Arts in Medicine program started Art in Motion, a program for Parkinson's disease patients, Kathy Castle has been participating in the classes every

week making mosaics, collages and other crafts.

Castle was just one of the artists who proudly displayed their work Sunday at the first Shands Arts and Health Festival.

About 75 Shands patients and festival-goers participated in activities such as T-shirt

painting, Zumba and yoga classes.

Events like this, Castle said, are good ways for Parkinson's disease patients and other patients to get out of the house or hospital room and do something fun that allows them to mingle with others.

"Art can make a huge difference in the healing environment and the hospital experience," said Alie Wickham, program assistant for Shands Arts in Medicine.

"We need people to be involved to help this field grow and develop," she said.

Shands Arts in Medicine was started in 1990 and currently works with Shands at UF, the Shands Cancer Hospital and surrounding clinics.

The program helps to facilitate creative art activities and bring the arts to patients in local hospitals, according to Wickham.

Public Health The program has various classes available for patients in areas such as dance, music, literary arts and visual arts.

Chip Colley, 54, was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease nearly two years ago.

Now, he's an artist within Shands Arts in Medicine program.

"I couldn't draw until I got Parkinson's," Colley said. "I really started enjoying art."

The festival was held primarily to raise awareness about arts and health and to support the community, Wickham said.

"Art is not an alternative to the health care that Shands provides," Wickham said. "It is a complement. Patients need to heal spiritually along with physically, and art can play a key role in that."



Matt Riva / Alligator

Cynthia Conte, 3, paints a T-shirt Sunday afternoon at the 2010 Arts and Health Festival at the UF Shands Cancer Center.

GATOR NATION

Alumni take Gator Nation into enemy territory at FSU

By **ALEXANDER KLAUSNER**
Alligator Writer

At Florida State University's law school, deep within the enemy's camp, there occasionally hangs a sign that says, "Work 'Em Silly, Gators."

This icon of The Swamp, painted on a pillowcase, is hung by the Litigators, a student-run organization within FSU's law school that provides a home away from home for the numerous UF graduate students that attend the college.

Sometimes, it serves as a recruitment tool during times when prospective students come and visit the school, said president Kim Siomkos, who, like most Litigators, is a UF graduate.

The group wants Gainesville students to know that despite going to a rival school, there is a group of people who share a common bond — being a Gator.

"Gainesville will always be my home," Siomkos said. "So anything I can do to remind me of being there is something that I want to get involved in."

The group primarily functions as a social group and a way for students from Gainesville to network with other law students with UF undergraduate degrees who found their way up north to Tallahassee.

They host game-day tailgates and game-watching parties, hold monthly meetings, go to Gator baseball games when they play FSU and also host various events like beer tastings with the Capital Area Gator Club.

One of the group's biggest events is their UF-FSU rivalry week, which was hosted last week so as not to coincide with exams.

"We try to have it in early November before the studying for exams gets too overwhelming or

too hectic so people can still participate and have a good time," said treasurer Brett Miller.

During the week, the stairwell of the school is decorated on one side with orange and blue and the other side in garnet and gold, complete with the slogans, "If you're not a Gator, then you're Gator bait," and "Gator haters."

The week also includes a powderpuff game, a canned food drive and a Mr. FSU pageant.

The school's administration seems pleased with the group, even though it is dedicated to proving its loyalty to a rival school.

"They're very, very helpful to our school," said Don Weidner, the dean of FSU College of Law. "UF is a terrific undergraduate Student Body, and to be sure, we very actively recruit undergraduate UF students, and they're very active in that effort."

"Gainesville will always be my home."

Kim Siomkos
UF graduate and litigator

One of the reasons Weidner said a organization like Litigators is helpful is because of the sheer volume of UF graduates that the college receives. In two out of the last three incoming classes of law students, UF graduates have outnumbered the graduates from every other university, including FSU.

Siomkos said she enjoys having the backing of the administration.

"This is one of the selling points for me for FSU Law," she said, "the fact that an entire faculty and administration can get behind us and realize we're not here to be an annoyance, we're here to be an asset."

International week to showcase opportunities abroad

■ THE GOAL IS TO MAKE STUDENTS AWARE OF GLOBAL ISSUES.

By **GRETCHEN GORDIN**
Alligator Contributing Writer

UF students and faculty will have the opportunity to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange this week.

Mabel Cardec, outreach coordinator for the UF International Center, said the events during International Education Week are offered at UF to make people aware of the

importance of global issues.

"The Gator Nation is everywhere around the world — not just on campus or in Gainesville," Cardec said. "We need students in higher education to realize this to prepare for their future careers."

This year's theme, "Making Global Connections," will highlight opportunities available for international engagement on campus and around the world.

The kick-off event is today at 10:15 a.m. with a brief opening ceremony in the Hub highlighting the week's activities with a mini-concert featuring UF's African choir.

The UF College of Education is also host-

ing an event today at 12:30 p.m. in Norman Hall with international food and panels of students and faculty about how their international experiences have affected their work.

"The Gator Nation is everywhere around the world."

Mabel Cardec
Outreach Coordinator, UFIC

Dean Rockwell, a UFIC study abroad adviser, said students who study abroad can discover so much by learning in a dif-

ferent environment.

"Your ability to learn is amazing when you're abroad," Rockwell said. "Learning customs from new people that speak a different language presents a good opportunity to grow as a person."

On Friday, UFIC will host "NGO/PVO Day: Extending International Collaboration and Networking" from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Reitz Union Auditorium and Grand Ballroom Salon A and E.

"We have so many international students here so it's nice to have events that will interest those students and show how internationally diverse UF is," he said.

Museum hosts night of stargazing, black-hole building

By **MEREDITH RUTLAND**
Alligator Contributing Writer

On a cloudless night, Earthlings gathered to get a closer look at the universe.

More than 900 people attended Starry Night, an annual public stargazing event, on Friday to peer through telescopes and peruse astronomy exhibits at the Florida Museum of Natural History.

