



City may do away with free parking downtown

■ THERE ARE CURRENTLY 77 FREE SPACES AVAILABLE.

By JASMINE EARLS
Alligator Contributing Writer

Free parking downtown could become a thing of the past if a proposal from the City of Gainesville is approved by the Gainesville City Commission later this year.

The Downtown Parking Study, released by the City of Gainesville earlier this week, proposes the elimination of 77 available free parking spaces downtown to discourage employees from taking convenient spaces and encourage motorists to use downtown garages.

Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa said changing public perceptions about the downtown parking situation is just as important as improving the availability of parking

spaces.

"People perceive that there is no parking downtown, so they don't come, or they get frustrated when they come and don't see any parking," Mastrodicasa said. "If you ride downtown at nine in the morning and look at all the free spaces, you'll see that most are already filled, and the businesses aren't even open yet. What's happening is the employees at downtown businesses are taking the spots and not the patrons."

On Campus

When employees occupy convenient parking slots close to local shops, there's nowhere nearby for shoppers to park, and the businesses suffer, she said.

"The idea is that we get employees to park further out and free up all the convenient spots in front of

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Window Pains

Left to right: Charlie Turner, Eddie Jordan and Keith Hunter carefully move a 600-pound, 7-by-12 window pane to replace one of the front window panels at Emerson Alumni Hall on Wednesday. The two giant sheets were touching, known as "kissing" in window terms. UF had a five-year warranty on the windows, both of which ended up lasting 10 years. The university couldn't replace the pieces because no one makes glass that size anymore. To solve the problem, the gaps were divided into fours and smaller pieces were used to fill the space.

SG aiming to revamp funding for organizations

Treasurer: SG faces a \$1M budget shortfall

By ALEXANDER KLAUSNER
Alligator Staff Writer

The UF Student Senate stood united on every bill that came before it Tuesday night, approving each bill unanimously.

One of the approved bills was a revision of the Student Government's 800 codes, which are the agency's financial bylaws. It was authored by Treasurer T.J. Villamil.

The vote was delayed twice, prompting Villamil to host a public forum to discuss the changes.

As it is a vote on the codes, the bill must be approved a second time and changes can still be made.

The revisions to the bill are intended to promote fiscal responsibility in funding student organizations. SG is facing a budget

shortfall of about \$1 million, Villamil said.

"[The 800 codes are] putting everyone on the same page and making it consistent and fair," he said.

Villamil is seeking to reduce "personal benefit," or funding one student's activities as opposed to putting money toward a group.

"This is student money, and it shouldn't be expended in the wrong way," he said. "It should be used to benefit as many students as possible."

For example, he wanted to eliminate the funding of student travel. However, he said, after hearing from graduate students who value travel over things like bounce houses on the North Lawn, he balked.

Despite the unanimous vote the codes received in Senate, they don't

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necessarily have everyone's support. Villamil has said on numerous occasions that he wanted to add the Senate's financial handbook to the codes. However, combining the documents adds some vague language to the laws — language that functions as guidelines rather than hard-and-fast laws.

The guidelines are meant to allow leeway

in certain situations, such as when a student requesting funding misses the deadline for paperwork and misses out on funding.

Villamil has said twice in Senate meetings he views the codes themselves as guidelines, a term with which Senate Minority Leader Gillian Leytham takes issue.

"I'm not quite sure what universe he is living in," she wrote in a letter to the Alligator. "but under our UF Constitution, the 800 codes are, by definition, Student Body laws of permanent effect."

Villamil acknowledged that there are other ways to promote the finance guidelines other than codifying them in the bylaws, but past experience has shown him those methods lead to a very disorganized system.

"There's 10 different guides that have been created in the past five years by student leaders," he said. "Everyone wants to

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■ The Gators face multiple hurdles in Will Muschamp's first year on the job, and one of the toughest may be the schedule. alligatorSports breaks it down as part of our preview series. See Story, Page 18.



Former UF student accused of trying to smother baby with a pillow.

A Gainesville woman and former UF student was arrested Tuesday on a charge of aggravated child abuse after being accused of smothering a 10-month-old child she was babysitting with a pillow.

According to the arrest report, the baby's mother came home early from work and saw Tiffany Long, 21, of 6029 NW 53rd Terrace, holding a pillow over the baby's face. The mother told police she saw her baby's legs flailing.

Police said that when confronted by the mother, Long threw the pillow, put up her hands and asked her not to call the police.

Long told police the baby was crying uncontrollably, and she was playing peek-a-boo to quiet her down. Long later said, she never got a chance to play peek-a-boo.

Long withdrew from UF in the fall. She was being held at the Alachua County Jail Wednesday in lieu of \$35,000 bail.

— JOEY FLECHAS

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It ain't your dad's Humans vs. Zombies anymore

Attention HvZ junkies: The rules have changed.
New regulations on Humans versus Zombies will restrict time and the locations where the game may be played.
"HvZ," as it's known, which hosts games with hundreds of UF student participants, was informed July 5 by the University Police Department they will have to follow some new regulations if they want

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to continue playing on campus, said Rebecca Foster, president of the organization.

The new regulations state all players must be clearly identifiable, Nerf guns must now be painted orange, play time is from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and only UF students are permitted to play. Players must also sign a waiver, and some areas are now off-limits for playing. UPD Lt. William Gainey, the liaison to HvZ, said the new regulations were created to distinguish those who are playing from a student going to class.

"Student organizers have gone out of their way to prevent problems," Gainey said. "There has been a lot of planning to allow students to do this."

Foster said she was able to

negotiate with UPD and find common ground, which is that all players must wear a T-shirt with a brightly colored "HvZ" on the front to indicate they are playing.

Foster said she doesn't think the new regulations will affect the numbers of participants. She said games typically have between 600 and 1,100 players.

HvZ will hold a summer game July 20-24 on UF's campus.

— SEVERIN WALSTAD

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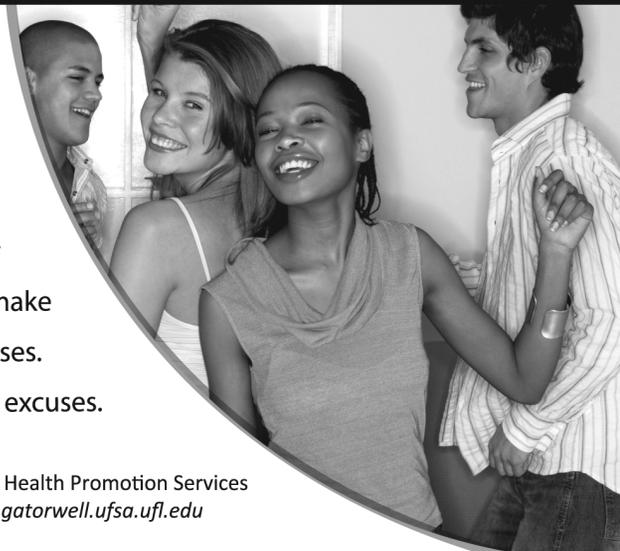
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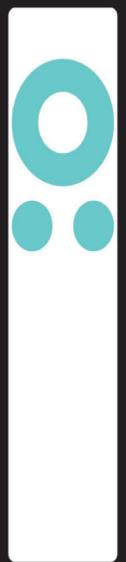
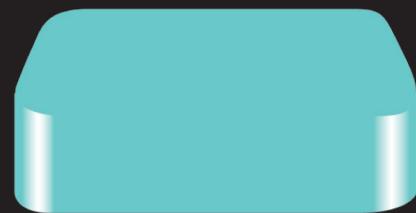
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LOCAL Concerns raised over redrawing voting districts

By **ESTEE BECK**
Alligator Writer

Gainesville residents sounded off on how Florida's districts should be shaped in the coming years at the Santa Fe College Fine Arts Hall on Wednesday.

