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GATORS LIMPING TO FINISH

Loss assures UF worst conference finish in 25 years

MATT WATTS
Alligator Staff Writer

COLUMBIA, S.C. — For the fifth time in six games, the Gators lost on Saturday. For the third time in four games, they have mistakes in pivotal situations to thank for the loss.

And Will Muschamp is tired of it.

"We've had three ballgames where we've had our opportunities," he said. "It comes back to turnovers (and) critical errors when you've got to make plays."

In Saturday's 17-12 loss, Florida turned the ball over on the second play of the game and again in the second quarter. The second giveaway, a Jeff Demps fumble, led to the Gamecocks' second touchdown of the game, extending their lead to 14-3.

Then, with the Gators down by just two in the fourth quarter, South Carolina quarterback Connor Shaw hit Ace Sanders on a 46-yard pass over cornerback Jaylen Watkins, setting up a field goal.

"You've got to make a play on the ball down the field when you're in a situation where it's a field-goal game," Muschamp said.

"We've got to execute in those situations, and that comes back on me. We've got to do a better job coaching, a better job in those critical downs and those critical situations."

With the loss to South Carolina (8-2, 6-2 Southeastern Conference), Florida (5-5, 3-5 SEC) finished its first season under Muschamp with a losing record in the SEC for the first time since divisions were created. It's the first time the Gators have finished under .500 in the conference since 1986.

Florida had an opportunity near the end to win the game, but the offense got the ball with just 42 seconds left to play at its own 11-yard line. South Carolina,

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Brett Le Blanc / Alligator Staff
Florida coach Will Muschamp was frustrated by the turnovers and mistakes in crucial moments during Saturday's loss to South Carolina.

Florida lacking killer instinct in dead season

COLUMBIA, S.C.

As has been hashed and rehashed across these pages during the past six weeks, Florida is bad.

It's really, really simple. Anybody who has watched even one of the Gators' last six games recognizes it.

But that obvious fact doesn't mean UF shouldn't be expected to find ways to win.

For all their struggles, the Gators could easily be 8-2.

Florida's losses to Auburn, Georgia and South Carolina were all one-score games in the fourth quarter.

But UF could never finish, an extremely common symptom among bad teams.

Against Auburn, Florida gave up 10 points, couldn't convert a fourth down and muffed a punt in the fourth quarter.

In the fourth against Georgia, Florida had 17 yards and let the Bulldogs run the final 5:32 off the clock on a single possession.

And most recently, against South Carolina, Florida couldn't close out an unexpectedly winnable game, failing to come up with a difference-making play as hopes of a .500 finish in the Southeastern Conference vanished.

"We had three opportunities to win games, and we didn't get it done," coach Will Muschamp said. "That comes back on my shoulders."

Maybe it does.

Muschamp could be taking the blame just for the sake of doing so, but to some extent it's on him to keep Florida's intensity level high throughout the

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More Occupy Gainesville protesters arrested this weekend

▶ TWENTY-THREE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED SATURDAY FOR TRESPASSING.

MORGAN WATKINS
and **MEREDITH RUTLAND**
Alligator Staff Writers

Police arrested 23 Occupy Gainesville protesters early Sat-

urday morning for trespassing at Bo Diddley Community Plaza after the park had closed, sending three of them to the Alachua County Jail and giving the others notices to appear in court.

Lt. Jorge Campos of the Gainesville Police Department, senior officer on the scene, said a group of Occupy protesters gathered on the plaza, which closed at



Baker

11:30 p.m.

Officers warned them they were violating a city ordinance between midnight and 12:30 a.m. and began arresting them after 1 a.m., he said.

Tommy Baker, a 25-year-old UF aerospace engineering alumnus, was among those taken to the Alachua County Jail. He said the protest was calm and without violence.

Baker said he and the other protesters huddled in the center of the plaza, sang "God Bless America" and waited to be arrested. He said he decided to be

arrested to make a point about his constitutional rights.

"We wanted to bring awareness to that fact that we can't protest in the plaza after 11:30, that our First Amendment rights end at a particular time," he said. "There is no time limit on that freedom."

Police issued 20 notices to ap-

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News Today

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Rise Up: Stories from Jamaica's Music Underground (Film)

Today, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Smathers Library 4th floor,
Latin American Collection
This film documents the world of music in Jamaica and explores a variety of sociocultural issues relating to poverty, violence and post-colonial corruption.

HEAL's Tie-Dye Extravaganza

Today, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Reitz Union Colonnade
HEAL will be hosting its Tie-Dye Fundraiser to support Gators March for Babies.

The Florida I Knew

Today, 6 p.m.
Pugh Hall
Reubin Askew became the first Florida governor to serve two consecutive four-year terms. He emerged as a progressive lawmaker, opposing racial segregation and supporting fair legislative representation for urban counties. Gov. Askew will be discussing some of the high points of his governorship and the importance of being civically engaged.

Graduate Christian Fellowship

Today, 7 p.m.
Reitz Union, Room 288
Come to the November large-group meeting. The group will be starting a new series called New Rules on Love, Sex and Dating. All grad students welcome.

Asian American Student Union's General Body Meeting: "A Design Apart"

Today, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Computer Science and Engineering Bldg., Room E220
The group will be discussing education disparities as it pertains to minorities. Cupcakes will be served.

La Cosecha (The Harvest)

Today, 7 p.m.
Civic Media Center, 433 S. Main St.
"The Harvest" is a documentary film about agricultural child labor in America. The film depicts children as young as 12 years old who work as many as 12 hours a day, six months a year, subject to hazardous conditions: heat exposure, pesticides, and dangerous work. The event is co-sponsored by Gainesville Industrial Workers of the World. \$3-5 suggested donation.

Alternative Spring Break Info Session

Today, 8 p.m.
UF Hillel

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UF Hillel is hosting an Alternative Spring Break Trip information session. Three trips during Spring Break 2012 to El Salvador, Jamaica and Israel will be discussed.

Arabic Culture: Enrichment through International Education

Tuesday, 9:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Smathers Library, Room 1A
The day's schedule is at www.uflib.ufl.edu/pio/IEW2011schedule.pdf

GIS Day @ UF

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:55 p.m.
Smathers Library, Room 1A
An all-day event to showcase the use of geographic information systems to the academic community and the public. Schedule at uflib.ufl.edu/gisday. Co-sponsored by Innovation through Institutional Integration.

"Mulan" film showing

Thursday, 12:45 p.m.
Library West, Room 212
The 2009 live-action version of the famous Chinese legend with an introduction by Sean Macdonald, assistant professor of Chinese.

Collaborating with Strangers Workshop

Thursday, 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Find quick ways to make long-term connections. Visit uflib.ufl.edu/pio/CoLAB/home.html for details and registration.

The Transgender Day of Remembrance Vigil

Thursday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Reitz Union Amphitheater
A celebration and candle-light vigil remembering the lives of transgender people who were the victims of violence. Speakers from the community will also be present at the event.

HEAL's Fall Health Panel

Thursday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Pugh Hall
Get pre-health questions answered from students who have gone through the process and from those currently in the professional schools. Students from the following schools will be

present: medical, dental, pharmacy, nursing, physical therapy and physician assistant. The health panel is open to everyone. Refreshments will be served afterward.

What's HAPNAN? Arts & Sciences in the Digital Age

Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
UF Digital Worlds Institute REVE
LiveVibe TV kicks off Season 3 with "WHAT'S HAPNAN? Arts & Sciences in the Digital Age." A UF nanotechnology engineer uses video games to help recruit students for high-tech careers, the head of the Art school plays the Blues and P.K. Yonge Elementary School students demonstrate how music and audio engineering have changed their lives. Seats in the studio audience are limited and must be requested at RSVP@DigitalWorlds.ufl.edu. For more information, please visit www.LiveVibeTV.com.

A Celebration of Catalan and other Iberian Languages

Friday, 10 a.m. to noon
Library West, Room 211
Welcome and opening comments by Judith Russell, dean of university libraries. The Wealth and Importance of UF's Iberian Collection by Matt Loving, Romance Studies Assistant Librarian, and Elisabet Liminyana, UF Catalan Instructor, who will focus on Catalan studies and the recent gifts to the Catalan/Basque collections. Catalan students will read excerpts from selected gift acquisitions.

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ON CAMPUS

SG hosts Disability Awareness Week

RYAN PALERMO

Alligator Contributing Writer

Disability Awareness Week, hosted by Student Government, began Friday. But Meredith Raymond, director of the Disability Affairs cabinet, said she hopes the entire week will foster an awareness of people apart from their disabilities.

The week, which Raymond said is the first of its kind at UF, will consist of five events aimed to shed light on a wide spectrum of disabilities.

On Tuesday at 8 p.m., SG and Reitz Union Board Entertainment will present "Temple Grandin," a biopic about an autistic woman who advocated for humane livestock handling, which will be shown at the Reitz Union Auditorium. Free ice cream will be served at the event.

On Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Disability Awareness Fair will host several organizations affiliated with the disability community at the Reitz Union Colonnade.

Dinner with Disabilities, catered by Kay Bros. BBQ, will aim to simulate what it's like for physically disabled individuals to eat meals. Dinner with Disabilities will take place Thursday at 7 p.m. in Ustler Hall.

To close the week of festivities, Not Just Ramps, a theatrical performance group that promotes awareness of disabilities, will perform Friday in Reitz Union Room 282 at 8 p.m.

"The purpose of Disability Awareness Week is to inspire students to look beyond the title of 'disability,'" she said. "People aren't defined by their disability," Raymond said.

Gamers keep playing despite power outage

MARIA GALINDO

Alligator Contributing Writer

Not even a power outage could stop gamers from participating in National Gaming Day @ Library West on Saturday.

They were still using wingless birds to seek vengeance against pigs in the popular puzzle video game "Angry Birds" at around 2:30 p.m., shortly after power went out in a few areas on campus.

"We'll be playing until my laptop battery runs out," said Keivan Zolfaghari, 20, a UF Google student ambassador, as he demonstrated how to play "Angry Birds" in Google Chrome.

However, Zolfaghari and all Library

West patrons were cleared from the building shortly before 3 p.m. per the library's emergency and disaster procedures.

"We'll be playing until my laptop battery runs out."

Keivan Zolfaghari

UF Google student ambassador

The "Angry Birds" flash mob was part of the first-ever UF celebration of National Gaming Day, an initiative of the American Library Association.

"This is an effort for the libraries to reach out to their constituents," said David Schwieder, event supervisor and political science librarian. "We're trying to reach people with an event people

would enjoy."

The event featured game demonstrations by Zolfaghari and local video game developing company Puppy Punch Productions.

About 20 visitors played video games such as Punch Productions' Chicken Coup Remix HD. Board game classics such as Apples to Apples and Monopoly were also available for use.

Aron Lewis, Puppy Punch Productions public relations representative, said these events are beneficial because they help promote gaming, which can be used as an educational tool.

"Gaming is a different way to experience the world," Lewis said. "It's a lot more interactive and requires player feedback."

.. THIS WEEK in GAINESVILLE ..

Nov. 20, 1973: Sales of Gatorade give UF \$115,296 in royalties in the first year of a royalty agreement. Dr. James Robert Cade and his team developed the sports drink at UF in September 1965.

Nov. 17, 1988: Sigma Nu Fraternity President Chuck Castellon and pledge trainer Dan Lintz will be forced to testify under oath about an alleged catnapping that occurred in October. Twenty members of the fraternity are accused of stealing a former little sister's cat, but the fraternity refuses to tell Gainesville police the names of those involved.

Nov. 18, 1994: Anthony Edmonds, an employee at the Taco Bell in the Hub, is given a trespassing warning by UPD for walking over to the Reitz Union for a cup of coffee. Edmonds works at Taco Bell through a work-release program at Santa Fe Community Correctional Center and is not allowed to leave the restaurant during his shifts. He was jailed in 1989 for robbery with a deadly weapon.

Nov. 18, 1997: U.S. Supreme Court refuses to hear Gainesville serial killer Danny Rolling's federal appeal. Rolling pleaded guilty to killing five Gainesville college students in August 1990.

Nov. 16, 2006: More than 900 copies of the "F Book" are sold. The tradition book, which is sold for \$8.95 at the UF Bookstore, is published for the first time since 1960, when the Office of Student Affairs stopped publishing it.

- MINA RADMAN

InsideUF

Your campus news source

UF celebrates global connections

The University of Florida International Center is marking its 20th anniversary and International Education Week today through Friday with many activities.

International Education Week is intended to remind students, faculty, staff and the community at large about the importance of becoming globally engaged.

"The International Center's very existence sends a clear message to the world that UF is, indeed, an international player with respect to learning, knowledge creation, and outreach – all of which are at the heart of a great university in this period of history. A world-class institution has no other choice," Dean David Sammons said.

With more than 5,000 international stu-



This photo titled 'Lake Titicaca' by student Lauren Van Cavage was shot in Puno, Peru, and won first place among study abroad students in the 8th Annual Global Culture Photo Competition.

dents from more than 100 countries, nearly 2,000 international scholars and faculty on campus, and more than 2,000 students who study abroad in more than 50 countries, UF is a proud promoter of international education, scholarship, and understanding.

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Activities include:

- **Global Photo Competition Reception** – 3 p.m. today, Grinter Hall Gallery.
- **International Educator of the Year Award Ceremony** – A recognition of faculty and staff who have gone above and beyond in their efforts to bring a global perspective to campus. 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Keene Faculty Center.
- **Art Across the Globe: 5 Objects/ 5 Continents** – Contemporary Art Curator Kerry Oliver-Smith will provide a sweeping tour around the globe. 4 p.m. Tuesday, Harn Museum of Art.
- **Study abroad fair** – A study abroad and Peace Corps mini-fair will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Thursday in the Hub lobby.

For a complete list of IEW activities, see http://www.ufic.ufl.edu/pd/IEW/uficiew_2011.html

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GIS use spotlighted

Smathers Library will host an all-day event Wednesday to showcase the use of geographic information systems, known as GIS, to the academic community and the public. The day will include speakers, posters, exhibits, demonstrations and cake.

Participants will demonstrate how GIS is being used in research and in practical applications to improve the community and to provide a forum where the local companies, organizations, agencies and UF departments that use GIS can share their work.

The event will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 4:55 p.m. in Smathers Library Room 1A. It's co-sponsored by Innovation Through Institutional Integration.

'Requiem' performed

The Munich Symphony Orchestra will be joined by principal guest conductor Philippe Entremont and the Gloriam Dei Cantores Choir for a performance of Mozart's "Requiem in D Minor" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Phillips Center for Performing Arts.

Left unfinished when the composer died in 1791, it remains unclear how much of the "Requiem" was written by Mozart, and how much was written by someone else.

Visit www.performingarts.ufl.edu for more information.

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UF Calendar of Events

For a listing of events, or to submit an event to the calendar, click "UF Calendar" at www.insideuf.ufl.edu.

Candidate wants to improve public safety, fiscal responsibility

MEREDITH RUTLAND

Alligator Staff Writer

Nathan Skop knows how hard it is to park in Gainesville — especially downtown.

“We give [shoppers] every excuse not to come downtown,” he said.

To help the city fix this and other issues, he’s running for the At-Large 1 seat of the Gainesville City Commission. He signed up as a candidate Oct. 31.

He’s one of six candidates. He is the seventh to join the At-Large 1 race, but candidate Harold Saive withdrew Nov. 2.

Skop, a 44-year-old lawyer, said he’s heard from resident after resident who have told him they’re unhappy with the current commission. He said he wants to bring an alternative mindset to City Hall.

His main concerns if elected will be fiscal responsibility, openness in government and a focus on public safety, he said.

He said he wants to extend public comment at commission meetings and said he doesn’t believe all of the current commissioners listen to their constituents.

“I find it reprehensible to limit public comment,” he said. “It seems to represent a form of censorship.”

Skop said he disagrees with the city’s contract with a biomass plant, which was approved by the

city in 2009, calling it a fiscally irresponsible deal for city residents. He’s had experience with several facets of alternative energy, including wind, solar and nuclear power, but he said this project doesn’t make financial sense.

“When you ignore the economics in the zeal to be green, bad things happen,” he said.

And he said he’d be in favor of removing parking meters from University Avenue and downtown in order to create more free parking spaces.

He said it could give residents an incentive to go to downtown businesses to spend money and grow the local economy.

“We give [shoppers] every excuse not to come downtown.”

Nathan Skop

City Commission candidate

Born in Charlotte, N.C., he moved to Sanford when he was about six months old.

He moved to Gainesville to earn his B.S. in aerospace engineering from UF and graduated in 1991. He earned an MBA from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1996.

He moved to Groton, Conn., to help build nuclear submarines for the U.S. Navy.

He then moved to Seattle and Palm Beach Gardens before coming back to Gainesville in 2003.

Skop graduated from the UF Levin College of Law in 2006 and works for a private law practice.

He was appointed by former Gov. Charlie Christ to serve on the Florida Public Service Commission for four years. His term ended Jan. 1.

During that time, he said, he fought against two large increases in utility companies’ rates, which would have raised customers’ utility bills, that he believed were unjustified.

He said he believes that’s the reason he isn’t there today.

“I think we know what happens in Tallahassee when you have a chance to stand up to a very powerful company,” he said.

He said he’ll draw on his experience and education in engineering, business and law to make informed decisions.

He said he’d be in favor of streamlining the process to set up a business in the city. The paperwork for land development is especially daunting.

“Some of the members of the community have described that document as being thicker than the King James Bible,” he said.

But most of all, he said, he wants to help the city make decisions that make good business sense.

“If we were more diligent in managing our limited resources,” he said, “we would be able to deliver on our promises.”



