

The Gators' top cornerback, freshman Marcus Roberson, is out for the year after suffering an injury last weekend. See story, page 13.



RESEARCH

Attending religious services, mental health may be linked

MARY ANNE EADES

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Anna Holmbraker attends church every week and leads songs during Mass. For the 20-year-old anthropology junior, church brings a sense of optimism and belonging.

"It gives me time to reflect on where I'm at and where I want to be," she said. "It makes me check myself and fix things that aren't right in my life."

Holmbraker isn't alone.

According to a recent study, attending church could actually affect people on a clinical level. Researchers at Yeshiva University in New York found that women who regularly attended religious services were 56 percent more likely to be more optimistic and 27 percent less likely to show signs of depression.

"In my personal experience, it's not the overly optimistic people who begin to attend church but the people who are struggling and looking for answers."

Mike Redmond

pastor of Windsor Baptist Church

Published Thursday in the Journal of Religion and Health, the study considered the mental health of about 92,000 women older than 50.

Although attending church could affect all age groups and both males and females, the study's findings were drawn only from older women, said Eliezer Schnall, a clinical assistant professor of psychology at Yeshiva University.



Haley Stracher / Alligator

St. Augustine Church members pray before noon Mass. According to a recent study, women who regularly attended religious services were 56 percent more likely to be optimistic and 27 percent less likely to show signs of depression.

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County Ozone levels near maximum limits

► GAINESVILLE LEVELS ARE UNDER CONTROL.

BENJAMIN S. BRASCH

Alligator Contributing Writer

Compared to Tampa, Gainesville can breathe easier — but not by much.

The average ozone level of Alachua County for October is 46.1 parts per billion, and the level in Hillsborough County is 50.8 parts per billion, according to the FDEP's website.

Twenty-one U.S. counties

and cities, including Tampa, exceed the amount of lead the Environmental Protection Agency allows to be in the air, according to a USA Today article published Wednesday.

The EPA standard is .15 micrograms per cubic meter of lead in the air over a three-month period, said Jennifer Diaz, press secretary for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

Chang-Yu Wu, environmental engineering professor at UF, said local ozone levels in

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Students Party moves to impeach SG supervisor of elections tonight

CLARE LENNON

Alligator Writer

For the third time in UF Student Government history, the Student Senate will conduct an impeachment trial.

Senators will hear Supervisor of Elections Toni Megna's impeachment trial at tonight's Senate meeting. Senators Carly Wilson, Gillian Leytham, Ford Dwyer, Aimee Dolan and Stephanie Kreitzer filed the resolution on Oct. 31.

The resolution listed 13 elections rules the senators said Megna violated, including not listing polling locations in some of the dorms, not properly testing the voting computers two days prior to elections and not preparing a backup plan in case the electronic voting system failed.

Wilson and Leytham previously appealed to the Election Commission and the UF Supreme Court to have the elections investigated and even recommended the elections be redone.

Senators elected in the spring will make up the impeachment body, which will vote whether to impeach Megna.

If at least two-thirds of the impeachment body votes to impeach Megna, a trial body will convene five to 10 days later, according to Student Body codes. The trial body would be made of senators elected this fall, and potential repercussions must be passed by another two-thirds vote.

The first UF impeachment hearing occurred in 2008, according to Alligator archives, when the Senate voted not to impeach Student Body Treasurer Paul Drayton.

In 2009, the Senate also voted not to impeach Student Body President Kevin Reilly.

Senate President Andy Mason decided to form a special committee of senators to revise the elections codes. Members will be announced at the Senate meeting at 7 p.m.



Mason

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Arabic Culture: Enrichment through International Education
 Today, 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.

Relay for Life Gelato Company fundraiser
 Today, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
 DEI will be hosting a fundraiser event for Relay at the Gelato Company in downtown Gainesville.

UF Student Government and RUB Entertainment Movie Night: "Temple Grandin"
 Today, 8 p.m.
 Reitz Union Auditorium
 This film is a biopic about a woman with autism who has become one of the top scientists in the humane livestock handling industry. This award-winning film will educate, bring awareness, defy stereotypes and inspire involvement with people with intellectual disabilities. Free ice cream will be served.

GIS Day @ UF
 Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:55 p.m.
 Smathers Library, Room 1A
 This is an all-day event to showcase the use of geographic information systems to the academic community and the public. Schedule at <http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/gisday>. Co-sponsored by Innovation through Institutional Integration.

Dinner with David Olesker, "Media and the Middle East"
 Wednesday, 7 p.m.
 UF Hillel
 UF Israel, in collaboration with The David Project, Stand With Us, Jewish National Fund and AICE, will be hosting a dinner with David Olesker to discuss the media and the Middle East. Open to the public.

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Jewish Queers & Allies Game Night
 Wednesday, 8 p.m.
 UF Hillel
 Come to UF Hillel for the first JQ&A social event of the year.

"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.

The Transgender Day of Remembrance Vigil
 Thursday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
 Reitz Union Amphitheater
 A celebration and candlelight vigil remembering the lives of transgender people who were 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 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.

Changing the World One Game at a Time: Coach Luma Mufleh
 Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
 Reitz Union Grand Ballroom

Join the Common Reading Program, in partnership with the Office of Sustainability, as Fugees Coach Luma Mufleh shares her story with students, followed by an opportunity for the audience to ask questions.

A Celebration of Catalan and other Iberian Languages
 Friday, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
 Library West, Room 211
 Welcome and opening comments by Judith Russell, dean of university libraries. The wealth and importance of UF's Iberian collection will be discussed 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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TECHNOLOGY

Starbucks unveils smartphone app that spreads holiday cheer

DARA SCHOPP

Alligator Contributing Writer

Holiday spirit filled the Starbucks line as new signs advertised the arrival of the peppermint mocha and gingerbread lattes.

Accompanying the seasonal switch to red holiday cups this holiday season is a new interactive Starbucks app.

Starbucks Cup Magic allows users to scan holiday characters on certain Starbucks products with smartphone

cameras and bring them to life on a mobile screen.

Christmas Blend bags, red cups and miscellaneous in-store objects all hold the key to unveiling winter animations.

The characters include an ice skater, a squirrel, a boy, a sleigh dog and a fox.

Activating all five qualifies customers to win a yet-to-be-named prize.

Starbucks Cup Magic also offers basic mobile sharing capabilities like sending e-cards or Starbucks holiday of-

fers and is available for iPhone and Android.

Starbucks introduced its "Let's Merry" campaign last week, sending some customers into a frenzy of excitement.

UF architecture senior Haley Padgett, 21, said she could hear the chatter throughout the Reitz Union food court.

"It makes Christmastime seem that much closer," Padgett said. "It's a simple pleasure that brings a smile to so many faces."

UF's Quidditch club team takes second place at World Cup

JULIA GLUM

Alligator Contributing Writer

The Florida Quidditch team left Gainesville last week for the 2011 World Cup as a 21-member group with high hopes.

Monday, players returned with sore legs, hoarse voices and the title of second-best Quidditch team in the world.

After going undefeated in the pool and bracket stages, the team of UF students faced four-time World Cup champions Middlebury College for the title.

The finals game, held in Icahn Stadium in New York, started at 10 p.m. on Sunday. After a few yellow cards and with only a few minutes left in the game, the score was Florida 80, Middlebury 70.

"Everybody was cheering for us because nobody wanted Middlebury to win," said Hannah Pohlmann, 19, the team's vice president of tournaments.

The scene was magical. As the game raced on the pitch, the coaching staff snuck in players from the University of South Florida and University of Miami to cheer with them on the sidelines, said Pohlmann, a mathematics sophomore.

"It was dark, lights shining, the crowd was chanting my name," said Dre Clements, a 19-year-old chaser. "It was like something out of a dream."

A fan blared UF's fight song on his saxophone as most of the 1,500-member audience did the Gators chomp.

The team fed off of the energy in the crowd, said Clements, also a mathematics

sophomore.

"Earlier in the day, my body was giving up," he said. "But during the game when the crowd was cheering, I didn't feel any of that."