The meeting, which is the last of five public redistricting meetings in northeast and north central Florida, aimed to give residents a chance to share their opinions on the issue of redrawing the state's political boundaries, which are redrawn every 10 years right after the U. S. Census.

The purpose of redrawing a state's congressional, Senate and House boundaries is to keep an equal number of the population in each district, in turn giving each state resident equal congressional representation.

However, some are skeptical that boundary lines are drawn to favor certain political parties and to protect incumbents.

Manny Lucoff, a Gainesville resident and UF alumnus, believes such practices may happen anyway.

"The timeline has been turned around. Why? To protect the incumbents," Lucoff said. "It's unfortunate, but that's the way hardball politics is played."

Another prominent concern was the absence of drafted maps projecting what the new districts, which will be approved between January and March of 2012, may look like.



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An assistant hands state Sen. John Thrasher a microphone as state Sen. Don Gaetz speaks at the Public Redistricting Meeting at the Fine Arts Hall at Santa Fe College Wednesday evening.

"We believe that puts the cart before the horse," said state Rep. Steve Precourt. In addition to new district boundaries, two

districts will be added to Florida's congressional districts, bumping the number from 25 to 27. In addition, the ideal population in each

district will rise by 57,050 in congressional districts, 70,434 in Senate districts and 23,492 in the House districts.

Netflix announces new price plans with higher rates

■ **STREAMING AND DVDS NOW HAVE SEPARATE FEES.**

By **NATALIE TEER**
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The convenience of Netflix will now cost members a pretty penny.

For \$9.99 a month, customers used to be able to receive one DVD by mail at a time and watch unlim-

ited movies and videos instantly online.

The company is now separating those two features and charging for each of them. It will now cost \$7.99 per month to rent one DVD at a time and \$7.99 for unlimited streaming, or a total of \$15.98 for both.

Netflix Vice President of Marketing Jessie Becker wrote in a company blog post that the reason the company made the change was "to better

reflect the costs of each and to give our members a choice: a streaming only plan, a DVD only plan or the option to subscribe to both."

The change will take immediate effect for new members and in September for current customers.

Hannah Spilker, a UF health science major, doesn't think she can stick around for the change.

"The reason I thought Netflix

was so appealing was because how reasonable the price was," she said. "It was affordable for a college student."

The company is increasing its costs by 60 percent, provoking members to take their business elsewhere.

Hulu.com now offers Hulu Plus for \$7.99 per month, with the first month free for students who sign up with an .edu email address.

Hulu Plus allows members to have shows, movies and documentaries instantly streamed to computers, smartphones, game consoles and Blu-ray players.

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UF gets \$6.5 million grant to study oil spill effects

By **BENJAMIN S. BRASCH**
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About a dozen UF faculty members, with specialties ranging from traditional medicine to environmental sociology, have received a \$6.5 million grant to study the psychological and environmental effects of the Gulf's latest oil spill.

UF is one of four universities involved in the research starting this summer. Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center New Orleans, Tulane University and the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston are the others.

These are "four major universities along the coasts, strategically spaced, who are the leads on

their various grants," said Dr. J. Glenn Morris, director of the UF Emerging Pathogens Institute and the grant's principal investigator.

The project is broken down into three parts, Morris said.

First, the study works to find the psychological impacts on individuals and their families. Second, it tries to determine what makes a community better able to deal with this kind of a disaster or its community resilience. Finally, it is to verify the safety of the seafood in the area, focusing on non-commercial fishers.

Another aspect of the analysis, Morris said, is the community outreach and education program.

Bike repair shop to be moved in with UF Outfitters

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do things their way. The problem is it's inconsistent. I want it to be all in one place."

In another bill approved at Tuesday's meeting, the Student Government Bike Repair shop will now be moved in with UF Outfitters, which is located in the Reitz Union.

Senators agreed to commit \$36,900 toward renovating the Out-

fitters space to allow for the repair shop, which repairs students' bikes for free. The money will be go toward construction costs and new equipment for the shop.

Student Government

A wall will have to be demolished in the Reitz Union to combine the two spaces, but the bill's presenters said it should not interfere with everyday business in the building.

Under plan, city expects to make money back within two and a half years



Max Reed / Alligator Staff

Edward Dowling enters his truck in front of a free parking sign near The Hampton Inn & Suites in downtown Gainesville Wednesday.

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local businesses to encourage shoppers," she said.

The plan to eliminate no-charge parking would produce a faster turnover of on-street parking while raising city revenues.

According to the study, the setup cost of the project is estimated at \$875,000, while the annual cost is estimated at \$125,000, for a total first-year cost of \$1 million.

Enforcing the new parking restrictions would cost \$250,000 annually and require the city to hire additional parking-enforcement staff.

The city is expected to make its money back within two and a half years, with total annual revenues estimated at \$493,250.

The three-member Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee, comprised of Commissioners Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry and Todd Chase, also proposes to increase meter rates for lot and on-street parking to further encourage visitors to use garages.

According to the proposal, meters would be in effect until 8 p.m., and the committee may push for them to run even later: until 11 p.m. and on Saturdays.

The committee argues the elimination of free parking would improve business for local vendors, though others argue it would do just the opposite.

"People will stop going downtown," said 19-year-old microbiology student Jheel Pandya. "When you want to go downtown, you already have to think about paying to get into clubs and everything else. Now parking? It's just too much."

If the plan is approved by the commission, the earliest changes would take effect sometime next year.

The city also plans to create a website to show pay rates and locations of available parking if the plan is implemented.

The next meeting to discuss the parking proposal will be held by the Recreational, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee on Sept. 12.

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Editorial

Don't Pass Go

Parking downtown should stay free

Saturday night at the club downtown could get a bit more expensive in the near future, and contrary to the city's hopes, we don't think that's going to attract more customers.

The City of Gainesville could be eliminating free parking downtown — a move city officials hope will attract more business to the area. The 77 free spots would get meters.

