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► UF coach Will Muschamp is entering his first season as a head coach, but don't expect him to change his demeanor  
► People are overlooking the Gators this season, but linebacker Jon Bostic said that's a mistake. He said Florida wants to avoid another slow start against FAU this Saturday.



# Bringing the Heat

## Fiery Muschamp hoping to ignite Gators defense in 2011

**GREG LUCA**  
Alligator Staff Writer

As he patrols Florida practice, Will Muschamp personifies intensity.

His presence constantly felt, Muschamp's cries of "Lock in!" and "Pay attention!" — two of his favorites — reverberate through the field.

During ESPN's All-Access look into the program, the Gators' new head man stalks through a half-line drill in the first week of fall camp.

The black whistle draped from his neck stands in sharp contrast to his white, long-sleeve T-shirt, and Muschamp puts it to good use. In reality, he hardly needs it.

He wears cargo shorts, white sneakers and a blue Florida visor, a workmanlike combination — nothing flashy. The power and command in his screams are the only attention-grabbers he needs.

As he shouts "Secure the football!" and "Scrape the C gap!" he demands recognition at all times, even as he moves between dueling groups of linemen, linebackers and running backs.

His style, although formulated under many influences during four years as a player and 15 more as an assistant, is all his own.

That's just the man Will Muschamp is.

"I'm going to be me," he said. "I'm going to be Will Muschamp. I'm going to be involved with the players."

"The players are a reflection of their coach, and I hope they feed off the intensity."

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The sidelines of the practice field don't bound Muschamp's fiery nature.

When John Brantley is in meetings or hanging around the team facility, he can usually tell where his coach is.

"I've heard him through the doors," Brantley said. "It's awesome. It keeps everyone awake and in tune. Everyone is listening to him."

Muschamp isn't shy about making noise in a meeting room. Whether it's the safeties, cornerbacks, linemen or linebackers, he's always animated when he's working on the defensive side of the ball.

"The enjoyment I get out of coaching is sitting in the defensive staff room preparing our football team," he said.

That's plain to see from his résumé alone. After serving as a graduate assistant at Auburn, he coached defensive backs at West Georgia for one year, then did the same at Eastern Kentucky for another. From there he began a stretch of defensive coordinator jobs: one year at Valdosta State, three at LSU, one with the Miami Dolphins, two with Auburn and three with Texas.

As he bounced from place to place, he picked up new ideas and fresh insights on what it means to be a coach.

"Be a sponge," Muschamp said. "Take it all in, and understand there's different ways of doing it."

He's learned from some of the best minds in the game. Bill Oliver taught him how to combine coverages. Nick Saban taught him total program management. Mack Brown, Wayne Hall and Roy Kidd added their own ideals to the mix, and close friendships with new rivals Jimbo Fisher and Derek Dooley helped drive it all home.

Muschamp soaked up every bit of knowledge he could and let it marinate. The result was a defense guided to a top-10 statistical finish in six of his last eight college seasons.

As his football acumen developed and changed, Muschamp remained himself. Whether he was screaming praise and encouragement from the sidelines at Auburn or chest-bumping defensive end Brian Orakpo at Texas, Muschamp always maintained his excitable demeanor.

And even Saturday, his first game day as a head coach, there's little reason to expect a change.

"He won't be calm, and he never has been," Dooley said. "I don't think Will's going to change. What you see is what you get, and that's why Will has been so successful everywhere he's been."

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Naturally, Florida's new defensive playbook bears his signature.

The binder labeled "2011 Fall Camp Defensive Installation" is a monstrosity. A black, three-ring, 3-inch tome filled with 20 years of defenses. Three-down looks, four-down looks, nickel, dime — it's all there.

The spine bears the owner's name and a single word: "Grind." The solitary expression has become a team motto this fall, present in white, capital letters on the orange wristbands worn



Courtesy of UF Communications

Gators coach Will Muschamp was born in Rome, Ga., but he grew up in Gainesville admiring the Florida program. His family had season tickets in the north end zone, and a younger Muschamp used to sell sodas outside Ben Hill Griffin Stadium.

by every player.

The cover holds another simple message. "Lead the nation in: effort, toughness, turnover margin."

If a player doesn't learn and adhere to these principles, Muschamp isn't afraid to get on him.

And Muschamp's forceful, commanding personality isn't just directed at players.

"Even the trainers," senior Chris Rainey said. "We just saw him yelling at a trainer across the field, and everybody looked at each other like, 'Wow. He's the real deal.'"

But Rainey also noted Muschamp's lighter side, going so far as to jokingly call him bipolar.

The same coach who is doling out punishment on one play can be laughing along with his players the next.

"He's laid-back, but at the same time if you mess up, he's going to let you know you messed up," senior Jaye Howard said.

Muschamp's passion reminds some of his players of their former coach, Urban Meyer.

Both Muschamp and Meyer are excitable, in-your-face types whose love for football borders on obsession.

In his introductory press conference, Muschamp said his inherent drive forces him to work longer and prepare harder than almost anybody. This same characteristic forced Meyer into retirement.

But there's one significant way they differ: Meyer was an offense and special teams guru, Muschamp has always been defense first.

"I love him, man," Howard said. "He's a motivator. He's a defensive guy, and we've never had that here."

Said junior Omar Hunter: "He's in the fire with you. He's jumping up and down with the defense and he's talking about how bad he wants to beat the offense. It's definitely better playing for coach Muschamp as far as offense and defense goes."

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Even as a child, Muschamp's aspirations were always a bit different.

In football games outside their home at 1122 NW 22nd St., Muschamp's brothers Mike and Pat dreamed of being Florida quarterback Wayne Peace or wide receiver Tyrone Young. But Will had other ideas.

Will Muschamp wanted to be safety Tony Lilly, who played at UF from 1980 to 1983.

Although he was born in Rome, Ga., and eventually returned to finish high school, Muschamp spent most of his formative years in Gainesville and developed a love for Florida.

His family had UF football season tickets in the north end zone of what was then just Florida Field, where Muschamp saw greats like Cris Collinsworth and Wilber Marshall play under coach Charley Pell.

"I remember watching the games growing up and dreaming of being a Gator," Muschamp said.

By all accounts, Muschamp was a stellar high school football player. But a compound leg fracture during his junior season diminished his chances of earning a scholarship right away, and he was forced to walk on at Georgia, giving up on his Florida dreams partly for economic reasons.

After recovering from an unrelated injury that forced him to take a medical redshirt as a freshman, he needed just one year to earn a scholarship. By his senior season, he was the captain of the defense.

Given his playing history, it's not shocking that Muschamp now does much of his hands-on work in the secondary.

Senior cornerback Moses Jenkins said Muschamp might push the defensive backs harder than any other group, and sophomore safety Matt Elam lauded his coach for his interactive nature.

Said junior linebacker Jon Bostic: "He's a players' coach."

With the pads on, Muschamp was a hard-working overachiever. As a coach, he wants his team to inherit those values.

"That's what I want us to be," he said. "We are a blue-collar unit, and that's what our identity should be."

He wants his team to share his character, and he's always been real about who he is. He's joked that he was never very good at English. He admitted that as a Southerner, he'd never live west of Texas or north of Tennessee. He talked about how his first job out of school was at West Georgia, where he washed pants and lined the fields.

He's been honest about who he is, where he came from, and how hard he had to work to get here. And his players love him for it.