Courtesy to the Alligator

Florida Quidditch finished second at the 2011 Quidditch World Cup in New York.

In Quidditch, once the snitch runner enters the field, seekers on each team attempt to locate and catch him or her. The capture of the snitch awards that seeker's team with 30 points and ends the game.

Florida Quidditch's star seeker Alex Williams, who caught the snitch in every game but the final, lunged for it seconds after Middlebury's player got it, Pohlmann said.

The final score was 100-80, which means UF's club team was winning when the snitch was caught.

Despite the loss, the team is overjoyed at its success, team president Bridget Siegel said.

"I can't even describe the feelings with words," Siegel, 19, a religion sophomore, said via email. "Our team is more than just friends, we are a family. We felt closer than ever before with every game we won."

Afterward, the two teams hugged each other. Members of Middlebury told Florida that it was the toughest game the team had ever played.

"I have never seen our players push harder," Siegel said. "We gave them hell."

Back at UF, the team hopes its success will cause the university to officially recognize Quidditch as a sport.

"We proved ourselves," Siegel said. "No one will underestimate us ever again."

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Giffords won't return to Congress until she feels 'better'

She has undergone intensive therapy since the shooting

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, struggling to form the words in her first extended interview since a January shooting rampage, said Monday she will not return to Congress until she is "better."

"No. Better," she said in response to a question about whether she wanted to return to Congress.

As she gestured as if to help her form the words, her husband, former astronaut Mark Kelly, completed the thought: "She wants to get better."

At that point, interviewer Diane Sawyer also tried to get Giffords to summarize her mindset, asking whether she was thinking she would go back to Congress if she got better. "And that's where you're at right now?" Sawyer asked.

"Yes, yes, yes," Giffords replied.

Since the Arizona Democrat made a sur-

prise appearance on the House floor this summer to cast a vote on the debt ceiling increase, there has been wide speculation about her career plans, including whether she would run for the state's open Senate seat.

The ABC interview showed a woman who appeared confident and determined but still far from able to carry on a detailed conversation. She spoke in a clear voice, but in halting phrases: "Pretty good ... Difficult ... Strong, strong, strong," she replied to questions about how she was feeling and how she'd fared over the 10 months since the shooting.

The Giffords interview was accompanied by video Kelly shot documenting Giffords' recovery. The initial days and weeks showed her struggling to understand what had happened and to communicate in the most basic forms. She struggled just to learn how to nod, to raise two fingers. When her therapist asked what one sits in, she replied "spoon," before later settling on "chair." Kelly said she used

the word "cheeseburger" to describe several items.

Eventually, she learned to speak again and smile.

Kelly said he documented her recovery because he knew she would astonish her skeptics.

"Gabby Giffords is too tough to let this beat her," Kelly said.

Giffords has undergone intensive therapy. At times, despair set in. One clip shows her sobbing in her therapist's arms at Houston's TIRR Memorial Hermann hospital.

"Can I tell you something? It is going to get better," her therapist said at one point. "You've come a long way in five weeks."

Giffords is shown becoming more upbeat and smiling more frequently in the ensuing



Giffords

months. She now walks with a limp and can talk, though she generally speaks in halting phrases or repeats a word to get her point across.

At one point, Kelly used the word "brave" to describe the word on his mind when he thinks of her — "brave and tough," he said. Then Giffords, looking directly at Kelly, responds almost in a whisper: "Tough, tough, tough," and she kissed his bald head.

Sawyer asked Giffords if she was ever angry about what happened to her. Giffords replied, "No, no, no. Life, life."

The television interview comes as fellow victims of the shooting came to Washington to testify in favor of a gun-control bill. They said Giffords' appearance represents a major milestone for them as it helps them cope with the trauma they've endured over the past 10 months. About a dozen survivors and family members are in Washington lobbying for legislation that would extend criminal background checks to all gun sales and enhance the quality of the FBI's criminal background checks.

STUDENT LIFE

Events to promote international programs

ASHLEY HEMMY

Alligator Contributing Writer

Students and faculty can attend events showcasing UF's international programs all week.

International Education Week, an annual event sponsored by the U.S. Education and State departments, celebrates the use of different world cultures in the university system.

The International Center started planning the events about two weeks in advance, said David Sammons, dean of the International Center.

"This week is about appreciating the diversity around campus," Sammons said. "Students have the chance to meet people from other parts of the world."

Events are being held all over campus and will be co-sponsored by groups such as the Belly Gators, the Peace Corps and Volunteers for International Student Affairs.

Santa Fe College will also co-host some events on its campus, Sammons said.

The week doesn't focus only on international students, but it also highlights UF's study abroad programs.

Linguistics junior Tommy Budd, 21, competed in the study abroad category in the Eighth Annual Global Culture Photography Competition.

His photo, which shows a priest reading outside a church in Lalibela, Ethiopia, won second place.

Winning photos will be displayed in the Grinter Gallery.

"Studying abroad was the best decision I have made so far at UF," Budd said. "I was exposed to other cultures and was able to decide what I want to do with my life."

Budd, who studied in Ethiopia during Spring 2011, said he hopes to record endangered languages in villages to keep record of them before they disappear.

Studying abroad and other international programs form a more complete college education, said Mabel Cardec, spokeswoman for the International Center.

Cardec said this year 15-minute flash demonstrations have been added to the week's events. The demonstrations will show how to complete tasks from other countries, including embroidery from Jordan, skiing from Switzerland or Tai Chi from China.

"The idea here is to put that little international bug in everyone," she said. "Hopefully students will want to be more involved in international programs."

Events during International Education Week:

Today:

9:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.: "Arabic Culture: Enrichment through International Education" sponsored by UF Libraries

Discussions about different aspects of Arabic culture, including the perspective of one Arabic international student, will be held in Smathers Library, Room 1A.

Wednesday:

4 p.m. to 5 p.m.: "Fulbright U.S. Student Grants and Fellowships: Workshop on the Application Process"

John Denny, associate director of the honors program, will discuss the Fulbright U.S. Student Program's funding of international travel programs at Library West, Room 212.

Thursday:

11 a.m.: Interfaith Panel discussion

Speakers will share the views of Catholicism, Islam and Yoruba at the Fine Arts Theater at Santa Fe College.

Friday:

10 a.m. to noon: "The American Academic System: Researching, Writing and Publishing"

International students are invited to Library West, Room 211, to learn the practices for responsible research in the U.S.

Saturday:

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.: VISA Dance Combine with AASU

VISA will be hosting a series of international dance workshops at the Reitz Union, Room 282.

Sunday:

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.: VISA World Cup Soccer Tournament at Flavet Field

Study was conducted with 92,000 women older than 50

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He said the benefits are more critical and more easily seen among this demographic.

The women studied came from different ethnic backgrounds, religions, income levels and geographic regions, Schnall said. The study "purposefully didn't break the findings down into specific religions," he said. "If it did, our findings may do more harm than good."

People could have interpreted the findings as proof of one religion being better than another, he said, when that was not the purpose of the study.

Mike Redmond, pastor of Windsor Baptist Church in Gainesville, said he

has seen people become more optimistic because of church.

"In my personal experience, it's not the overly optimistic people who begin to attend church but the people who are struggling and looking for answers," he said.

"Misery likes company. Women who are having trouble rearing their children go to church and find out that every other mother is in the same boat, and then they feel better."

Redmond said he has seen young people benefit from church.

"[College students] disguise their issues through the adrenaline rush of youth," he said, and "are involved in activities that bring temporary joy, but that may add to the emptiness that needs to be addressed in their 50s."

Ozone is the only pollutant tested for in Alachua County

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Gainesville are under control but close to the maximum acceptable standard.

He said it is important to contain ozone levels because ozone attacks lung cells and irritates eyes and skin.

Ozone forms because nitrogen oxide reacts with sunlight, he said.

Diaz said the new national standard, put in place in 2008, is 10 times higher than the previous standard.

Ozone is the only pollutant the FDEP tests for in Alachua County, Wu said.

Hillsborough County, which includes Tampa, is the only place in Florida where lead levels are monitored, with four test locations, Diaz said. Lead pollution in the rest of Florida has decreased to very low levels.