They contend that people planning to go downtown become discouraged when they see that there are no more free parking spots available. Putting meters in those spots, city officials say, will encourage employees to park further away from their businesses, freeing up the closer spots for potential customers.

We don't think charging for parking is going to help the matter.

At a time when students' pockets have more lint than coin, taking away something that's free is not the way to go.

We understand that it will likely produce more parking turnover and that the project will likely pay for itself in a few years.

But whether it's a leisurely lunch or a gin-soaked, stumblin'-to-your-friend's-car kind of night, making a trip downtown more expensive will definitely deter students from going at all.

We already have cheaper options in midtown. And those of us who already frequent our beloved dives off University Avenue (not anyone on this staff, of course) aren't going to appreciate bigger crowds when folks decide that heading downtown isn't worth it.

Why You Mad?

The saddest part about all of this? Not a sliver of surprise was felt by any of us.

But when you're dealing with presidential candidate and Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann, such is to be expected.

It didn't take long for the patron saint of verbal and intellectual diarrhea to shift the waves of attention away from her slight oversight of christening Waterloo, Iowa, the birthplace of the quintessential American alpha male, John Wayne, when it actually is known as the home of John Wayne Gacy Jr., a clown-costume-wearing boy rapist / serial killer (can't tell you how many times we've made that slip-up). Now she's upping the ante with reports that claim the clinic she and her husband own engages in therapy that encourages homosexual patients to rewire their sexual drives to commit to the Lord's vision of an all-heterosexual order. Glory, glory, hallelujah!

But our main qualm isn't

with her and her husband's alleged looney-toon hypothesis, one that has been completely defecated on by every credible piece of scientific and medical research that doesn't come with pictures for you to color in. This is America; it is your constitutional right to believe whatever you want — no matter how illogical or ridiculous it may be. Our main qualm is that a candidate who has spent her whole political career selling herself to her conservative base as an outspoken champion of Christian values is now distancing herself from it because it could be — heaven forbid — just a tad too detrimental to her political prospects. Once again, she proves that G.O.P. God has the power to conquer anything — expect poll figures. She should just, for the lack of a better word, "come out" and say, "Why you mad? Yeah, we try to cure homos; get off our touched-by-an-angel metaphorical nuts!"

An American politician with a backbone, what a miracle that would be!

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Column

U.S. needs to swing axes at taxes

What if there were no taxes? Don't snicker. Would there still be civilization? Would society progress? Would we be more or less technologically advanced? Would we be more content?

John Locke talked about natural rights: life, liberty and property. He argued that those rights are inherent in all humans. The United States believes in said natural rights. Thomas Jefferson just didn't want to copy and paste, so he threw out property for pursuit of happiness. Taxation goes against these rights.

Taxation is inherently anti-property. Money is property and taxation is the forcible removal of money. Taxation also goes against life and liberty. Let's say you've invested time in starting your own lamp business. When the government taxes some of that money, it is taking away property accumulated, which required you to use your life to acquire. Essentially, you just wasted a portion of your life for nothing. Taxation takes away liberty, because now you can't spend your money exactly the way you want to. That's one less Happy Meal to make you happy.

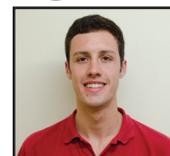
In essence, the mainstream belief is that we pay taxes to have a civilization. People believe that if you take government, and, by extension, taxes away, things will crumble and deteriorate. This simply isn't true. I would point to the skyline of downtown Manhattan. Did taxation build those skyscrapers or did American ingenuity?

We shouldn't even be forced to pay taxes especially when the government is usually incompetent. We spend enormous tax revenues on the sacred public school system, created to prevent "mobocracy," yet American public education is a joke. I wonder if we can get refunds for that.

Republicans, without taxation, wouldn't be able to go to war when they felt like it. Democrats, without taxation, wouldn't be able to keep welfare recipients breastfeeding.

Abraham Lincoln was the first to institute an income tax during the Civil War. Eventually, the Supreme Court stood up for the Constitution, something it barely does anymore,

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and declared an income tax unconstitutional at the time. Then Congress passed the 16th Amendment, making it legal to tax income. That was the game changer.

Taxes destroy wealth and revenues decrease, so in response, taxes are increased to raise revenues, which destroys even more wealth, and so the cycle continues to spiral out of control.

Government doesn't create wealth nor simply redistribute it; it destroys wealth.

Taxation is also a way to tip the balance. If you want to lower smoking rates, then slap a "sin tax" on cigarettes to make them less attractive to buyers. If you want to encourage having children, then give people tax credits for having children. The kicker is when you tax people making lots of money, you're essentially discouraging people from making money.

Another problem with our progressive tax system is that the more you make, the greater the percentage of income the government takes. This implies that everyone should have more equal incomes. A progressive tax system is class warfare. Government should not perpetuate class warfare that ultimately divides it citizenry. Ask anyone and they'll tell you that Democrats are for the poor and working class and Republicans are for the rich. That's horrendous.

Taxation is also antithetical to personal responsibility. Taxation supposedly leads to this loving government that provides for the common good with all its nifty programs which people become reliant on: health care, food stamps and housing. Who in their right mind would work and take responsibility if they didn't have to?

They say two things are for certain: death and taxes. I'd like to narrow that down to one.

Chris Ceresa is a chemistry sophomore. His column appears on Thursdays.

Reader response

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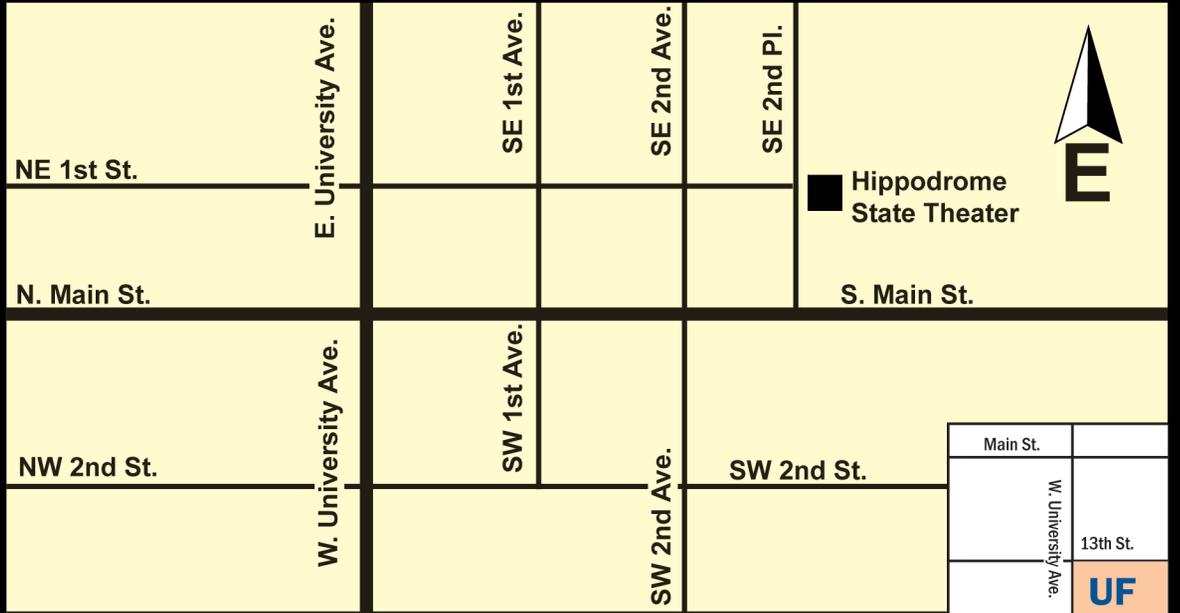
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The “Harry Potter” film series will premier its eighth and final installment at midnight tonight, 10 years after it started. The epic book series helped shape the teenage years of many young adults, so to pay tribute, we decided to make today’s Avenue an entire four-page section of HP-related stories. Read up and enjoy!