"I am who I am," Muschamp said. "I don't really change for anybody."

## INJURY REPORT

**OUT**

TE A.C. Leonard (knee)

**QUESTIONABLE**

CB Jeremy Brown (knee)

WR Omarious Hines (hamstring)

LB Dee Finley (shoulder)

## INJURY REPORT

**DOUBTFUL**

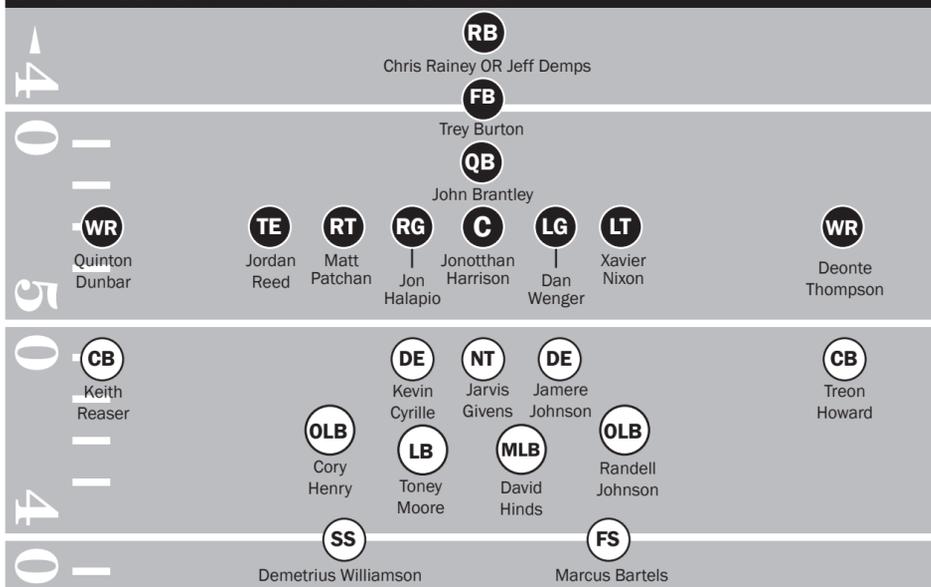
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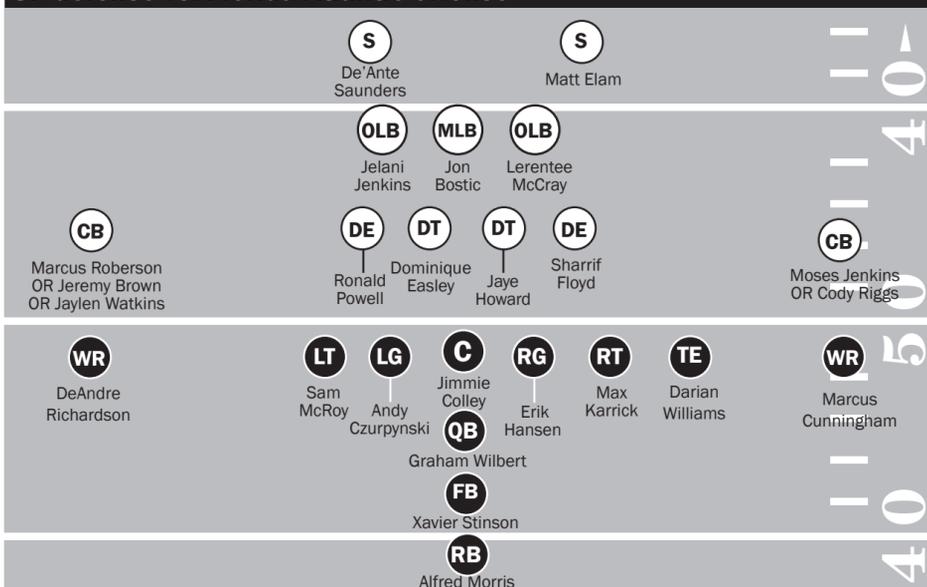
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Will Muschamp is in his first year as a head coach, but he said people should not expect a different man stalking the sidelines. "I don't really change for anybody," he said.

### UF offense vs. Florida Atlantic defense



### UF defense vs. Florida Atlantic offense



ROTC cadets march in the annual demonstration lab. The lab was meant to attract new members to ROTC and its programs. See story, pg. 5



# Gainesville Police investigate convenient store fraud



Aundre Larrow / Alligator Staff

Gainesville Police officers searched the property of S.M.I. Food Mart and two other convenience stores Thursday. The stores are under investigation for extensive food stamp fraud.

► GPD SERVED SEARCH WARRANTS TO THREE STORES UNDER INVESTIGATION.

**MORGAN WATKINS**

Alligator Staff Writer

Gainesville Police searched three local convenience stores Thursday as part of a months-long investigation into extensive food stamp fraud. GPD Cpl. Marc Plourde said the potential fraud could amount to hundreds of thousands of misspent dollars.

GPD issued search warrants for the following establishments: the S.M.I. Food Mart at 404 S Main St., the Shiblu Kwik Stop at 727 SW Fourth Ave. and the 99 Cents and More Convenience Store at 1308 E University Ave.

No one was arrested. The searches were part of a covert investigation that is ongoing, said Plourde, the case agent for the investigation.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture and other agencies have also been involved in the operation, according to Cpl. Tscharna Senn, GPD public information officer.

The joint investigation centered on concerns that local stores had fraudulently handled the Electronic Benefit Transfer cards given to participants in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly known as the Food Stamp Program. For example, cards could have been accepted for items that aren't permitted for use by government regulations.

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program has various regulations for the use of its EBT cards. The cards can be used for food items, for example, but not cigarettes, alcohol or prepared, hot food items, said Regan Hopper, spokeswoman for the Food and Nutrition Service of the

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**ON CAMPUS**

## Professor honors 9/11 victims

**MELINDA CARSTENSEN**

Alligator Staff Writer

On the five-year anniversary of 9/11, UF assistant theater professor Tim Altmeyer stood at Ground Zero, no microphone in hand, reciting short stories about those who fell during the 2001 attacks.

"We stood on the street, like street preachers almost," Altmeyer said. "It was like this one voice trying to rise above it all."

Watching the busy passers-by clad in suits in New York's financial district, Altmeyer was surprised by how many people stopped to listen.

At UF, for the 10-year anniversary of the attacks, Reitz Union passers-by also will get the chance to listen.

For a five-day, 60-hour period starting today from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., volunteers will read 2,310 unconventional 9/11 obituaries at the Reitz Union Amphitheater. The readings will resume Sept. 6 to 9 after Labor Day.

The obits come from the book "Portraits 9/11/01," which The New York Times originally published shortly after the attacks in a

series called "Portraits of Grief." Volunteers will each take a 30-minute reading shift.

UF College of Fine Arts Dean Lucinda

*"This is a special thing that the arts are bringing to the UF community to celebrate these Americans who so unfortunately lost their lives."*

**Lucinda Lavelli**

Dean of the UF College of Fine Arts

Lavelli, whose college is coordinating the event, is one of the volunteers.

"This is a special thing that the arts are bringing to the UF community to celebrate these Americans who so unfortunately lost their lives," Lavelli said.

Altmeyer said the the readings humanize an event that has become political.

"Hopefully as people are busying themselves in the Reitz Union they will stop," he said.