"Since lead was phased out of gasoline, it is not worthwhile to monitor lead in air," Wu said.

If a county exceeds the maximum level of ozone, he said, the county must submit a plan to the EPA with a solution to the ozone problem.

"Loss of labor and increased health insurance, these are the hidden costs of high air pollutant levels."

Chang-Yu Wu

UF environmental engineering professor

After two to three years, if the plan is not effective, the county will start to have its federal transportation and highway funding phased out.

Increased ozone levels kill crops and farm animals, and people affected by increased ozone levels may see increased health insurance rates and have to take off time from work, Wu said.

"Loss of labor and increased health insurance, these are the hidden costs of high air pollutant levels," he said.

Website offers travel discounts for holiday breaks

► STUDENTUNIVERSE.COM FINDS CHEAP DEALS FOR FLIGHTS, HOTELS AND TRAINS.

JENSEN WERLEY

Alligator Contributing Writer

The promise of turkey, cranberries and pumpkin pie will lure many students home for the holidays, despite travel costs that can put a dent in their wallets.

While flying home can sometimes mean breaking the bank, students said they will go home regardless.

However, students can do a few things to make the journey a little more affordable.

StudentUniverse.com is a website students can use to find discounts just for college students and faculty for flights, hotels, rail passes and activities.

The site has been around for 10 years and has contracts with all major airlines, said Danielle Carlson, marketing manager for the site.

The company verifies for the airline that the traveler is a college student, and the airline passes on the discount to them. Carlson said millions of students visit StudentUniverse each year.

Gainesville Regional Airport has three airlines that fly in and out. All three have parent companies that are partnered with StudentUniverse. Delta Connection, US Airways Express and American Eagle, a part of American Airlines, all have flights that fly to designated areas of the country.

Other websites, such as priceline.com, expedia.com and cheapflights.com also promise to get discounted rates for passengers.

UF business freshman Billy Harris, 18, said he used his Delta credit card to use miles already saved up from Delta Air Lines to book his flight home to Maryland. He is flying out of the Gainesville airport to go home.

"It's just something I have to do," Harris said.

Laura Aguiar, spokeswoman for Gainesville Regional Airport, said the economy has an effect on all travelers, and when the economy is tough, everybody cuts back.

Students are no exception.

"I think students are going to go home for the holidays no matter what," she said, "but they will weigh the alternatives, even if it means finding cheaper flights or packing into a car."

Fifteen-cent Christmas Tree Tax delayed

Proposed fee was unpopular

EMILY MORROW

Alligator Writer

Stephanie Asselin used to assemble her plastic Christmas tree in her Citrus County home every December. But year after year, the branches got a little more smashed and the scent got a little more musty, so three years ago she made the switch back to live Christmas trees.

"There's just something about that smell," the 20-year-old English junior said.

This sentiment is something the National Christmas Tree Association wanted to capture through advertisements promoting the sale of fresh trees.

"There's just something about that smell."

Stephanie Asselin

English junior

To fund the advertisements, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced earlier this month that it would impose a 15-cent fee on all fresh Christmas trees sold for farms that sell more than 500 trees a year.

However, after coming under fire for "taxing Christmas," the department announced last week that it would delay implementation of the "Christmas Tree Tax."

The fee was originally requested by the National Christmas Tree Association in 2009 to fund research programs and marketing campaigns to promote the purchase of real trees. The ads would have been similar to commodity brand campaigns such as the "Got Milk?" or "Beef: It's what's for dinner" advertisements.

In a press release, the National Christmas Tree Association said the fee should not change the price consumers pay for their trees; however, price increases were not strictly forbidden.

Cathryn Gregory, co-owner of Unicorn Hill Christmas Tree Farm in Gainesville, said she doesn't view the fee as a burden but rather a type of membership dues for the national organization.

"We have never charged any type of fee to our customers, and we never would," she said. "This is just part of

doing business."

Unicorn Hill Farm, 3605 NW 69th St., opens each year on Dec. 1 and sells about 300 to 400 Christmas trees annually. Since they don't sell more than 500 trees a year, the Gregorys would not have been required to pay the 15-cent fee per tree, but Gregory said she and her husband support the idea.

Florida's Christmas tree industry has declined drastically over the past 20 years, she said. The number of people who buy Christmas trees remains roughly the same each year, and as

the economy has declined, farms' operating costs have increased, making it difficult for farmers to stay afloat.

Gregory said many people don't think about the environmental impact of purchasing fake trees.

"You have to think: What is the carbon footprint of producing that tree?" she said. "It's almost nonexistent for real trees, but fake trees are usually made in China from petroleum products and then have to be shipped to this country."

Unicorn Hill Farm has been open for 28 years. The farm has five acres of Christmas trees and is open weekdays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and on the weekend from noon to 6 p.m.



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The U.S. Department of Agriculture decided it would delay implementing a 15-cent fee on fresh Christmas trees sold on farms that sell more than 500 trees a year.

FLORIDA

Percentage of international students did not increase this year

ERIN JESTER

Alligator Writer

Pennsylvania now attracts more international students to its university campuses than does sunny Florida.

The Sunshine State has fallen from sixth to seventh place in the number of international students at its universities, according to the 2011 Open Doors report published by the the Institute of International Education.

The Keystone State had a 9 percent increase in international students last

year, passing Florida, the only state in the top 10 that didn't experience a percentage increase.

The report found that the number of international students in Florida increased from 29,708 students during the 2009-10 school year to 29,719 in 2010-11.

However, the total number of international students in the U.S. increased by five percent from last year.

That increase is largely due to a 23 percent rise in Chinese students studying in the U.S., according to the

report.

California holds the top spot for hosting the most international students, followed by New York and Texas.

UF has the highest number of international students in the state, with 5,393 registered during the 2010-11 year.

Jan Sohl, a 22-year-old economics student from Germany, said he chose to study at UF after his friend gave it a good recommendation.

"I wanted to see the U.S. anyway," he said. "And there's good weather."

Top 10 States for International Students

1. California
2. New York
3. Texas
4. Massachusetts
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6. Pennsylvania
7. Florida
8. Ohio
9. Michigan
10. Indiana

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Editorial

State Secrets GOP debate was poorly planned

Given that we are still a couple of months away from the first votes being cast in the Republican presidential primary, many of you probably couldn't care less about the candidates because you aren't voting or aren't voting for Republicans.

For those of you who do care (and this should include everyone, considering that one of these candidates could be your next president), you might have heard something while watching the South Carolina/Florida game that there was a debate on Saturday night.

That's right, Saturday at 8 p.m. on CBS — the exact same time as the big Oregon/Stanford game — the GOP contenders faced off on what are arguably the most important issues of this campaign.

While most people care more about the economy than foreign affairs, one of the president's main functions is being the commander-in-chief of the armed forces. In recent years, almost all foreign-policy decisions have come from the White House or other parts of the executive branch — especially wars.

But apparently, CBS doesn't think it's important for you to know or care what these candidates think about our foreign policy. If you weren't watching football, you were probably out doing something else with your life on Saturday night.

To be honest, no members of the Alligator editorial board watched the debate, but there were some important topics discussed of which many Americans should be aware.

For instance, both Mitt Romney and Newt Gingrich told the audience in Spartanburg, S.C., that if sanctions and other strategies failed, the U.S. would have no other choice but to engage in military action with Iran. That is pretty important for the American people to know about a candidate, don't you think?

Ron Paul and Herman Cain resisted this argument in favor of other strategies.

On the issue of torture, Cain and Michele Bachmann agreed that waterboarding does not constitute torture, while Paul and Jon Huntsman argued that it does and is immoral.

These are some pretty important distinctions that all voters — Republican, Democrat and otherwise — should know for next year's elections.

CBS not only messed up the timing of the debate, but it also did a horrible job at keeping the debate fair.

Both Bachmann and Paul have claimed that CBS pretty much ignored them during the debate.

While not the sexiest of topics for debate, foreign policy is one of the key components of the president's constitutional obligations. The media should take this issue seriously and make sure that a debate on this topic occurs when more people will be able and willing to watch it.

