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Aundre Larrow / Alligator Staff

Gainesville activist Jesse Schmidt stands before a crowd of about 120 people as Occupy Gainesville rallies on the steps of City Hall Wednesday evening. Occupy Gainesville is a splinter group of Occupy Wall Street, a movement to "stop corporate greed and corrupt politics," according to occupywallst.org.

Occupy Wall Street movement makes it to Gainesville

▶ THE FIRST RALLY TOOK PLACE ON WEDNESDAY.

BENJAMIN S. BRASCH
 Alligator Contributing Writer

College towns are joining a national movement, and Gainesville is no exception.

The Occupy Wall Street protest has now spread to 75 college campuses, according to the Occupy Colleges website.

Occupy Wall Street is a protest in New York City to voice the opinion of the 99 percent of the population that isn't as wealthy as the top 1 percent, said Maya Garner, a member of Occupy Gainesville.

Occupy Gainesville held an informational meeting Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at the Bo Diddley Community Plaza.

The meeting was held to organize the efforts that will

parallel those of the Occupy Wall Street protesters.

At first, the plaza was the scene of the meeting, but once the crowd became too large it moved across the street to the front of City Hall.

"We have no country in a sense," said Jesse Schmidt, a Gainesville activist.

He described the Occupy Gainesville protest as a revival of the fight against multinational corporations.

"We are standing with brothers and sisters all over the world," Schmidt said.

While the movement is not led by anyone in particular, multiple organizations are involved.

"We don't have the future that was promised to our parents," said Jeremiah Tattersall, organizer of Fight Back Florida, a group dedicated to making sure union and student issues are represented in Florida.

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\$500,000 donation will help fund new brain trauma center

SAMANTHA SHAVELL
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The UF College of Medicine plans to launch a new traumatic brain injury research center within the next few weeks.

A UF alumnus recently donated \$500,000 to help establish the new center, which will be housed in an existing space in the Department of Emergency Medicine.

"The center will be a one-stop shop for information and resources on brain injury for victims, families, students and professionals who wish to understand more about this devastating dis-

ease," said Latha Ganti Stead, who will spearhead the new research.

The money will go toward Stead's professorship.

At the center, there will be lectures on brain injury-related topics to residents training in emergency, neurology, neurosurgery, psychology and critical care.

The center will also provide in-service training for nurses managing victims of brain injury.

Stead said she hopes to develop

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Stead

ON CAMPUS

Fratweiner.com attacks male Greeks with photos, comments

RACHEL CROSBY
 Alligator Contributing Writer

Plastered bulletin boards and chalk-covered sidewalks have made it hard to avoid UF's newest student-focused website: fratweiner.com.

The website is run by part of the assumed male, non-Greek portion of the student population.

Featuring candid, phone-quality pictures of fraternity members on campus doing everything from walking to class to hanging at the Reitz Union, as well as Sperry-clad induced captions like, "Straight Off the Yacht," the website, at first, seems comical.

But quickly the mood turns, and the site becomes, as some have said, comparable to a "Mean Girls" style "Burn Book."

With the ability to comment on photos anonymously available to everyone, what might have been seen as funny has morphed into a type of cyberbullying.

"Since anyone can comment on the website, they have the ability to counteract anything they don't like. I don't see the problem."

Jeffrey Rudolph
 pre-pharmacy freshman

Explicit comments are becoming more common, and most of them are aimed at the young men's sexuality, one referring to a member as, "the frattiest [expletive] I've ever seen."

As far as the pictures portray, the posts are unique to UF.

To some, the comments aren't considered

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News Today

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Student Global AIDS Campaign (UF) - Second General Meeting

Today, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
McCarty B, Room 1108

Come learn about fundraising and volunteering opportunities with SGAC. We are an AIDS education and awareness club that fundraises for global health organizations and serves the Gainesville community in diverse ways. We cover relevant HIV/AIDS issues at every club meeting and several events lined up for October. To learn more, come to the meeting and enjoy free snacks, or visit our group on Facebook at Student Global AIDS Campaign (UF).

Gators for Green Design Fundraiser

Today, 7 to 9 p.m.
Karma Cream

1025 West University Avenue
Come out to Karma Cream for GGD's first fundraiser of the year. Twenty percent of Karma Cream's revenue that night (if customers say they are with GGD) will go towards student prize money for the Green Design Exhibition to be held in the spring. Karma Cream offers unique flavors such as lavender honey, lemon cookie and chocolate orange, as well as the classics, coffee, milkshakes, pastries, vegan options and more.

Afghan War Protest

Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Plaza of the Americas

The UF Libertarians and Gainesville Area Students for a Democratic Society will be holding a protest in Plaza of the Americas against the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq on the tenth anniversary of the former. The protest will include a 20-foot display showing the approximate number of casualties since the wars began. Anyone interested in joining the cause is welcome.

Eerie Acres Haunted Attraction

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Henson Alternative: Stuffed and Unstrung

Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

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Experience Henson puppets like you've never seen them — off script and uncensored. Flanked by 80 Henson puppets, performers will take audience suggestions and run with them in this improv show for grown-ups. Student tickets are only \$15 and can be purchased with a valid student ID at the Phillips Center Box Office and at the University Box Office (located in the Reitz Union). For more information, please call the Phillips Center Box Office at 352-392-2787 or visit www.performingarts.ufl.edu.

Tango for the Cure

Saturday, 5 p.m.

308 W. University Ave.

Argentine Tango Club is hosting its annual fundraiser event for Breast Cancer Awareness. The event will feature workshops for all levels including beginners that starts at 5 p.m., and a dance social including performances that starts at 8:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join, to learn, to dance or just to watch tango for a cause. All donations will go to the American Cancer Society. For more details, check the Facebook event page.

Gators March for Babies 2011 Team Captain Meeting

Sunday, 6 p.m.

Reitz Union, Room 282
Gators March for Babies 2011 team captains or those interested in becoming captains for their organizations please meet Sunday for the second meeting. The meeting will cover information about registration as well as instruction and advice about fundraising. For more information about the team captain meeting please join the Gators March for Babies 2011 team captain Facebook group.

The Bethel Seventh-Day Adventist Church Free Community Health and Information Fair

Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

740 NE 21st Street, across from Duval Elementary School on NE 8th Avenue
Residents in the area of the church as well as students who do not have health insurance or who are not followed regularly by a physician are invited. The UF College of Medicine Mobile Outreach Clinic will be available to conduct health screenings.

Got something going on?

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CORRECTIONS

In Wednesday's edition of the Alligator, an article incorrectly stated that students with private insurance or student insurance through the university are not eligible to use the CVS Caremark prescription discount card at the UF Student Health Care Center Pharmacy. The card may be used at the SHCC by both uninsured and insured students. The card cannot be used in combination with insurance. Insured students may only use the card to obtain discounts on prescriptions not covered by private or university-sponsored insurance.

In Tuesday's edition of the Alligator, a story about Alachua County property tax rates incorrectly reported the number of counties in Florida. There are 67.

NATIONAL

Obama remembers Steve Jobs as visionary, innovator

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama is remembering Apple co-founder Steve Jobs as one of America's greatest innovators and says the world has lost a visionary.

The man behind the iPod and iPhone, as well as the personal computer and the iPad, Jobs died of cancer Wednesday at age 56.

Obama said in a statement Wednesday night that Jobs was brave enough to think differently, bold enough to believe he could change the world, and talented enough to do it.

The president also said Jobs exemplified the spirit of American ingenuity.

In a tweet sent separately from his statement, Obama said, in his words, "There may be no greater tribute to Steve's success than the fact that much of the world learned of his passing on a device he invented."

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Student musicians compete at concert

MAGGIE POWERS

Alligator Contributing Writer



Amanda Cohen / Alligator

First-year music graduate student Don-Paul Kahl plays the saxophone at the University Auditorium Wednesday. Kahl is vying for a solo with the UF Orchestra in the UF School of Music Concerto Competition.

Don-Paul Kahl gasped for air. His 12 minutes were almost up.

Kahl, a music performance graduate student, was one of 32 UF musicians who participated in UF School of Music's annual Concerto Competition Wednesday afternoon at the University Auditorium.

The 22-year-old saxophonist competed in hopes of earning a solo in UF's upcoming orchestra performance.

"I dream big," Kahl said.

Kahl said he imagines the room filled with an eager audience who paid to watch him perform.

Charles W. Pickeral, director of operations at the School of Music, gave each participant 12 minutes to perform. Twenty-two undergraduate students and 10 graduate students competed.

Pickeral said the competition differs from others because it showcases a variety of instruments, even though most are centered around just one.

Three music teachers, two from the University of North Florida and one from the University of South Florida, judged the contestants this year.