Alex Catalano / Alligator

Nathan Skop is primarily concerned with fiscal responsibility, openness in government and a focus on public safety.

Thai students host dinner to raise money for flood victims

▶ ABOUT 200 ATTENDED AND MADE DONATIONS.

KATHERINE GREENE

Alligator Contributing Writer

Before she left her home, Parinee Mitchell lugged all of her furniture to the second story of her house and wrapped her car in a plastic tarp, being careful to seal each open edge. Then she said her final goodbyes to her possessions, hoping it wasn’t the last time she would see them.

Mitchell, 33, left Bangkok last week when the area she lived in was evacuated and came to stay with her sister in Gainesville.

She was one of about 200 who attended the UF4Thai Flood Relief dinner that the UF Thai Student Association hosted Saturday evening. The fundraiser was held at First Lutheran Church, 1801 NW Fifth Ave., to raise money for the Red Cross in Thailand to benefit victims of the worst flooding the country has seen in five decades.

Apisadaporn Thambundit, 28, a fourth-year medical student and member of the Thai Student Association, created the fundraiser with help from other members of the organization.

“A lot of the Thai students here in Gainesville have been directly affected by the flood in Thailand, whether it is their own homes being flooded almost to the roof or knowing relatives who have had to

evacuate, or friends,” Thambundit said.

Featuring traditional Thai food, performances, games and entertainment, the event was organized completely through volunteer work.

With a \$9 donation ahead of time or a \$10 donation at the door, guests received coupons that could be used toward food and drinks or games and entertainment. Thambundit said she wasn’t sure how much the group raised at the event.

There were Thai dancers, Muay Thai kickboxers and games like “Smash an M&M,” which allowed players three chances to use a rubber spatula to smash the chocolate-coated candy as it flew off a cardboard ramp.

While the mood at the event was playful and light, the conversation that rippled through the tables of guests eating was a reminder of the cause behind the entertainment and ethnic food.

Ben Vongvanij, 24, an architecture junior and member of the Thai Student Association, said the damage of this year’s flood is devastating.

“They compare this to the tsunami in Japan, but the damage is more,” Vongvanij said. “Because people have more time to evacuate there will be less deaths, but there will still be more damage. It’s give or take. We have time to prepare, but it is difficult to recover from.”

The club will continue to raise funds. Although no other events are planned at this time, Thambundit said donations are always welcome.

PHILANTHROPY

Runners race to finish line to promote healthy lifestyles

DAVID WILLIAMS

Alligator Contributing Writer

More than 250 people got up early Saturday morning and went for a run in an effort to be more healthy.

The Tom Walker Memorial Half Marathon at the Gainesville-Hawthorne State Trail, organized by the Florida Track Club, was a way for the organization to help people develop an interest in running and promote a healthy lifestyle, said Mark Ou, the race coordinator for the Florida Track Club.

“Seeing people finish the race with excitement is more rewarding than any race I’ve ever finished,” Ou said. “Seeing them enjoying running that much just blows me away.”

The trail caters to runners of all strengths, offering a route that allows for the ease of a road race with all the benefits of a trail race, he said.

The event itself is organized to be accessible for even the newest of runners.

Ou said the Florida Track Club strives for a professional experience, sometimes forfeiting funds.

“It’s never been our intention to profit off of races,” he said.

This year, the club made a point of providing its runners with a more complete race by partnering with Milestone Race Authority, a company which, according to its website, offers the newest technology in timing to “enhance the race-day experience.”

Milestone Race Authority uses a timing system developed by Innova-

tive Timing Systems called Jaguar. The system can measure times to one-thousandth of a second at speeds up to 180 mph.

“The bane of most races is that you finish early, and then you have to wait around for an hour or two for the results and rewards,” said Jim Shields, a Milestone Race Authority supervisor at the Tom Walker Memorial Half Marathon. “In the end now, we’re going to get fast times with extremely fast results.”

Ou said the new time keeping system increased the operational costs of the race, but it was worth the cost to better the runners’ experience.

“It’s never been our intention to profit off of races.”

Mark Ou

race coordinator for the Florida Track Club

Vivek Iyer, a biological chemistry senior, said the race-day environment helped him feel more comfortable with running his first half marathon.

While some runners prefer cold temperatures like those on Saturday, he said the weather added to the difficulty of the race, because training took place in warm-weather conditions.

“Around mile 10, my legs started to shake, and all I could think about was taking one more step,” Iyer said. “The encouragement of my friends and those around definitely kept me going.”

The winner was Samuel Palmer, 23, from Oviedo, who finished the race in about an hour and 16 minutes.

Study shows that cellphones carry bacteria found in feces

JAVIER PEÑA
Alligator Contributing Writer

History junior Liz McNeill uses her MacBook and BlackBerry to check emails and to send about 30 text messages every day.

She also wipes her laptop's keyboard every two weeks with baby wipes.

"I'm actually, like, a clean freak," she said.

Keeping It Kleen, a public awareness campaign that educates the public on food safety and hygiene, posted an online infographic Wednesday stating that 16 percent of all cellphones contain feces, which harbors the E.coli bacteria.

"That is disgusting," said McNeill, 20.

The information was based on a study conducted by researchers in England that focused on 390 samples of volunteers' cellphones, according to an Oct. 14 USA Today article.

Jorge A. Girón, associate professor in the department of molecular genetics and microbiology at UF, said it's not surprising to find out that E. coli exists on cellphones. Girón said the bacteria can be found on door knobs, handrails and even elevator buttons.

"Everything we touch has feces," he said.

Girón blames this on the lack of good hygiene practices among the general public.

"It tells us that people aren't washing their hands," he said.

Despite these statistics, Girón said the strands of E. coli that exist on phones and other surfaces are harmless. Other strands of E. coli, on the other hand, can mutate and cause disease when ingested with tainted food.

According to the Keeping It Kleen website, people can clean their phones by using Clorox wipes, rubbing alcohol with soft tissue and using household sanitizing wipes.



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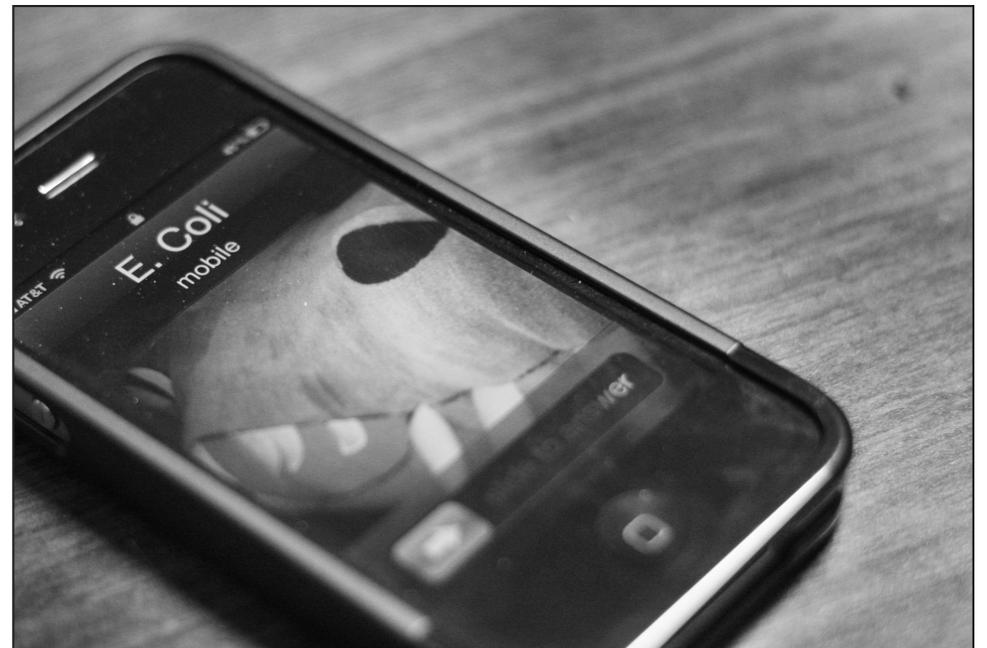
Girón said the most basic solution is for people to practice good hygiene by washing their hands after going to the bathroom.

Classical studies sophomore Theos Rizos, 19, said he is aware of the bacteria around him but admitted he wouldn't change his daily routine.

"I'm not too concerned," he said. "I have a pretty good immune system."

Referring to her BlackBerry, McNeill said she doesn't plan on changing how much she uses it.

"I would probably sanitize it more," she said.



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A study conducted by researchers in England found that 16 percent of cellphones have feces on their surfaces, which harbor the E.coli bacteria.

STUDENT LIFE

Campus Starbucks mistakenly charge visitors for cups of water

MINA RADMAN
Alligator Writer

Alexandra Kramer ordered a skinny vanilla latte, a slice of lemon loaf and a cup of water at the Starbucks in Library West on Monday.

To her surprise, she was charged 45 cents for the cup of water.

She hadn't been charged for water before.

A Starbucks employee told the 20-year-old public relations junior the charge was recently implemented because the cups used were not recyclable, Kramer said.