Also, if these news outlets are going to invite everyone to a debate, they should do a better job of awarding equal time to each candidate to respond to questions.

Reader response

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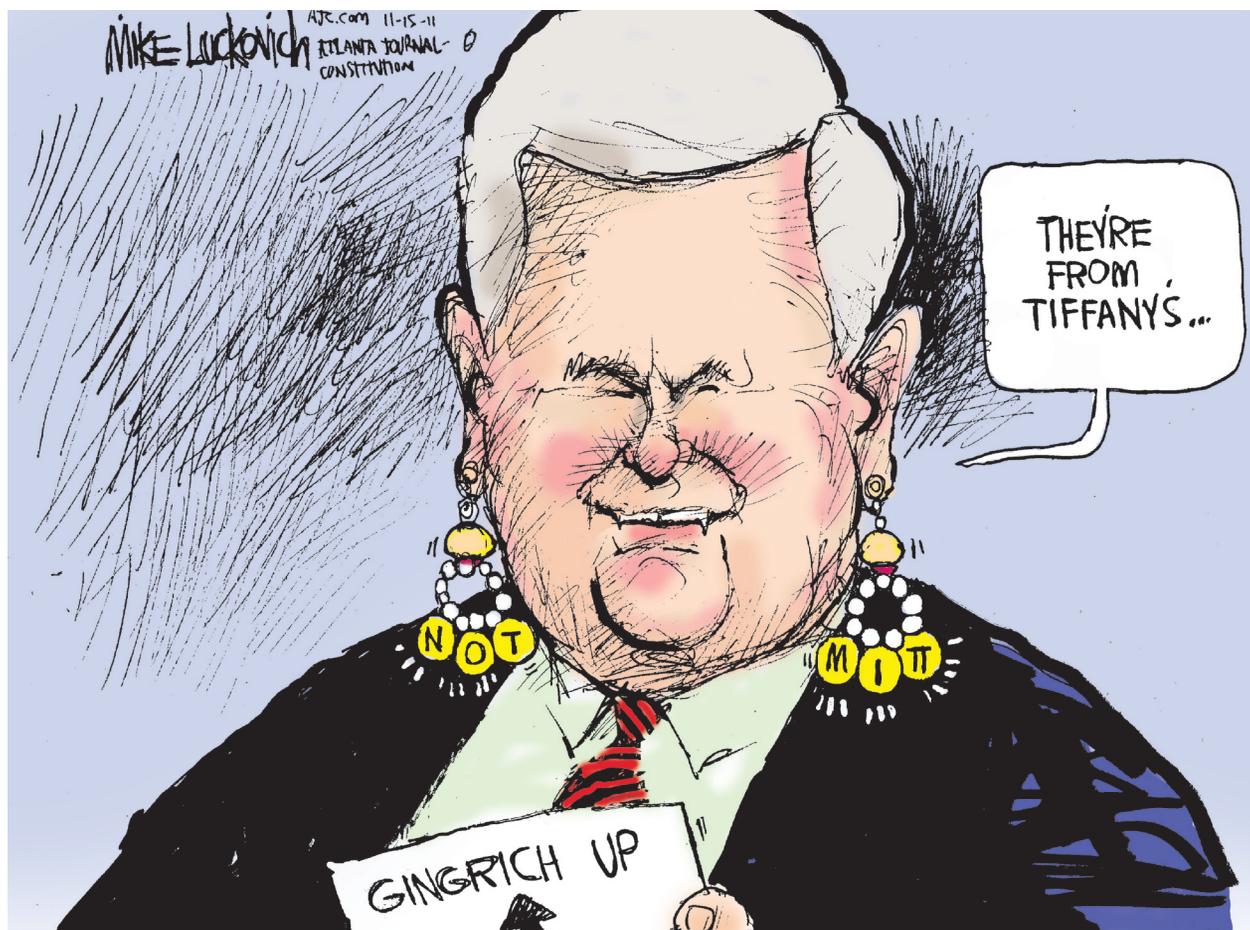
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Column

Tight deadlines always pay off in the end

Don't even talk to me about deadlines. At this point, I'm a deadline professional. Without them, I'd be lost. I've relied on major deadlines for most of my education.

I was a theater nerd in high school. I could quote any of the very popular musicals, could tell you the difference between Samuel Beckett and Arthur Miller and somehow owned more black clothing than the average high school student. The black clothing came in handy for performances and working backstage during shows.

High school theater, for me, was all about having fun. The problem lies in having too much fun and then you forget about deadlines. Too often we were rushing to finish the scenery the week of opening night. More likely than not, our director would have to work unbelievable hours just to make sure the show would go off without a hitch.

But of course, there would be hitches. Microphones ran out of batteries, curtains weren't pulled fast enough and actors tripped and almost ruined their costumes. That's all part of the experience, though.

Similar situations have happened in college, too.

I didn't want to do theater for the rest of my life, but I knew I'd need a creative outlet. That's why, when I was a puny freshman, I joined Theatre Strike Force and had my eyes opened to the crazy world of improv comedy.

TSF also does sketch comedy, which is just like high school theater all over again.

Over the past three years, I've been a part of our major semesterly shows. Our latest is this Thursday and might be pretty controversial to the extremely school-spirited. Either way, I've been able to help the creative vision of our writers and directors be communicated to huge audiences. That's such a special experience.

But I've also seen those shows almost fall apart. Props weren't made on time, sketches were rewritten hours before the show and audiences took their sweet time to



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show up.

Performances of any kind can be nerve-wracking and terrifying. It can be scary to put yourself out there and represent your school in some capacity.

At the end of the day, though, everything always came together — no matter what.

The shows I'm a part of now are just as wonderful. It's always wonderful to watch any kind of improv show. Somehow, even without a script or prior knowledge, magic happens on stage. Put those minds in creative positions, and the funniest sketches come to life. All of TSF's members were drawn to the club because of a show they had seen, so the pressure is always on to be the funniest and the best.

Being involved in productions for so many years of my life has taught me a lot.

It's taught me that those deadlines are both scare tactics and for your own good. I've learned to listen to your director and stage manager because they know your schedule and personality better than you do. I've learned that you need a script to give organization to your life, but that it's more than OK to break away from it every once in a while. I know now that, in all kinds of theater, teamwork is one of the most important and necessary things.

After all that, I'm going to drop a simile on you. Get ready.

The performing arts are like taking care of a pet.

You're so excited when you first get involved. It teaches you how to have fun while being responsible and accountable. But if you neglect it, even for a minute, you could have a large, stinky mess all over the place.

Don't neglect the local arts, folks.

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UWire

Obama not at fault for lack of progress

Like many, I remember Election Day 2008 as one of unusual euphoria. I was at the College Democrats' party in Currier dining hall when I heard Ohio had been called for Obama, clinching the election, and promptly started celebrating like I'd never celebrated before.

I tried unsuccessfully to remember my mother's cell-phone number and ended up screaming "WE ELECTED OBAMA" to some poor Maine woman. I ran to Winthrop to meet up with old intern friends from Obama's primary campaign, amazed that we had even gotten to the general election, let alone won it. I may have had a little bit to drink. It was a good time.

So I understand, in light of the still-stagnant economy and the deficit brinkmanship of the last year, why people are disappointed. Obama's victory was emotionally meaningful and, given the huge expectations that win set, discontent is inevitable. But the right takeaway, I think, is not that Obama is a failure, but that major change is really hard, especially in America, especially for the president and especially now.

Suppose that the United States had a parliamentary system, the kind in place in most of the developed world. Let's suppose the U.S. had no president or Senate, that the Speaker of the House operated as a de facto prime minister, and that Obama had been swept into that office. Given that the House, under Speaker Nancy Pelosi, passed cap-and-trade legislation to fight global warming and a health care bill with a public option, it's fair to say that Speaker Obama would have gotten that done as well.

He also likely could have passed initiatives that Pelosi didn't take up because she assumed the Senate would just kill them. Perhaps he would have passed more stimulus spending, perhaps campaign finance reform. He would have done what all parliamentary leaders with majorities do: use the power voters gave him to pass his whole agenda.