Pickeral has new judges come in each year to encourage a fair competition.

"These judges don't know who won last year," he said. "They're not bringing any baggage."

Although Kahl did not end up winning the competition this year — that honor went to undergraduate saxophonist Joshua Bond and soprano graduate student Anna Feucht — he said he still was glad he participated.

When he plays the saxophone, he said, he expresses his passion by moving along with the instrument.

"Music is movement," Kahl said. "It's a movement of air. Why shouldn't it move us?"

Election questions presented to court

CLARE LENNON

Alligator Writer

The UF Supreme Court finalized a list of questions about the elections process Wednesday night for an Election Commission investigation.

The Court Justices came up with questions of their own and heard questions from the Students Party and Student Senate Allocations Committee Chairman Joe Pardo.

At the end of Monday night's Supreme Court hearing, the Justices instructed the Election Commission to investigate the methods. They also agreed Monday to temporarily halt the scheduled Student Senate vote to validate the results.



Ossip

The Commission, led by Chairman Grant Schnell, will compile an investigation report and give it to the court by noon Saturday. The Justices decided to hold a hearing Monday.

At Monday's hearing, Pardo and the Students Party will be able to file memorandums that suggest resolutions to the issue. The Students Party's recommendation is due 5 p.m. Sunday, and it will be sent to Pardo.

Pardo's recommendation is due before Monday's meeting. Each party will have 20 minutes to present arguments.

The court rejected only two questions, both presented by Students Party member Jonathan Ossip. The questions regarded the possibility that student voters could have lied about their addresses in affidavits.

Pardo said he was satisfied with the breadth of the questions certified by the court. He said he was confident the court would find enough evidence to remove the injunction on Student Senate.

"I think that says it all," he said.

Group to protest National Geographic printing methods

KATIE KOPOTIC

Alligator Contributing Writer

UF students and Gainesville residents will have an opportunity to participate in a rally against National Geographic's lack of using recycled paper for its magazine.

The "National Geographic: Practice What You Print" campaign will have its official kick-off Oct. 12, and people will be encouraged to show their support of National Geographic switching to partially recycled paper.

"It's hypocritical for National Geographic to not use recycled paper," said Paige Milch, 19, an elementary education sophomore at UF.

"National Geographic has inspired such environmentalism, yet they are not printing on recycled paper."

Milch organized the National Geographic campaign for the UF campus through her internship with Student Public Interest Research Group.

The campaign will also take place on campuses across the nation.

The kickoff to the campaign will involve stations set up around campus in which students will be able to have their pictures taken within golden frames, similar to the border of the National Geographic magazine.

The words "Nat Geo: Practice What You

Print" will adorn the frames so that the message is clearly conveyed.

"It's hypocritical for National Geographic to not use recycled paper."

Paige Milch
UF sophomore

National Geographic purchases its paper from a mill operated by Verso Paper Corp. in Maine, according to National Geographic.

This mill is one of the largest contributors to the pollution of the Androscoggin River, the inspiration for the Clean Water Act, said Milch.

The National Geographic website confirms that recycled paper is not used in the manufacturing of the magazine save for the heavier paper used for the cover.

Milch said her goal is to have at least 500 students take a picture with the frame and send the photos to National Geographic to illustrate that students would like to see the magazine switch to recycled paper.

Milch said she hopes that if National Geographic switches to using 30 percent post-consumer paper on average, its act will inspire other magazines to go green as well.

She is already about 40 pictures closer to her goal.

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Gay pride fest, parade to swing by Gainesville Oct. 22

► THE FESTIVAL IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

MINA RADMAN
Alligator Writer

The 2011 Pride Festival will be held at the Bo Diddley Community Plaza on Oct. 22 from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The festival begins immediately after the Pride Parade, which is scheduled to start on University Avenue at 1 p.m.

Gay pride events have been in Gainesville since 1992, according to Terry Fleming, co-president of the Pride Community Center of North Central Florida, which is hosting the festival.

"It's very important for the LGBT community to be visible, and that's one of the main things this is about," Fleming said.

The festival began as a picnic in West-side Park before moving to the plaza in the late 1990s.

Live entertainment and vendors, in-

cluding food vendors, community organizations and churches from the area will all be at the plaza.

There will also be a face-painting booth for children.

Between 3,000 and 4,000 people attend the festival and parade each year, according to Fleming.

"It's very important for the LGBT community to be visible, and that's one of the main things this is about."

Terry Fleming

co-president of the Pride Community Center of North Central Florida

The festival is free and open to the public.

It is co-sponsored by the City of Gainesville.

"LGBT folks are often mistreated against," Fleming said. "There are many of us, and we are a part of every walk of life. With this, the community gets together to gain acceptance and be prideful."



Alligator File Photo

A lesbian couple, one in uniform, hold hands at the 2009 Gainesville Pride Festival at Bo Diddley Community Plaza. The 2011 Pride Festival will be held Oct. 22.

ON CAMPUS

Flag football tournament to attract teams from across Southeast

ORIANA PAOLILLO
Alligator Contributing Writer

The Swamp Bowl Flag Football Tournament is back this year with new activities and more competition.

In its 24th year, the bowl will not only feature flag football games but also a punt, pass and kick game and an accurate throwing competition. The tournament will take place Oct. 21 to Oct. 23 at the Maguire and UVS fields and the Southwest Recreation Center courts.

The bowl provides schools around the Southeast with fun, competitive flag football games.

About 50 schools from the Southeast will compete this year, compared with the 45 that competed last year, according to Marty Dempsey, coordinator of competitive sports for the Department of Recreational Sports.

By participating, teams can gain leadership experience,

Dempsey said.

"One of the main reasons [students should participate] is that they have the opportunity not only to compete but to represent the University of Florida and say that we are the best in the Southeast," he said.

Brandon Morris, who has participated in the tournament for the past three years, said participants learn by playing and make long-lasting friendships.

"You are playing with the best of the best from southeastern schools," said Morris, a 24-year-old family youth and community sciences senior.

"Being in the bowl is a reality check," Morris said. "You get to measure your team and realize that you might not be what you thought you were."

Participants can compete on all-male, all-female or coed teams.

Winners will not only receive a Swamp Bowl 2011 Cham-

pionship trophy but also free entry into either the American Collegiate Intramural Sports or National Campus Championship Series tournaments.

All participants can take part in the new activities free of charge, and top male and female players will receive gift certificates. Runner-up players will receive a plaque.

Brandon Baroody, an accounting and marketing senior at the University of Central Florida, is the captain of the three-time defending men's championship team Immortals. Baroody, 26, said the atmosphere of the bowl is what he is looking forward to most.

Dempsey said the bowl is Southwest Rec's favorite annual event.

"We are looking forward to it and get pretty amped up for it," he said.

For more information, visit <http://www.recports.ufl.edu/facilities/southwest-recreation-center>.

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Despite increased enrollment, graduation rates stay the same

► UF HAS THE HIGHEST RATE OF GRADUATION IN FLORIDA.

MINA RADMAN
Alligator Writer

A national report released Tuesday shows that despite an increase in enrollment, the percentage of students finishing their college degrees on time has remained about the same.

The report was compiled by Complete College America, a nonprofit organization founded in 2009. The report analyzed data from 33 states, including Florida, to explain how many students are completing their degrees within four years, which is considered "on time." The data is broken into multiple categories, including whether students enroll part time or full time at a two-year college or a four-year university.

Contrary to the report's findings, the number of students who graduate within four years at UF has increased over the past few years, said UF Provost Joseph Glover.

Of the 6,749 UF freshmen in 2006, 64 percent graduated with-

in four years, which is a six-percentage-point increase from the 58 percent the 7,279 freshmen who graduated within four years in 2005. According to the report, of every 100 students that enroll in a public college or university, 14 will graduate within four years from a two-year college, and 24 will graduate within eight years from a four-year university.

UF has the highest graduation rate in the state, with 82 percent of students graduating within six years, which is the average amount of time it takes nationally for students to graduate.

Paula Pluchino, a 19-year-old aerospace engineering sophomore, doesn't think graduating within four years would be beneficial for her education.

"It's important to have experience in the field interning or conducting research," Pluchino said. "That can push back my graduation date even more."

She also plans to study abroad, which will make it more difficult to graduate on time.

"I don't like being forced to graduate on time because I want to accomplish all my goals first," Pluchino said.



Alligator File Photo

Despite an increase in enrollment, the percentage of students finishing their college degrees within four years has remained about the same, according to a report by Complete College America.

Center funded by endowment dedicated to scientific discovery

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new models of interdisciplinary health care techniques that optimize safety, service, outcomes and resource use.