The Starbucks at the Hub also charged for water last week.

Jill Rodriguez, the marketing program manager for Gator Dining Services, wrote in an email, "A mistake was made at the

Hub when charging the customer for water, and we have since corrected this."

Rodriguez declined to say who made the mistake or for how long customers had been charged for water.

"I'm sure they were receiving a lot of complaints from students."

Alexandra Kramer
public relations junior

She did not say if any other campus locations aside from Library West and the Hub had charged for water.

Kramer, however, said she was glad Starbucks on campus eliminated the charge.

"Starbucks is already pricey," Kramer said. "I'm sure they were receiving a lot of complaints from students."

Group planned to violate city ordinance, get arrested

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pear in court to protesters who complied with the condition that they were to stop trespassing after receiving the notices.

Campos said three were arrested and taken to the Alachua County Jail: Thomas "Tommy" John Baker, who told officers he intended to "join his fellow protesters" and trespass again if he was issued a notice; Ahren B. Tsacrios, who was charged with resisting arrest without violence after he made his body limp and officers carried him out of the plaza; and Annette Gilley, who had already received two notices to appear in the past for violating the ordinance.

Baker said his statement didn't necessarily mean he was going to go back

on the plaza immediately, but he said he didn't fight the officer's decision to take him to jail because he was planning to go back on the plaza at some point.

"I was eventually going to go back into the plaza with the rest of the group, so I let that be," Baker said.

The protesters were part of an organized group that planned not to comply with the ordinance, Campos said.

"[The protesters] corralled themselves inside. They pushed signs up around them. Every time that we would go in to arrest one, they would chant and yell and scream," he said. "It was a staged, planned event."

Campos said other Occupy protesters were on the sidewalks surrounding the plaza, abiding by the law.

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Editorial

Child's Play Zero tolerance goes too far

In Palm Bay, Nick Martinez recently found out by being suspended that his school, Southwest Middle, does not tolerate public displays of affection.

His crime? The 14-year-old was caught hugging his female friend.

He wasn't touching her inappropriately, and he wasn't forcing himself upon her. Even the principal who spotted the "incident" told reporters the hug was innocent.

But according to school district spokeswoman Christine Davis, the middle school "must be protective of the students."

From what exactly is this school district protecting its students? Normal human affection?

Zero-tolerance policies, especially those related to sexual harassment and public displays of affection, have crossed a line in recent years.

In 2006, a 5-year-old boy was cited for sexually harassing a female student after he pinched her buttocks in the hallway of his Hagerstown, Md., elementary school.

From 2005 to 2006, 28 kindergarten students in Maryland were suspended for sexual harassment and other related offenses.

Children at this age are afraid of the opposite sex because of "cooties," so most of these "citations" cannot truly be warranted. Do these schools really believe that each of these children intended to perform a sexual act on another student?

Or is it simply that 5-year-olds don't know anything about sex or sexual harassment and do things adults would never do to each other? Children pick each others' noses, for instance.

Punishing students for these incidents might be trying, in some weird way, to teach kids lessons about sexual harassment, but can we really expect children this age to know what they're doing wrong? Chances are the students become more confused about sexual behavior after these incidents, forcing parents to have extremely difficult and awkward conversations.

These incidents also appear on the school records of students, which could have consequences for getting into advanced classes or programs.

Ted Feinberg, assistant director of the National Association of School Psychologists, told ABC News in response to a 2008 incident that these cases constitute "a gross mislabeling of the [children's] behavior and an overreaction" on the part of school officials.

Children should be treated like children, not like teenagers or adults. Sexual harassment is a problem, but not for kids who haven't hit puberty yet.

Little boys will always pick on little girls and little girls will pick on little boys. When they accidentally touch a "no-no" part, they don't know any better.

Schools should focus on teaching kids reading, writing and arithmetic, not preventing them from giving friendly hugs.

Reader response

Today's question: Did you get charged for a cup of water at the Starbucks on campus last week?

Thursday's question: Have you ever been a victim of sexual harassment?

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Column

Planning for retirement should start now

After talking to people in my classes, I find that few know very much about something called a 401(k). How we use it will determine who among us are millionaires at retirement and who will live in poverty. Our grandparents got pensions and worked for the same employer for 30 years. We will be given the option to use one of the most powerful financial tools ever created for retirement, but some will succeed wildly and some will fail miserably. When you go out and get a job after graduation, funding a 401(k) should be near the top of your priority list.

A traditional 401(k) is a special account for retirement. Almost anyone who has a job will have one, especially people with the kinds of jobs that college grads go into. Money you put into this account is tax free, and grows tax free until you retire when withdrawals are taxed. Most employers will also offer a match for each dollar you put in the account. A typical number is a 4-percent match. This means that if you enroll in your company's 401(k), you will receive \$1 for every \$1 you put into the account for up to 4 percent of your pay.

This is free money! It's unbelievable that anyone chooses not to do this. By signing up for your 401(k), you are saving 8 percent of your pay while only chipping in 4 percent. This is all tax-free, so it actually costs even less after taxes.

To illustrate my point, let's assume that we have two Gator engineering graduates, Jorge and Joe, who both get a job with Boeing upon receiving their degrees. Let's assume that both make \$100,000 per year for 40 years (just to make the calculation simple). Jorge is smart with his money and contributes \$4,000 per year from his paycheck to his 401(k). Boeing matches it with another \$4,000, so his total savings is \$8,000 per year. Let's also assume that he puts 60 percent in a Total Stock Market Index Fund and 40 percent into a Total Bond Market Index Fund and gets a rate of return of 8 percent a year.

Because he's investing in his 401(k), this return is tax-



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free. Joe is very intelligent, but unfortunately, those book smarts don't extend to personal finance. He doesn't have time to think about retirement so he opts out of Boeing's 401(k). To build savings, he decides to put away \$4,000 in his bank account in a 3-percent CD, but after taxes, he finds out that he is only able to save about \$3,000 per year, and that since interest is taxed he only gets a 2-percent yield. After 40 years, Jorge has a balance of \$2.25 million, and Joe has a balance of \$187,000. That's a huge difference.

Most people our age forget about retirement until they're in their 40s and then realize they have to save half their income to not work into their seventies. If Joe decides to start contributing to that 401(k) getting 8 percent per year with 20 years until retirement, he would have to save a total of \$45,000 per year just to end up with the same balance as Jorge. What do you think will be easier over time: contributing \$8,000 per year to your retirement over your career or \$45,000 per year when your family needs money for college, housing and automobiles?

So the moral of the story is to start saving for retirement early through your employer's 401(k). Every dollar you invest for your retirement now is worth at least four times what a dollar invested in your 40s will be. During your orientation, have an energy drink and force yourself to go to the human resources department and make sure you are signed up for your 401(k). You want to ask them to deduct enough from your paycheck so that you can get 100 percent of the employer match. You won't miss the money, and it will make the difference between retiring at 60 and retiring six feet under.

Travis Hornsby is a statistics and economics senior at UF. His column appears on Mondays.

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

Letters to the Editor

Gadhafi column misguided

I would like to thank the Alligator as well as the authors of "Obama is No Better Than Che Guevara" for providing one of the best "fake news" articles this side of the Onion. Their send-up of the intellectual inconsistency and naïveté of the extreme left was nothing short of sidesplitting. I mean, how could anyone read an article defending mass-murdering tyrant Muammar Gadhafi as a leftist hero and not indulge in a hearty chuckle?

One of the highlights of the article was calling the Libyan rebels fighting a bloodthirsty, fascist regime "bloodthirsty fascists." I laughed even harder when they implied that President Obama bore direct responsibility for everything the rebels had ever done.

I was nearly in tears when they blamed Obama for civilian casualties in Sirte, Libya, sight of one of the war's grisliest battles. Haha! Of course Obama can control every facet of life in a war zone in which there are no American ground troops and the U.S. role was mostly refueling British and French planes.

But perhaps the coup de grâce was their solemn disappointment in the lack of due process or proper burial for that hero of democracy, Col. Gadhafi, a man who oppressed, tortured and murdered his own people for more than forty years.

So thank you again, Alligator, and please keep articles like these coming, because no one could actually have a worldview so insanely detached from reality and so lacking in nuance or even basic common sense to actually think this way.

I hope the Lockerbie bombing victims, wherever they are, are able to watch Col. Gadhafi roast in hell.

Geoff Puryear

Political science graduate student

Guest column

People should combat public displays of affection

This past Tuesday, I witnessed a couple on a Route 36 bus "first-basing it" while a guy sitting across from them stared intently, jostling his naughty bits.

Now, I'd expect this sort of behavior on the 35 (passing by ShandsCair does things to people), but it seems our town's more prurient residents have taken a turn for the nasty, and it is making me feel uncomfortable. But fear not: There is a solution!

We need to redefine awkwardness as a competition. This means if someone does something awkward around us, we should do something equally awkward back at him or her.