But instead of a parliament, the U.S. has a system that is designed to prevent government policy from fully reflecting the public will. The Founding Fathers, as we all learned in high school civics, were deathly afraid of actual democracy and put plenty of veto points (the president, the Senate, the Supreme Court, etc.) in the Constitution so as to prevent it. That Obama could not have pushed through his whole agenda, like leaders of other developed democracies can, is not his fault. It's James Madison's.

Some might find this explanation unsatisfying. Didn't

Dylan R. Matthews
UWire

Franklin D. Roosevelt and Lyndon B. Johnson pass major legislation under these same constraints? Yes, but they had two

other things going for them. For one thing, their congressional majorities were enormous compared to Obama's. In 1935, when Roosevelt signed Social Security into law, there were 72 Democrats in the Senate. In 1965, when Johnson signed the bill creating Medicare, there were 68 Senate Democrats. Obama, by contrast, had at most 60 Senate Democrats to work with and only 59 by the time health-care reform passed.

What's more, Obama has had to deal with a de facto 60-vote supermajority requirement that only emerged in the past few years. Roosevelt and Johnson had to deal with a higher bar for breaking filibusters (67 votes instead of 60), but it was only with Mitch McConnell's emergence as Senate Minority Leader in 2007 that the procedure began to be used routinely to influence legislation, and before 1970 it was only really used to delay civil rights legislation. Indeed, when Johnson was whipping votes for Medicare, his legislative strategists did not even consider the possibility that the bill would be filibustered. It was just too absurd an idea.

If you're going to be disappointed with someone be disappointed with the Republicans and moderate Democrats in Congress who derailed Obama's agenda. Talia B. Lavin, [a disappointed student quoted in a recent Harvard Crimson article], regrets that Obama has not done more to curtail "continual expansion of the power of the presidency."

But on domestic policy, the rise of the filibuster has actually led to an expansion of Congress' power and a diminishing of the president's. And with great power, as Spider-Man's Uncle Ben reminds us, comes great responsibility. Mitch McConnell may not be "one of us," but he is a person with moral agency.

Liberals should start treating him like one. We can argue for days over what Obama could have done differently, but there's no question there was plenty that Congress could have done differently.

To respond to the policy failures McConnell and his allies create by blaming Obama is to enable Republicans' — and Congress's — effort to duck responsibility for their actions.

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UWire

Blame natives for deforestation of Amazon

The amount of biodiversity on this planet is truly awe-inspiring. Scientists almost unanimously agree that deforestation directly leads to global climate change. Furthermore, scientists lament loss of biodiversity, particularly with respect to still undiscovered and undocumented species. Some believe these unidentified species could hold the key to curing diseases or providing a blueprint for further scientific innovation based on Mother Nature's diverse creations.

People from around the world who are conscientious of the destruction of this important ecosystem commonly cite the Amazon rainforest as the largest and most well-known example of this man-made calamity. Other rainforests also face similar — albeit less publicized — challenges throughout Indonesia and Southeast Asia.

The Amazon rainforest, for decades now, has been the modus operandi to blame the "evil" foreign investors and multinationals who recklessly steal the national resources of this fertile region. The word "imperialist" is a one-size-fits-all method of passing the buck to others far away.

But concerned citizens need to take a closer look at the real forces leading to the continued deforestation of the Amazon rainforest. For far too long, the blame for deforestation has been placed on international corporations, as well as other

powerful multinational entities such as the International Monetary Fund or the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation.

In the case of Brazil, the pro-nationalist, avidly anti-imperialist Workers' Party has been in power for nearly 10 years. Since assuming control of the country, the party has made several key changes. The most notable change has been the systematic and methodical alienation of the IMF and other multinationals operating inside Brazil.

In other words, Brazil has become increasingly protectionist economically.

One ambitious goal set by the party was the creation of more jobs for Brazilians. As a result, the first decade of the 21st century will be remembered in Brazil as a decade of tremendous growth, with extensive construction projects and infrastructure development.

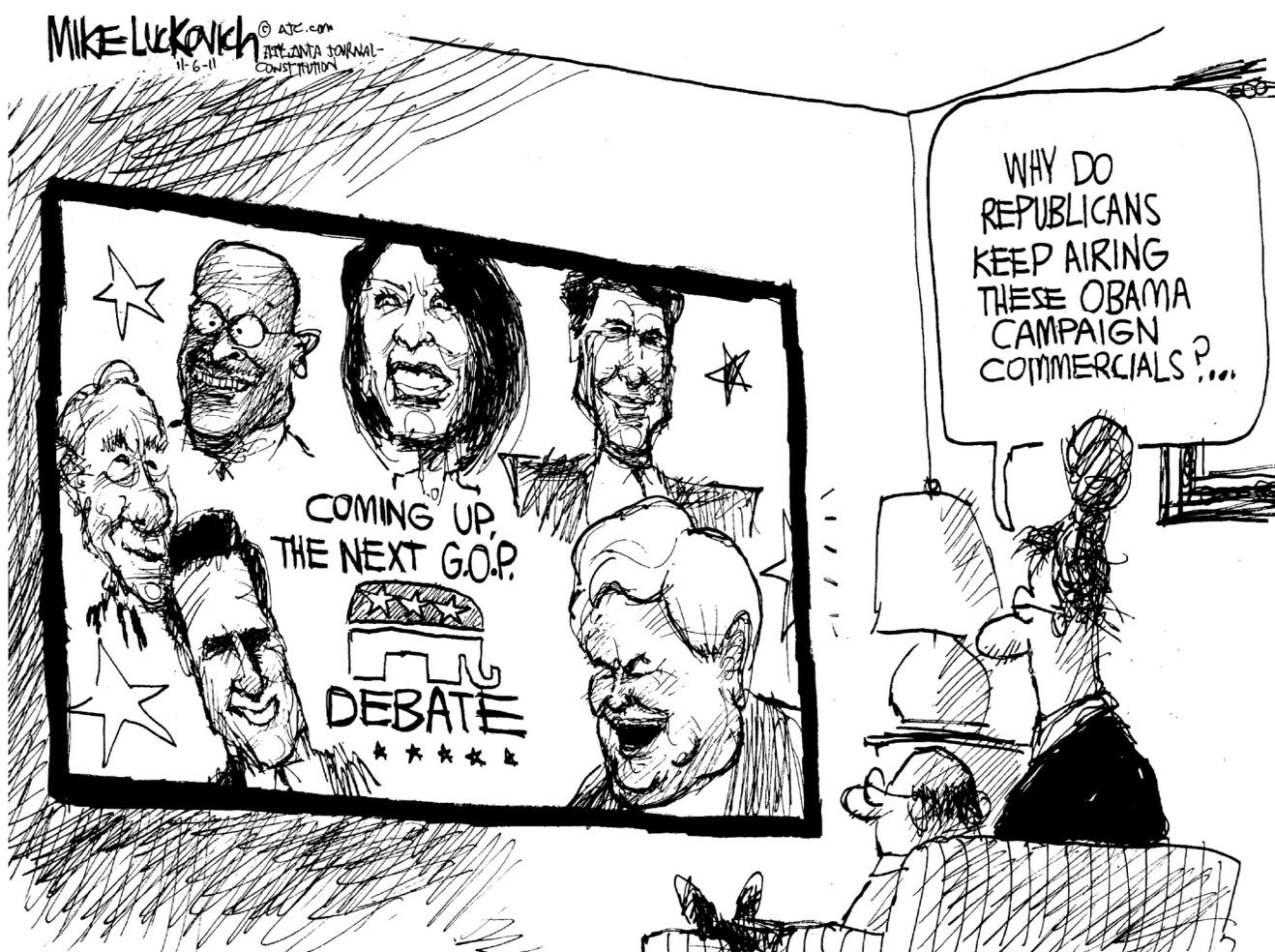
Scientists have confirmed that deforestation increases greenhouse gases much more than fossil fuel emissions do. By far, the largest cause of deforestation in the Amazon rainforest is land clearing for cattle and livestock. For the past decade, it was estimated that close to 70 percent of all deforestation in the Amazon was for the purpose of cattle ranching.