Stead was recruited to UF in 2010. She is the chief of clinical research in the College of Medicine and holds an adjunct appointment as professor of emergency medicine at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine.

While at the Mayo Clinic, she developed protocols for victims of acute stroke, which included diagnosis specific tool kits for individual patients. These tool kits centered on

"The center will be a one-stop shop for information and resources on brain injury for victims, families, students and professionals who wish to understand more about this devastating disease."

Latha Ganti Stead
doctor

patient education and advocacy.

Frank Toral, who graduated from UF in 1989 with a bachelor's degree in political science, donated the money

through the Toral Family Foundation Professorship in Traumatic Brain Injury.

With his Ft. Lauderdale-based law firm, Toral, Garcia and Batista, Toral focuses on helping survivors of brain and spinal cord injuries negotiate with large insurance companies and major corporations. Toral is also a former president of the Brain Injury Association of America.

Stead said her previous work and productivity is why the Toral Foundation chose UF.

"The endowment directly supports scientific discovery, and the science will help us better to serve our victims of TBI," she said.

Group will protest corruption

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He said if an Occupy UF protest was to start, it would be at the Plaza of Americas.

Students for Democratic Society protested at Tigert Hall in September against tuition hikes, said Eric Brown, a first-year political science major.

He said Occupy Gainesville is working against corruption created by corporate loans, bailouts and unreasonable interest rates.

"It's a nice sense of community," he

said. "Everyone is coming together for a common goal."

Brown found out about SDS at a summer rally during his first semester at the UF and said he was immediately impressed by the student group.

"If you are a freshman or a senior, [the tuition hike] affects everyone," he said.

Joe Walters, a fifth-year management major, said the Occupy Gainesville movement is the first protest he has ever had a stake in.

"People's livelihoods should never be sacrificed for a dollar," he said.

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a big deal.

"The people in the pictures are anonymous, too," said Jeffrey Rudolph, an 18-year-old pre-pharmacy freshman. "Since anyone can comment on the website, they have the ability to counteract anything they don't like. I don't see the problem."

Though fraternity members are the subjects of all the scorn, the Greek community as a whole is offended.

"Clearly someone is very bitter if they have to tear other people down to make themselves feel better," said Chrissy McLarty, a 20-year-old tele-

communication junior and member of a sorority.

In response, UF has stated that it cannot take action as long as the posts remain anonymous. UF can only take action under university policy if the identity of the poster(s) is revealed.

"Being unkind to other people is not necessarily a violation of the student conduct code," said Mandy Hambleton, assistant director for Student Conduct and Conflict Resolutions. "The reason we have the conflict resolution services is so that we can respond to conflicts that occur that aren't violations of university policy."

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Editorial

Why the iPhone Ire? Everyone will end up liking it anyway

If you didn't watch the unveiling of the new iPhone on Tuesday, we just have to one thing to say: Way to have a life.

But the worshipers of everything Apple, who watched the press conference, ended up leaving (or more than likely just turned off their MacBook Pros) with a feeling of disappointment.

Not only were fans not blown away by the new iPhone, investors were disappointed as indicated by a drop in Apple's stock after the announcement.

What's wrong with Apple?

The new iPhone only operates faster, has a better camera, allows syncing without being connected to a computer and includes a new voice-activated service that responds to voice commands.

What year is it, 2010? Come on, Apple, get with the program.

By now, iPhones should hover beside you at all times, brush your teeth, comb your hair, turn into a scooter to take you to work, be made out of unobtainium from Pandora and allow you to make phone calls without dropping a connection.

Unfortunately, the world has lost Steve Jobs, a true visionary and the spiritual leader of the company. His eye was one of the keenest in the technology world — which is a big reason why Apple has had so much success.

May he rest in peace.

The new guys will have trouble filling these large, almost mythical shoes.

But will the company continue to thrive?

Of course.

Apple just did a poor job at over-hyping the announcement of the new iPhone. It's not the end of the world, and it's certainly not the end of Apple.

According to a commenter on the Alligator website, last week's editorial about Facebook was an attempt by members of the Editorial Board to seek a job with Mark Zuckerberg.

So, before you accuse us of trying to get a job with Apple, let us just say that our discussion of modern technology and the public's response to changes is only meant to highlight the fact that in the grand scheme of things, these technologies have completely changed the way we live.

We should all cut the innovators of today and the inventors of tomorrow some slack.

The producer of your touchscreen phone that plays music, allows you to surf the Internet and lets you throw infuriated flying beasts at pigs knows what they are doing.

While you can disagree with a new change here or there, there's no point in getting riled up about it.

Chances are, in the long run, you are going to love it.

Stop complaining and play some more Angry Birds.

Reader response

Today's question: Were you sad when you heard Steve Jobs died?

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Column

Local drivers are asking for catastrophe

You guys suck.

No, I'm not referring to those of you who voted against a tuition hike despite the fact that you probably don't work to pay for your own tuition, and that money could have gone to restoring UF's ranking above the University of Miami.

I'm not talking about all the people who have been updating their Facebook statuses and profile pictures for breast cancer awareness month yet have never contributed a penny to promote cancer treatment research.

I'm not even referencing the droves of you who abandon your school spirit as soon as it becomes clear that the Gators are not the best team in the SEC.

No, when I say you suck, I mean each and every last one of you. And I mean that because Gainesville is an absolutely atrocious city to drive in.

It's easy to blame it on our elderly population. It's a popular stereotype for a reason. But a quick Wikipedia search reveals that only 9.8 percent of Gainesville's population is older than the age of 65, compared to the national 12.8-percent level. That doesn't explain it.

So why, I ask you, is getting around Gainesville such a major pain in the ass? The conclusion I've come to is that some of it (maybe a huge part of it) is the fact that Gainesville is home to some terrible, terrible drivers.

If you think about it, you know who I'm talking about. They're everywhere. I can't tell you the last time I pulled up to a light and found myself ahead of the other cars on either side of me.

That's usually not a big deal. Generally speaking, the only ill will that results from Gainesville drivers' inability to stop in front of the white line is that I end up feeling slightly demasculinized when flanked by two Toyota Prii that are an entire car length further ahead than I am.

But it can become an issue, specifically when I try to turn right and find my view entirely blocked by some 10-foot tall truck that decided it would get as close to oncoming traffic as physically possible.

There are other noticeable problems that are far more aggravating. I cannot, for example, possibly come up with



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an explanation for why everyone feels the need to go 35 mph on any road with a limit of 40 mph, when those same people consistently travel 50 mph on Southwest 16th Avenue by Shands, despite the 35 mph speed limit posted there.

And don't get me started on the people who pull into whatever lane they please without considering that by doing so, they're blocking an entire line of cars who are trying to turn.

You want to get north onto Southwest 34th Street from Southwest Archer Road? If it's a red light, you know full well that you're going to have to cut through either the gas station or that little apartment complex directly behind it. Sure, it's illegal, but the cars that decided to block the turning lane certainly don't seem to care.

Here's the thing: If you guys were just bad drivers it wouldn't really be an issue. I'd pity you for your incompetence. But I'd get over it.

What frustrates me is that I witness driving miracles on campus every damn day. Pedestrians blindly stumble into the middle of the street and can fully expect 20 cars to quickly stop and patiently wait for them to cross.

Let me tell you that it's not like that on other college campuses. You'd get run over at Florida State University.

But here, drivers on campus consistently show that they possess the capability to be considerate and attentive. It's amazing. It's amazing because the second you turn off campus, you're thrown back into the fray of disaster and chaos.

So I'm going to make a proposal. All that skill and tact you show when driving on campus? If you could please, pretty please, take a moment to apply that same finesse to your driving elsewhere in Gainesville, then I, in turn, will never again bore you with a column dedicated to my whining about your driving.

Deal?

Alex Guilmartin is a psychology and pre-law senior at UF. His column appears on Thursdays.

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

Letters to the Editor

Speak up for your rights

By now, you've probably heard about the Student Government elections scandal that I've come to call "votergate."

In short, hundreds of voters were prompted to vote in a district they didn't live in, specifically the commuter students' district, which was uncontested in the election.

In the first 20 percent of the election, 491 ballots were cast in District E, or 92 percent of the votes in that district.

After a fix to the system, 44 ballots, or 8 percent of the votes, were cast in the remaining 80 percent of the election. All in all, 723 percent more ballots were cast in District E this year, which I again remind you is the district of commuter students and had only one uncontested candidate on the ballot.

It is impossible to look at those numbers and say that there isn't a problem, but that is exactly what the Unite Party has done. Its members argued that the election was fine, and that the outcome was fair. This is obviously not the case.