If you see a couple all up on

each other out in public, shout stuff like, "Someone's getting laid tonight," or, if said couple is hot, "I'm so jealous of you guys!"

If the couple is ugly, just vomit next to them. People should not bump uglies in public — especially not the ugly. If a couple gets "handsy" on a bus, do what the man I mentioned earlier did. That's my go-to strategy for combating excessive PDA. At least audibly note their public philandering — that's not as rude as their use of public transit for foreplay.

Doing this sort of thing may make you feel awkward. Ignore that feeling. Get offended! A risqué public is a risky public. No one should make us feel awkward without our consent. Remain-

C.R. Skambis
Speaking Out

ing silent does just that.

Do not misapply this reasoning to rape. It is not the same thing. Making people feel awkward is almost always the expected result from silence. Sex should not be.

The goal is to hold a mirror up to the people being awkward and make them feel the way the rest of us feel. If your reactions to their behavior make them uncomfortable, they shouldn't be doing it in public.

Studies about American civil rights movements always demonstrate one universal truth about maintaining norms: Intolerance works. Homosexual and

interracial couples were harassed for kissing in public in the '60s — and, awfulness aside, it worked: Homosexuals and interracial couples didn't kiss in public.

Though intolerant tactics have been used for oppressive and hateful purposes, the tactics themselves are not inherently evil. By being intolerant of racism — the firing of Don Imus, for example — society has shoved it underground.

If we aren't locking up those who don't love lock-down in public, we should at least show them just how awkward they make us feel.

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UWire

Slang words cheapen value of English language

When did Vinny and Pauly D replace Webster and Roget? Popular words and phrases change from decade to decade and generation to generation. In recent years, however, our generation has contributed to the degradation of the English language. There is a growing push for more Americans to become bilingual, but how can we be expected to do that when we can barely master spoken English?

Instead of expanding our vocabularies and aiming for eloquence, our verbal skills are focused on being hip. We may no longer use "sit on it," "necking" or "daddy-o," but terms that have arisen in the past few years make the script of "Clueless" sound like Thoreau.

Bro, broski or brah: If we cross paths out on the town and I do not know you, this is not an acceptable form of introduction; this rule also applies to dude or chief. When I go to Hy-Vee [a local grocery store] and ask for help, I expect to find a helpful smile in every aisle, not somebody directing me where to go followed by the word "dawg,"

Darrin Cline
UWire

Face palm, fail, epic fail: Perhaps the slang for which I have the most personal

contempt, this collection of terms has become so ubiquitous among young adults, outsiders would think all we do is fail.

TXI speak: It is acceptable on Facebook, Twitter and in a text message, not during a conversation. A prime example of our current level of laziness, speaking in text abbreviations is an insult to the expanse that is the English language. Is it that much harder to use the full words instead of LOL, IDK or TTYL?

Like, um, like: The epitome of squalid verbal talent. Not "like" in the sense of a Facebook status, but like in the sense of every other word of an unprepared class presentation where like, every, like, other word, like, comes out minced between likes. Everybody hears it, everybody hates it, yet no one makes an effort to stop it.

Words evolve and grow so that we may better ourselves, not so we can relegate them.

Unfortunately, our vernacular is a representation of the time. In 2011, Merriam-Webster added "bromance" and "tweet" to their official collection, along with the pop-culture definition of a "cougar."

While many remember dictionaries as a reference for expanding vocabularies, dictionaries' basis for inclusion is usage. Thus, the eroding quality and simplicity of commonly used words have forced the utmost authorities in language to select these putrid terms.

The president of Webster's even called "fist bump" the "champion of the group." This coming from the company that previously honored respectable terms such as admonish and insipid among its words of the year.

Slang terms come and go. Some terms are inescapable, and it is difficult to not let a few slip. However, though they may be popular, that does not mean they are fashionable. Take pride in eloquence and use originality in speech.

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A group of women participating in the NRA Women on Target Instructional Shooting Clinic aim toward a moving clay disk at the Gator Skeet and Trap Club.

Students take top spots in programming competition

CARTER LYLES
Alligator Contributing Writer

UF students placed first and second among more than 200 U.S. teams and 13th and 14th in the world in a recent international programming competition.

Nine teams of UF students competed in the international IEEEXtreme 5.0 24-hour programming competition this year, which was held Oct. 21 and Oct. 22. Results were announced Nov. 7.

Hosted by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, the fifth-annual competition challenged teams to correctly code 13 programming problems released throughout a 24-hour period.

To moderate the competition, the IEEE employed proctors such as Jeff Caldwell, a 22-year-old electrical engineering master's student, and the IEEE UF student chapter president.

The competition featured 1,515 inter-

national teams with 227 teams from the U.S. Five of the nine teams of UF students placed in the top 100 teams overall.

"I took some breaks, but I didn't sleep the whole time."

Matt Thompson
UF sophomore

CutieMarkCrusaders, composed of Jason Fisher, Joe Thuemler and Cheran Wu, all of the UF programming team, took first place in the U.S. and 13th in the world. MILatUF, composed of Matt Thompson, Forrest Voight and Will Rolke, all members of Gator Robotics, placed second in the U.S. and 14th in the world.

"I took some breaks, but I didn't sleep the whole time," said Thompson, a 19-year-old computer science engineering sophomore and MILatUF team leader. "It's a great way to put all the normal school stuff aside and just tackle interesting problems."

No bird on the table at vegetarian Thanksgiving potluck event

ASHLEY HEMMY
Alligator Contributing Writer

About 30 students, activists and community members crowded around a table Saturday night to give thanks for a Thanksgiving meal.

The turkey wasn't invited.

It was Schmanksgiving, a vegan and vegetarian potluck event that presented an alternative to Thanksgiving which was held at the Civic Media Center and co-sponsored by the Student Animal Alliance.

"Thanksgiving doesn't always have to be about turkey," said Emily Spar, 28, the 'zine intern at the Civic Media Center and the creator of Schmanksgiving.

Even though she isn't a vegetarian, Spar said she believes in a diet that isn't entirely focused on

meat.

"The point is to bring the vegetarian and vegan community together," she said.

For a \$5 donation, guests could indulge in dishes including a three-bean salad, sesame eggplant and chocolate tofu pies.

Zia Terhune heard about the event through Florida Vegans for Peace, a social networking website.

"This is wonderful," said Terhune, 68, who has been a vegan for 12 years. "There aren't many vegetarian restaurants in Gainesville."

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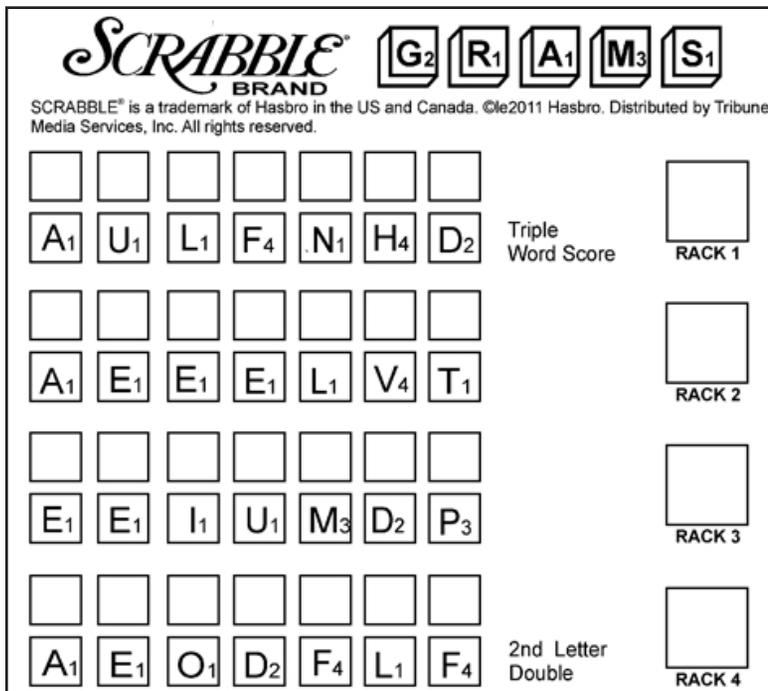
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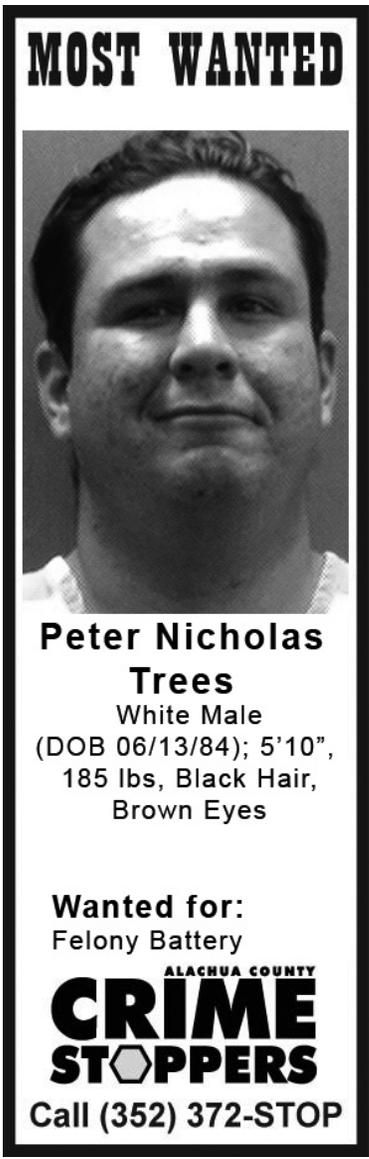
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by Chris Richcreek

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- Name the last player before Detroit's Jahvid Best in 2010 to score his team's first five TDs in a season.
- Who has had more Final Four men's basketball appearances — North Carolina or UCLA?
- In the 1980-81 season, the New York Islanders' Mike Bossy became the second player in NHL history to tally 50 goals in the first 50 games of the season. Who was the first?
- In 2011, David Toms tied a PGA record for lowest score after two rounds (124). Whose mark did he tie?
- In what year did the U.S. win its first men's Olympic Alpine skiing medals?