"There's something about the grandeur of the sky that

gets people excited," said Vicki Sarajedini, an associate professor of astronomy and one of the event planners.

There were telescopes that could focus on Jupiter so well that viewers could see the four Galilean moons next to the planet.

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visitors.

A portable planetarium was inflated for a show about

A meteorite, owned by Santa Fe College, which weighs more than 70 pounds, sat in a bed of sand inside the museum on display for

constellations.

Children used black plastic cups, CDs, pipe cleaners and glitter glue to build their own model black holes.

Alison Klesman, an astronomy Ph.D. student, said astronomy is a field that a lot of people like because it's so visual, and they can relate to that.

Also, she said the public doesn't always get a chance to see space through high-powered telescopes.

"People don't get a lot of access to do things like this," she said.

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Editorial

Party Foul

Rep. Shuler segmenting Democrats

Just when everyone thought things couldn't get any worse for the Democrats in Congress with the wreckage still being cleaned from precincts across the country and the Capitol nearly oozing blue blood down its steps, in walks little-known Rep. Heath Shuler to shake things up.

Shuler, a North Carolina Democrat, announced Sunday he would challenge current Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi in her run for leader of the now-minority party in the House of Representatives.

Saying that allowing Pelosi to continue to lead the Democrats in the House is "unacceptable," Shuler said he's going to "press forward" in forcing Pelosi to fight for the leadership.

Casting the Democrat from all-too-liberal California as, well, too liberal, Shuler also said he's the better moderate choice to Pelosi's tree-hugging, health-care-lauding West Coast style for the Democrats.

And Shuler knows he can't win.

Adding he doesn't have the votes to beat the powerhouse that is Pelosi, Shuler's challenge acts more as a warning to Democrats in Congress fighting for "liberal" things like social welfare and health care.

And after a "shellacking" in the midterm elections, Democrats don't need in-party quarreling. Although Shuler might have good intentions to bring his party a little to the right to appease more voters come 2012, Shuler is only further segmenting his already-injured party.

We're just looking forward to Pelosi hopefully singing her own rendition of Beyonce's "To the left, to the left."

Graphic design

Cigarettes are getting graphic.

After an announcement Wednesday, the Food and Drug Administration said it would make the first major change to cigarette packaging in more than 25 years by requiring cigarette companies to include graphic warnings above the brand name of each box of cigarettes.

A mere warning from the Surgeon General admonishing smokers not to light up while pregnant or a, "Hey, you might get cancer," warning isn't cutting it anymore for the FDA.

The definitely-not-suitable-for-picture-books graphics will display images ranging from decaying teeth to a corpse in an attempt to persuade smokers to put down the pack for good.

And when the Centers for Disease Control and Pre-

vention estimates smokers cost America \$193 billion annually in lost productivity and health care costs, we couldn't be happier with the extra efforts the FDA is making to put an end to this deadly habit that holds the dubious title as the No. 1 cause of preventable death in America.

But, at the same time, we realize smokers are more than aware of the dangers associated with lighting up. Smokers know each time they choose to smoke they cut minute after minute off their lives. Smokers have seen the images of tar-black, tobacco-tainted lungs.

So, although we fully support the graphic warning labels or any other sensible measure to prevent deaths from tobacco abuse, we realize smokers are still going to smoke.

And that's a shame.

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Column

Olbermann should look to Fox for example

So apparently Keith Olbermann supports Democrats. Fancy that.

A little more than a week ago, the MSNBC talk-show host was suspended because he violated NBC guidelines about giving campaign donations. The punishment for this was an "indefinite suspension," a phrase we know all too well in Gainesville. Right, Chris Rainey?

Fortunately for Olbermann, the reaction of bleeding blue hearts across the country, plus the horrific thought of what would happen to MSNBC ratings without him, resulted in his suspension lasting for a horrifyingly anxiety-invoking two business days.

You can't really blame Olbermann's bosses, though. Technically, he did break the rule by donating the maximum legal amount to three Democrat candidates.

But did he really break the spirit of the rule? The rule was designed to protect the journalistic integrity of those working for NBC's non-biased hard-news shows. That makes sense, and it's actually a pretty good rule that exists for all The New York Times and The Washington Post journalists.

But is anyone not dying from a bleeding heart really going to sit there and tell me "Countdown with Keith Olbermann" is a non-biased, hard-news show? That same person would also probably be quick to tell me Glenn Beck hands out hugs to Democrats walking down the street. Truth is we all know where Olbermann's loyalties lie, and there's nothing wrong with that. If you don't like his opinions, change the channel to Fox News. But as the face of an opinionated show, should he really be held accountable to the same rules as the journalists who work for the hard-news shows of NBC?

There is precedent for news companies allowing its hosts to donate money. In fact, all we have to do is look



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to Olbermann's favorite conversation piece to find an example of this. Fox News does, in fact, allow its employees to donate to campaign funds, a rule its hosts take advantage of quite often. This past campaign cycle Fox's parent company, News Corp., dished out \$1.25 million in campaign donations. Of course, Ol-

bermann did publicly make fun of Fox for that, which is all-too-ironic now.

There is another way of looking at this, though. The amount of face time opinionated shows give candidates running for office is worth a lot more to them than the \$2,400 Olbermann was legally allowed to donate. On shows like "Countdown," you don't see many non-liberal faces very often, if ever. Meaning, all of the time they allocate on their shows to doing interviews is basically one long, free advertisement for the candidates. So, in that case, everyone hosting an opinionated show is donating to a campaign by means of saving them money. If MSNBC took that route, it'd be running a lot of reruns during prime time.

The real question here is why doesn't MSNBC just remove the rule and take the Fox approach? For once, surprisingly, I think Fox got something right. How does it make any sense to punish a TV broadcast journalist for giving contributions when, in reality, he or she is doing the same thing every time he or she has a guest on his or her show?

Somehow, though, I don't think Olbermann will admit Fox got this one right — at least not in as many words.

Chris Dodson is a first-year finance and journalism student. His column appears every Monday.