When members of the Students Party called for an investigation, the Unite Party opposed it at every turn. In fact, it was arguing against the investigation at Monday's UF Supreme Court hearing until the very end and then turned around and called it an "appropriate measure" after the Court ruled against Unite. I'm sure we'll see another flip-flop this week when it goes back to opposing a new, fair election after the investigation is concluded.

It's up to you, the students, to keep these officials in check. SG has gotten more and more corrupt since I became a student here, and it's finally time to tell them that enough is enough. Don't let these SG/Unite Party officials silence your voice.

If you experienced any problem voting or if you believe your ballot was cast in the wrong district, the Students Party is actively working to restore your right to a fair election.

Please, as we continue our investigation, email me with any information regarding issues with the election at jonathan@ufstudents.org.

Jonathan Ossip
Students Party member



Stearns dragging his feet

One week after postal workers rallied in Support of HR 1351, Rep. Clifford Stearns has not signed on as a co-sponsor of this bill.

As Stearns has claimed to be a proponent of creating good jobs, his failure to support this bill is to the detriment of 100,000 service jobs.

The United States Postal Service operates on zero tax-payer dollars and solely on the sale of postage and other services, so any claim of a bailout is a clear falsehood. Because the congressman has always been an advocate for military veterans, the veterans at the USPS are curious as to why he is not supporting them.

HR 1351 will restore financial stability to the USPS and prove that over-payments to the pension funds are real, and the service is in no "crisis" and has actually turned a profit over the last four years, even in the midst of a recession.

HR 1351 now has 222 co-sponsors, and it is a bi-partisan group, and over 50 percent of the House. Stearns' absence from this 222 is startling.

Brian O'Neill
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Al-Awlaki forfeited his rights

International terrorists raise new questions to international and domestic law, an area in which I have absolutely no credentials.

It seems, however, that when a person kills and plans to kill across international boundaries, brags about that killing, lives in a country without a fully functioning government and bears no allegiance to that country or any other, then he has forfeited the legal rights provided to citizens of most countries. Historically these people were considered pirates and were killed when caught.

Had al-Awlaki been in a country with an effective law enforcement agency, the U.S. could have requested extradition. Living in Yemen, he (probably intentionally) denied the U.S. that option.

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Guest column

Columnist loses an old debate

Travis Hornsby got a few things wrong about Social Security in his Monday column.

He regurgitates many of the same attacks on the popular government program which, despite being disproven time and time again, come back during every Social Security debate.

The first is the implication that Social Security has been an extraordinary burden on our government finances. Actually, the 76-year-old program has remained fairly stable throughout its existence, running surpluses, which were put in a trust fund.

The issue is with abnormal fluctuations in population; when the massive baby boomer gen-

Ford Dwyer Speaking Out

eration retires it will put a strain on Social Security's ability to maintain its flow of benefits.

The second popular attack is the insistence that when Social Security was created, it was only meant to provide temporary relief at the end of a person's life, since the average life expectancy was only 66. This statistic is misleading, because the extraordinary infant mortality rates during the early decades of Social Security skew life expectancy averages. Judging the fiscal prudence of Social Security based on modern life expectancy averages is flawed as well because for

those on the bottom half of the income distribution, life expectancy after retirement has hardly increased at all. This is especially true for lower- to middle-income Americans, many of whom occupy more labor-intensive jobs. For the last 76 years, Social Security has been there to provide financial stability and dignity to American workers who have given so much. Amid an era of growing inequality and uncertainty, we should be forthright in defending the things our government does to benefit the common man.

Ford Dwyer is a political science and history junior at UF. He is the editorial director of the UF College Democrats.

Guest column

Microfinancing may not help poor

Microfinance — the provision of small, group loans to poor people in poor countries — is, depending on whom you ask, either the latest way for western capitalists to exploit third world laborers or the miracle cure that will allow the world's poorest citizens to successfully run their own businesses and work their way out of poverty. The government of Andhra Pradesh, the Indian state where I spent the better part of last summer, clearly agrees with the former view. In 2007, after a spate of farmer suicides, the government nearly wiped out the state's entire microfinance industry by making repayment of microfinance loans illegal. Many of the development organizations that support microfinance, on the other hand, clearly believe that microfinance has significant potential. I have met many people who sincerely believed that their microfinance efforts represented their best contribution in the fight against global poverty. However, by over-selling the benefits of microfinance, these organizations risk leaving other important problems unaddressed.

I tend to be more skeptical — while microfinance is clearly beneficial to poor countries, these benefits are neither as large nor of the form that many of microfinance's proponents claim.

First, I do not accept the implicit premise that small businesses represent the way out of deprivation for the majority of the world's poorest citizens. Second, microfinance lending is structured in a way that is of little use to people who wish to start new and innovative businesses.

In Andhra Pradesh, small, family-owned shops are a dime a dozen: Drive down any

Jonathan Pedde UWire

major road and you'll probably see at least one every hundred yards.

During my time in India, none of the small-business owners whom I met earned an income significantly higher than comparable daily laborers. Economic studies done in this part of India have shown that the average owner-operator of one of these businesses earns less than the minimum wage. Most of these small business owners are running small businesses because they have no alternatives, not because they are somehow more entrepreneurial than the citizens of developed countries.

If given the choice, many small business owners would rather be working in a stable, wage-paying job than running their own businesses. The owner-operator of a small business bears a tremendous amount of risk — a wage-earning employee, on the other hand, has significantly greater security in regards to future income and employment.

Even if small businesses were a feasible route out of poverty, microfinance is unsuited to properly support these endeavors.

Traditional loans to the poor are very risky and time-consuming from the lender's perspective.

Microfinance loans, in contrast, are completely inflexible — the repayment dates are fixed, and defaults are rare because an entire group of borrowers is usually responsible for the repayment of every individual's loan. This rigidity is not well-suited to entrepreneurship, which, by definition, is risky and uncertain.

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Comedic Relief

Blake Anderson, Anders Holm and Adam DeVine star in Comedy Central's "Workaholics." Check out what the cast unveiled to the Avenue inside on page 10.

Tonight's sideshow will present mix of oddities

SAPHIRA LAZARRE

Avenue Writer

With acts including a human pin-cushion, glass-walker and -eater, a bed of nails and a fire-eater, the audience will be no less than intrigued by "Mr. Blank's Weird & Wandering Sideshow."

Tonight, "Mr. Blank's Weird & Wandering Sideshow" will be making its way to Gainesville. The show will take place downtown at The Laboratory, 818 W University Ave. The event is scheduled to begin at 9 p.m. Since today is recognized as "Mad Hatter Day," audience members are asked to dress the part.

"Ringleader" and show director, Mux Blank, 36, of Athens, Ga., described the show as a slightly improvised multimedia music and performance piece. Some consider the show a modern-day mix between HBO's "Carnivale" and "Ripley's Believe It or Not!"

Blank said that every show is different because the performers tend to feed off of the audience's energy to gauge which pieces to use.

"My show is one of oddities and amazing performances," Blank said. "It's theater of the odd, weird and magical. It's a mix of carnival, circus and sideshow."

The term "sideshow" describes strange acts of human peculiarities, museum pieces, small performances and solo performers as a subset of a larger show. However, in the case of Blank's presentation, the sideshows are the main attraction.

The troupe originates from a larger group, "Mr. Blank's Carnivale of Black Hearts," based in Athens, Ga.

"All of our guys have dedication and a flare for the dramatic," Blank said. "That's what keeps our shows interesting."

The core members perform acts that range from belly dancing to juggling and specialize in death-defying acts. Blank mentioned that although the shows are meant to be anything but normal, safety comes first.

"Some of the acts we perform can be very, very dangerous if done wrong," Blank said.

For the rest of this story, visit alligator.org/the_avenue.



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Blank's show will be performed tonight at 9 at The Laboratory.

music

Indie rock and hip-hop mashup duo coming to Gainesville

CHRIS ALCANTARA

Avenue Writer

Have you ever wondered what would happen if you were to take the vocals from one song and combine them with the instrumentals of another? Well, Chicago-based production duo The Hood Internet has become a master in the art of creating "mashups" and will be showcasing its talent in Gainesville next week.

Sharing the stage with Nicos Gun, Bang Bang Boom and Cassolette, The Hood Internet will be performing for a live audience at Double Down Live at 210 SW Second Ave. on Oct. 12.

"This will be our first time in Gainesville," said Steve Reidell, one half of the duo. "And we're looking forward to playing again here."



Reidell

The Hood Internet, composed of Aaron Brink (aka ABX) and Steve Reidell (aka STV SLV), is a well-known production group that specializes in the combination and mixing of hip-hop instrumentals with indie rock vocals, and vice versa, to create unique and original songs known as "mashups."

Since the group's formation in 2007, The Hood Internet has released seven mixtapes, as well as hundreds of free-to-download singles that can be found on the

group's website at thehoodinternet.com.