To volunteer to read, email Tim Altmeyer at taltmeyer@ufl.edu.

## Block tuition may get nixed

**JOEY FLECHAS**

Alligator Staff Writer

UF administrators are considering abandoning block tuition, and an announcement could come as soon as Tuesday.

Under block tuition, the university would charge a flat rate for full-time students regardless of the number of credits taken. Currently, students pay by the credit hour.

UF Provost Joe Glover said recent graduation rates factored into the decision to reconsider the controversial measure.

For students who entered UF in 2006, the four-year graduation rate was 64 percent, a jump from 58 percent for students who entered in 2005.

Glover said he is in discussion with UF President Bernie Machen about the issue.

"[Machen] has told me he's thinking about taking it off the table," Glover said.

Student Body President Ben Meyers, along with Student Government and student activist groups, opposes the measure.

Meyers said Machen has been very receptive to Meyers' concerns, and he hopes the proposal will be pulled Tuesday at a conference call of UF's Board of Trustees.

"Based upon our conversations, I would think that the proposal would be pulled," Meyers said.

The UF Board of Trustees approved a block tuition proposal in December that delayed implementation until December 2012, pending approval from the Board of Governors, the state university system's highest governing body. The proposal was never sent to the higher board.



Glover

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### Shabbat Services and Kosher

**Dinner**  
Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
UF Hillel, 2020 W University Ave.

Join the students at UF Hillel for Shabbat services. Services begin at 7:30 p.m. and follow with a free kosher dinner at 8:30 p.m. There will be Reform, Conservative and Traditional services held every Friday night.

### Tango Class

Sunday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
Student Recreation & Fitness Center Room SR2  
Come to the free Tango class and social. Newcomers are encouraged to come. No partners, previous experience or special shoes are necessary.

### UF Pre-Pharmacy Society First Fall Meeting

Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
Reitz Union Room 282  
If you are interested in attending pharmacy school, come to the first meeting and meet others who share the same interests. Students do not need to be pre-pharmacy majors to attend. A social will be held at Lollicup after the meeting around 8 p.m.

## FORECAST

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
				
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### RecSports Intramural Sports Softball, Volleyball and Three-on-Three Basketball Free Agents Meeting

Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
Southwest Rec  
Anyone interested in playing intramural sports may register as a free agent. Free agents and intramural sports captains who are looking for extra players are invited to attend the softball, volleyball and three-on-three basketball free agents meeting at the Southwest Recreation Center arena. For more information on how to register as a free agent, please visit <http://recsports.ufl.edu/intramural-sports/find-a-team/>.

### Grand Opening of Dance Trance

Thursday, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
7230 W University Ave.

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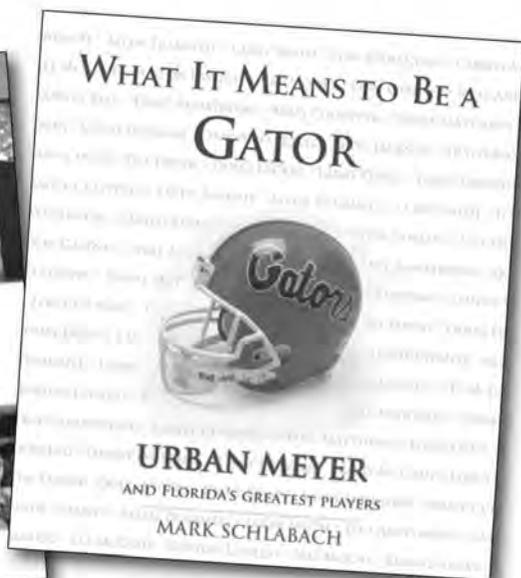
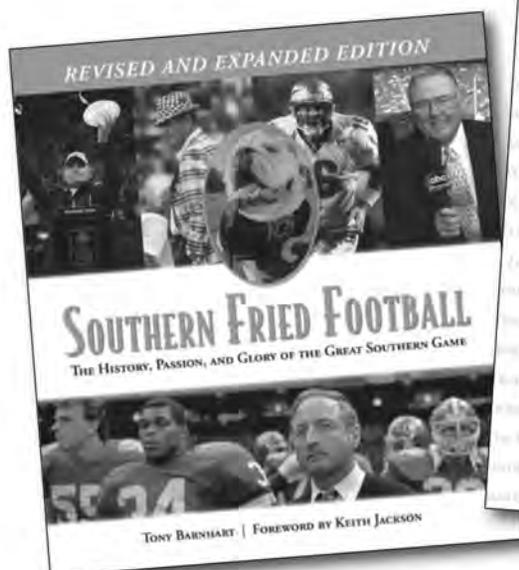
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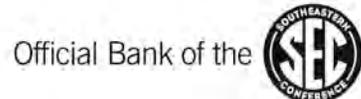
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# Graduate helps plant fruit orchard for village in Cameroon

## UF's chapter of Nourish International is growing

**ESTEE BECK**  
Alligator Writer

"Oi ban cutlass."

It means "white man with the sword."

That's what the people in the African village called Ben DeMarsh if they didn't already know him as Ben.

DeMarsh earned their respect after being seen regularly walking miles in the summer equatorial heat, dirt-smudged and bearing his machete.

This summer, DeMarsh, a recent UF graduate, spent five weeks in Njinikom, a village in the northwest English-speaking region of Cameroon with two other volunteers. Cameroon is in west central Africa, just south of Nigeria.

The three volunteers are members of Nourish International, a collaboration of university chapters that pairs schools with international developing communities.

In Cameroon, DeMarsh represented UF's chapter. The other volunteers, Emily Salada and Christina Trevino, represented

the University of Texas at Austin's chapter.

They started a project called fruit tree cultivation, which was designed to prepare a plot of land where 5,000 fruit trees would be planted. They taught local women how to tend the land and how to sell the produce for profit, creating jobs and a source of income.

It took weeks to clear the field and prepare it for planting, DeMarsh said. Productivity was slow, and work had to be done before 3 p.m., when the torrential rains came in, right on cue.

"You might get one thing done in a day, and that was a big success," DeMarsh said.

Only the men used machetes. Considering he was the only male volunteer, DeMarsh's work was cut out for him. With the field cleared and a greenhouse built for seedlings, supplies would be provided for the women, who otherwise had no access to jobs.

They could then cultivate the land and

profit from its yield.

Nourish International's goal is to use university resources, like volunteers and fundraising, to start projects like this one in developing communities abroad.

Projects can range from water treatment facilities to learning centers to land cultivation.

*"It's a student movement pushing sustainable development."*

**Katie Conner**  
co-director of UF's Nourish International chapter

The purpose is to teach community members how to keep the projects running after volunteers leave the site. This not only creates jobs and income, it also creates community empowerment, said Katie Conner, co-director of UF's Nourish International chapter.

"It's a student movement pushing sustainable development," Conner said. "We're not going to be creating more need when we leave."

Conner and DeMarsh founded UF's Nourish International chapter after taking a social entrepreneurship class together.

Despite the organization's status as a newbie on campus, the team still managed to reach across borders right away.

When a project in Swaziland fell through, UF contacted University of Texas at Austin's chapter and hopped onto its project in Cameroon.

As for the chapter at UF's future plans, no international projects are in the works yet. But the group is ready for new opportunities, Conner said.

For now, it is focusing on recruiting new members. It currently has about seven, she said.