Surprisingly, the often-vilified practice of logging, long associated with imperialists, was deemed to be the cause of a mere 2 to 3 percent of all Amazonian deforestation. Add into the equation the fact that Brazilians consume more beef per capita than nearly any other nation worldwide, and a much clearer picture emerges, further clarifying what really is the driving force behind the continued deforestation of the Amazon.

In a region that notoriously prides itself on fervent nationalism and staunch anti-imperialism, it is ironic to see the Amazon rainforest being ravaged not by foreign imperialists, but rather by millions of native mini-imperialists, all of who are taking advantage of the legal system for what they hope will be a better life.

The only loser at the end of the day is their own national treasure, pillaged and soon to be exhausted by its own people.

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ACTIVISM

Oakland raid is latest in Occupy movement camp crackdowns

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OAKLAND, Calif. — Police decked in riot gear and armed with tear gas cleared out Oakland's anti-Wall Street encampment early Monday, the latest law enforcement crackdown amid complaints around the country of health and safety hazards at protest camps.

The raid at the Occupy Oakland camp, one of the largest and most active sites in the movement, came a day after police in Portland, Ore., arrested about 50 people while shutting down its camp amid complaints of drug use and sanitation issues.

Police in Burlington, Vt., also evicted protesters after a man fatally shot himself last week inside a tent.

Police staged a previous raid on the Oakland encampment on Oct. 25, but Mayor Jean Quan allowed protesters to re-establish their tent city. On Monday, however, Quan said officials could no longer ignore the problems posed by the camp.

"We came to this point because Occupy Oakland, I think, began to take a different path than the original movement," Quan said. "The encampment became a place where we had repeated violence and, last week, a murder. We had to bring the camp to an end before more people got hurt."

Demands increased for Oakland protesters to pack up after a man was shot and killed Thursday near the encampment at the City Hall

plaza.

Protesters claimed there was no connection between the shooting and the camp. But police identified the slain man as Kayode Ola Foster, 25, of Oakland, saying his family confirmed he had been staying at

the plaza.

Witnesses also told police that one of two suspects in the shooting had also been a frequent resident at the plaza.

Monday's raid came as no surprise to protesters after the city is-

sued its fourth order to abandon the camp. About 300 officers from the Oakland Police Department and seven other law enforcement agencies moved in around 5:30 a.m., arresting 32 people and tearing down about 150 tents.

Officials declared the operation a success, saying all arrests were peaceful, and there were no reported injuries to protesters or officers. Police said those taken into custody likely will face charges of unlawful assembly and lodging.

"This had been a very difficult situation," Quan said. "I'd tried to do what was right for the city and keep the most people safe at every step."

But Dan Siegel, one of the mayor's top legal advisers, resigned over Monday's raid, saying officials should have done more to work with protesters before sending in police.

Video footage of a protest after the Oct. 25 raid showed officers using flash-bang grenades and firing bean bag rounds into the crowd, injuring a number of people and prompting cries of police brutality.

Marine Corps veteran Scott Olsen was left in critical condition after suffering a head injury during that protest. His case became a rallying cry for the Occupy Wall Street movement around the nation.

Olsen, 24, issued his first statement Sunday since leaving a hospital.

"You'll be hearing more from me in the near future and soon enough we'll see you in our streets!" he posted on his Google+ account, as well as a photograph of himself with a neck brace and apparent bruising around his left eye.



AP Photo

A line of police stands at an Occupy Oakland encampment in Oakland, Calif., early Monday.

State Senate panel OKs revised tax-relief proposal

► THE PROPOSAL WILL BE PUT ON THE 2012 BALLOT.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLAHASSEE — Some Florida lawmakers are having second thoughts about a property tax-cutting proposal the Legislature put on the November 2012 ballot.

On Monday the Senate Community Affairs Committee approved a replacement for the proposed state constitutional amendment that would offer more tax relief for homeowners but less for businesses.

The panel's chairman, Sen. Mike Bennett, said he dislikes the current version, listed as Amendment 4, because its homeowner provision would cut taxes only for those who haven't bought a home in the past three years.

"This pertains to all buyers and all property, and I think it's a much better deal than just first-home buyers," said Bennett, R-Bradenton.

The new proposal (SJR 314) sponsored by Sen. David Simmons, R-Maitland, drew opposition from business interests because it is less generous to commercial taxpayers.

Either version would be in addition to the long-standing Save Our Homes Amendment. It caps assessment increas-

es for primary homes, known as homesteads, at 3 percent annually. Voters in 2008 also adopted an amendment that caps assessment increases for businesses and other non-homestead properties at 10 percent.

Amendment 4 would reduce the non-homestead limit to 5 percent. Simmons' proposal would make it 7 percent as a compromise with the Florida Association of Counties.

Davin Suggs, a lobbyist for the association, said reducing the non-homestead cap would increase the pressure on local officials to raise tax rates for everyone to make up for the revenues they'd lose.

"We are in fact penalizing new home ownership."

Sen. David Simmons
R-Maitland

The non-homestead cap is in response to the Save Our Homes Amendment that began shifting the tax burden toward businesses and away from homeowners after it was adopted in the 1990s.

Save Our Homes also has caused inequities among homeowners. People who have owned their homes for many years pay much lower taxes than those who recently have bought houses of the same value.

"We are in fact penalizing new home ownership," Simmons said.

Legal experts look to change Florida's death penalty policy

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLAHASSEE — A panel that included legal experts, academics and lawmakers on Monday renewed a push for changes to try to make Florida's death penalty more just and prevent innocent people from being executed.

Participants' views about their chances of success ranged from hopeful to despairing in a state that leads the nation with 23 death row inmates who have been exonerated this year.

"It seems to be a problem that may not be able to be solved," said former State Attorney Harry Shorstein of Jacksonville. "What the public doesn't understand is how expensive this litigation has been over the years."

Shorstein, who participated by telephone, supports the death penalty but said he's troubled with the lack of movement toward fixing its problems.

Florida State University's law school sponsored the forum to mark the fifth anniversary of an American Bar Association study that criticized the state's death penalty procedures and made a number of recommendations.

One was that juries be unanimous in recommending death sentences. Florida is the only death penalty state that lets juries make sentencing decisions or recommendations by a simple majority. Florida judges have the final say but must give great weight to jury recommendations.

For a second year, State Sen. Thad Altman is sponsoring a bill (SB 772) that would require unanimous findings of aggravating factors as well as death sentence recommendations. His legislation failed without so much as a committee hearing earlier this year.

"I'm hoping ... we can at least get a hearing," the Viera Republican told other panel members. "I don't think that's asking too much."

The panel's moderator, Mark Schlakman, senior program director at Florida State's Center for the Advancement of Human Rights, was more optimistic.

Schlakman noted the new bill would apply only to crimes committed after Oct. 1, 2012. Prosecutors had been worried about it being retroactive to existing cases.

Also, since the last legislative session, U.S. District Judge Jose E. Martinez in Miami has ruled Florida's death sentence law is unconstitutional because jury recommendations don't have to be unanimous. The state is appealing.

"Irrespective of where the appeal goes, it underscores the concern about that process," Schlakman said in an interview.

Some lawmakers have opposed changes because they were afraid that might result in more appeals. Martinez' ruling shows the opposite may be the case, Schlakman said.

He is hopeful Gov. Rick Scott, a Republican businessman who never ran for public office before last year, will be receptive.

"Gov. Scott approaches issues, whether one agrees or disagrees with his policy, with a fresh look and an open mind without having had much in the way of political background on these issues and tends to look at issues in general within the context of business practices," Schlakman said.