One of the most notable singles released by The Hood Internet includes its mashing of the Beastie Boys' "Shake Your Rump" with Matt & Kim's "Good Ol' Fashion Nightmare."

The end result, titled "Good Ol' Fashion Rump Shaker," is an upbeat jam that keeps your head nodding while listening to the booming voice of the Beastie Boys rap over the instrumentals of Matt & Kim.

For the The Hood Internet's Gainesville appearance, Grooveshark and Garage Mahal will be sponsoring the show.

"We chose to have [The Hood Internet] play Double Down

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Head online so the Avenue can give you the downlow on the recent changes to Facebook (Haven't you updated your status about it enough?)

This Week's Blog Roundup

Check out this week's Alligator Blogs for surprising factors for school success (not just studying and taking tests well) and fun things to do in Baton Rouge and New Orleans this weekend. Visit alligator.org/blogs.



Twit Pick

@rainnwilson: Bought the entire @MarcAnthony collection from Kohls for my sleazy, latin alter-ego, "Tuco."

“Muppets” creator’s son brings improv puppet show to town

KATE FELDMAN

Avenue Writer

Just a few weeks after what would have been “The Muppets” creator Jim Henson’s 75th birthday, his son, Brian, is taking to the road with an uncensored improvisation comedy show, complete with puppets.

“Henson Alternative Stuffed and Unstrung,” created in 2005 by Brian Henson and Patrick Bristow, is described on its website as a “live, outrageous, comedy, variety show for adults only.”

Six puppeteers perform on stage with 80 puppets, called Miskreant Puppets, broadcast to the audience on two large screens. On stage, the audience sees the actors and puppets, but the television screens show only the puppets.

“The cast we’ve put together are all such pros, such top-notch improvisers and puppeteers,” Bristow said. “Every time we perform is completely and utterly different. We want a fresh, unique, living show that’s just a little nerve-racking.”

There are no age restrictions, but the performance can be offensive and dark at times, so the audience is warned to be prepared.

“Improv isn’t about being funny,” said Liz Anderson, president of UF Theatre Strike

Force. “It’s about being interesting and realistic and finding the humor in it. Trying to entertain an audience is fairly difficult. You have to find the difference between having fun and making it a performance.”

Bristow, who describes his emcee role as the “bridge between the audience and the puppeteers,” said that part of the appeal of “Stuffed and Unstrung” comes from the brand name itself.

“When I first heard about the show, I was completely interested,” said Michael Blachly, University of Florida Performing Arts director. “It’s ideal for a student population who grew up knowing ‘The Muppets.’ It’s a mature look at puppets.”

The show was named one of Entertainment Weekly’s Top 10 Best Stage Shows of 2010, and the Miskreant Puppets most recently appeared at the 2011 Grammy Awards show, performing “Forget You” with Cee Lo Green and Gwyneth Paltrow.

“Stuffed and Unstrung” will take place Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the Phillips Center. Student tickets are \$15 for any seat in the house, and non-student tickets range from \$25 to \$45.

Tickets can be purchased by calling 352-392-2787 or going to ticketmaster.com.



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Puppeteers Julianne Buescher, left, and Colleen Smith perform on stage with their puppets in “Henson Alternative Stuffed and Unstrung.”

The Hood Internet will perform locally next week

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Live because we’ve been a fan of the venue since the Common Grounds and Covered Dish days,” said Vishal Agarwala, director of sponsorship and events at Grooveshark.

As for The Hood Internet’s set list at Double Down Live, Reidell said Brink and he will be playing a selection of

songs from the past four-and-a-half years.

Doors for the show will open at 9 p.m. with a starting time at 10 p.m. Tickets are \$9 in advance or \$15 at the door and are available for purchase online at TicketWeb.com. The show is for those 18 and older unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.



Courtesy to the Alligator

The Hood Internet, a duo specializing in mashups of hip-hop and indie rock, will be performing Oct. 12 at the Double Down Live.

Five reasons why you’ll fall in love with a glass of bubble tea

ERICA A. HERNANDEZ

Avenue Writer

Tea has a whole new appeal. Gone are the days of high-noon tea at the Four Seasons.

Say goodbye to Earl Grey and Tazo; you will not be seeing any of them in the new clique of gourmet teas. Bubble tea gives a nod to its old-fashioned predecessor in its roots, but it is definitely not your grandma’s cup of tea.

Bubble tea, or “boba” tea, is in essence iced tea with tapioca pearls and possibly some added flavoring. Yes, you read that correctly, the ever-familiar starch, tapioca, is what makes this tea special. But these pearls, often referred to as “bobas” or bubbles, are not just plain tapioca. The pearls are cooked to chewy perfection and usually sweetened with brown sugar or honey to give them their sweet syrupy outer shell. If this description is not enough to convince you of bubble tea’s awesomeness, then the next five reasons should do the trick.

1. Basically there are gummy bears in your tea. That may not sound too appetizing, but believe me it is. “I’d describe tapioca pearls as chewy gummies. It is its own thing,” said Jon Huang, Lolicup employee of three years and bubble tea maker.

2. It’s a healthier alternative to sodas and other beverages. Tea is naturally rich in antioxidants and vitamins — key word here being natural — unlike other beverages that are enhanced with chemicals and protein.

3. It comes with a warning. Most bubble teas are served in cups that read: “Please drink carefully to avoid choking on the boba.” You know a drink is boss when it comes with a warning.

4. The flavor options are vast and delicious. “My favorite combination is taro with mango and pearls,” senior Corinne Oliphant said. Flavor combinations range from red tea and green apple to the milky royal flavor.

5. It’s a fun drink. How often can that be said of a non-alcoholic drink? Beside looking cool, it comes with a vacuum seal that covers the entire drink and then a giant straw pokes through it—it is a novelty. Drinking this will bring you back to the days of cotton candy and pixie sticks.

The price tag on these drinks will not leave your wallet fat, but it



won’t break the bank either. One regular-sized tea with pearls and an added flavor will set you back about \$3.75, but it’s worth every penny.

on tv

Cast of show “Workaholics” gets candid

ALYSSA HOLCOMB

Avenue Writer

Hair regimens, hard partying and Pierce Brosnan ... oh my! Comedy Central’s “Workaholics,” starring Adam DeVine, Anders Holm and Blake Anderson of the group Mail Order Comedy, seem to perfect the hungover persona of 9-to-5 office workers, but in reality, they’re practically the same.

“Workaholics” is a scripted show following the antics of three guys just out of college who are telemarketers that live and work together.

“I think we draw a lot of the stuff from real life,” Anderson said. “We gotta juice ‘em up for TV a little bit. I think that’s what makes the characters seem real because we kinda take stuff from real life.”

The Avenue got the opportunity to participate in a phone conference call with the guys from the hit series, and we learned a thing or three.

The Secret to Luscious Locks

Anderson, who is recognized mainly by his large, borderline afro-esque curly hair, also says there is a secret to keeping his locks “luscious.”

“I think at some point I did have some vitamin that I was taking, because I heard it would make my beard grow, but that didn’t really work out,” he said. “It may have had some effect on the hair on my head though. But other than that, it’s pretty much shampoo when I remember, and then let it dry via driving around in my Jeep.”

Same Comedy, Same Setting, Different Influences

When it comes to filming their half-hour show, which airs on Comedy Central Tuesday nights at 10:30, there is a mixture between script and sketch.

“We like to get loose; Kyle [Newacheck, the director] lets us come off the leash a little bit,” Holm said.



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Anders Holm, Adam DeVine and Blake Anderson are the hard partying, 9-to-5-working post-college graduates in Comedy Central’s “Workaholics.”

But even though the show departs a little from the typical office-set entertainment, it is on par with its predecessors.

“It’s the exact same. It’s ‘Office Space’ meets ‘The Office.’ There’s an office, there’s people in the office working, and they love to use staplers,” Holm explained.

Unlike other sketch comedies sticking to a strict comedic formula, the group’s influences come from a wide variety of funny faces, such as “Curb Your Enthusiasm”’s Larry David or the rowdy guys from “Jackass.”

Pop Culture at its Best and Worst

As for pop culture, the ‘Holics seem to debate over their favorite figures. Holm recently created a buzz around singer Amy Winehouse’s death at this year’s

San Diego Comic-Con, saying that he “didn’t care.”

Anderson justified his publicized remark with a simple explanation: “She died during Comic-Con, and that’s our drunkest week, so when you ask questions, you might get weird answers.”

Apart from musical figures, the group agrees on which actor portrayed James Bond the best.

“Pierce was pretty damn good ... and he’s in ‘Mrs. Doubtfire,’ so that’s tons of brownie points for me,” Anderson said.