DeMarsh is continuing work with his contacts in Cameroon. He's working on getting a grant for water tanks for the same fields he cleared this summer.

Knowing expectations can sometimes exceed results, he's approaching this project differently.

"Solutions to those types of problems are more complicated than they seem," DeMarsh said. "You need to just focus on one thing and do it well."

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## STUDENT LIFE

## Cadets gather to show off

ERIN JESTER

Alligator Writer

Clad in camouflage and dress uniforms, Army ROTC cadets endured the afternoon heat Thursday to take part in Operation Showoff, ROTC's annual demonstration lab event.

About 120 cadets from UF, Santa Fe College, St. Leo University and College of Central Florida attended the event on Flavet Field, according to Cadet Lt. Col. Eric Strnad, a UF criminology senior.

Cadets from Santa Fe, St. Leo and CF participated in all of UF ROTC's Thursday afternoon labs, Strnad said.

Cadets climbed a rock wall and examined M4 and M16 assault rifles, which were left unloaded per campus regulations. They also learned about air defense artillery and checked out Humvees and a helicopter.

Strnad said ROTC holds the event every year to introduce new cadets to ROTC and smaller programs within it, such as

Raiders and Ranger Challenge, two teams of cadets that participate in military skills competitions against other ROTC programs.

Members of Gator Guard Drill Team, Raiders and Ranger Challenge demonstrated their skills to the new cadets.

"We're basically showing off everything we can do," Strnad said.

The goal is to make new students aware that the ROTC program is more than just a class.

"These groups are more than groups," he said. "They're almost fraternal."

Cadet 2nd Lt. Matthew Runnels said he probably would not have been able to complete college without the support of the ROTC program.

Now a senior majoring in geography, he said he joined ROTC as a freshman for the experience.

"I never would have been skydiving; I never would have repelled out of a helicopter if not for the Army," he said.



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Cadet Sgt. Ben Mathews, a family, youth and community sciences major, lifts a log in a drill to prepare for Ranger Challenge.

## Student activists put tuition referendum on SG ballot

▶ ABOUT 1,200 SIGNATURES HAVE BEEN COLLECTED.

CLARE LENNON

Alligator Writer

When students vote in Student Government elections on Sept. 27 and Sept. 28, they will get the chance to voice their opinions on UF's recent tuition hike.

Students for a Democratic Society put the referendum question on the ballot in hopes of rallying students to speak out against the 15 percent increase, said SDS member Chrisley Carpio.

A referendum question gauges student opinion on an issue.

The UF Board of Trustees unanimously passed the tuition hike in June. State legislators voted in the spring for an 8 percent increase and allowed individual universities to raise

*"Education is supposed to be for the students, right?"*

Chrisley Carpio

SDS member

their tuition up to an additional 7 percent.

Since Monday, SDS members have collected about 1,200 student signatures on Turlington Plaza.

SDS members will also hold an extended campaign to protest the tuition increase.

Carpio said the organization is looking to hold a rally around Sept. 17. She said the group plans to demand a meeting with administrators to discuss alternative ways of making up for the financial shortfall.

She said that many students' scholarships are decreasing and that students are having to work harder to make ends meet.

"Education is supposed to be for the students, right?" Carpio said. "It's supposed to be accessible."

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## Editorial

This weekend kicks off college football season, and many of you have been preparing since before the start of classes. Whether you will be attending the game, throwing a kickoff party or going to a local hangout spot, most eyes in Gainesville will be on the game.

But before you put on your orange and blue, paint your face and start filling your red plastic cups with whatever beverage suits your fancy, we have to end the week with our it's-college-football-season-again edition of...

## Darts & Laurels

This week, we will start at the top. We will be throwing an it's-unfortunate-that-people-care-more-about-football-than-current-affairs-but-you-should-know-better **DART** at **President Obama**.

The president tried to schedule his "jobs" address to the nation in the one time slot that happened to interrupt the next GOP debate. Now, he has moved it to another slot that will compete with the NFL season opener.

How are we supposed to forget about being unemployed when you interrupt our beloved football with some speech about a job-creation plan?

But, there is good news in the world. The recipients of our epic-super-hero-strength **LAUREL** are **Anthony Fischer, Austin Kempf** and **Ethan Knust**. These three high-school football offensive linemen saved a pregnant woman who was trapped inside an overturned, burning pickup truck. That's, right, these three brave heroes lifted and flipped over a flaming pickup truck of death to pull out a trapped pregnant woman.

What have you done today?

Next, we throw a we-don't-want-to-pay-higher-tuition-either-but-holding-picket-signs-isn't-going-to-do-anything **DART** to **Students for a Democratic Society**. And besides, as we reported this week, UF students are ranked third in the nation for the bang that they get for their tuition buck. So, the whole "fair-share" talking point isn't really going to work.

In other news, as the 9/11 anniversary approaches, there are a lot of people out there who are trying to remember those we lost in different ways. That is why we are awarding our giving-a-human-face-to-tragedy **LAUREL** to **Professor Tim Altmeyer**. Altmeyer has planned to devote 60 hours over five days to read the obituaries of those who lost their lives.

But some people just don't know when to get out of the spotlight.

This describes the recipient of our this-is-real-life-not-a-movie **DART** to **Steven Seagal**. What did Mr. Seagal do to deserve this honor? He drove a tank into the home of an Arizona man who was suspected of animal cruelty. He also killed the man's dog and his roosters. Yeah.

Finally, we give a way-to-show-hospitality **LAUREL** to **the restaurants that were busted last weekend for serving underage patrons**. Your generosity astounds us.