INSIDE:

This section is about Harry Potter. Not just that story you see below on this page, but every single article in this week’s Avenue is about the books, movies and other HP-related news events. It’s the only way we could imagine paying tribute.

PG 9: Andy Maroon’s movie column compares the HP books and movies.

PG 10: Check out our HP fashion column and preview an upcoming Harry and the Potters concert in Gainesville.

PG 11: Learn about J.K. Rowling’s next venture – Pottermore. Also, check out Thomas Nassiff’s Off The Record column, which talks about how this isn’t really the end of “Harry Potter” for any of us.

ONLINE:

Still need more Harry Potter? Head to www.alligator.org and click on the Avenue tab to check out recipes for butterbeer, pumpkin juice and Hagrid’s rock cakes. We’ve also got a Tech Effect column by Carter Lyles where he talks about a real-life invisibility cloak.

Photos courtesy of the official Warner Brothers “Harry Potter” Facebook page

End of series inspires reflection for entire generation

By **NICOLE LA HOZ**
avenue writer

Four thousand pages defined a generation.

Young adults delved into the story of The Boy Who Lived for almost nine years. They discovered an enchanting school, pure evil and what it means to be brave. They learned about true bonds of friendship, sacrifice, betrayal, leadership and love.

More than any other literature, the “Harry Potter” series helped define the lives of the current generation of college undergraduates, who grew up with Harry, Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger. Perhaps no other literature was as wholly accepted by a single demographic the way J.K. Rowling’s life works were accepted by this generation.

In 2001, the story of Harry Potter came to life in theaters. Audiences followed Harry’s journey through the Wizarding world for 10 years. The movie franchise became legendary, earning \$6.3 billion in the box office.

When the eighth film, “Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2,” premieres at midnight, it will mark the end of the series.

Rowling began narrating the story of Harry Potter, a seemingly normal boy who discovers he’s a wizard, in 1998. Within each of the seven books, Rowling develops characters who experience the hardships of growing up: loss, love, finding courage.

Hannah Herrero, a second-year geography student at UF, said the series was the highlight of her childhood. She remembers re-

ceiving “Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone” as a Christmas present in kindergarten. The book nudged her to read.

“Once I started reading them, I was hooked,” Herrero said. “I don’t know what Rowling’s secret ingredient is.”

Herrero said going to Hogwarts with Harry and his friends is a way to completely “escape your reality.” The books and movies appeal to all ages — from the generation who clutched these books throughout their teenage years to their parents, who have been just as enveloped in the series.

Sonya Cronin, who teaches religion and 20th-century fantasy literature at Florida State University, said when the class weaves into Rowling’s works, her students give resounding applause.

“People are invested in it,” she said. “It’s intimately important for a lot of people.”

Whether it’s the date Harry’s parents died or his family’s lineage, Cronin said readers know more about Harry Potter than actual history.

Fantasy literature becomes so crucial, Cronin said, because people lead hard lives; they need an aspect of escape or consolation. Some people escape by watching sports. Others play music. Others write poems. Others read about Aurors and Death Eaters.

“It takes you into another realm — another world — where all dreamy possibilities can happen,” she said. “We know what it means to take the Hogwarts Express.”

The “Harry Potter” books and films, Cronin said, have given this

generation a common language. She recalled a speech given to the University of Chicago in the 1970s. The speaker said that generation didn’t have a common text; there wasn’t a book everyone could relate to.

“‘Harry Potter’ changed that,” Cronin said. “‘Harry Potter’ has given this generation something meaningful.”

First-year nursing student Olivia de Jong waited to cross the U.S.-Canadian border during a summer trip to Canada in 2001 to pick up an English copy of “The Sorcerer’s Stone.”

“That was something I always looked forward to,” she said. “It’s weird not having that book to read.”

The magical aspects captivated de Jong; every spell, Patronus and curse. The themes of friendship and camaraderie, however, captivated her the most.

“I realized that instead of having a lot of friends, I wanted a few that you’re really, really close with,” she said.

The series, de Jong said, became her teenage foundation. She read about Hermione Granger — the academic overachiever — picking up books for recreation. De Jong wanted to be studious after seeing Hermione check out hefty books for “a bit of light reading.” It helped her keep a straight-A GPA in middle and high school.

There was emptiness after the seventh and final “Harry Potter” book was published. De Jong, like others, grew up reading and waiting for new books almost every summer.

“I had post-Potter syndrome,” she said. “And at the end of the eighth movie, I’m definitely crying.”



the movie column

“Harry Potter” films portrayed book series as best as possible

Adapting a book to a feature-length film is a near-impossible task.

As a fan, you want the films to mimic the books as closely as possible. As a producer, your goal is to make a movie accessible to all audiences. Making everyone happy is an unrealistic goal.

I grew up with the “Harry Potter” books, just as many of you did. The series has played a defining role in our developmental years, and, on a wider scale, in pop culture as a whole. Since the books have been an ever-present force in my life, I tend to be a lot more unforgiving with these films than with other book adaptations.

With that said, the “Harry Potter” films gave their best effort to bring to life the stories we read in the books. On Rotten Tomatoes, every film has received 80 percent or higher — aside from a rightly deserved 78 percent from 2009’s “Half Blood Prince,” and a surprisingly low 79 percent from 2010’s “Deathly Hallows Part 1.”

I felt the first three films did the books proper justice. Shorter page

lengths meant less content that had to be covered in the average run time of about two hours. This gave more time for the films to touch on the little details, which we don’t see much of in the later films. Seeing Hogwarts, Quidditch and the Whomping Willow on screen for the first time were amazing experiences. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint and Emma Watson immediately captured our hearts as young Harry, Ron and Hermione.