Whether it’s pop singers or perfect hair, the Workaholics exemplify the typical college lifestyle: partying hard and cracking jokes about life.

Catch their show on Comedy Central every Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. following “Tosh.0.”

The Weezer Cruise: Not your average experience at sea

ERICA A. HERNANDEZ

Avenue Writer

Weezer will take its talents to sea as the headlining act of The Weezer Cruise, presented by Sixthman. The Weezer Cruise will be setting sail from Miami, Fla., to Cozumel, Mexico, on Jan. 19 and returning to the port Jan. 23.

Weezer fanatics, rejoice! Not only will guests attend two Weezer concerts, but they will also have the opportunity to take a photo with the band and participate in a Q-and-A session.

Dinosaur Jr., Sebadoh, Gene Ween and Dave Dreiwitz, Wavves, The Antlers, Yuck, Free Energy, Boom Bip, J. Mascis, Lou Barlow, Keepaway, Ozma, The Nervous Wreckords, The Knocks, Sleeper Agent and Yacht Rock Revue will treat the 2,500 passengers to live performances throughout the trip.

Though music will not be the only form of entertainment on this cruise, guests can compete in a large-scale flip-cup tournament, dance and sing at an ‘80s-themed prom night and compare hideous sweaters on the perfectly appropriate ugly sweater night.

The venue vessel will be the Carnival Destiny. Prices start at \$799 per person for double cabins or \$599 per person for four people.

So pack up your ugly sweater and those Buddy Holly glasses, because it’s time to hit that “Island in the Sun” with Weezer.



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Laughter found to be best medicine for pain

ARYANNA HARRELL

Avenue Writer

It's no secret that having a good laugh from time to time can help lighten your mood and make you feel a little better — if not at least for that moment. Not only can it make you feel better, but it also helps increase your tolerance for pain.

In a recent study conducted by researchers from the University of Oxford and published in the "Proceedings of the Royal Society B," laughter was found to be the best medicine for pain. The physical motions involved in laughing trigger the release of endorphins, which manage pain and promote feelings of well be-

ing and can act as painkillers in our bodies.

Paul Schauble, Ph.D. psychologist at UF, said he believes that laughter is a healthy and necessary process that is a powerful means of dealing with pain and other discomfort.

"Being under stress and anxiety is not good for the immune system," Schauble said. "When we laugh, that tension is released emotionally and physically, and we gain a different perspective on something that may have otherwise been alarming."

In one of the experiments conducted, researchers split volunteers into two groups. One

group was shown 15 minutes of comedy, such as "Friends" and the other was shown "boring" material, like golf. At the end of the trial, those shown 15 minutes of comedy increased their pain threshold by about 10 percent, according to BBC News.

The laughter measured in this study wasn't just any kind of laughter, though. In order for laughter to really work as a medicine, one must engage in involuntary, full-belly laughter that creases the eyes. Those that did not engage in this kind of laughter did not have as significant results.

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He Said, She Said: What's your bad first date story?

The butterflies have filled your stomach. You've checked your appearance in the mirror a million times, brushed your teeth twice and rehearsed impressive one-liners in your head. Your best friends text you encouragements as you grab your keys, wallet and optimism before heading out the door.

The preparation ritual for a first date is a delicate balance of hope and realistic expectations. So, doesn't it just suck if it fails miserably?

♦ He Says...

Thankfully, the relationship gods have smiled on me when it comes to first dates. My friends, however, haven't shared the same luck.

Wesley Homenda, a 20-year-old at the University of South Florida, had a particularly rough first date one night last spring.

He had finally landed a night out at a club with a girl he had been working on for awhile. When he picked her up at her apartment, he was ecstatic. She was wasted.

The second they reached the club she disappeared into the crowd in a drunken stupor. Wes didn't see her again until the night was over. She was hanging all over another guy and asking for a ride to her girlfriend's house.

She promised Wes her friend was having a rough night and needed her there. Wes, who was

too disappointed to care, agreed to drive her. And that wasn't even the icing on the heartbreak cake. When they pulled up, Wes saw the guy from the club answer the front door.

While a club may not be the typical first date scenario, it's an experience everyone can learn from.

Just because you finally landed the date with the person of your dreams doesn't mean it's going to end like a fairytale. I'm not saying be judgmental or skeptical, just make sure you know the true character of the person before you let your guard down. They need to be as interested in you as you are in them.

Oh, and don't take a girl to a club on a first date.

— JACOB ROMOSER

♦ She Says...

When I was 19, my now ex-boyfriend and I decided to take a "break." Rather than mope, I saw it as an opportunity to go out and flirt my ass off.

It was then that I met Hugh.

He was a super good-looking law student with a wicked sense of humor, who also shared my love for frothy beer.

Of course I was going to give him my number.

Fast forward five days, and we go out on the big first date.

Only this time, Hugh wasn't as funny as I remembered. And he was 20 minutes late.

Sure he was hot, but his personality reminded me of a block of wood.

On paper, our date may have been considered decent, but a

guileless critic could have easily graded the connection on this firstie a C+ at best.

As Hugh was driving me home, we had the misfortune of getting caught in a traffic jam, a motionless, big-city, bumper-to-bumper cluster with no end in sight.

Our conversation dwindling, I sat there praying for a miracle. And then it came.

Looking down at my lap, I saw that the crimson tide (keyword: TIDE) decided to make its appearance.

There was no hiding this mess, and absolutely nowhere to run.

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- ACROSS**
 1 Smoldering bit
 6 Slip a Mickey
 10 It may have all the answers
 14 Stiller's partner
 15 High rollers' destination
 16 Half of 10?
 17 Speed skater
 Apolo ___ Ohno
 18 Health enhancer, so it's said
 20 It "is no problem. You just have to live long enough": Groucho Marx
 22 Pickup facilitator
 23 "Friendly skies" co.
 24 ___ center
 27 PC time meas.
 29 Performed, in a way
 32 Band that performed "Whip It"
 33 Bars in stores
 34 1965 NCAA tennis champ
 35 Aaron's team for 21 seasons
 37 Unexpected twist (and a hint to what's hidden inside 18-, 20-, 51- and 56-Across)
 40 Make
 41 Gloom mate
 42 Rural stretch
 43 "... two fives for ___?"
 44 Skin malady, perhaps
 45 What crews use
 46 Expression of disappointment
 47 Bit of code
 49 Hair care purchase
 51 "A Moon for the Misbegotten" playwright
 56 Longshoremen's aids
 59 Baggy
 60 Net reading
 61 "Tiger in your tank" company
 62 Ban's predecessor at the U.N.
 63 Bastes, e.g.
- DOWN**
 1 Net reading
 2 "Writing on the wall" word
 3 Michigan's Cereal City
 4 Steamy
 5 Arrested
 6 Bore
 7 Bank takeback, briefly
 8 Deprive of juice?
 9 Israel's Meir
 10 Pre-Communism leader
 11 Thing to stop on
 12 Savings for later yrs.
 13 When repeated with "oh" in between, "Wow!"
 19 Slippery swimmer
 21 Mythical beast, to locals
 24 Epiphanies
 25 Score-tying shot
 26 Olympics broadcaster Bob
 27 Midwest capital
 28 Last lap efforts
 30 Spa sounds
 31 Indigent

- 32 Lake creator
 34 Interior decorator's concern
 35 Juiced
 36 Sleep acronym
 38 Cooking utensil
 39 Dawn goddess
 44 French onion soup topping
 45 Numbers after nine, often
 47 Sam & Dave, e.g.
 48 Nixon's first veep
 50 Union acquisition?
 51 Vandalizes, in a way
 52 Gov't. train wreck investigators
 53 Those, to Pedro
 54 Future atty.'s hurdle
 55 Eye part
 56 "CSI: NY" ailer
 57 Microbrewery buy
 58 Altercation

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Brissett climbing QB depth chart



Brett Le Blanc / Alligator Staff

Coach Will Muschamp said Wednesday that freshman quarterback Jacoby Brissett would be the backup if Jeff Driskel starts.

TOM GREEN
Alligator Staff Writer

Jacoby Brissett has come a long way in a short time.

After the freshman entered training camp buried on Florida's depth chart at quarterback, coach Will Muschamp said Wednesday that Brissett would be the backup Saturday against No. 1 LSU if fellow freshman Jeff Driskel were to start.

It's quite a jump for Brissett, who was behind Driskel and redshirt freshman Tyler Murphy after the two competed in spring practice as well as the spring game in April.

While Driskel, the nation's top-rated passer coming out of high school last year, enrolled early at Florida in January to get a head start on learning offensive coordinator Charlie Weis' offense, Brissett was still weighing his college options.