## Reader response

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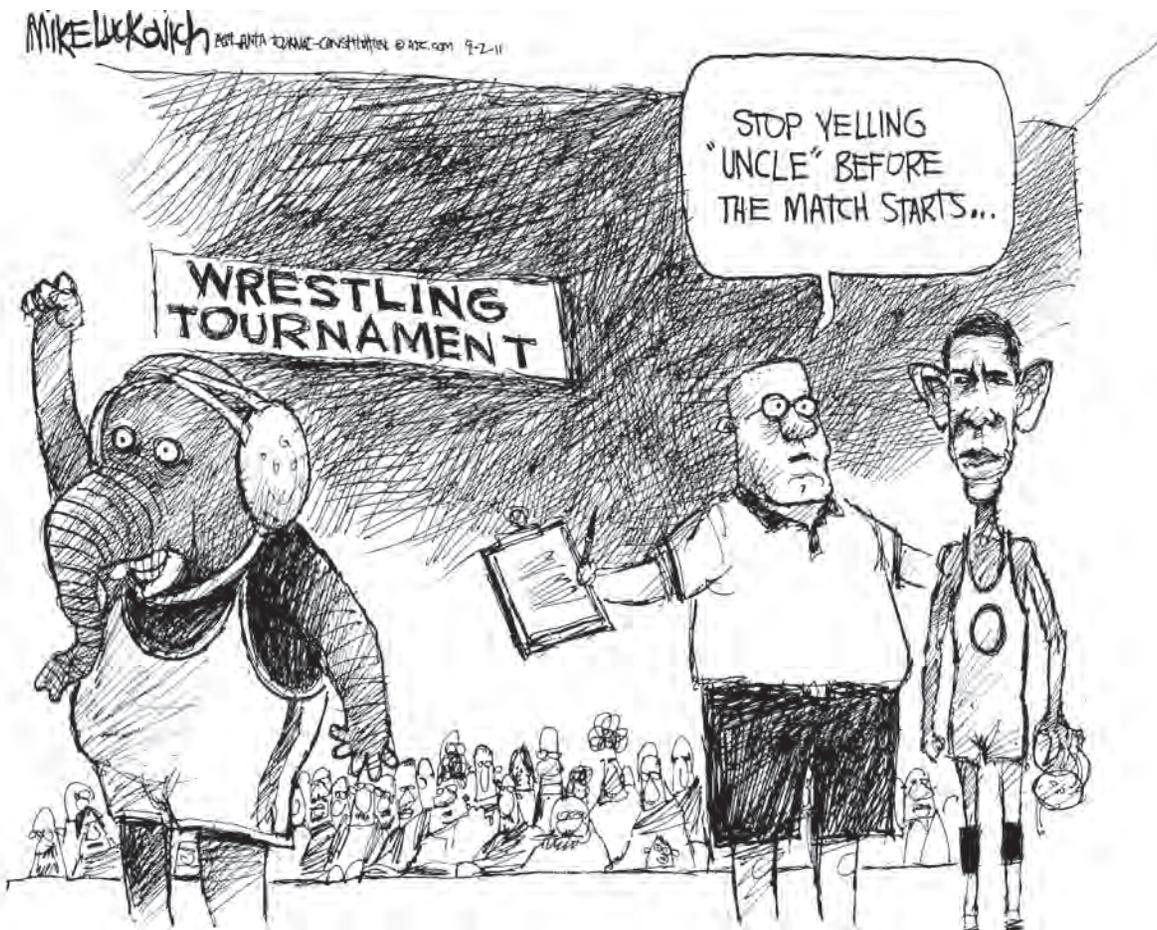
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## Column

### Gamedays missing "Florida Boy" standard

I spent my Saturdays last fall like everyone else: sweaty, jorts-clad and leaping into the arms of my buddies every time the Gators scored a touchdown. It was a great time. I mean, heck, we had to do something to get through another week of lectures. But there were times before, during and after the games when I would look around horrified — horrified at my fellow students who were stomping all over what I had previously thought was the reputation of southern universities.

These weren't the collared and khakied country-twanged gents of Alabama. Nor were they the fine diners at Ole Miss, famous for wielding silverware as they lean over their tailgating feasts. No. My classmates were acting worse than, dare I say it, NFL fans. It made me think: Are we really the spoiled and spray-tanned brats who put in a backbreaking effort to win the title of America's douchiest college? I'll let you decide.

These are some scenes from the 2010 season:

After a bad call, a Gator fan drunkenly stumbles up onto his bleacher and shouts, "F—k you, ref!" down to the field. Surrounding students chuckle to their friends. Others send the I'm-embarrassed-for-you smile his way. He's decked out in orange and blue, his school's colors. Gator logos flash on his shirt, his hat and his shorts. At the end of the game's third quarter, he stands up and wraps his arms around his buddies to sing "We Are the Boys From Ole Florida."

He's dressed like one. He sings like one. But, he's not a Florida boy.

On their way home from the game, a group of Gator fans spies a truck flying green and gold University of South Florida flags from its windows.

Middle fingers and insults come flying from the orange-and-blue-clad horde as the truck passes. Passengers return fire: "Your QB sucks!"

Another horde of Gators all called the fake punt that ended in a sore loss against LSU. Their head coach was the only one who didn't see it. But, on their way out of Ben Hill Griffin Stadium, no doubt to drink away the replay, they put in their two cents. A wrinkled alumnus dressed in purple and gold and propped up on a cane stands with his mouth agape as



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he watches the stream of orange and blue pour down the ramps. They face the man's family while they chant, "F—k you, LSU" over and over. The man grabs his wife's hand, and, although they wear the victor's colors, the couple averts their eyes and files away from the rampaging students.

The Gator fans are on UF's campus where they attend classes. They all have season tickets. But are they Florida boys? No.

Another Gator fan is nestled under an awning on a game-day afternoon with his closest friends, his favorite food and a cooler of ice cold beer. From his tailgate setup pours country music and the smell of hot dogs on the grill. A few Kentucky fans are walking by, in enemy territory. They send nervous glances at the party of Gators. One of them stops as a Gator says to them:

"How y'all doin'? You ready for the game?"

The Kentucky fans say yes, but they are still tired from the 704-mile trip from Lexington.

The Gator fan smiles. He invites them over for some small talk before sending them on their way with a few hot dogs. There is no sneering or jeering from anyone.

Those are Florida boys.

I remember glancing over an old UF poster from the 1950s, which has always stayed in my mind. It pictured a man in a tuxedo with a UF pin on it holding a door open for a woman or some other polite gesture. Scrolled along the top was something along the lines of "Women can tell a Florida boy when they see one."

I hope to see you all out there on Saturday. I hope we beat the stuffing out of those Owls. But, when we do — and you know we will — let's keep it classy. That's all I ask. And you should ask this, too:

Isn't it time we all held ourselves to the "Florida boy" standard?

Alex Orlando is the city editor at the Independent Florida Alligator.

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

## Letters to the Editor

### Check your chocolate

As another Halloween approaches and parents in the Gainesville area think about buying chocolate "treats" for children, here is something to consider: The chocolate you buy could be tainted with child labor.

Sept. 19 marks the 10-year anniversary of the signing of the Harkin-Engel Protocol — an agreement by the country's largest chocolate companies to put an end to forced child labor on cocoa farms in West Africa by 2005.

Ten years later, not enough progress has been made. Hundreds of thousands of children are still forced to work under abusive conditions for long hours on cocoa farms in West Africa while others are victims of trafficking and forced labor.

The largest chocolate manufacturer in the U.S., Hershey, lags behind its competitors in eliminating these abuses from

its cocoa supply chain.

What's more, Hershey has been exploiting student guest workers here in the U.S. in one of its packing facilities, according to activist organizations like [change.org](http://change.org).

Some of Hershey's competitors, including Mars and Nestle, have committed to start sourcing cocoa that is independently certified to comply with labor rights standards.

I urge Hershey — the most iconic chocolate company in the U.S. — to protect workers from bean to bar and certify its chocolate as Fair Trade.

Hopefully, this measure will ensure that forced child labor is removed from its chocolate bars, its Kisses and its peanut butter cups.

In the meantime, I'll be handing out Fair Trade Certified chocolate to my trick-or-treaters this Halloween.

Cindy Campbell  
Gainesville resident

## Guest column

# Grad finds it easy to resume at UF

The first time I chose UF back in 1986, it was a smart decision.

At the time, I had just moved to Gainesville from our farm in New York. I was attending a private college in Buffalo where I studied advertising and media. My mom got a promotion to the fiscal department at The Malcom Randall VA Medical Center.

When she announced the news to the family, I thought, yeah, shorts all year round.

I applied to UF and Santa Fe College and got into both, and because the College of Journalism and Communications was and still is renowned, I was thrilled to become a Florida Gator.

I had the time of my life here, working as the photo editor of the Alligator and then as a photo intern at the Gainesville Sun.

I have moved 26 times since I left Gainesville. I have worked as a photo intern at the Ann Arbor News and various Syracuse newspapers. After freelancing in Denver, I landed a job designing the Oakland Tribune. Later, I became a high school teacher.