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Reader response

Today's question: Would graphic images impact people's decision to buy cigarettes?

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Letters to the Editor

Israel's relationship with U.S. vital

Some political commentators argue Israel is a strategic liability to the foreign policy interests of the United States and that America would benefit from lessening or cutting ties with Israel. Although the U.S.-Israel alliance, just like any alliance, isn't perfect, the commonalities and intensive cooperation between Israel and the U.S. make Israel an indispensable American ally.

Common values ensure the foundation for the unbreakable bond between Israel and the U.S.; Israel is the only functioning democracy in a part of the world that contains mostly autocratic regimes susceptible to radical coups at any time.

Israel is the only country in the Middle East that grants full rights to women, religious minorities and gay people and protects free speech and freedom of the press.

As a beacon for democracy and human rights in the Middle East, Israel is the only nation in the region with which support for the U.S. is guaranteed. This guaranteed support remains critical as Israel and the U.S. confront common enemies.

The U.S. receives a substantial bargain annually by supplying Israel with security assistance that enables Israel to fight terrorism and America's enemies without forcing the U.S. to commit troops on the ground.

Israel's location allows it to serve as a strategic American outpost in a region vital to America's energy considerations and foreign policy interests. In addition to providing bases for the U.S. military to refuel planes and restock ships, Israel has shared vital intelligence with the U.S. Israel is the U.S.' strongest ally in addressing the threat of Iran acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

Israel frequently contributes its innovative prowess and cutting-edge technologies to the U.S. military in the form of life-saving equipment, including the emergency bandage and armor-plated tanks.

Israel ultimately provides an irreplaceable wealth of resources and knowledge for America's strategic interests in the Middle East.

While detractors argue Israel negatively affects America's relationship with the Arab world, America's historically strong

relations with several key Arab governments render that argument somewhat inaccurate.

Additionally, many of those in the Middle East who despise Israel do so because they perceive Israel as an extension of America. This is clearly evident at anti-Israel demonstrations, where American and Israeli flags are burned beside each other and demonstrators refer to America as the "Big Satan" and Israel as the "Little Satan."

I encourage every student at UF to attend the Israel Week events sponsored by the Jewish Student Union because Israel is beyond a Jewish cause; supporting Israel is American. For more information on Israel Week, visit the Jewish Student Union's Facebook group.

Micah Lutkowitz
UF student



We all have an important part to play in sustainability

I'd like to thank Chris Marth for the Friday letter highlighting a topic important to campus sustainability that both staff and students play a part in improving.

Almost 100 percent of UF's irrigation water is reclaimed from our on-campus wastewater treatment facility. The requirement to water landscapes before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m. and only twice a week applies to potable water resources.

Our storage capacity for treated water at UF is surpassed by our generation of water that needs to be treated. It's an unfortunate reality that we can and sometimes need to irrigate at all times of the day and night to distribute the reclaimed water.

Much of the sustainability concern is on the front end of this equation. Our laboratories and building users do not always treat water as a precious commodity.

The Office of Sustainability, Physical Plant Division and Environmental Health and Safety staff are trying to work with laboratory users and building managers on campus to install water-saving devices and implement behaviors that save water, but there isn't a financial incentive to spend funds on water conservation measures that can make things difficult.

One example of an effort being made for water conservation at UF is the program designed by the department of housing. The water conservation campaign helps students understand the importance of conserving water, while providing them unique tools and resources like shower timers to help make it an engaging learning process.

Concerning Marth's specific comments about sprinklers spraying sidewalks rather than grass, the best way to resolve this or any problem with campus infrastructure is to call the Physical Plant Division to report the problem. If you spot an irrigation-related problem or notice sprinkler systems running for an excessive amount of time, please contact it at 352-392-1121.

We all have an important part to play in helping our university and campus become more sustainable.

Ashley Pennington
outreach coordinator Office of Sustainability



Gator Nation glory days long gone

As if three losses and a baffling offensive scheme weren't enough, the Gators football team managed to bump itself off the road to the Southeastern Conference championship Saturday, losing against the South Carolina Gamecocks 36 to 14.

The Gamecocks, for the first time in history, defeated the Gators in The Swamp and crushed any hopes of a Gator SEC championship title.

A failure to plan is a plan to fail but apparently, Steve Addazio, UF offensive coordinator, didn't get the memo.

The new offensive scheme, led with a quarterback and two pseudo-quarterbacks, proved to be a massive failure and left Gator fans wondering, "Who is our quarterback, and what are they doing?"

Apparently, variety is not a big enough factor to win football games. Neither is a fiery start. Andre Debose, a redshirt freshman wide receiver, returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown, but what happened next surprised everyone.

Ahmad Black and cornerback Janoris Jenkins picked up most of the slack for the defense in the second half of the game, but they alone were not enough to make a game-changing impact for the already

struggling Gators on their way to failure.

What is obvious is that something needs to change.

The Gators need to use our offensive weapons more effectively and stop relying on a quarterback-running back scheme because we clearly don't have it down.

The days of the Tebow-Harvin powerhouse are long gone, and the earlier the coaches and coordinators accept it, the better.

Use the advantages of the wide receivers' and running backs' speed and pair it with the versatility and size of the tight ends and we could be unstoppable.

Gators, we have to do better.

Embracing the new shape of the Gator offense and finding a way to use the recruiting class effectively are the next challenges for the team to overcome.

Of course, SEC title hopes are a thing of the past, but we can improve from here and regain some of that lost dignity, pride and respect for Gator Nation football.

Jasmine Earls
UF student

Gator Nation has fickle fans

Dear Gator Nation,

You are some of the worst fans on the planet. Whenever your team is winning you cheer your hearts out, but when we're not doing so well you don't cheer. When the team makes plays you don't agree with you actually start to jeer the team.

Do you seriously think that's going to make them play better? A good number of people also left before the end of the third quarter.

We still could have caught up at that time. Some of you don't live up to the words, "In all kinds of weather we all stick together for F-L-O-R-I-D-A." You should be ashamed you only support your team when we're winning and not at all times. The Gators are not invincible, like every other team.