Weis personally recruited Brissett, who was also considering offers from Miami, Washington and Wisconsin. It wasn't until two days after National Signing Day that Brissett committed to Florida, against his mother's wishes.



Weis

Brissett, the nation's No. 3 dual-threat quarterback according to Rivals.com, completed his senior year of high school at Palm Beach

Gardens Dwyer High before coming to Gainesville in the summer.

That put him at a disadvantage against the other two quarterbacks vying for time behind incumbent starter John Brantley.

"The only reason why Jacoby hasn't been a factor at this point is only because he came here in the summer time," Weis said Tuesday. "He had to play catch-up over the other guys. The other guys were here in the spring when we put everything in; that's the only thing that's kept Jacoby from being possibly the second guy in."

But in his short time with the Gators, Brissett has made strides in practice.

Wide receiver Frankie Hammond believes the freshman has caught up to Driskel and Murphy in terms of comfort with the offense, and Hammond said Brissett actually has the advantage when it

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Florida pass rush facing SEC's top offensive line

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Alligator Staff Writer

Florida's defensive line has struggled to pressure quarterbacks this year, and the unit will face its stiffest test yet Saturday. LSU has allowed only three sacks this season, the fewest in the Southeastern Conference.

Florida's pass rush, meanwhile, ranks tied for fifth in the SEC with nine sacks through five games. The Gators rarely pressured Crimson Tide quarterback A.J. McCarron last week.

"[LSU's offensive line is] playing well as a unit. It's an experienced group coming back."

Dan Quinn

UF defensive coordinator

Florida failed to record a sack, and while McCarron's numbers were pedestrian (12 of 25, 140 yards), the quarterback completed passes on third downs to move the chains four times Saturday.

Defensive coordinator Dan Quinn said the Tigers often use seven blockers on pass plays, keeping a tight end and running back in to protect quarterback Jarrett Lee.

"They're playing well as a unit," Quinn said of the LSU offensive line.

"It's an experienced group coming back. It's a function of those two things: an experienced club along with help from the outside guys."

While Lee ranks ninth in the SEC with 158.6 passing yards per game, he has been efficient, tossing just

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Gators should start Murphy, not risk Driskel's development

On the surface, Jeff Driskel seems like the obvious choice to start in place of John Brantley.

He came to UF as Rivals.com's No. 1 quarterback, and has had a stranglehold on the backup role since the second week of fall camp. He is the only Gators quarterback other than Brantley to attempt a pass this year and seems to be UF's future at the position.

But Saturday is a little too soon, and that's why the Gators need to start Tyler Murphy.

It has got nothing to do with Murphy's ability. Driskel is by far the better player and a superior athlete with more in-game experience.

But you don't throw your king against the ace, you save it for the best opportunity. For Driskel, that starts next week at Auburn. That's where he'll get to learn the ropes and practice for his future.

Sending Driskel to Baton Rouge, La., to get eaten alive by the Tigers is not what's best for the future of UF's program. The LSU defense



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has all the talent necessary to give Driskel fits.

With guys like Morris

Claiborne, Tyrann Mathieu, Tharold Simon, Lardarius Stimpson and Barkevious Mingo (only one of those names is fake), LSU is going to harass Driskel and pound him into submission.

Beyond the obvious injury risk, who knows what a beatdown in Death Valley would do to Driskel's confidence?

In four appearances this season, he's 7 of 16 for 73 yards and two interceptions. This isn't nearly a large enough sample size to judge his skills, but it certainly doesn't bode well for Saturday.

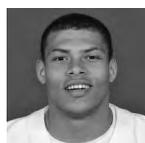
And I'm not the only one who knows it. LSU defensive coordinator John Chavis has watched the same games we have, and he learned last weekend how easy it is

to give UF's offensive line trouble with a few second- and third-level blitzers. And his unit is even faster than the one Alabama brought to The Swamp.

LSU's run defense touts a No. 3 national ranking despite facing one of the toughest schedules in the country. The Tigers held Oregon, last year's No. 1 offense at 531 yards per game, to just 335 total yards, including only 95 on the ground.

If Driskel has to endure a

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Will Muschamp called LSU cornerback Tyrann Mathieu a "ballhawk," as the sophomore has forced multiple turnovers. See Story, Page 19.

The Podcast

With a road trip to Baton Rouge, La., coming up this Friday, the usual alligatorSports podcast with host Greg Luca will hit the Internet today. Make sure you check it out on our website or subscribe on iTunes.

Orange and Blue Debut

Already looking forward to next season? Florida announced Wednesday that next year's spring game will take place on Saturday, April 7.

SEC's top midfielders to square off

FLORIDA PLAYS AUBURN ON FRIDAY AT HOME.

JOHN BOOTHE
Alligator Staff Writer

It has become increasingly clear this season why Florida's Erika Tymrak and Auburn midfielder Katy Frierson were the Southeastern Conference's lone representatives on the U.S. U23 national team this summer.

Both, in their own way, have been nearly unstoppable for their teams.

"Some people say we have similar traits," Tymrak said. "We're both very technical, but at the same time, we're different. ... She's more of a playmaker I feel like. I tend to dribble more and go at people."

Almost midway through the SEC table, Tymrak is tied for a league-best nine goals — a career high — with four assists. Frierson, a senior, is the SEC assists leader with nine dimes on the year and three goals.

In the pursuit of slowing down Tymrak's average of 1.69 points per game, most teams have resorted to levying a steady stream of fouls on the midfielder. While at times the cheap shots and rough play have frustrated her, Tymrak has kept her cool.

"If somebody tries to foul me, I try to shy away from the play

a little bit, maybe play 1-2 touch and when they're not expecting it, go after them again," she said.

With Frierson and Auburn coming to Gainesville this Friday, Tymrak will likely see more of the same looks from the opposition.

The Tigers have an SEC-worst 163 fouls on the season, an average of 13.58 a game. Their 13 yellow cards through 12 matches are also a league-high.

"You can watch film on a team all you want, but unless you have the ability to shut that player down, they can be unpredictable."

Erika Tymrak
UF midfielder

Florida, on the other hand, rarely gets into the kind of foul trouble as Auburn, with 38 fewer fouls on the year and only three yellows. The Gators' strategy to prevent Frierson from distributing to her teammates will have to come another way.

"You can watch film on a team all you want, but unless you have the ability to shut that player down, they can be unpredictable," Tymrak said. "My coach always likes to compare it to (Barcelona striker Lionel) Messi. The defenders know what he's going to do, but he still gets by the person."

Redshirt junior defender Kat Williamson pointed to the back

line's ability to regularly pressure deep into the other team's half as a way to simply keep possession away from top-flight players like Frierson.

Last Sunday against Kentucky, Williamson and the defense used the same strategy to hold the Wildcats' leading scorer, Kelsey Hunyadi, without a point after she scored two goals and two assists in her previous two games.

"We make it hard for players to zip the ball through us in order to find channels to score in," Williamson said. "As a team, not only the back line, we did a really good job closing them quickly so they don't get chances."

With a chance to move past Auburn into sole possession of second place in the SEC, UF coach Becky Burleigh said the team also has the advantage of not having to travel for both Friday's match and an Oct. 23 tilt against league-leader LSU.

The Gators haven't lost at home in conference play since 2006, and they must keep Frierson in check to extend that streak.

"They've got one of the best players in the league in Katy," Burleigh said.

"We respect the heck out of her, and they've always played well against us. I don't remember very many easy games against Auburn."

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UF midfielder Erika Tymrak and Auburn's Katy Frierson were the SEC's lone representatives on the U.S. U23 national team this summer.

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LSU's Mathieu poses stiff test for Florida, freshmen QBs



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LSU cornerback Tyrann Mathieu (14) has forced four fumbles this season — the same number as Florida's entire defense. Mathieu returned two of those fumbles for touchdowns.

MATT WATTS

Alligator Staff Writer

Like last weekend, when Florida plays LSU on Saturday, the Gators will be trying to stop a Heisman candidate from beating them.

But unlike last weekend, this standout plays on the defensive side of the ball.

LSU sophomore cornerback Tyrann Mathieu has entered the discussion for college football's most prestigious honor in his second year with his penchant for making big plays. Through five games, Mathieu has an interception, 1.5 sacks and four forced fumbles; Florida's entire defense has four forced fumbles. He has returned two of those fumbles for touchdowns, leading Gators coach Will Muschamp to call Mathieu a "ballhawk" — a term coaches have tried to instill as a representation of the Gators' defense.

"Just an electric guy on the field," Muschamp said of Mathieu. "[He] plays with great energy; tough, hard-nosed, great blitzer. Has just a knack for getting the ball off people as far as strips are concerned and interceptions. Just one of those guys that shows up in the right spots regardless of what's being asked of him."