Gilderoy Lockhart was played exceptionally well by Kenneth Branagh in “The Chamber of Secrets,” as was Sirius Black by Gary Oldman in “The Prisoner of Azkaban.” The third film was presented in a much darker, grittier tone compared with the magical fantasy world painted in the first two. Even the costumes were different, with untucked shirts and scarves arranged different ways, rather than the cookie-cutter clones in the first two movies.

The fourth film in the series, “The Goblet of Fire,” is where things start to break down a bit. There just isn’t enough time in a two-and-a-half-hour-



Andy Maroon
Columnist

long movie to effectively execute 730 pages of details. Obviously, things had to be cut. The first three books could have been shot scene-for-scene, but the fourth was the turning point where content important to the book, such as Hermione’s Society for the Promotion of Elfish Welfare (‘spew,’ according to Ron), was cut out to shorten the run time. The action sequences in the Triwizard Tournament are still strong, albeit a bit shallow.

“The Order of the Phoenix” continues the struggle of run time versus page length. With plenty of content cut, only the bare bones of the story remain. Harry’s relationship with Cho Chang feels a bit rushed and out of place, but the movie is saved by Imelda Staunton’s perfect portrayal of everyone’s least favorite Defense Against

the Dark Arts teacher, Professor Dolores Umbridge. Staunton does a sickeningly sweet job of making viewers hate Umbridge just as much as they did in the books.

“The Half-Blood Prince” is easily the weakest film, in my opinion. It plays out like a rushed Wikipedia entry. There is an over-simplified mention of the Horcruxes, a quiet revelation of the true identity of the Half-Blood Prince and an awkward scene where The Burrow gets burned to the ground. Not to mention the final few moments of the film, which are the worst of the series. Harry stands around like a frightened puppy while Snape kills Dumbledore instead of being immobilized and unable to help, as he was in the book. It made Harry look like a pansy and Dumbledore a weak old man.

Also, there wasn’t even a mention of Dumbledore’s funeral. We had a 15-minute cry fest when Edward — erm, Cedric Diggory — died in “Goblet of Fire.” But when Dumbledore dies, we don’t get a sufficient scene to appreciate the magnitude of his murder.

This was monumental in the books: Harry established that he wouldn’t be returning next year, couldn’t maintain a relationship with Ginny and that he was going to hunt down Voldemort once and for all.

Dumbledore’s character gets the short end of the stick in the films. In the books, he is a wise, intimidating, powerful and respected teacher wrapped up in a calming demeanor — truly, one of the better literary characters of all time. In the films, he comes off as a smart, goofy old man. The late Richard Harris’ portrayal of Dumbledore was much stronger than that of current actor Michael Gambon, who plays a Dumbledore that loses a lot of depth.

The films are what they are. I do enjoy them, and I can understand why certain scenes were cut or ignored. For the most part, I think the films have done a great job in portraying the main aspect of the books. Breaking up the final novel into two films was a great decision, as the first part spent its time efficiently setting the stage for the epic conclusion.

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Students dress up for Potter premier

By **AMY STUART**
avenue contributing writer

The boy who lived has come to die. Tonight, ending the 10-year-old movie series, Harry Potter makes his last appearance on the big screen in "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2."

Although this sad ending to a magical era has come, Potter fans are still psyched for the movie premiere, rummaging through their closets to find all

their Potter attire and memorabilia. From wands to cloaks, UF students are making their Harry Potter loyalty known.

When purchasing tickets a month in advance, Judy Tran, 20, was hit with the harsh realization that even a 30-day head start only got her tickets to the 3-D showing.

"We wanted regular tickets," Tran said, "but they were already sold out, even though we thought we were way ahead of the game."

Not having an actual cloak, she plans to wear a black Snuggie backwards along with her wand from the Wizarding World of Harry Potter theme park and a popular Deathly Hallows necklace.

Some didn't waste their time grabbing tickets to a Gainesville showing. Ashley Florestal, 19, who read the first novel in 1997, flew all the way to New York City for the red-carpet premiere. Her father surprised her with tickets to the Monday showing.

"I've been camping out since Saturday night," Florestal said Sunday. "But I've met people who have been here since Wednesday."

Waiting on the streets of New York City, she was surprised by a pizza delivery from Tom Felton. Daniel Radcliffe also surprised the crowd by showing up for an autograph signing.

"We looked eye-to-eye and it was magical," Florestal said.

Although Tran and Florestal were fortunate to grab tickets for early showings of the epic finale, others are going to have to make do with a later showing on Friday.

Members of the Inter-Residence Hall Association will have to wait until morning to witness the end of this era because of an executive retreat today. Ashley Richey and Courtney Read still plan to dress up all day to show their support. Although Read will don a Gryffindor robe, she says she is dedicated to Hufflepuff and proud of it.

Richey believes if her invitation to Hogwarts ever came, the Sorting Hat would place her in Ravenclaw. She carries a Time-Turner in her Harry Potter backpack, which she usually stores under the "Platform 9 3/4" sign in her room.

Jodine Castin is going to proudly wear her Muggle T-shirt to the movie Friday morning. Although she won't make it for the premiere, she is certain theaters will be packed.

"I feel sad, but really, all good things have to come to an end," Castin said.



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Ashley Richey and Courtney Read pose in Gryffindor apparel.

Harry and the Potters to play Gainesville library

By **KELLY RICHARD**
avenue contributing writer

"Accio guitar, keys and drums!"

Harry and the Potters, the popular band that plays songs based on J.K. Rowling's series, will be stopping in Gainesville on Saturday. The band will play a free show at the Alachua County Library District Headquarters, 401 E University Ave., at 2 p.m. in Meeting Room A.

The show is the band's first in Gainesville in three years.

Brothers Paul and Joe DeGeorge make up the wizard rock band. They started in 2002 and have performed in venues such as libraries, doughnut shops, pedestrian bridges and residential bathrooms, according to their website.

The idea for Harry and the Potters came from reading the books, Paul DeGeorge said.



"I thought it would be cool if Harry Potter had his own band," he said

To him, Harry resembles some of DeGeorge's musical heroes like Bruce Springsteen and Conor Oberst of Bright Eyes because they, like Harry, stand up for what they believe in.

Paul and Joe portray Harry Potter from two points of time onstage: what Harry would write about while at school, and how Harry would comment on the differences between the Wizarding world and the Muggle world in which he was raised, DeGeorge said.

People who have never seen Harry and the Potters "can expect to participate in the battle against evil through the power of rock 'n' roll," DeGeorge said.

Weaving around the country on their latest tour filled with performing, sleeping and eating tacos, Paul and Joe will have the opportunity to see "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2" tonight at midnight while in Orlando for LeakyCon.