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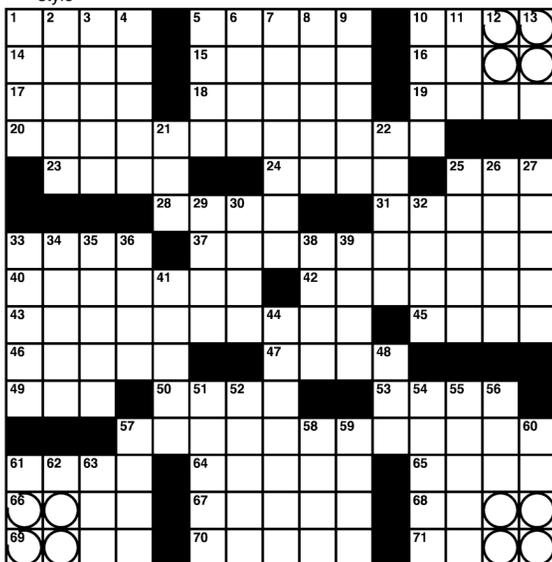
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18 Grassy Southwestern tract
19 "Mike and Mike in the Morning" radio station
20 On-the-go morning snack
23 Flight that may be round
24 Craft stabilizer
25 "No ___!": Mexican's "Enough!"
28 Story spanning decades
31 St. Teresa's home
33 Matador's cloak
37 Cash for a sandwich
40 Tenth of a sawbuck
42 Tailgaters' beverage carriers
43 Waiter's handout
45 Dorothy's dog
46 Run the show
47 Vidal's Breckinridge
49 Actress Sandra
50 Moan and groan
53 Browning work
57 Familiarly, nutritious trio found twice in this puzzle
61 Dubai big shot
64 Medium's card
65 Part of a float
66 Take it easy
67 Bacteria in rare meat
68 Footnote word
69 Biblical heirs, with "the"
70 Barber's chair attachment
71 Corporate ___
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1 Farm fence feature

- 2 Put into action, as effort
3 LSU mascot
4 Very, musically
5 ___-centered: egotistical
6 Luau entertainment
7 Sarah Palin, notably
8 Yvonne's income
9 Legislative investigation
10 "Good buddy"
11 Horace's "___ Poetica"
12 Comfy spot for some cats
13 Guys
21 GI mess crews
22 Memorable Texas landmark
25 "Giant" actor Sal
26 Ready for whatever
27 Final authority
29 Old apple spray
30 Frances ___: Judy Garland's birth name
32 Battery unit
33 Encrypted
34 Japanese cartoon style
35 Pound divisions
36 Adolescent woe
38 Manhattan campus, for short
39 Rush ___
41 Bloodsucker
44 Invisible-clothes wearer in an Andersen tale
48 "The Simpsons" storekeeper
51 José's humanities
52 Show one's feelings, say
54 Kalahari refuge
55 Wear away
56 Jason jilted her
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60 Dan'l's cousin?
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DEADLINES

The Alligator will not publish on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

The deadline for Monday, November 28 is Tuesday, November 22 at 4 p.m.
The deadline for Tuesday November 29 is Wednesday, November 23 at 4 p.m.

These deadlines apply to both Display Advertising 376-4482 and Classified Advertising 376-4446

Gators to finish season without top cornerback Roberson



Brett Le Blanc / Alligator Staff

Florida freshman cornerback Marcus Roberson (5) will spend the rest of the season looking on from the sideline after suffering a strained neck during Saturday's 17-12 loss to South Carolina.

GREG LUCA
Alligator Staff Writer

Freshman cornerback Marcus Roberson will sit out the remainder of the season due to a neck strain, coach Will Muschamp said Monday.

Muschamp expects Roberson to be "fine" in four to six weeks, setting up a return in time for spring practice.

"It's nothing that's going to be permanent," Muschamp said. "They're just taking the precautionary measures."

Roberson started in each of Florida's first 10 games, notching 22 tackles, two pass breakups and an interception.

He has topped the Gators' cornerback depth chart since the opening week and shadowed Alshon Jeffery throughout Saturday's contest with South Carolina, holding the All-America wideout to two catches for 17 yards.

With Roberson out, Muschamp said UF will lean on sophomore Jaylen Watkins, who has started each of the last three weeks, and sophomore Cody Riggs, who started the team's first seven games before Watkins claimed the role.

Freshman Loucheiz Purifoy and senior Moses Jenkins will also be in the mix for additional playing time.

Wideouts invisible: After a spring season filled with hype and hope, Quinton Dunbar and the Florida wide receivers have been mostly nonfactors this year.

As a group, UF wideouts have

averaged 5.4 catches and 78.8 yards per game. This year, 54 individual receivers nationally have averaged at least that many catches, and 43 wideouts have had at least that many yards.

"They're team players, they want to do whatever it takes to win," senior quarterback John Brantley said. "They're just going to keep going out there each week and trying to better themselves and better this team."

"To see [Dunbar] blocking downfield on longer plays and finishing the plays, he did a great job."

John Brantley
UF quarterback

Dunbar has only eight catches for 116 yards this season and failed to record a stat Saturday, but Brantley and Muschamp lauded him for his performance.

"To see him blocking downfield on longer plays and finishing the plays, he did a great job," Brantley said.

Said Muschamp: "Given his opportunities, he has played well."

Injury update: Brantley said he feels only as sore as he would expect to feel on a Monday after a game.

He said his right arm, which was injured Nov. 5 against Vanderbilt, is healed. His ankle, on the other hand, is still problematic, although it has been steadily recovering since he sprained it Oct. 1 against Alabama. He said there have not been

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THE JETT STREAM

Patience key with Muschamp

The heat has really cranked up this month.

It will only get hotter come December, and expect the temperature to rise and rise throughout the winter. Welcome to Will Muschamp's throne, where the flames are growing and will continue to stoke as fans reflect on this season and their coach's \$2.5 million contract.

Concern; anger; F-bomb-spitting, remote-chucking disgust — it's all justified. Florida looks as close to its glory days as Notre Dame does, and the Gators were national championship contenders two years ago, when students like me were sophomores.

But ease up on Muschamp, at least for now. This is not an endorsement of the Gators' coach. This is an endorsement of logic.

Florida gets dominated in the fourth



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quarter, is bad in key situations (32.5 percent on third-down conversions) and is undisciplined (8.3 penalties per game, minus-10 turnover margin). These are all categories of a

poorly coached team.

This year, however, is not a fair reflection of Muschamp. First seasons rarely are. Muschamp deserves a chance to bring in his own athletes, to suit up players who can establish a power run game and pressure the quarterback and defend tall receivers.

He should be able to prove whether he can learn from his own mistakes. In addition to recruiting pipelines, booster support

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Florida to focus on stopping Ohio State big man Sullinger

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6-foot-9, 280-pound big man.

After all, Sullinger powered through the Gators' frontline for a game-high 26 points and 10 boards during Ohio State's 93-75 win in Gainesville a year ago.



Donovan

Following his first career double-double on Friday, Patric Young had no problem pointing out college basketball's top post player.

"Our next game is against the best center in the country: Jared Sullinger," he said.

While Young took the humble route ahead of tonight's clash at 8 between No. 7 Florida (1-0) and No. 3 Ohio State (1-0), his words served as a fair description when discussing the Buckeyes'

"I have a great deal of respect for [Sullinger] because he really understands the game," UF coach Billy Donovan said. "Watching

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Florida coach Will Muschamp said he and the coaching staff have gone to great lengths in an effort to reduce penalties. See story, page 15.

New Podcast Breaking Down Loss to Gamecocks

To hear what our football writers think of Saturday's brutal loss to South Carolina, log on to alligatorSports.org or subscribe on iTunes and download the latest edition of our podcast hosted by Greg Luca.

UF v. FSU Time Announced

Florida's annual rivalry game with Florida State on Nov. 26 will be broadcast on ESPN2 at 7 p.m. The game will be played at home in The Swamp.

McCray, Green, Easley expected to play Saturday against Furman

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any setbacks.
 "I'm as healthy as I'm going to be right now," Brantley said.

Muschamp said Brantley will start Saturday against Furman but added that freshman quarterbacks Jeff Driskel and Jacoby Brissett could see time "if the opportunity presents itself."

Junior linebacker Lerentee McCray and freshman offensive tackle Chaz Green both missed UF's game against South Carolina, but Muschamp said he is hopeful they will be back this week.

Both tested their injuries during pregame warmups, but ultimately McCray's shoulder injury and Green's ankle injury prohibited them from playing.