We had bad times in the past and will have bad times again. I know I will still cheer no matter how our team is doing. And to everyone who stayed the whole game and cheered no matter how down we were, I thank you whole-heartedly. Go Gators!

Danielle Drennan
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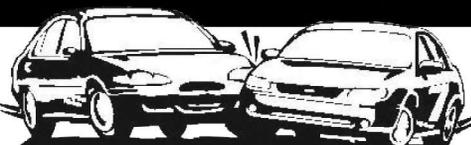
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AROUND GAINESVILLE

Middle schoolers write to South African pen pals

By ESTEE BECK
Alligator Contributing Writer

Gainesville middle school students, some of whom have never been outside of central Florida, are making connections across the world.

Three middle schools in Gainesville are part of a pen pal program, allowing students to communicate with other students their own age in South Africa.

It started with Science Partners in Inquiry-based Collaborative Education, a project funded by the National Science Foundation for UF graduate students of various studies. SPICE, which pairs a graduate student with a participating teacher at one of six Alachua County schools, aims to create hands-on, inquiry-based lessons or activities for stu-

dents to teach ecosystem health.

The NSF awarded SPICE with a one-time grant to travel to South Africa for research purposes and to visit South African schools.

But a three-week trip in the summer of 2009 was not enough for Darina Palacio.

"We wanted to give back and continue the relationship," said Palacio, a second-year environmental engineering graduate student.

Palacio, who does her SPICE activities at Howard W. Bishop Middle School, spearheaded the pen pal project.

About 100 students there, along with about 100 at Lincoln Middle School and 100 at A.L. Mebane Middle School, wrote letters to 130 students in South Africa at Mandeni Primary School in February, Palacio said.

South African students responded to the letters in June, according to May Steward, a seventh-grade teacher at Lincoln Middle School. The last scheduled delivery of the international letters was Friday to Steward's students.

"They're learning things they never thought they would."

May Steward
Seventh-grade teacher at Lincoln Middle School

Steward, who has been working with UF's SPICE for six years, said the pen pal project has changed her students' perspectives of the world.

"They see that the kids aren't that differ-

ent from them," Steward said.

The letters, delivered in giant pink and orange envelopes, were decorated with colorful notes, pictures, drawings and magazine cutouts. Messages read, "I love you," "friends forever" and "God may bless you," along with facts about each student's life.

Palacio said SPICE also held a school supplies drive from January to February and sent two large suitcases full of supplies to Mandeni.

Mandeni was able to start new art classes because of the supply delivery.

SPICE will not continue to coordinate letter deliveries, but students are highly encouraged to keep contact.

"They're learning things they never thought they would," Steward said of her students. "They are ecstatic."

Participants in this year's event brought in about \$65,000

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"You never think this is going to happen to you," she said. "I did everything by the book and still ended up with a premature baby."

According to March of Dimes statistics, one out of eight babies is born preterm. Gators March for Babies was created so college students, teachers and alumni could get involved with a growing epidemic.

The event was a 5k walk/run through the UF campus with "spirit stations" along the way with giveaways and free cupcakes, popcorn and brownies. Participants who made it to the end walked under an arch of purple and white balloons, greeted by the UF band, Dazzlers and the UF gymnastics team.

Betsy Trent, executive director of March of Dimes in North Central Florida, said this year brought in about \$65,000 to fund various programs and grants, like smoking cessation for mothers and support for families with prematurity issues.

She said brain development is crucial in the last few weeks of pregnancy, and mothers should try to go full term if possible. A recent study funded by the March of Dimes found that some mothers and doctors choose to induce labor and

have Caesarean sections out of convenience and not of necessity.

Cecelia Ribuffo knows love and loss all too well. She always wanted a baby girl. When she was little, she would cradle her favorite doll and imagine what it would be like to hold her own child in her arms.

In college, she got pregnant and thought she finally had everything she wanted. It wasn't so. Early pregnancy was marred by constant cramping. And she wasn't gaining weight. She knew something was wrong. At first, the doctors said she was "anxious."

Ribuffo, in constant pain, felt like her baby was having seizures inside of her. When they cut Annabelle out she weighed only 2 pounds.

"I felt so sorry for her. You expect your little Gerber baby," she said. "Instead you have a child that's holding on for dear life."

The situation wasn't ideal, but the Ribuffos were a family. However, before the shutter clicked for a family photo by the incubator, the doctor walked in with bad news.

Annabelle's brain was bleeding. Doctors tried an experimental

procedure that involved burning a hole into her brain. It didn't work. They tried a brain shunt to decrease swelling. Through the ordeal, Ribuffo tried to put on a brave face, but she was tortured.

Finally, Annabelle stabilized and the Ribuffos could breathe. They registered at Babies'R'Us and took a trip to Walt Disney World. When they got back, they were on a high, only to be greeted by bad news. Annabelle was fussy and didn't want to be held. Her head started growing again. She had hydrocephalus, a buildup of spinal fluid in the brain. It can be deadly, more so for infants.

An MRI of Annabelle's brain showed that there was barely any fluid left. It was all black with a thin layer of red. She was brain dead. Annabelle would never know who she was, she'd never know her parents, she'd never know Santa Claus. After all the fighting and fear, all the surgeries and pain, all the hope you could squeeze out of a human being, it was over. Even though she suffered an unspeakable loss, Ribuffo wants others to know this could happen to them. And even though she probably can't carry another baby, her sister-in-law offered to be a surrogate mother.

They started the process last week.



Meyer



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UF graduate student Cecelia Ribuffo and her husband, Michael Ribuffo, pose on Turlington Plaza on Sunday.

Wagner: UPD is focusing less on ticketing, more on preventing rule-breaking

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have to make yourself big, basically make yourself a car," he said.

An example of such a situation would be when a biker intends to make a left turn. In those instances, a cyclist should enter into the left vehicle lane and use the appropriate hand signals.