Answers

- Eleven.
- Davey Johnson went from five home runs for Baltimore in 1972 to 43 for Atlanta in 1973 — a gain of 38.
- Dutch Sternaman of the Decatur Staleys (later the Chicago Bears) did it in 1920.
- They are tied with 18 appearances apiece.
- Montreal's Maurice Richard did it in the 1944-45 season.
- Pat Perez did it in 2009.
- In 1964, Billy Kidd won a silver medal and James Heuga a bronze.

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6 NRA part
11 La-la lead-in
14 Madison Square Garden, e.g.
15 How some losses are shown
16 French water
17 Big corporations, lawsuit-wise
19 Sprint alternative
20 Alan of "M*A*S*H"
21 Retriever restraint
22 Folk music's Kingston ___
23 Divining implement
25 Native blanket makers
27 Godiva choice
32 Sch. in the smallest state
33 Bull: Pref.
34 Petite pastries
37 Money maker
39 More factual
42 Hop, ___ and jump
43 Lox holder
45 Hollywood Walk of Fame feature
47 Campus URL ender
48 Anonymous fan
52 Shapewear fabric
54 Quaint stopover
55 Sir ___ Belch of "Twelfth Night"
56 Lavish celebrations
59 Bangkok tongue
63 Play for a sap
64 "For your ears only" ... and a hint to first words of 17-, 27- and 48-Across
66 V.P. Biden's state
67 March march VIP
68 U or I, e.g.
69 Armani competitor, initially
70 Flashy tank fish
71 Part of a college application

DOWN
1 Nothin'
2 Baseball's Hersher
3 Ready for kickoff
4 Out of gear, as a car
5 Hammock snooze
6 Paddy product
7 Durante song title word
8 City ESE of San Francisco
9 Murderous
10 Newspaper VIPs
11 Two-hanky film
12 Betting odds, e.g.
13 Traffic jam components
18 Passé
22 Breezy bye-byes
24 Leaf-peeping mo.
26 Winery container
27 Idiomatic
28 "La Traviata" number
29 Sounds familiar
30 Pronoun for you and me
31 Sicilian pizza has a thick one
35 Ocean phenomenon

36 Cowpoke's prod
38 ltsy-bitsy
40 Expected coming-in hr.
41 Red root veggie
44 HDTV feature, often
46 LBJ follower
49 Prove wrong
50 Not subject to taxes
51 Paired up
52 Hit the books
53 Prepares to be photographed
57 Old Russian despot
58 Bluesy James
60 "___ it going?"
61 Word with dining or picnic
62 Lazy way to sit by
64 Hrs. in Phoenix, Arizona
65 Eden's second resident

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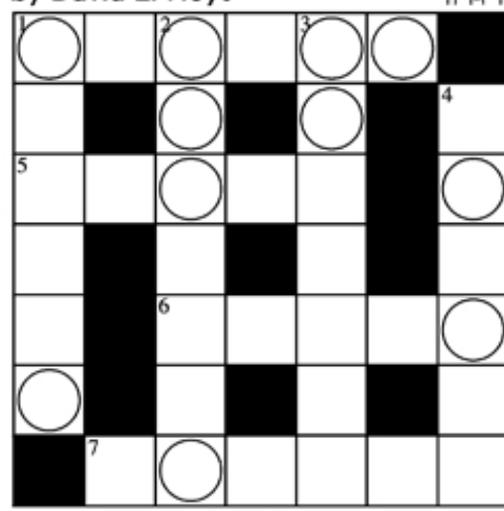
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Annis leads Florida to first-round victory in NCAA tournament



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Florida midfielder Tahnai Annis scored two goals on Saturday to lead the team to a 3-0 victory against Florida Gulf Coast in the first round of the NCAA tournament. The Gators play UCF at home on Friday.

JOSH JURNOVOY

Alligator Writer

For the second straight tournament, Tahnai Annis made sure the Gators advanced past the first round.

The senior midfielder scored two goals and assisted on another as No. 2 seed Florida (17-7) defeated Florida Gulf Coast (14-5-2), 3-0, on Saturday night at Pressly Stadium to win in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

The win set up a second-round matchup this Friday in Gainesville between Florida and UCF, which defeated Florida International, 2-0, on Friday night in Orlando.

It was Annis' third multi-goal game of the season and eighth of her career. In the first round of the Southeastern Conference Tournament against Georgia last week, Annis scored both goals in a 2-0 win.

"It is definitely my last go around, so I want to go all out," Annis said. "I want to help as much as I can."

In the 16th minute, the Gators grabbed an early lead for just the second time in their last eight games when Annis sent a diving header past Eagles keeper Stephanie Powers from 5 yards out for her eighth goal of the season.

"I was just trying to get in the best possible position to get a touch on it at all," Annis said. "I was already in

the box, so I was just trying to separate myself from a defender so Erika (Tymrak) could find me."

Annis struck again in the 68th minute to make it 2-0 when freshman midfielder Annie Speese sent a free kick from deep in Florida's attacking third to the middle of the box. With several Eagles and Gators going for the first ball, Annis was able to get her head on it and put it past Powers from 10 yards out.

"It is definitely my last go around, so I want to go all out."

Tahnai Annis

UF midfielder

Coach Becky Burleigh said the Gators accomplished their main goal of advancing, but, just as important, they put together the type of well-rounded performance necessary to advance deep in the tournament.

The three-goal effort was the team's first since Oct. 9 against Alabama. The Gators held the Eagles to just three shots, only one of which was on frame.

"One of our assistant coaches talked at halftime about bringing a physical presence both defensively and offensively," Burleigh said. "That's not always easy to do. We had to have a little courage and bravery to do that, and our team took that to heart."

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Poor shooting to blame for UF's season-opening loss

JOE MORGAN

Alligator Writer

Jaterra Bonds' desperation heave found nothing but net, cutting the Gators' deficit in half at the buzzer.

It was one of few shots that actually found the bottom of the basket Friday.

A frustrating and sloppy shooting effort doomed Florida (0-1) in its 69-66 season-opening loss to Michigan (1-0).

Consistency was hard to come by for the Gators as they made just 23 of 69 shot attempts against the Wolverines.

UF was ultimately undone by a 10-of-27 effort from beyond the arc.

"We shot way too many threes and a lot of them didn't make sense," coach Amanda Butler said. "Twenty-seven threes is way too much unless you're shooting about 45 percent, and clearly we were not."

Especially painful were the efforts of Bonds, who managed to score eight points despite missing 13 of her 15 shot attempts.

Had it not been for her buzzer-beater, she would have finished the day 0 of 5 from 3-point range.

"Jaterra did had a tough game, and she knows that," Butler said. "She also knows that we need her to play well."

While outside shooting cost Florida Friday, Butler's squad did not have much of a choice due to its lack of a significant post presence on offense.

Jennifer George, Azania Stewart and

Ndidi Madu carried the brunt of paint duties for the Gators on Friday and largely disappointed.

The trio combined for just eight shot attempts, 10 points and seven offensive rebounds.

Butler attributed Michigan's success defending Florida down low to merely "standing in the paint."

"Defensively, they really just wanted to challenge and dare us to shoot," Butler said.

"We took the challenge even though it wasn't the wisest decision."

Making matters worse was Stewart's foul trouble, which limited her to just 21 minutes. She recorded her third foul with



Butler

18:40 left in the second half and her fourth nearly 10 minutes later at 8:42.

"It is definitely frustrating because I need to be out there," Stewart said. "Me being on the bench doesn't help us at all, and I really need to be smarter."

Florida's post play will need to be smarter when tonight's contest with Stetson (1-0) tips off at 7 in the O'Connell Center.

"Luckily, [Michigan] was our first game and not our last one," Butler said.

If the Gators' offensive showing Friday is a sign of things to come, that last game could be coming a lot sooner than Butler anticipates.