You have met those people who lived here a long time ago and have come back to roost — that's me, too.

I can't quite explain how or why we come back, but I once wrote a feature about homing pigeons and their innate ability to return to the place where they were born. I wasn't really born in Gainesville, but I certainly discovered who I am here.

### Suzette Cook Speaking Out

So now that I am home to roost, I thought I would share my top 10 reasons why it's so cool to be older, wiser and back in school:

- The youngsters give up their seats for me on the bus.
- Sneaky smokers sitting in the outdoor amphitheater by the Reitz Union think I work here so when they see me, they run and hide. Then, I yell out, "Sir, this is a tobacco-free campus," and they run faster.
- Students whom I don't know randomly wave at me because they miss their moms.
- I get all of my professors' jokes.
- I already own the movie posters of the flicks they show at the Reitz Union movie theater.
- My mortgage payment is less than the rent for one room in a four-bedroom condo at an all-inclusive apartment complex.
- The trees next to the French Fries have grown 20 feet taller since I graduated. Now, it doesn't look out of place at all.
- I can sit in the alumni or the student section at football games.
- No more relying on any rascally library coding system to do my research, but I could if we lost electricity.
- Finally, I can still publish work in the Alligator.

*Suzette Cook is a 1990 graduate of UF's College of Journalism and Mass Communications and a current master's student.*



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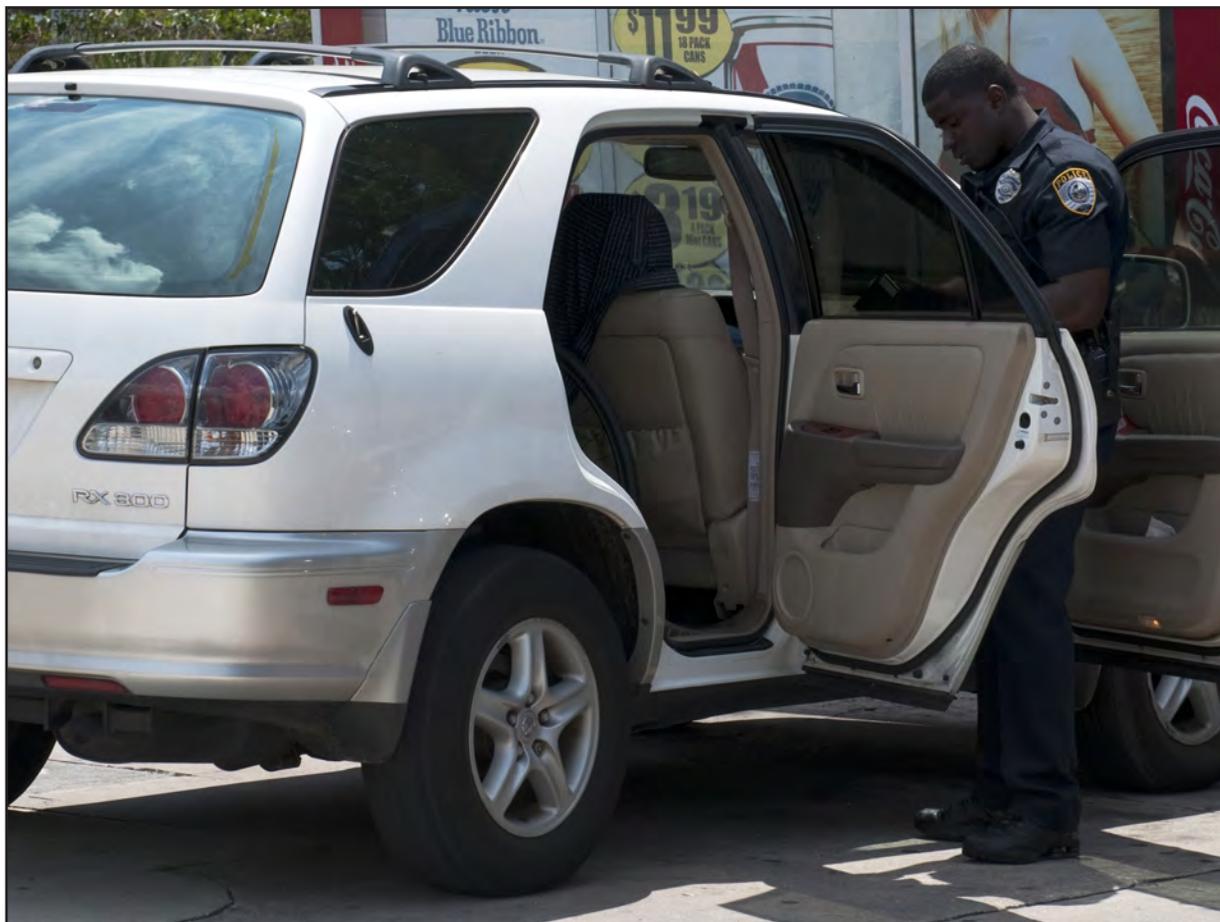


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# Felony charges could be brought, stores closed pending investigation



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Gainesville Police officers searched inside the store and vehicles on the business's properties for evidence in the ongoing investigation.

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"There is a certain population of people who need these food stamps," Senn said. "They're using them in a way that's counterproductive for them."

The stores were roped off with caution tape and closed to customers while officers conducted the searches.

Other stores may be involved in the fraudulent practices being investigated, Plourde said.

"All taxpayers contribute to the food stamp (program), so this affects everyone," he said. "We hope by serving these search warrants today that it will send a message to other stores."

The businesses, including their owners and employees, are under investigation. Retail stores must be authorized to accept Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.

Members of the program may also be investigated because they are informed of its regulations when they are accepted into it, Senn said.

The searches may help GPD discover the customers involved in the fraudulent practices, she said. Each card has a unique number that could help identify

program participants who purchased items from the stores.

Felony charges may be applicable, and the stores could be shut down, depending on the outcome of the investigation, Plourde said.

This is the first time to her knowledge that GPD has dealt with a food stamp fraud investigation in Gainesville, Senn said.

As of May 2011, 45.7 million Americans were accessing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits each month, Hopper said. Half of those recipients were children under the age of 18. It's the highest amount of participation the program has ever had.

In the 2010 fiscal year, states conducted 847,136 fraud investigations regarding the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and disqualified 44,483 people, Hopper said. Over the past decade, 8,045 retail stores have been permanently disqualified for trafficking, which is the illegal selling of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits for cash.