Wagner said that in addition to forgetting to use these signals, many cyclists fail to stop at red lights.

Another concern that has raised safety issues involves headsets. Florida law says people can't operate a vehicle — including a bicycle — while wearing a headset, headphone or any other listening device besides a hearing aid, according to Florida Bicycle Laws.

Bike riders also commonly disregard the ordinance that requires them to ride with

lights at night. Wagner said this requirement is not only to help riders see while riding, but also to make cyclists more visible to other vehicles.

Harcha understands how important it is for bikers to practice "defensive riding." Crowded bike lanes raise a need for bikers to be aware of other riders.

Harcha said bikers also have to be aware of cars.

"You gotta watch out for cars because cars won't watch out for you," he said.

Harcha experienced this firsthand when he was in a bike accident during the 2009 spring semester. A driver didn't see him as he was crossing Gale Lemerand Drive and hit his front tire, sending him flying through the air.

Harcha, who woke up in the hospital with a fractured left temporal bone and wrist, said he was not wearing a helmet. After the acci-

dent, he said he became much more serious about bicycle safety, specifically helmet use.

He now considers wearing a helmet "the most important thing you can do" while riding a bike.

Wagner said a high percentage of bike accident injuries are head injuries.

Harcha learned this the hard way.

"If you fall over, your head is the farthest thing from the ground," he said.

Sara Drumm, a sophomore journalism major at UF, said she sees bicycle accidents on campus all the time. After deciding she didn't feel safe riding on campus last year, she left her bike on campus hoping that it would be picked up by UPD at the end of the year.

"Watching the bikers on campus makes me feel like I would probably crash into someone and die," she said.

Wagner said UPD is focusing less on ticketing students who are breaking rules and more on preventing the rules from being broken in the first place.

UPD gives presentations at Freshman Preview Orientation weekends as well as at the meetings of different campus organizations. These presentations highlight the importance of bicycle safety to student cyclists and remind them of the laws.

The presentations are also meant to inform students of the potential dangers involved with riding bicycles.

There's a gray area, however. Bikers are allowed in some areas that cars are not, and many of these areas are on campus.

Adam Butler, a junior at UF, said that a lot of bike safety should be second nature for riders.

"You need to use common sense and not run over people," he said.

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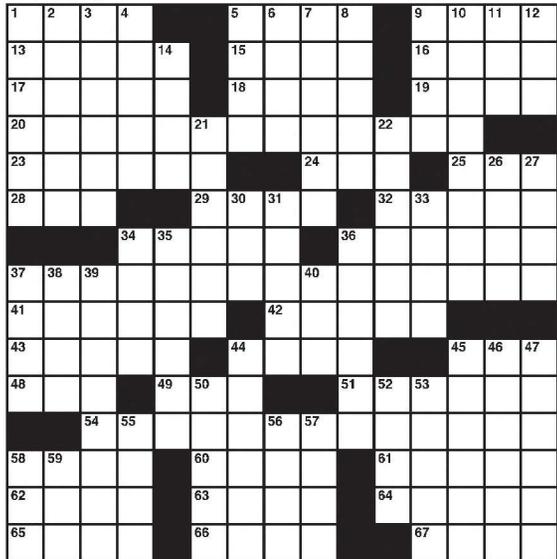
- ACROSS**
 1 Estimator's words
 5 It's cut and styled
 9 "Of ___ I Sing"
 13 Kathmandu's country
 15 Part of A.D.
 16 Sniggler's prey
 17 Maliciousness
 18 Not so much
 19 Bivouac
 20 Lose a few pounds
 23 Opposed (to)
 24 Pekoe, e.g.
 25 "Far out!"
 28 Legal thing
 29 They're exchanged at the altar
 32 Make fun of
 34 Sweet snack with coffee
 36 Northern California peak
 37 Act defiantly toward
 41 ___ Pieces: candy brand
 42 Brings up
 43 Make into law
 44 Bank claim
 45 Fashion that doesn't last
 48 Canadian A.L. team, on scoreboards
 49 Crude in a tanker
 51 Invent
 54 Find ideal employment
 58 Monopoly square with bars
 60 Yves's girlfriend
 61 Country with a wall
 62 Poet ___ St. Vincent Millay
 63 Heavenly music maker
 64 Kids' flying toys
 65 Clothes
 66 Norway's capital
 67 Open-and-shut
- DOWN**
 1 GM navigation system
 2 Fix potholes in

- 3 Volleyball smashes
 4 Wild West movie
 5 One of two equal
 6 From the beginning
 7 Maps within maps
 8 Talk radio host
 9 PC support pro
 10 Summer itch cause
 11 Stately tree
 12 Psychic's claim
 14 Some summer babies, astrologically
 21 Deceptive moves
 22 Collect
 26 Regarding
 27 Unable to hear
 30 "Of course I knew that!"
 31 "SNL" alum Cher
 33 Food, on a diner sign
 34 Computer insert
 35 Common pickup capacity
 36 Afterworld communication meeting
- 37 Get all worked up
 38 Letterman rival
 39 Horse that isn't two yet
 40 Golfer's gadget
 44 Alpaca cousins
 45 Tex-Mex serving
 46 Makes reparations (for)
 47 Lower in rank
- 50 Wyoming neighbor
 52 ___ of lamb
 53 Value system
 55 "Woe is me!"
 56 "___ Interrupted"
 57 Bank takeaway
 58 You might be on one if you do the starts of 20-, 37- and 54-Across
 59 Bustle

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1. Writer BIRECS
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6. Shout of approval BVROA
7. Bind EHSWAT

DOWN

CLUE **ANSWER**

1. Straighten out TSETEL
2. _____ trout ROBNAIW
3. _____, Northern Ireland AFTSLEB
4. Call upon KEVNIO

CLUE: There are about 6,000 _____ restaurants in the U.S.