Men qualify for NCAA race, women fall short of invite

JONATHAN CZUPRYN

Alligator Writer

Gone are the hopes of Florida's women accompanying the men to the national championship meet. Gone are the women's chances to appear in six straight championships. Gone is their season.

On Sunday evening, coach Todd Morgan and his women runners were rejected from receiving an at-large bid for the NCAA Championship in Terre Haute, Ind., on Nov. 21.

The Gators finished third in Saturday's South Regional behind Florida State and Vanderbilt.

UF Cross Country

for a home run," Morgan said. "We knew Vandy and FSU are two really good teams."

Because only the top-two spots receive an automatic bid to the NCAA meet, Florida had to endure the day-long wait only to find out its season is finished.

A third-place result didn't discourage the runners, as they believed a solid race and season would speak for itself when the NCAA considered their options. Instead, the NCAA decided otherwise.

Although the women's team fell short of an invite to the national championship, several individuals got the nod due to their excellence during the season. Senior Genevieve LaCaze, junior Florence N'Getich and sophomore Cory McGee will compete at the meet.

Only four runners in the South Region were chosen to represent their teams in the championship as individuals, with Tennessee senior Brittany Sheffey the lone non-Gator to make the trip.

Despite the individual accomplishments by some of Florida's runners, Morgan and the team would much rather have had both the men's and women's team travel together to the NCAA Championship.

The last time both the men and women qualified for the national championship in the same season was 2006. Since then, the men haven't made the cut while the women made it every year.

The hopes of a possible sixth consecutive appearance in the national championship ended Sunday to the obvious dismay of the entire team.

However, no one is more disheartened by the rejection than LaCaze. In her senior year, LaCaze has enjoyed four top-10 individual finishes, including a victory at the Mountain Dew Invitational, the Gators' annual home meet. Although her season will continue individually on Nov. 21, she hoped to bring along the entire team with her.

It was the unusually high level of competition that kept Florida out of the championship. Morgan's team had to compete head-to-head against two of the nation's strongest teams in Florida State (No. 1) and Vanderbilt (No. 4) in the regional meet. In addition, the Gators had stiff competition in the at-large pool with teams like Stanford (No. 8) and West Virginia (No. 13) getting the nod over them.

Rainey goes for 132 in return from ankle injury

NOTEBOOK, from page 16

Injuries: Offensive lineman Chaz Green (ankle) and linebacker Lerentee McCray (shoulder) were held out of Saturday's game. Both warmed up with the team before the game, but neither saw the field.

While those two were inactive, running back Chris Rainey returned from an ankle injury he suffered against Georgia.

"Can't run 100 percent, but I did the best I can."

Chris Rainey
UF running back

Although Jeff Demps got the start in the backfield, it was Rainey who shouldered the load against South Carolina. He carried the ball a team-high 17 times for a game- and season-high 132 yards, and his 47-yard run early in the fourth quarter set up the Gators' only touchdown of the afternoon.

"Can't run 100 percent, but I did the best I can," Rainey said after the game, adding that his ankle was still sore.

The redshirt senior was walking with a noticeable limp after the game.

Linebacker Jelani Jenkins also returned from injury, reclaiming his starting job after suffering a concussion against Georgia and sitting out last week's win against Vanderbilt. Jenkins recorded four tackles and broke up a pass against South Carolina.

Freshman first: Safety De'Ante Saunders notched his first career interception early in the first quarter against the Gamecocks.

On South Carolina's second drive of the game, cornerback and fellow freshman Marcus Roberson pressured quarterback Connor Shaw on a delayed blitz, Saunders anticipated the pass, jumped the route and made an athletic diving grab to give Florida the ball near midfield.

The Gators' ensuing drive resulted in a Caleb Sturgis field goal, the game's first points.

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Easley's mistake allows Gamecocks to run clock

South Carolina 17, Florida 12

STANDINGS

Chris Rainey	13
Jeff Demps	11
Matt Elam	8
Andre Debose	5
Mike Gillislee	5
Jon Bostic	5
Jaye Howard	4
John Brantley	2
Lerentee McCray	2
Shariff Floyd	2
De'Ante Saunders	1
Dominique Easley	1
Kyle Christy	1

KEY STAT

52

South Carolina ran 65 plays from scrimmage Saturday, and 52 of those were rushing plays. On the legs of quarterback Connor Shaw (88 yards and two touchdowns) and running back Brandon Wilds (120 yards), the Gamecocks ran for 215 total yards while wearing down the Gators' defense.

TURNING POINT

John Brantley and Chris Rainey's fourth-quarter miscommunication. With Florida down five late and trying to take the lead, Brantley called an audible. On first and 10, he switched from a run to the left to a run to the right. After the snap, Brantley turned to hand it off to Rainey, but the running back wasn't there. Florida lost 6 yards and had to punt away its best chance three plays later.

SWAMP STUDS



Chris Rainey

RB
(3 points)

Rainey made his return from an ankle sprain that hobbled him against Georgia and sidelined him against Vanderbilt last week. While the running back had a noticeable limp and said his ankle was sore after the game, it didn't appear to bother him. He rushed 17 times for a game-high 132 yards, and his 47-yard run in the fourth quarter set up the Gators' lone touchdown.



Matt Elam

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(2 points)

Elam continued to show why he is the most consistent player on Florida's defense. Against the Gamecocks, Elam registered eight tackles, seven of which were solo takedowns. He also had one for a loss — a fourth-quarter sack of wide receiver Bruce Ellington when South Carolina ran its Wildcat package.



De'Ante Saunders

DT
(1 point)

Saunders makes his Swamp Studs debut after corraling his first career interception against the Gamecocks. While he only recorded one tackle, the interception was impressive. He jumped the route on a Connor Shaw pass intended for Alshon Jeffery and made a diving grab to set up Florida near midfield, leading to the team's first points.

THREE KEY PLAYS



Jacoby Brissett's failed two-point conversion. After Brissett scrambled for a 2-yard score early in the fourth quarter to cut the Gamecock's lead to two, the Gators decided to forgo the extra point and attempt to tie the game. Brissett bought time as he rolled out and jumped to release a pass to the end zone, but it was intercepted.



Jeff Demps' second-quarter fumble. Following South Carolina's first touchdown, Florida tried to answer with a drive of its own. The Gators marched near midfield before Demps was stuffed for a 1-yard loss and coughed up the ball, setting the Gamecocks up in Florida territory and leading to South Carolina's second score.



Dominique Easley jumping offsides. With Florida trailing 17-12 late, the defense tried to stop South Carolina so the offense would have one more shot to win the game. Facing a third-and-2 situation, Easley jumped early and was flagged, giving the Gamecocks a first down and allowing them to continue draining time off the clock.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	Final
Florida	3	0	3	6	12
South Carolina	0	14	0	3	17

DEFENSE, from page 16

and that's really where they gained most of their yards."

South Carolina entered the game ranked third in the Southeastern Conference with 188.4 rushing yards per game.

On paper, the Gators' run defense should have matched up. Florida was allowing 123.3 yards on the ground per game, but that number was aided by strong performances against bottom dwellers like FAU and UAB.

During Florida's four-game losing streak in October, the defense allowed an average of 201 rushing yards.

"It's frustrating," linebacker Jelani Jenkins said. "One of the main things we want to do is stop the run. When we don't, they're able to be effective, take shots, just keep the clock running."

Jenkins said Florida did not recognize some of South Carolina's packages, like when the Gamecocks ran the ball with no one lined up at running back. Coaches drew South Carolina's formations on a blackboard at halftime, showing the players how to attack.

Easley returned in the second half, rejuvenated, as did UF's run defense, which held South Carolina to just 55 yards in the third and fourth quarters.

Still, the Gators' defense could not get off the field at a critical time. Down by five with 5:34 left, Florida stopped Wilds twice.

But on third and 2, Easley fell forward. Offsides.

After the flag, he rolled over, his hands gripping his facemask, his head tilted up, looking to the sky.

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Rosario, Boynton lead team with 19 apiece

HOOPS, from page 16

Even though Beal took only 10 shots, Donovan said the freshman's high shooting percentage should allow him to get to 20 points in a hurry during most games. Donovan also praised the quality of Beal's attempts.

"The thing with him that I think makes him such a good player is he's not a high-volume shooter," Donovan said. "He scores very quietly, and he's very efficient when he scores."

Beal credited the chemistry between the guards for keeping him involved, despite his low numbers from three. Florida's main rotation of five guards had a 14-to-3 assist-to-turnover ratio against Jackson State and was able to keep scoring high in the backcourt.

Shooting guards Mike Rosario and Kenny Boynton led all scorers with 19 points each. The duo stayed hot from out-

side, combining to go 9 for 15 from behind the arc.

Senior point guard Erving Walker added 10 points on just six shots.

"The ball movement is perfect," Beal said. "Everybody's knocking down shots. When we see that, you know that's Florida basketball. It's the way coach Donovan wants us to play and it's just beautiful."