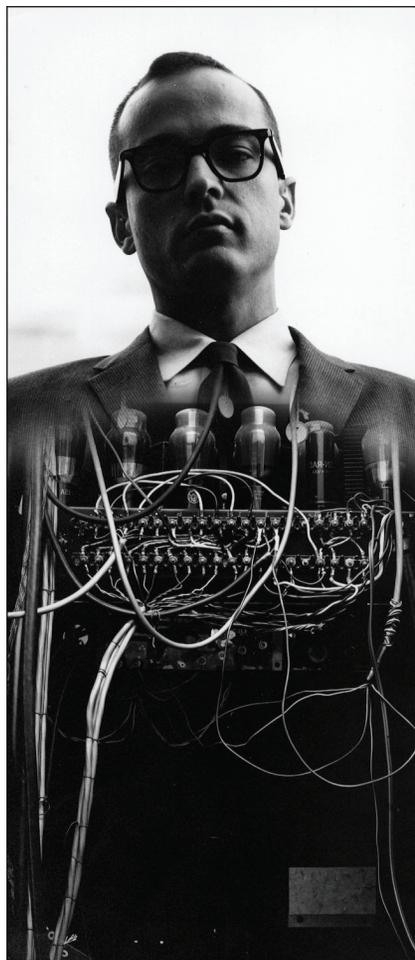
DeGeorge is free of expectations for the last installment. Although the movies are entertaining, he said, the band has always been more about the books, which have given DeGeorge a creative outlet.

"For me, it's totally changed my life," DeGeorge said.

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Pottermore next frontier for series

By **DIANA LOPEZ**
avenue contributing writer

Most Harry Potter fans have been clinging to every word spoken from the genius mouth of J.K. Rowling since the last book of the "Harry Potter" series came out, hoping for anything new.

It's safe to say that fans are now getting just that, and it comes in an exciting bundle called Pottermore.

There has been a mysterious air to the Pottermore name, and many in the Muggle community have been spreading rumors faster than the Weasley twins can get detention.

Rowling recently abated the growing amount of curiosity, however. She and the Pottermore team have partnered with Sony to create a unique online reading experience for fans of all ages.

"Sony's association with J.K. Rowling's Pottermore brings together one of the world's most innovative brands with the most successful book series in history, in a pioneering partnership that will help shape the future of storytelling," said Sir Howard Stringer, chairman, CEO and president of Sony Corp.

Many have longed for an online video game similar to World of Warcraft where gamers can immerse themselves in the world of Harry Potter. While that isn't exactly what Pottermore offers, it's a step in that direction.

According to the press release, Pottermore offers a free online experience focused around reading the series.

Pottermore users will delve into the Wizarding world by casting spells, being sorted into a house by the Sorting Hat and receiving a wand from The Wand Chooser, which offers over 33,000 possible outcomes.

Rowling also has new information to share with her readers about characters, objects and places in the "Harry Potter" series that will be revealed throughout the adventure.

"I will be sharing additional information I've been hoarding for years about the world of Harry Potter," Rowling said in her Pottermore announcement video.

All seven books in the series will also be available for purchase as e-books for the first time in the Pottermore shop.

Pottermore will be unveiled in October, but one million users who complete a challenge on July 31 will be able to test out a beta version.

Pottermore will begin with the first book in the series, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone." The second book will be added in early 2012, and each future book will be added with time.

"I wanted to give something back to the fans that have followed Harry so devotedly over the years and to bring the stories to a new digital generation," Rowling said. "I hope fans and those who are new to Harry have as much fun helping to shape Pottermore as I have."

off the record

This is the end - but not really

For those of you who read this section with any regularity (are there any of you like that? You should tweet me; I'd love to meet you), you know my Off The Record column is mostly about music. There is nothing I appreciate more than music.

Except Harry Potter.

I appreciate the hell out of the "Harry Potter" series, created by novelist/mastermind J.K. Rowling. In fact, I appreciate the series just as much as my favorite record of all time and just as much as any UF football championship — both of which are saying a lot.

It took me years to pick up the first novel in the series. When I was in fourth grade, my dad brought home "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," a fairly small paperback novel with a picture of a nerdy-looking kid flying a broomstick on the cover.

The fourth-grade version of me didn't understand the concept of taking a book recommendation from my parents, so on the shelf it sat for years. For some reason I decided to read that first novel a couple of years later, when more books had been added to the series. I will always remember the first sentence.

"Mr. and Mrs. Dursley, of number four, Privet Drive, were proud to say they were perfectly normal, thank you very much."

So began a long journey through reading exactly 4,100 pages about that nerdy-looking kid with a lightning-bolt scar on his forehead. You don't need to hear any story about how I waited in line at midnight to buy the seventh and final novel, then read it in two days — you probably did the same yourself.

Instead, the point of this column is to try, in some way, to express the magnitude of what this series has meant to me and to our generation. I'm about to start my third year here at UF, and those of you who are of a similar age know that we quite literally grew up with Harry, Ron and Hermione.

The first film in the series was released on November 16, 2001. I had a birthday party at a movie theater to watch it, since my 11th birthday was on October 27. I turned 11, and we watched a group of first-year Hogwarts students when they were 11.

Now I'm 20, and even though Harry Potter is



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supposed to be 17 in this last film, we all know very well that he acts beyond his years. For only a 17-year-old, he has survived a phenomenal amount of life-threatening situations and knows a great deal about magic. Even if he's not that great at Transfiguration, and even if he isn't the best at getting to Diagon Alley via Floo powder,

he makes up for it by being the most courageous teenager in wizard or Muggle history.

As I'm sure most of you did, I learned a lot through reading the "Harry Potter" series. Never, in any novel, have I felt the identification with the characters, the complete immersion in another world. The same can be said for most of you: Never again will there be a novel or series that we completely obsess over like we did this one.

Never again will you get jitters when Harry approaches Cho Chang in the hallway for the first time. Never again will your jaw drop when Dumbledore dies on page 596. Never again will you feel your heart dive into your stomach when Hedwig takes an Avada Kedavra curse on the way to The Burrow. Never again will you laugh at a ridiculous prank pulled by the Weasley twins.

So it's okay if you want to cry when "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2" starts at midnight tonight. It's okay if you want to cry throughout the entire damn movie, because you've never witnessed the end of something like this.

Except you should know that — if you want — you will always be able to experience those things. Even if you've read each novel 20 times and watched each film dozens more, Harry Potter will never fade. He will forever be immortalized in those 4,100 pages and eight movies. Whenever you want, no matter how old you are or what job you're doing, you can easily escape to that Wizarding world if you want to.