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How to play Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

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- How many times has Torii Hunter hit .300 or better for a season during his 14-year major-league career?
- Name the three catchers who have won the American League Most Valuable Player Award since 1976.
- Name the last fullback to be enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.
- Who was the last Butler player before Gordon Hayward to play in the NBA?
- Two NHL goalies have recorded three consecutive 40-win seasons. Name them.
- When was the last time before the 2010 men's soccer World Cup that the two finalists from the previous World Cup were eliminated in the first round?
- Name the person who holds the mark for most boxing world title fights refereed (172 in 34 years).

Answers

- None, despite a .305 average in the postseason.
- Thurman Munson (1976), Ivan Rodriguez (1999) and Joe Mauer (2009).
- Larry Csonka, in 1987.
- Ralph O'Brien, in 1953.
- San Jose's Evgeni Nabokov (2007-10) and New Jersey's Martin Brodeur (2005-08).
- It had never occurred before 2010.
- Richard Steele.

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Florida's NCAA Tournament run ends in shootout

■ DUKE BEAT UF 4-2.

By **JESSE SIMONTON**
Alligator Writer

It was a game of déjà vu. For the second time this season, Florida and Duke played for 120 minutes. And both times the two teams left everything out on the field.

But Sunday afternoon, Becky Burleigh's Gators ran out of gas when the clock wasn't even ticking.

"Obviously that was a disappointing finish to a great season."

Becky Burleigh
UF soccer coach

No. 5 Florida, a No. 2 seed in the NCAA Tournament, lost to the Blue Devils in a penalty shootout, leaving a sad taste in many Gators' mouths.

"Obviously that was a disappointing finish to a great season," Burleigh said. "I hand it to Duke. They defended hard. I thought that they played really hard."

In a physical battle that pitted the two familiar opponents, Duke was able to outlast Florida by scoring all four of its penalty kick op-

portunities. After a scoreless two halves and two overtimes, a terrific season that included sweeping the

Southeastern Conference Championships was down to who could kick the ball the best from 12 yards

away.

"We had to be at the top of our game," Duke coach Robbie Church

said. "We got by by the slimmest of margins. It's a tough way to win and a tough way to lose."

The game was controlled by a constant ebb and flow. Both teams defended relentlessly, and at times the referee seemed to lose control.

There were a combined 27 fouls in the game, but one that wasn't called was perhaps the play of the game.

With less than a minute to go in the second overtime, SEC Tournament MVP Erika Tymrak possessed the ball at the top of Duke's box. Quickly changing direction to get the ball back on her right foot, Tymrak was body-checked by a Blue Devils defender. But there was no call.

In a game in which the referee kept the whistle close, a packed James G. Pressly Stadium went nuts when he decided not to make the call.

However, the officials did not decide the game, as Florida failed to mount constant pressure on the Duke defense.

"We were not able to break them down enough to get good opportunities," Burleigh said. "It just seemed like we were just a little bit out of sync in terms of our passing and connecting with each other."



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UF midfielder Erika Tymrak (17) and the Gators were eliminated in the second round of the NCAA Tournament against Duke on Sunday.

UF FOOTBALL

Lattimore gashes Gators

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Marcus Lattimore was stood up, forward progress halted, on the Florida 5-yard line.

Then, his linemen ran up behind him and pushed him into the end zone for his third score of the game — the cherry on top of South Carolina's 36-14 victory.

It was the perfect end to the night — even when UF stopped Lattimore, it couldn't really stop Lattimore.

South Carolina's freshman workhorse rushed 40 times for 212 yards and three scores, all career highs.

It was the third time this season Lattimore went over 180 yards (Georgia and Tennessee) and the second time he went over 35 carries (Georgia).

"We needed to have great run defense,

and we didn't," defensive coordinator Teryl Austin said.

UF's front seven couldn't contain USC's powerful ground game from start to finish, as Lattimore ran to build a lead and then maintain it.

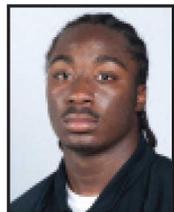
Kentucky's Derrick Locke held the previous high rushing total against UF's defense this season, going for 103 on the ground in a 48-14 blowout loss.

The 6-foot, 218-pound back ran for 83 yards in the first half Saturday, breaking tackles and dragging defenders for extra yards.

Lattimore's physical running style was too much for the Gators' defense.

"He did a great job running through

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Lattimore

UF's disappointing season sign of things to come

Take off your blue gear for a second.

While you're at it, remove those orange-and-blue sunglasses that cloud your vision.

Urban Meyer and the Gators urged fans to come out in full force and dress like smurfs on Saturday, now it's time that you demand something from them: some good football.

But that request could go unfulfilled for a couple of years.

Don't think this UF squad is like the one from 2007 that lost four



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games but won a national championship in the following season — because it's not.

That team had Tim Tebow. This one has John

Brantley.

That team had a freshman Joe Haden. This one has Janoris Jen-

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TEeing OFF WITH TYLER JETT

■ Jason Garrett, who took over the Cowboys after Wade Phillips led them on a 1-7 journey, called his predecessor a "special guy." Cowboys fans responded: "That's what we've been saying all season." ... Bill Clinton (you know, the guy who used to be the president) filmed a scene for "The Hangover 2" this weekend. Details of exactly who he will play have yet to be revealed.

GATORS IN THE NFL

■ Broncos quarterback Tim Tebow scored a 1-yard rushing touchdown. He also threw a 3-yard touchdown on the first pass attempt of his career.

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■ The UF volleyball, men's tennis and cross country teams were in action this weekend. Check out the website for coverage on how they did.

Gamecocks double Gators' time of possession

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tackles and a good job getting north and south," Austin said. "We didn't do a good job tackling."

Austin said his team did a great job getting off the field last week against Vanderbilt, when the Gators allowed the Commodores to convert only twice in 16 opportunities on third down.

"He did a great job running through tackles and a good job getting north and south. We didn't do a good job tackling."

Teryl Austin
UF defensive coordinator

Behind Lattimore, the Gamecocks converted eight of 16 attempts on third down and dominated time of possession 40:46 to 19:14.