Overall, the Gators shot 51.3 percent from the field and 43.3 percent from three.

Although Donovan was pleased with his freshman starter's performance against the Tigers, he suspected Beal would be itching to raise the team's percentage from deep next time out.

"In his realm and the way he thinks, 1 for 6 from the 3-point line, that's unacceptable," Donovan said. "(He's thinking) 'I need to shoot the ball better.'"

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Florida freshman guard Brad Beal scored 14 points in the team's season-opening win against Jackson State at home on Friday.

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Running back Brandon Wilds (right) and quarterback Connor Shaw combined for nine carries and 37 yards as South Carolina ran down the clock in the fourth quarter Saturday.

Both lines dominated in loss

FOOTBALL, from page 1

which started the previous drive with 5:34 remaining, was able to bleed the clock out in much the same way it controlled the entire game: rushing the ball down the Gators' throats.

But when questioned about the team suffering a lapse in the fourth quarter, Muschamp got defensive.

"There wasn't no lapse. What was the lapse in the end?" he said. "I don't know what you're talking about. We made a stop at the end. I don't know what you're talking about. What lapse at the end? We made a stop and got the ball back. Had a chance."

On the last drive for South Carolina, Shaw and running back Brandon Wilds carried the ball a combined nine times for 37 yards. Florida had a chance to force a three-and-out, but defensive tackle Dominique Easley jumped offside to extend the drive — exactly the type of critical mistake that has plagued the Gators throughout their worst season in 25 years.

"I'm sure he's disappointed, but it's not his fault at all," defensive tackle Omar Hunter said. "That game is not his fault. You can pick on anybody for the game, for that loss. I'll take the blame. (John) Brantley, he'll take some of

the blame. It goes on everyone."

Although the score was close at the end, there was plenty of blame to spread around.

The haggard offensive line, which was the site of another experimentation with personnel, was again terrible, allowing Brantley to be knocked around all afternoon.

Twice the Gators went backward inside the red zone, settling for field goals.

After putting the ball on the ground twice, they have 24 fumbles on the season and a minus-10 turnover margin, which is tied with FAU for 113th nationally.

"Just got to play different guys," Muschamp said of UF's problems coughing it up.

Also, the defensive line could not stop the Gamecocks, as they rushed for 215 yards while running on fumes, starting an inexperienced quarterback and a backup running back.

In four straight losses in October, the Gators were abused at the line of the scrimmage, as opponents rushed an average of 46 times, compared to only 22.3 pass attempts.

That trend continued Saturday, as South Carolina rushed 52 times and passed just 13.

Asked to assess his team's play in the trenches, a clearly agitated Muschamp was succinct.

"Not very good," he said. "Real simple." Contact Matt Watts at mwatts@alligator.org.

GREG, from page 1

contest.

In their last six fourth quarters, the Gators have moved the ball only 271 yards compared to 644 for their opponents. UF has been outscored 62-12 during the same span.

Decreasing production as the game goes on could be a sign other coaches are doing a better job of

adapting and making adjustments than Muschamp is.

Or it could fall on the players. The fourth quarter is where stars are supposed to be born and legends are supposed to shine.

In any of Florida's three close losses, the Gators only needed one play to change the outcome.

But, without any true playmakers, they found themselves on the losing end.

"This team has to learn how to finish," junior defensive tackle

Omar Hunter said. "When I was on that '08 team, you had some guys like (Brandon) Spikes and (Tim) Tebow, and they were able to finish out in close games."

Florida doesn't have those type of players this year, plain and simple.

There isn't a vocal leader or a guy who can be expected to make a difference when the game is on the line.

And it's not just the starters. Depth is limited across the board,

perhaps another factor in UF's end-of-game futility.

A gassed defense hasn't been able to get off the field, killing any shot at a comeback.

Gators opponents have held the ball for a combined 55:03 in the last six fourth quarters, compared to just 34:57 for UF.

Whether it's youth, depth, inexperience, bad coaching or a lack of talent, the Gators flat out haven't gotten it done in critical situations.

Opponents have converted nine

of their last 10 fourth-down tries.

Florida has scored touchdowns on just 45.2 percent of its trips to the red zone, No. 116 nationally.

By every definition, the Gators have crumbled under pressure and have not closed in crunch time, leading to losses in three games senior running back Chris Rainey said the Gators should have won.

"It's killing me," Rainey said. "Just got to finish."

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Defense gashed by run game again



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Defensive tackle Dominique Easley leaves the field after he was flagged for offsides on a pivotal third-and-2 late on Saturday.

TYLER JETT
Alligator Staff Writer

COLUMBIA, S.C. — As Dominique Easley teetered off the field, his left leg was limp, his shoulders hunched, his head down.

It was late in the second quarter Saturday, and Easley had just been driven into the ground. As he hobbled toward the locker room, trainers supporting the 282-pound defensive tackle, Easley did not watch South Carolina finish its drive. He didn't need to.

"We got tired. The second quarter wore on there in the run game, and that's really where they gained most of their yards."

Will Muschamp
UF coach

With Easley on the field, the Gamecocks drove the ball into the heart of the Gators' defense. With him out, they punctured the vital organ, capping an 11-play, 46-yard drive with a goal-line sneak into the end zone by quarterback Connor Shaw.

Shaw's carry gave South Carolina a 14-3 edge. It was the 10th straight run by the Gamecocks, and on their previous drive they pounded the ball on nine of 11 plays, capped by another Shaw rushing score.

In all, the Gamecocks gained 215 yards on 52 runs. Brandon Wilds led the attack, carrying the ball 29 times for 120 yards. Shaw scrambled for 88 yards on 16 carries. He threw the ball just 12 times.

"We got tired," coach Will Muschamp admitted, even if his players wouldn't after Saturday's 17-12 loss. "The second quarter wore on there in the run game,

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Beal quiet behind arc, efficient in UF's season-opening win

► HE FINISHED WITH 14 POINTS ON 5-OF-10 SHOOTING, BUT MISSED FIVE FROM LONG RANGE.

JOHN BOOTHE
Alligator Staff Writer

When Brad Beal struggled to knock down 3-pointers in his career opener, he quickly found comfort scoring in a variety of ways.

After notching 12 points from deep in a Nov. 3 exhibition, Beal cooled down during a decidedly off night of 1-of-6 shooting from three Friday against Jackson State.

For many players, it would have been an inauspicious footnote to a freshman debut. But for Beal, it was just the beginning of a 50 percent shooting performance.

UF Basketball

"He's got great pace to his game; he never gets rattled," coach Billy Donovan said. "He had 10 points in the first half and you don't even recognize it. It's an offensive rebound putback, it's a floater on a runner, it's one three; he just plays the game."

Beal finished the No. 8 Gators' 99-59 win with 14 points on 5-of-10 shooting. The five misses came on 3-pointers.

Donovan has described Beal as the most mature freshman he has coached at UF (1-0). Instead of worrying about his stroke or forcing more threes, Beal found other scoring avenues.

Using his ability to separate vertically from defenders, the 6-foot-3 Beal had six of his points in the paint and made a team-high three free throws.

"My shots weren't falling, but I'm really not focused on that as long as we win," Beal said. "I try to impact other things in the game like getting defensive rebounds and just playing really hard on defense."

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Gators shuffle offensive line personnel against Gamecocks Harrison, Wenger switch positions; Koehne plays

TOM GREEN
Alligator Staff Writer

COLUMBIA, S.C. — After tweaking the offensive line in the second half against Vanderbilt, Florida came out with a makeover on the front against South Carolina.

Sixth-year senior transfer Dan Wenger got the start at center while Jonotthan Harrison, who

started the first nine games at center, shifted to left guard.

"It was just a decision by the coaches," Wenger said. "I was told I would be moving there, and it was just — I can't argue or do anything. Whatever the coaches say goes. I'm on board with them, and I know they have our best interests and the best interests in the team for us."

Coach Will Muschamp said

the move was due to "consistency in snaps," which Harrison has struggled with at times this season.



Harrison

in favor of Sam Robey following an errant snap that resulted in a

21-yard loss. Robey finished the game and was said to be working with the first-team offense at center early last week.

While Harrison flipped positions with Wenger, the change didn't last long. Harrison was replaced early on by Kyle Koehne, and Muschamp said after the game that Harrison "got banged up."

Despite the lineup change,

there were familiar results for the Gators' offensive line. The unit allowed three sacks on the afternoon, upping its season total to 21, tied for 67th in the nation.

The group also struggled in the red zone, as Florida had three drives move inside the South Carolina 5-yard line and came away with a touchdown just once. The other two drives stalled after rushes for negative yardage and a false start on left tackle Xavier Nixon, respectively.

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Gators middle blocker Chloe Mann (left) had 19 kills and five blocks in a five-set victory against Arkansas on Sunday. See story at alligatorSports.org

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Can Florida reverse last year's results — a 93-75 loss to Ohio State — on Tuesday when the No. 8 Gators and No. 3 Buckeyes meet again? Vote online at alligatorSports.org.

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