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21 Drops a pop
22 Otolaryngologist's diagnosis
23 "Richard III" star McKellen
24 E or G, e.g.
25 Treat thicker than the original
32 Bluesy Waters
33 Resistance units
34 "Outstanding!"
36 Looking displeased
37 50-50, say
38 Covered in goo
40 Allotment word
41 Rabbit's title
42 Actor Davis
43 Toyota RAV4 competitor
47 Two-time Indy 500 champ Luyendyk
48 Old boat-steering tool
49 Yes or no follower
52 Askew view
54 Storm of the '90s
57 Complaint after a reluctant act
60 Slop
61 Canada's smallest prov.
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9 Smashed
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18 Beach bird
19 Vanishing sounds
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24 Digito
25 He played Dillinger in "Public Enemies" (2009)
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27 Swahili for "freedom"
28 "Got that right!"
29 One taking things wrong?
30 Dadaist Max
31 Jack of "The Great Dictator"
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39 Red letters?
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Florida faces a tough schedule in Will Muschamp's first year at the helm, beginning with the Vols in Week 3. UF plays reigning national champion Auburn in Jordan-Hare Stadium, while hosting 'Bama and FSU.

No. 2: Schedule - Can UF win despite daunting slate?

■ THIS IS THE FOURTH INSTALLMENT OF A FIVE-PART SERIES EXAMINING GATORS FOOTBALL FOR THE 2011 SEASON.

By **MATT WATTS**
Alligator Staff Writer
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The Gators have much to overcome in coach Will Muschamp's first year, but one of the biggest obstacles out of their control is the schedule.

Not since 2006, a year featuring games against six ranked teams, has Florida faced such a daunting Southeastern Conference lineup.

But unlike Tim Tebow and Percy Harvin's first year on campus, there's no hope of a championship this season.

The Gators will be trying to

merely survive.

After opening with the usual non-conference warm-up games (Florida Atlantic on Sept. 3 and Alabama-Birmingham on Sept. 10), Florida welcomes Tennessee to Ben Hill Griffin Stadium on Sept. 17.

The Vols are in their second year under new coach Derek Dooley and, despite being ignored by most pundits, they have some weapons that could give Florida trouble.

Sophomore receivers Justin Hunter (6-foot-4, 200) and Da'Rick Rogers (6-foot-3, 215) both present matchup problems for UF's diminutive corners.

Hunter averaged more than 25 yards per catch last season and scored seven touchdowns — a Tennessee freshman record.

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UF RECRUITING

Dynamic back drawing attention, early offers

By **BRYAN HOLT**
Alligator Writer

In an age where high school athletes can become Internet sensations overnight, teenage YouTube stars are no longer uncommon.

But when a 6-foot-4, 222-pound rising high school junior proves he is one of the most athletic prep football players in the nation, people still listen.

Yulee High running back Derrick Henry has taken the recruiting landscape by storm after a sophomore season in which he had 303 carries for 2,689 yards and 38 touchdowns.

"I'm just a one-cut back," he said. "If I get one cut, then I'm gone."

His sophomore highlight reel proves his point. The video shows a towering speedster rumbling through over-

matched defenses, breaking tackles with ease and consistently outrunning defensive backs en route to touchdown after touchdown.

But while his on-field prowess has gotten the 2013 prospect verbal offers from Florida, Florida State and Georgia, it was his performance at a March combine in Orlando that garnered him an invitation to Nike's "The Opening" showcase last week.



Henry

In Beaverton, Ore., Henry became a national finalist in the SPARQ Rating National Championship, finishing fourth in the finals after running a 4.45 40-yard-dash, register-

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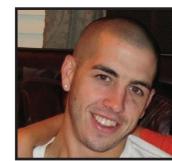
Gay it forward: It's time for a sports superstar to come out

Caution: This column is not for the mentally weak or irrationally bigoted. This is not a religious debate or political plea; this is a call for open-mindedness and acceptance. Stop reading if you hate equality and don't advocate change.

In America, intolerance is a virus often manifested through piercing words. In American sports, intolerance is a disease often coupled with deafening silence.

It's 2011, and enough is enough.

A current article in "Out" magazine profiling Michael Irvin and his relationship with his gay brother is making online headway. Irvin was contrite and especially blunt. He confessed he should have spoke out sooner, but for someone with a flack stack of demons, the Playmaker had precise perspective.



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"I think growth comes when we share. Until we do that, we're going to be stuck in the Dark Ages about a lot of things. When a guy steps up and says, 'This is who I am,' I guarantee you I'll give him

100 percent support. ... I'm not gay, but I was afraid to even let anyone have the thought. I can only imagine the agony — being a prisoner in your own mind — for someone who wants to come out. If I'm not gay and I am afraid to mention it, I can only imagine what an athlete must be going through if he is gay."

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WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

■ The United States Women's National Team advanced to the FIFA Women's World Cup Finals with a 3-1 win over France on Wednesday. Florida alum Abby Wambach scored the game-winning goal in the 79th minute. She has scored in three straight games.

QUOTABLE



"If that man was on fire and I had to piss to put him out, I wouldn't do it. I hate him and will never respect him."

James Harrison
Pittsburgh Steelers linebacker
on NFL commissioner Roger Goodell

PARSONS AT ESPYS

■ Former UF forward Chandler Parsons appeared at Wednesday night's ESPY Awards to accept the Capital One Cup trophy and a \$200,000 donation. Florida won the inaugural competition judged by all-around achievement in men's athletics.

JESSE, from page 18

Homosexuality is an uncomfortable topic anywhere, but it's an especially sore subject in sports. Although gays have made significant inroads in today's society — the recent New York legislation and removal of the military "Don't ask, Don't tell" policy specifically — until the sports world accepts homosexuals equally, universal discrimination will not diminish.

I don't believe I'm overstating this.

Like it or not, we've boosted our physical heroes to demigods and kings.

No longer are athletes' domain simply sports. We obsess over their fashion, sexual dalliances, musical tastes and political interests.

The sports world, almost more than any other aspect in the country, can act as the leading platform for change.

Although the negative stigma of gays in society has slowly begun to fade, the resistance in sports has been as unyielding as the Berlin Wall. But it too, is ready to crumble.

As courageous as it was for John Amaechi, Johnny Weir, Billie Jean King and others to come out, people barely batted an eye.

As brave and audacious it was for Phoenix Suns CEO and top NBA executive for three decades Rick Welts to admit he was gay, people shrugged their shoulders.

Each circumstance, despite the fresh dialogue, were merely a blip

on the sports Richter scale.

America needs a face.

We need someone that's revered, idolized and venerated. We need someone that exudes swag and masculinity or beauty and femininity. We need someone to stand up and help tear down the barriers of stigmas and stereotypes.

We need a gay Kobe Bryant, a homosexual Peyton Manning or a lesbian Serena Williams.

Irvin and Charles Barkley have become outspoken in their support for equality and transparency. Both are admirable for their efforts, but many more sports personalities and stars are needed to help marginalize the intolerance.

In a sports world full of dominant African-American athletes, black heroes specifically possess the most unique position in the fight against bigotry.

As Sir Charles, Irvin and prolific sports writer Jason Whitlock all admitted, discrimination is discrimination, no matter the skin color, religious belief or sexual orientation.