UF coach Urban Meyer didn't put all of Lattimore's success on his defense, saying the time of possession was too much to overcome.

"We have to help those guys out," Meyer said of his offense.

In addition to South Carolina controlling the clock with its run game, Florida's offense couldn't stay on the field and sus-

tain a drive to give the defense a much-needed break.

The Gators went three-and-out on four of their first six drives and didn't have a drive of more than five plays until the fourth quarter.



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South Carolina freshman running back Marcus Lattimore carried the ball 40 times for 212 yards and three touchdowns, all career highs, against Florida on Saturday.

UF entered the third quarter with 67 total yards and three first downs.

Those offensive statistics, paired with Florida's up-tempo offense, allowed South Carolina to control the ball for most of the game.

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kins, who is likely to leave for the NFL after this season.

That team had Percy Harvin. This one has ... Deonte Thompson?

The future of Florida football is not as bright as it is made out to be.

Unless the Gators manage a miracle-like breakthrough in the last three games of the year, they will enter next season with more question marks than answers.

The quarterback position that has accumulated 10 touchdowns and nine interceptions this season looks to have no solution in sight.

Brantley will likely be the team's quarterback next season only because of a lack of depth at the position.

He has yet to prove anything in his first season at the helm. Although, that was a hell of a one-handed catch he made on his back against South Carolina.

And who will fill in for a depleted Gators defense?

UF will lose senior defensive tackles Lawrence Marsh, Brandon Antwine and Terron Sanders, and this season's starting defensive ends, Justin Trattou and Duke Lemmens.

Safety Ahmad Black, the best player on the team, in my opinion, is the only member of Florida's secondary who is guaranteed to be gone. But Jenkins could leave early for the NFL.

Starting outside linebackers A.J. Jones and Brandon Hicks are also playing in their last season as Gators.

Those are eight contributors on the UF defense definitely leaving, maybe nine if Jenkins decides to forgo his senior season.

And on offense, the Gators will lose four of their starting offensive linemen.

But the real problem is that all of the "skill players" are returning except for running back Emmanuel Moody.

The unit will feature most of the same receivers and backs who have contributed to this season's stagnant offense.

It doesn't help that next year's schedule features SEC West matchups against Alabama and Auburn, and road games against LSU and South Carolina.

So blame the coaches, players, refs, or whoever else you can find to use as a scapegoat.

But the truth is that the Gators have begun a new chapter of football called the rebuilding era.

Debose returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown

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Not the early game plan of giving Chris Rainey the ball. Seven of the first 10 plays went to Rainey, and he finished the first half with 13 yards.

Florida was outgained 347 yards to 67 through three quarters and allowed South Carolina to hold possession for a whop-

ping 40 minutes out of 60.

Afterward, Meyer was lost for words to point out the problems.

"If I had an answer for that, we wouldn't have struggled," he said.

The lone bright spot was Andre Debose's 99-yard touchdown return on the opening kickoff, but that wound up as more karma than a game-changer.

Debose sent the stadium into a frenzy, but the Gamecocks rattled off 29 unanswered points to suck the drama out of the game — a scene reminiscent of Florida's 2006 BCS Championship win, when Ohio State lost 41-14 after returning the opening kick for a score.

South Carolina leaned hard on freshman running back Marcus Lattimore, who turned 40 carries into 212 yards and three touchdowns. His last score twisted the knife in the Gators' back, when he was stood up at the 5-yard line and pounded his way into the end zone with the help of his teammates to set the final margin.

"Basically, they did whatever they wanted whenever they wanted," Black said.

Gamecocks quarterback Stephen Garcia was an efficient 15 of 22 for 156 yards and added a rushing touchdown. It wasn't a star performance, but he outplayed Brantley by far.

Brantley entered the fourth quarter 8 of 16 with 46 yards and an interception, and the low point came in the third, when his pass was batted into the air and he caught it from his back for a loss of 10 yards.

Fans booed both the play-calling and Brantley's performance, and cheers rained down when Jordan Reed was subbed in for a few plays.

Reed wasn't flashy either, with 12 yards rushing and 46 passing, but he did throw a touchdown to Rainey, who took a pass in the flat and dashed down the sideline for a score.

The loss highlighted a lot of problem areas for the Gators to address, but Meyer said benching Brantley isn't an option.

"Jordan's not functional at everything yet as a quarterback," Meyer said. "We were going to be in the throwing game trying to come back, and we were going to try and win that game."

South Carolina 36, Florida 14

STANDINGS

Trey Burton	8
Ahmad Black	7
Janoris Jenkins	6
Andre Debose	5
John Brantley	4
Jeff Demps	4
Jon Bostic	3
Carl Moore	3
Chas Henry	3
Ornarius Hines	3
Duke Lemmens	2
Will Hill	2
Jeremy Brown	1
Jaye Howard	1
Jelani Jenkins	1
Chris Rainey	1

KEY STAT

239:
South Carolina gained more rushing yards than Florida did total yards Saturday.

TURNING POINT

With the Gators already struggling and looking to change their fortune in the second half, Lattimore had other intentions. The running back ran around the left side for a 21-yard touchdown on the opening drive of the third quarter to extend South Carolina's lead to 22-7.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	Final
S. Carolina	9	6	7	14	36
Florida	7	0	0	7	14

THREE KEY PLAYS

Andre Debose returned the opening kickoff 99 yards to give the Gators a quick, albeit temporary, lead.

Marcus Lattimore capped a six-play, 46-yard drive in the first quarter with his first of three touchdown runs, and the Gamecocks took a 9-7 lead.

Stephen Garcia put a bow on South Carolina's run in the fourth quarter.

SWAMP STUDS

Andre Debose WR
Urban Meyer said he wanted the atmosphere on Saturday to be insane. And, 14 seconds into the game, Debose sparked the crowd with a 99-yard kickoff return, making him the first player in school history to house two kicks in one season. His score also marked the first time since 1997 that a UF player brought an opening kickoff to the end zone. But, unfortunately for UF, it was one of the only bright moments.