Mathieu leads LSU in tackles with 35, including four for a loss of yard, and he has four pass breakups. On a defense filled with NFL-caliber players, Mathieu stands out.

Florida right guard Jon Halapio said the offensive line has to be aware of Mathieu's positioning on the field, attention usually reserved for defensive ends or pass-rushing linebackers.

"We have to know where he's at," Halapio said. "He's a defensive standout player

that we see on film, so we're going to have to watch out for him."

Mathieu will be on the attack against one of three freshmen quarterbacks for Florida. One of those young signal-callers, Jeff Driskel, has been vulnerable to turning the ball over early this season.

Driskel threw an interception on his first career pass in the opener against FAU, and the freshman tossed another just before halftime against Kentucky. While that second interception was not entirely Driskel's fault, the fumble that led to the Wildcats' only touchdown of the game was, and it happened because Driskel held on to the ball too long in the pocket.

Not feeling the pressure before it's too late will be a problem that could plague which-ever freshman quarterback ends up taking the snaps Saturday, as Mathieu showed last week against Kentucky when he came off Maxwell Smith's blind side to strip the ball and return it for the score.

LSU coach Les Miles said it may be a bit premature for Heisman talk regarding Mathieu, but that doesn't mean he isn't talking up his star.

"He has all the characteristics that you would want and allow somebody in a national voting position to award," Miles said. "I don't have the view of the nation's best performances and how the seasons are going for many others, but for Tyrann Mathieu, he's having a great year."

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Mathieu

THE MAILBAG

Playing Nixon at QB, lightning strikes and sarcasm

There are plenty of questions surrounding the Gators this week as they head in to Death Valley to take on No. 1 LSU. Who will start at quarterback? Will Florida be able to establish the run? How will the defense respond after last week's beating?

Naturally, none of those are questions you submitted.

@cwoodfin: Do y'all think it's time to start rethinking the Muschamp thing if we lose two straight? #Panic

Absolutely. First of all, there's no "if" about it. Florida will lose to LSU on Saturday. And when Will Muschamp steps up to the mic after the game and says, "We got beat by a better team," again, reporters like us will be asking him how it feels to be sitting on the hot seat.

The Gator Nation doesn't deserve this. All the loyal fans that come to games early and don't leave

until the final whistle deserve a win every time. Every season should end with Muschamp holding up the crystal, especially his first as a head coach in the toughest conference in the nation.

We've already started the website. Tell your friends. FireCoach-Boom.com. #Sarcasm.

@AlligatorArmy: If the Gators had to turn to one lineman at quarterback (and don't rule it out!), who would be the best at it?

You always seem to hit us with the random, lighthearted questions that really make us think. This one falls into that category, and we appreciate it.

After some serious consideration, the Gators should turn to left tackle Xavier Nixon when they get absolutely decimated at quarterback.

Nixon is easily the most athletic of the team's linemen, and if it comes down to it, Florida is going to

need to turn to its best athlete to run the offense. In the offseason, Nixon dropped 55 pounds — and no one is quite sure why — but he regained it and is back to a svelte 292. Still, he has shown the ability to slim down if need be.

Imagine a 237-pound Nixon running Florida's offense. It would be glorious.

@anostro: After back-to-back blowout losses to far superior teams, will these guys pack it in? How likely is a 0-4 spurt?

While a 0-4 spurt isn't completely out of the question, it won't happen because the Gators packed it in. Muschamp and offensive coordinator Charlie Weis are serious motivators. They've also been around the block a few times. Responding to adversity is part of the job, and it's also part of the reason both of them have been successful at every stop along their coaching trail. Alabama,

LSU, and maybe even Auburn and Georgia, are better teams this year, and losing games to them is not an indictment of the Gators' toughness or mentality.

@PhilipGaryTalks: I asked for long passes and Weis answered. Now how about running backs Mike Gillislee and Mack Brown getting more play time?

Weis is obviously a man of the people (and an avid alligatorSports reader), but we don't think you'll be seeing too much of Gillislee and Brown this weekend. Weis loves Chris Rainey and Jeff Dumps — his "rug rats" — and they are Florida's best two weapons on offense, so don't expect the Gators to venture from the norm.

However, if you follow the logic of one of our writers, Florida should just start backups because the team doesn't have a chance in Death Valley. If that's the case, expect a lot of

Gillislee and Brown.

@gatorzgal24: (Chris Leak led Florida to a road win against an undefeated LSU team in 2003). Can lightning strike twice?

We know this is the easy answer, but no, it cannot.

Lightning never strikes twice, or so they say. This weekend in Death Valley will be no different. Whether Florida starts Jeff Driskel, Jacoby Brissett or even Tyler Murphy, as one of our columnist's contests the Gators should, the chances of Florida leaving Baton Rouge, La., with a win courtesy of a freshman quarterback like it did in 2003 are very slim.

Driskel and Brissett are likely to have bright futures in college. But the forecast for them this weekend is gloomy.

But don't expect lightning.

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Wenger takes blame for hit that injured Brantley

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one interception in 108 attempts this year.

LSU's pass protection has been a major reason why, as he has not had to force throws.

Lee has also received plenty of help from Tigers pass-catchers.

"It seems like he has a lot more confidence in his receivers this year," defensive back Jaylen Watkins said. "He's giving his guys a chance to make plays on the ball, throwing it up there for them."

Wenger apologizes to Brantley: Left guard Dan Wenger looked shaken up when asked Wednesday about John Brantley's injury. Toward the end of the second quarter Saturday, Wenger was overpowered by Alabama linebacker Courtney Upshaw, whose sack on Brantley led to the injury keeping him out this week.

"I apologized to him, and it's just one of those things where we have to come together, and he understands that it

wasn't intentional and that I feel terrible about it," Wenger said. "But you've just got to move on."

Stopping the run: Florida was gashed by Alabama last week for 226 rushing yards — as many yards on the ground as the Gators allowed in their previous four games combined. Muschamp said the defense did not do a good enough job reacting to Alabama's offensive linemen.

"It's about playing blocks," he said. "It's about understanding your job within each call and striking the guy across from you, keeping him off the second level, and we did not do a good job of that the other night."

Quinn said the problem was not necessarily coachable. Florida just needs to be tougher, something he said was not an issue prior to last week.

"They out-physicaled us in the game," he said.

"That's hard to accept and swallow, and that's what happened. We addressed it, and now we're moving forward."

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Gators left guard Dan Wenger (56) said he apologized to John Brantley for allowing the hit that injured Florida's senior quarterback during the second quarter of the Alabama game.

Brissett splitting reps in practice

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comes to arm strength.

"(He is) just being more comfortable and being more sure of himself and learning the plays and getting in a rhythm and setting his feet, making progressions, making throws and just being out there practicing," Hammond said of Brissett.

"(He is) just a poised quarterback."

While Brissett has shown improvements, all three quarterbacks have split repetitions in practice this week.

Weis and Muschamp won't decide on a starter until today or Friday, though it appears Driskel and Brissett are the favorites to see the field in Baton Rouge, La., this weekend.

Still, Brissett isn't likely to let Driskel earn the start easily.

"[Driskel] will have to prove to me every day, every year that he's going to be better than me for him to win that starting spot," Brissett said when he committed to Florida in February.

Regardless of which one plays, Florida's players and coaches seem comfortable with any of the team's three options executing the game plan in Death Valley.

"I feel a lot better now than I would have going in last week in the game," Weis said. "When John goes down you have to cut back with what you're doing. At least now ... you can devise a game plan around less-experienced guys rather than more-experienced guys."

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60-minute game filled with frustration, confusing schemes and thunderous hits against that defense, what's that going to do to his psyche long-term?

He didn't look all that comfortable against FAU, UAB and Kentucky, and appeared downright scared against Alabama.

And that was at home.

Now he's headed to Tiger Stadium, where an average of 92,533 fans have made LSU's first two home games nightmarish for opponents. And those were against Northwestern State and Kentucky. When Florida last visited Death Valley, in 2009, a stadium-record 93,129 helped LSU give UF all it could handle. Can Driskel organize the offense and call the signals

through that?

Florida's athletic department shelters all of its freshmen from media access, so I've never had an opportunity to speak to Driskel. Even if I had, it wouldn't have been nearly enough time to learn how he's likely to respond to adversity or handle himself in pressure situations.

But the fact of the matter is he's being asked to step into one of the most high-profile jobs in collegiate sports for the first time as his team travels to the stadium a 2007 ESPN.com survey of coaches said was the single toughest place to play. To expect success from any first-timer would be crazy.

So how can the Gators keep Driskel from folding?

The answer is simple: Don't give him the chance.

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