Admittedly, I am no saint. I have made my share of slurs and ill-conceived, über-macho gaycist remarks. But it's 2011, and enough is enough.

The time has come for a prominent gay athlete to emerge and lead the resistance against discrimination and prejudice.

America needs a gay Tim Tebow to take the road less traveled.

Henry sought by UF, UGA and FSU

RECRUITING, from page 18

ing a 38.5-inch vertical jump and tossing a six-pound ball 41 feet from his knees. He was part of the Alpha Talon team that won the weekend's 7-on-7 tournament.

"It was my first time going out there, so I just wanted to enjoy the experience and take it all in," Henry said.

While it is very early in his college recruitment, Henry, a life-long Gators fan, said UF is his leader. Playing in a pro-style offense at Yulee, the running back likes the addition of

Charlie Weis and is building a strong bond with Florida's coaching staff.

"I was very impressed," Henry said of his last meeting with UF coaches. "I went and talked to those guys about the offense and how they want to use me if I come there. They broke down my film and told me what I need to work on and what they expect out of me."

Henry admits he needs to improve on blitz pickup and catching the ball out of the

backfield. However, he scoffs at colleges who say his size would be better utilized at linebacker.

"People have their opinions, but that's just what people do," he said. "I'm not even going to listen to it. I know I'm a running back, so it doesn't really faze me."

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Derrick Henry

Yulee High running back



Chris Hays / Courtesy of the Orlando Sentinel

Yulee High halfback Derrick Henry hasn't played a down as a junior, but he holds multiple verbal offers from top schools.

With two years of high school football left, Henry is relaxed and having fun with the recruiting process because he knows it only happens once. He doesn't plan to orally commit anywhere until his senior season but already has his eyes set on next year's "The Opening."

"They're inviting me again," he said. "Next year it's going to be business, so I'll have to go and do what needs to be done."

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Gators face brutal October with 'Bama, LSU, Auburn and Georgia

FOOTBALL, from page 18

Should the Gators get past the Vols, it's possible they enter the meat of their schedule undefeated at 4-0, as a trip to Kentucky on Sept. 24 should be manageable. But it's all uphill from there.

A brutal October begins with a home game against Alabama, a consensus pre-season top-five team.

The Crimson Tide will be ready after early tests at Penn State on Sept. 10 and against Arkansas on Sept. 24.

While a win in this matchup is doubtful, the game will be a great barometer for how the rest of the difficult season is likely

to play out.

After Alabama, Florida hits the road for games against LSU (Oct. 8) and Auburn (Oct. 15) before playing Georgia in Jacksonville on Oct. 29.

In all likelihood, that means four straight against ranked opponents, including two teams (Alabama, LSU) that are expected to compete for a national title.

Then, following a miniature break against Vanderbilt for Homecoming, the Gators again will be tested against a potential top-10 team when they travel to Columbia, S.C., to take on South Carolina.

The Steve Spurrier-led Gamecocks are the favorites to win the Eastern Division

this year, returning the nucleus of a team that finished in the Top 25 for the first time since 2001.

But with LSU and Alabama absent from its schedule, South Carolina may not be tested until the week prior to the UF game when it plays at Arkansas.



Football

Coming to The Swamp on Nov. 26, Florida State is also expected to be in the hunt for a championship.

If Muschamp hasn't sold the house he owns with Seminoles coach Jimbo Fisher by then, expect it to make national news.

But the real story will be how UF caps

its first season under the new regime.

With a relatively young team playing in new systems, expect some growing pains. Florida may lose a game it shouldn't, while also winning a game in which it is drastic underdogs.

Appearing recently on a College Football Live special, Muschamp was asked if he expects the Gators to surpass last season's 8-5 finish.

"Well, certainly," he said. "I have high expectations for our football team. ... We do have some deficiencies, like everyone does."

Translation: The Gator Nation should be happy with a repeat of last year.

No. 3 - LSU

2011 Outlook

LSU coach Les Miles returns a talented squad this year, but the Tigers will face challenges early and often with a loaded schedule. Three of their first four games are on the road, highlighted by games against Oregon, Mississippi State and West Virginia. LSU's defense should be stout with linebacker Ryan Baker anchoring a top-10 unit from a year ago, but its offense will need to improve considerably. In 2010, senior QB Jordan Jefferson led the second worst attack in the SEC. The mobile QB will have fellow senior Jarrett Lee and former Georgia transfer Zach Mettenberger ready to step in if his turnover issues continue. If the quarterback position can be sorted out, Miles could finally have a squad with offensive prowess as receivers Rueben Randle and Russell Shepard return.

Key Game

Sept. 3 vs. Oregon: The toughest test on the Tigers' schedule could be in Week 1 when they head to Arlington, Texas, to take on the Ducks in Cowboys Stadium.

Returning Starters

8 Offense

7 Defense



Players to Watch



Jefferson

QB Jordan Jefferson
(118-209 for 1,411 yards, 56.5 comp. pct., 7 TD, 10 INT, 450 rushing yards, 7 TD)



Randle

WR Rueben Randle
(33 rec. for 544 yards, 3 TD)



Baker

LB Ryan Baker
(87 tackles (11 for loss), 7 sacks)

No. 4 - Alabama

2011 Outlook

Coming off a three-loss campaign, Alabama has lost its tag as national championship favorites and it may be the better for it. With the only major casualty on defense coming from NFL first-rounder Marcell Dareus, the Tide will have the most vaunted front-seven in the nation with an equally dominant safety tandem of senior Mark Barron and junior Robert Lester. The linebacking corps is as solid as it comes with Dont'a Hightower holding down the middle and Courtney Upshaw (7 sacks) as the jack linebacker. Offensively, the Tide have multiple question marks. With the departures of QB Greg McElroy, WR Julio Jones and 2009 Heisman winner Mark Ingram at RB, Alabama will rely heavily on halfback Trent Richardson. The junior rushed for 700 yards as Ingram's backup, but he showed glimpses as the top back in the SEC. The Tide open 2011 with a tough trip to Penn State in Week 2.

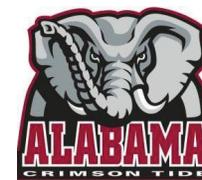
Key Game

Nov. 5 vs. LSU: After suffering an upset in Baton Rouge, La., last season, it's the Crimson Tide's turn to host the Tigers in a matchup that will likely determine the winner of the SEC Western Division race. The powerhouse programs square off on November 5 in Week 9.

Returning Starters

7 Offense

9 Defense



Players to Watch



Richardson

RB/KR Trent Richardson
(112 carries for 700 yards, 6 TD, 24 kick returns for 634 yards, 1 TD)



Mosley

LB C.J. Mosley
(67 tackles, 2 INT, 10 pass break ups)



Barron

S Mark Barron
(75 tackles (3 for loss), 2 sacks, 3 INT)

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