Ahmad Black SS
At the beginning of the season, Black said the UF defense would be in trouble if he led the team in tackles. Through 10 games, he has 93 tackles. Linebacker Jelani Jenkins, Florida's second-leading tackler, has 60. And, once again, Florida's 190-pound safety was the team's most active player Saturday. Black recorded 13 tackles, including 10 solos and three behind the line of scrimmage. The rest of the unit combined for just three more tackles behind the line.

Janoris Jenkins CB
South Carolina's lack of a passing attack was more a result of Steve Spurrier not trusting his quarterback than UF's coverage. Still, the 5-foot-11 Jenkins made some good plays to limit Gamecocks receiver Alshon Jeffery, who stands five inches taller. Jeffery averaged about 115 yards per game before Saturday but was limited to 53 against Jenkins and Co.

UF BASKETBALL

Gators open season with win against UNC-Wilmington

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The Gators may not have opened the game the way they wanted to, but it's hard to argue with the end result.

No. 9 Florida overcame a slow start to win its 20th consecutive season opener as it defeated UNC-Wilmington 77-60 on Friday in the O'Connell Center.

The Gators trailed 11-6 after 4:55 but used balanced scoring, strong rebounding and a powerful press to make a 15-4 run en route to the victory.

Each of the five starters scored at least nine points, while sophomore Erik Murphy chipped in 10 of his own off the bench.

"We had really good balance," said senior Chandler Parsons, who led the way with 16 points. "That's going to be our whole thing this year. We play unselfish and make the

extra pass."

The Gators had plenty of chances to score, as they cashed in on 52 percent of their offensive rebounding opportunities.

Senior Alex Tyus led the way on the glass, grabbing four of the team's 17 offensive boards and finishing with a team-high seven rebounds.

"That was one of our tone points last year, and we wanted to start it off strong this year," Tyus said. "That's something that we can control, just trying to kill the other team on the offensive glass."

A third point that helped Florida to victory was a potent press defense led by freshman Scottie Wilbekin, who recorded four steals in 17 minutes.

Wilbekin rotated with Parsons, sophomore Kenny Boynton and junior Erving Walker at the guard spots, allowing the Gators to wear down a shallow Seahawks backcourt.

UF's 12 steals were a refreshing change from the second half of the team's final exhibition game, when coach Billy Donovan noticed a lack of intensity.

"Coach got onto us this week in practice about the press," Wilbekin said. "We were all trying to get out there and work hard in the press and frustrate them."

While the Gators successfully forced 20 turnovers, they also recorded 15 of their own.

Florida was often guilty of attempting ill-advised home-run passes, and its guards occasionally tried to push the ball up the floor too quickly.

"I think we rushed a little bit offensively in the first half, certainly the first 10 minutes," Donovan said.

Another area in which the Gators contin-

ued to struggle was 3-point shooting, as the team shot just 6 of 19 in the game.

Boynton cooled down significantly after shooting 8 of 15 from beyond the arc in the exhibition season, going 0 for 6 from downtown against UNCW.

Walker, on the other hand, rebounded from a preseason in which he shot just 1 of 10 from distance by opening the year with a 3-for-5 performance.

Despite his players' streaky shooting, Donovan hasn't asked them to limit their attempts.

"We haven't been a prolific scoring team and a knock-down jump-shooting team, but I try to give them freedom because I do think when you do that they can have a game where they make 12, 13, 14 threes," Donovan said. "We can't let a lack of knocking down 3-point shots discourage us as a team."

The Gators will host No. 4 Ohio State on Tuesday.



Parsons

Florida uses record night on defense to beat UCF

UF will face Charlotte tonight

By MATT WATTS
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All offseason, the coaches and players have talked about bringing a new brand of Gators basketball to Gainesville.

That new look was visible at times in Saturday's 77-67 victory over visiting UCF in the first round of the Preseason Women's NIT.

After falling behind 9-1 to start the game, the Gators used an attacking defense to take control. On a night when the team tied the school record for blocks with 14, it was the defense that set the tone and helped the Gators recover

from 16 first-half turnovers.

"The good thing about having a lot of turnovers and still being able to have a win is that they're correctable, they're in your control," coach Amanda Butler said. "A lot of our turnovers were things we did to ourselves. When you're in charge of your own mistakes, you have a better chance at correcting them."

The Gators did just that. Fans began to see the up-tempo style Butler wants to use during a 16-3 run in the final 5:14 of the first half, helping Florida build a 10-point lead.

UF came out of halftime much the same, extending its lead to 22

points.

"When we ran away from them ... that was the tempo we needed, defensively and offensively," Butler said.

Much of the spark came from the guard duo of Jaterra Bonds and Lanita Bartley.



Women's Basketball

Bonds came off the bench to lead the Gators with 15 points on 4-of-7 shooting in a team-high 29 minutes of action. Bartley used her aggressive play to grab four steals and lead the Gators on multiple fast-break scoring opportunities.

The two brought the same in-

tensity to the offensive end, driving to the basket and forcing UCF to defend in the paint as well as outside.

"I just use my quickness and do what I do," Bartley said of her four steals. "I wanted to set the tempo and get my team involved and just run. That's what we do best."

She finished with 12 points and four rebounds in a nearly mistake-free 18 minutes.

Guard Kayla Lewis became the first true freshman to start a home opener since 2002, and she didn't disappoint. Lewis stuffed the stat sheet with nine points, six rebounds, three blocks, two assists and a steal.

Despite going up by 22, the Gators' lead shriveled to just five

with 2:25 left in the game, but the players said they weren't worried.

"We needed to step our tempo up," Bonds said. "There was no way that lead should have got cut down to five points."

Two clutch free throws and one of a team-high four blocks from center Azania Stewart sparked the Gators and extended the lead back to nine points with more than a minute to play.

"With all the hard work we have put in since June, it was time to go out there and have some fun," Lewis said.

With the win, UF advances to the second round of the NIT and will take on Charlotte tonight at 7 in the O'Connell Center.

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