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14 Aquatic bird  
15 Rowlands of "Gloria"  
16 Deteriorate  
17 Sign some new sluggers?  
19 Word with time and space  
20 \_\_\_ nous  
21 Like some nests  
23 Wartime submarine guns  
24 Henna and such?  
29 Giant legend  
31 Nagpur native  
32 Granola grain  
35 1805 Vienna premiere  
39 Lambs: Lat.  
40 Stand-up gig for Richard?  
43 Old wrap  
44 Original Speed Stick maker  
45 Children's author Asquith  
46 Composer/violinist who taught Menuhin  
48 U.S. Army E-5  
50 Instrument in need of cleaning?  
54 Sci-fi character whose first name, Nyota, was first revealed in film in 2009  
58 Did a little courting  
59 Like some denim jackets  
60 Flop with fins  
64 Augustine, for one?  
66 Best Actress nominee for "Ordinary People"  
67 Miss Megley's charge, in a Salinger story  
68 Lavish affection  
69 1830s revolution site  
70 Grand jeté, e.g.  
71 Go bananas
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2 Salient feature  
3 High-calorie cake  
4 Jellied fuel  
5 Past word  
6 Hemmed but didn't haw  
7 Ones not with you  
8 \_\_\_ diem  
9 He voiced Disney's Mad Hatter  
10 Drop-line link  
11 Mil. training site  
12 Ink spots, briefly?  
13 Center  
18 Bedevil  
22 "M\*A\*S\*H" procedures  
25 Queso relleno cheese  
26 Peak in an Eastwood film  
27 Chin Ho co-worker, in a TV cop show  
28 Miffed states  
30 Vibrating effect  
32 Made a choice  
33 Product suffix created in San Francisco in 1958  
34 Blake title feline

- 36 "A Chorus Line" song  
37 Starter: Abbr.  
38 Axe  
41 Hops drier  
42 Swallow up  
47 Economic series  
49 Bs in the key of G, e.g.  
51 Sing "The Lonely Goatherd," say  
52 Entrepreneur inspired by Hershey  
53 Fluid buildup  
55 U.S.S.R. part  
56 Gaucho's rope  
57 One concerned with the spot market?  
60 911 respondent  
61 Female rabbit  
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## 'Forgotten' Gators ready for opener against FAU

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**TOM GREEN**  
Alligator Staff Writer

Linebacker Jon Bostic and the rest of the Gators don't care about their preseason No. 23 ranking, nor are they concerned about outsiders looking down on them following a disappointing season a year ago.

They're just ready to finally take the field.

"A lot of people from everywhere are overlooking us," Bostic said. "Everyone's kind of like, 'The forgotten Gators.' ... It doesn't bother us at all. That's how we're trying to look at it."

It's not difficult to see why Bostic, a junior, and his teammates feel slighted.

After enduring a trying season in 2010, the Gators dealt with an overwhelming off-season.

They had to adjust to a new head coach, an overhauled staff, revamped offensive and defensive schemes, the transfer of their best player and cope with the stigma of an 8-5 season.

But when Florida takes the field Saturday night at 7 against Florida Atlantic in coach Will Muschamp's debut, all of that will be behind the new-look Gators.

"There's a lot of things that went wrong last year, but this is another year," Bostic said. "A lot of people have changed what we did in the offseason, getting more focused for these games



Alligator File Photo

Florida linebacker Jon Bostic said people are overlooking the Gators this season after an 8-5 record last year. Bostic said the Gators must avoid another slow start to prove the doubters wrong.

this year."

However, several players admitted this week all the preseason talk of change and fresh starts means nothing to the Gators if they struggle out of the

gate like they did last season.

With a preseason No. 4 ranking in 2010, expectations were high for a Florida team that made back-to-back Southeastern Conference title game ap-

pearances and was two seasons removed from hoisting the BCS Championship trophy in Miami.

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### UF SOCCER

## Florida welcomes Texas Tech for home debut

**JOSH JURNOVOY**  
Alligator Writer

After a record four-game road trip to begin the 2011 season, Florida plays its home opener tonight against Texas Tech at home.

However, the Gators' focus is not on the Red Raiders — it's on themselves.

"We're pretty much focused on professing what we are doing as a team," said junior midfielder McKenzie Barney. "If we can hone in on that and make sure we are doing the right things, we can make sure that Texas Tech, no matter what they throw at us, it's something we can handle."

The No. 13 Gators (3-1), despite their solid start to the season, are not resting on their lau-

rels as they head into their home opener.

Rather than dissecting the Red Raiders, the Gators have focused their energy this week on executing the game plan and addressing areas of their performance that did not meet their standards during the first four games of the season.

*"We're pretty much focused on professing what we are doing as a team."*

**McKenzie Barney**  
UF junior midfielder

The Gators' split their two games in Knoxville, Tenn., at last weekend's First Lady Vol Classic with a 3-2 win against Texas A&M and

a 2-0 loss to No. 6 UCLA. While Florida head coach Becky Burleigh said there were positives to take away from the Gators' weekend in Tennessee, she believes the games revealed areas in which her team still needs to make improvements.

Burleigh specifically mentioned reducing turnovers and the Gators' defensive play as a team, not necessarily their back line. Gators opponents had a total of 21 shots in their first two games, while Texas A&M launched 21 and UCLA attempted 19.

"To this point we have kind of focused more on offense," said senior defender Jazmyne Avant.

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## Picks Column



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Like the Gators, this week is our first test of the season. We're a young, inexperienced group with a little bit of upside. Everyone has been working hard all month, and we feel like we're hitting our stride.

But until you actually enter the arena and compete, you still have doubt. The arena, of course, is the alligatorSports Brand Picks Column. The competition? Who can do the best. The reward? Well, being the champ has always been a good icebreaker at Midtown.

To kick off the season, we let two of our writers debate the Georgia-Boise State game. Here we go.

**Boise State (-3) will eat all the Kibbles 'N Bits on Saturday because**

... There's a reason the Bulldogs experienced a mass exodus during the offseason: You'd have to be Ray Charles to not see Georgia isn't what it once was.

The dynamic duo of Matt Stafford and A.J. Green couldn't even save coach Mark Richt from falling to the proverbial hot seat. Now, UGA is counting on a crop of inexperienced running backs — since Washaun Ealey jumped off the sinking ship and Caleb King flunked out — to help bolster an offense led by quarterback Aaron Murray. While Murray may turn out to be the best passer in the Southeastern Conference, he'll still need that running game to create space for the receivers and get the eighth man out of the box.

And that's where it gets ugly for Georgia. Only one back (Richard "Chunks" Samuel) has starting experience, and the rest are extremely raw. Sprinkle in Boise's run-defense (ranked 7th nationally in 2010) and it's a done deal. Get out the shock collar because the 'Dawgs will not be

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Sophomore setter Chanel Brown is impressing coaches and teammates alike in her second year. See Story, Page 20.

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# New schedule, challenges for UF

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**JOHN BOOTHE**  
Alligator Staff Writer

After an offseason filled with both anticipated and unexpected change, coach Todd Morgan knew he needed to challenge his runners as soon as they hit campus.

For the first time in six years, the Gators have shaken up their schedule and will step out on the road for their first two meets of the year, starting with the Western Carolina Invitational today in Cullowhee, N.C.

Both squads will run a short, tune-up style race, featuring a two-mile run at 6:30 p.m. for the women, followed immediately by a men's 5k race. Along with host Western Carolina, three other unranked teams — UNC-Asheville, North Greenville and Warren Wilson — will be competing against Florida.

"Coach (Mike) Holloway and I talked about running a little earlier to generate more focus and just preparation over the summer months, knowing that alright, you report back and pretty quickly you're going to be lining up and putting a uniform on," Morgan said.

With last year's top finisher Charlotte Browning out of eligibility, the No. 22 women's team looks to lean heavily on resurgent senior Genevieve LaCaze

and sophomore Cory McGee for leadership in the early meets.

The returning duo is coming off a stellar track and field season in which LaCaze set the school record for the women's steeplechase and McGee was honored as the 2011 Southeastern Conference Women's Indoor Freshman Runner of the Year.

"We're actually really lucky for Cory and I to have that kind of [track season] to get us rolling for fall," LaCaze said. "We didn't get to have Charlotte in the track season last year, so it was a little bit of a transition for us."



LaCaze

The No. 26 men's team is also looking to regroup after former UF runner Dumisane Hlaselo was kicked off the team for allegedly sexually assaulting a woman in June. Last season, the South African native was the only men's runner to qualify for the NCAA Championship.

With the loss of their dominant runner, senior Josh Izewski said the squad's chemistry and expectations have changed to more of a team-first approach.

"With everyone working together like that, like not one person who's trying to be it, you know it's going to be better for when we're out there and actually on the course and we're not worrying about 'Oh, who's going to beat who?'" Izewski said.

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## Brantley: Last season's start deflated momentum

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But the Gators limped through their opener against Miami (Ohio) as the offense struggled, setting the tone for a lackluster year. There were errant snaps, Florida fumbled the ball eight times, and a passing offense that came in with high hopes managed a meager 113 yards.

"It just killed the momentum," quarterback John Brantley said. "It just kind of sucked the wind out of us, I guess you could say. If you have good plays and something like that happens, it doesn't kill our confidence, it just kind of sucks the wind out of us."

With the team preparing

for Saturday's season opener throughout fall camp, the Gators know what they need to do to prevent a similar stumble out of the gates.

Muschamp has preached turnover margin, and sophomore Trey Burton said the team is looking to limit turnovers as well as penalties, and develop a good tempo in the debut of Charlie Weis' offense.

"It's real important to step on that gas pedal from the first play and just keep going," Brantley said. "Don't let off."

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running wild Saturday.

— MATT WATTS

**Georgia (+3) will stomp on that glass slipper well before midnight because ...**

This is a better breed of 'Dawg than the one we saw on the field last season. Murray is a year older, as is tight end Orson Charles. Losing Green is tough, obviously, but the cupboard isn't exactly bare.

I know the old "This is the SEC, dammit!" line gets kind of old. But this is the SEC, dammit! You lose A.J.? It's time for Marlon Brown and Tavarres King, both of whom were among the best prep receivers in the nation back when they signed.

These teams met in the season opener in 2005, and Georgia made Puppy Chow of their competitor with a 48-13 win. Remember that game, Matt? You were, what? 35 years old? (Note: To understand that joke, you must know that Matt Watts is old. Like, really old. Really, really old.)

— TYLER JETT

Now, on to this year's competitors:

From the Florida Times-Union, Mike "I'm sure you'll have a great career ... IN CANADA!" DiRocco, who irked a certain former Gators defensive end by insulting his (lack of) pass-rushing ability. Hint: the player's first name rhymes with Puke.

Next up, from the Associated Press, Mark "I should have gone the Van Wilder route" Long, who looked on wistfully with his 30-something-year-old eyes as a group of UF students prepared for a kegger Wednesday night. "That's going to be a good party," he told his Twitter followers. #Creepy

The 2009 champ is back in InsideTheGators.com's Kyle "I wish the parachute failed" Maistri, whose eyes glazed over while interviewing college football players this week. The life of a beat writer and message board monitor doesn't seem so fun after spending a Saturday jumping out of airplanes.

Also joining us is Fightin'Gators.com's Cody "Why isn't Fredi Gonzalez listening to me?" Jones, whose career aspirations include a couch to sit on, a pair of Braves boxers to wear and a Twitter account used to fling 140-character insults toward the Atlanta manager. Journalism industry, meet the 21st-Century sports writer.

The home team is managed by alligatorSports editor Tom "START JEFFY DAMMIT!" Green, whose overwhelming man-crush on Florida's backup QB has taken an ugly turn. Instead of simple admiration, Green has stepped his game up. Rumor has it he's flirting with walk-ons to get closer to his precious Driskel.

The second in command is alligatorSports assistant editor Matt "Walk around the club, Watts everybody" Watts, whose name became a verb after a certain feature last spring.

Watch out, Coach Boom, don't scream at any players, Watts might try to get you axed.

Joining the column for once again is alligatorSports staff writer Tyler "It's all downhill after 21" Jett, who celebrated his 22nd birthday by working in the office and playing with a big rubber ball. We Googled "Young Boy Balls" to find the toy's official title, but the results weren't what we hoped. Our names are now on a government watch list.

And, in dead-ass last place, if only by blind luck, is alligatorSports staff writer Greg "What the hell is Pluto?" Luca, whose reaction to the celestial body's demotion from planet-status proved to be pretty damning evidence against Connecticut's public education system. What will you learn next? How to write in cursive?

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**UF VOLLEYBALL**

# Brown improving in sophomore season

**BRYAN HOLT**  
Alligator Writer

Chanel Brown busted into college volleyball with a successful first season in 2010.

She was a Southeastern Conference All-Freshman team selection, Florida's primary setter and the team leader in assists per set.

But what gets overlooked is Brown was enduring a major learning process. Coming out of high school as one of the nation's top outside hitters, the 5-foot-9 sophomore had never been a setter before.

"A very good athlete with a lot of tools," coach Mary Wise said.

"She just needed to refine those to play that position."

Redshirt freshman libero Taylor Unroe got plenty of opportunities to watch Brown's play last season while sidelined with a broken bone in her ankle. She described her teammate as an energetic and talented player who was lacking confidence.

After an offseason of long hours in the gym, Unroe insists Brown is much improved.

"This year she's very sure of herself and taking coaching a lot better," Unroe said.

Brown's freshman year was a challenge, although her stats might not show it.

"Coming in your freshman year, you're just learning the whole aspect of the game and how fast paced it is, but now we're in a rhythm and just letting the offense come naturally," Brown said.

Specializing in assists, Brown tends to



Brett Le Blanc / Alligator Staff

Setter Chanel Brown is impressing teammates during her second year at UF.

fall under the radar while powerful hitters like Kelly Murphy, Stephanie Ferrell and Kristy Jaeckel soak up the attention. After opening the season with 54 assists in three games (UF has 110 total assists), she has improved in connecting with the Gators' more celebrated attackers.

"Part of it is comfort, confidence," Wise said. "She's taken a ton of reps setting the ball. ... She was in here at noon [Thursday]

taking extra reps."

While the season has opened with success, Brown and her teammates have the same goal — a national championship for a team that has repeatedly failed to take that next step.

The journey continues today at noon and 7:30 p.m. as Florida hosts JU and FAU, respectively, on day one of the Campus USA Credit Union Invite at home.

## Wambach to talk to team

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"Now is when we are starting to work on the defensive part of things."

Avant said UF has placed a heavy emphasis on one-on-one defense in practice this week.

She believes that if the Gators execute their defense in all of their formations, they can neutralize any Red Raiders attack.

While the Florida's focal point this week has been sharpening their defensive play, Burleigh said that doesn't mean they are taking Texas Tech lightly.

"We don't take anybody for granted by any stretch," she said. "It is our first home game, and we need to defend our turf."

But before the Gators can take the field tonight at Pressly Stadium, they will get to speak with a couple of former Gators who have some recent big-game experience of their own.

Heather Mitts and Abby Wambach, both of whom are less than two months removed from their FIFA Women's World Cup Final appearance with the U.S. women's national team, will speak with the Gators prior to the game and sign autographs for fans after.

"Being able to get any sort of advice and inspiration from them is going to fire us up," Barney said.

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