Sophomore defensive tackle Dominique Easley left Saturday's game with a severe limp and missed Monday's practice, Muschamp said.

Easley returned to the game after the injury and is expected to be back in practice today.

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HEISMAN WATCH



1. ▲ Trent Richardson, Alabama running back (18 points): 1,205 rushing yards, 5.9 yards per carry, 18 touchdowns; 25 receptions, 318 yards, 1 touchdown.



Richardson overtakes the top spot in this week's poll after another strong performance for the Crimson Tide. Against Mississippi State, Richardson rushed for 127 yards, eclipsing the century mark for the seventh time in 10 games. Richardson also added a touchdown on the ground as Alabama rolled to a 24-7 victory.

3. Case Keenum, Houston quarterback (11 points): 193.3 passer rating, 3,951 passing yards, 74.2 completion percentage, 37 passing touchdowns, 3 interceptions.



Keenum sits steady in third after another solid performance for undefeated Houston. He connected on 22 of 29 passes for 325 yards and three scores before heading to the bench in the third quarter to take the rest of the game off. Houston went on to put up 73 points against Tulane and improve to 10-0.

2. ▲ Brandon Weeden, Oklahoma State quarterback (15 points): 164.2 passer rating, 3,635 passing yards, 73.1 completion percentage, 31 passing touchdowns, 9 interceptions.



After making his debut in last week's poll, Weeden continues to show that age ain't nothin' but a number. The 28-year-old's climb up our charts has him sitting at No. 2 this time around. Against Texas Tech, Weeden put on a passing clinic, completing 31 of 37 passes (83.8 percent) for 423 yards and five touchdowns while tossing no picks in the Cowboys' 66-6 win.

4. ▼ Andrew Luck, Stanford quarterback (9 points): 168.9 passer rating, 2,680 passing yards, 70.6 completion percentage, 29 passing touchdowns, 7 interceptions.



Luck had a stranglehold on the top spot in our poll since its inception. However, an uncharacteristic performance and a pair of interceptions send him tumbling down in the standings this week. Luck went 27 of 41 for 271 yards and three scores, but the two interceptions didn't help him as his chances at an undefeated season, and perhaps the Heisman, took a shot in a 53-30 loss to Oregon.

5. ▲ LaMichael James, Oregon running back (4 points): 1,207 rushing yards, 7.9 yards per carry, 12 touchdowns; 13 receptions, 175 yards, 1 touchdown.



James makes his first appearance this week after leading Oregon to an emphatic win against previously undefeated Stanford. James carried the ball 20 times for 146 yards and gashed the Cardinal defense for three touchdowns. Making his season stats even more impressive: He missed two games in the middle of October due to injury.

Greg Luca:

1. Trent Richardson
2. Case Keenum
3. Brandon Weeden
4. LaMichael James
5. Russell Wilson, Wisconsin

Tyler Jett:

1. Brandon Weeden
2. Trent Richardson
3. Andrew Luck
4. Russell Wilson
5. Case Keenum

Tom Green:

1. Brandon Weeden
2. Trent Richardson
3. Andrew Luck
4. Case Keenum
5. LaMichael James

Matt Watts:

1. Trent Richardson
2. Case Keenum
3. Andrew Luck
4. Brandon Weeden
5. LaMichael James

OUR RANKINGS

*The number in parentheses next to each name indicates how many points the candidate received from the alligatorSports columnists.

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and an elite training program, Muschamp should be given one other resource: time. At least three years.

Look at the 10 active coaches in BCS conferences with the highest winning percentages who have coached at least three seasons. In their first years, nine of those coaches combined to go 58-50 (see chart). The other coach is Nick Saban, who went 9-2 at Toledo in 1990 before bolting for a defensive coordinator gig with the Cleve-

land Browns.

Going 6-6 in the regular season — a lock for Florida — would put Muschamp in fine company. Of course, this season doesn't suggest the Gators' coach will be one of the best in the nation. Far from it. Plenty of coaches go .500 in their first year and then fade into obscurity.

The key will be next season. Of those nine coaches, eight won more games in their second season. One (Bob Stoops) took home the national championship, and two others (Bobby Petrino and Mark Richt) were conference champs.

Consider Florida's own coaches. Urban Meyer went 9-3 in 2005 before winning a national title in his second season. Ron Zook, meanwhile, finished 8-5 in each of his first two years.

That latter stat, read the wrong way, has already stirred panic — *Ron Zook and his silly prevent defense was still more successful than Muschamp!* But Zook didn't improve in year No. 2, and he was gone by the end of his third season.

We don't know Muschamp's fate yet. Nobody does. Not the players. Not Muschamp. Not Athletic Director Jeremy Fo-

ley.

Foley, of course, knows better than anyone the depression of an era like Zook's.

That was his first high-profile hire, and the move flopped miserably. Foley also knows patience, though only a proper amount.

Muschamp hasn't proven himself, obviously. Not even close. But, for now, be patient. For now.

If you still want to grab your pitchfork at this point next year, though, I certainly won't be the one stopping you.

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Winningest Active Coaches in FBS

Minimum of Three Seasons

	Career Record	First Year	Second Year
● Bob Stoops, Oklahoma	137-32 (.811)	7-5	13-0*
● Bret Bielema, Wisconsin	57-18 (.760)	12-1	9-4
● Bobby Petrino, Arkansas	73-25 (.745)	9-4	11-1**
● Mark Richt, Georgia	104-36 (.743)	8-4	13-1**
● Bo Pelini, Nebraska	38-14 (.731)	9-4	10-4
● Les Miles, LSU	100-38 (.725)	4-7	8-5
● Steve Spurrier, South Carolina	194-75-2 (.716)	5-6	7-3-1
● Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech	140-56 (.714)	2-10	8-5
● Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech	249-119-4 (.669)	2-9	3-8

* Won national championship

** Won conference championship

*** Nick Saban not included, left Toledo for the NFL after one season

**** Virginia's Mike London not included, is coaching his first FBS season after three years in the FCS

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Muschamp trying new methods to curb flags

► FLORIDA IS NATION'S MOST PENALIZED TEAM.

TOM GREEN
Alligator Staff Writer

The Gators have a problem, and coach Will Muschamp is going to great lengths to try to solve it.

With 8.3 penalties per game, Florida is the most penalized team in the nation — not the kind of title Muschamp was hoping for in his first year in Gainesville.

"We've emphasized it as much as we can," Muschamp said Monday. "We're exhausting every measure we can (to fix the problem)."

The team pumps crowd noise into practice every day and uses hard counts against the defense "probably once every two to three snaps," but Muschamp is also getting creative to try to curb the Gators' penalty woes.

He said the team has made shirts with the phrase "Hard Count" printed on them to emphasize staying onside. Coaches are even sending text message to players to ingrain the mantra into their minds.

"We're trying everything," Muschamp said. "We're just trying to emphasize it a different way. That's all we're trying to do."

While the national ranking in penalties hasn't altered since the calendar

turned to November, the Gators have shown signs of improvement. In two November contests, Florida has committed three and five penalties against Vanderbilt and South Carolina, respectively, for a total of 47 yards. UF has decreased its average number of flags by one per outing in November. The team's average penalty yards per game has dropped from 70.88 after the loss to Georgia, which put UF at 115th nationally, to 61.4 — tied for 93rd.

Although the numbers are down considerably from earlier in the season, the Gators are still committing penalties in crucial situations, like defensive tackle Dominique Easley's offside penalty on third-and-2 late in the game that extended the Gamecocks' clock-killing drive.

Defensive end Sharrif Floyd attributed the problems to a lack of focus, but Muschamp said it also has to do with Florida making such mistakes before, giving other teams film to try to prepare and make the Gators force the same errors.

"We're going to continue to do a better job; we're not doing a good job, obviously," Muschamp said. "When you see us jump offsides, everybody else says, 'That's a pretty good idea, let's try that.'"

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George powers Florida past Stetson

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Junior forward Jennifer George has taken 17 shots this season — 16 came against Stetson.

George scored a career-high 21 points and grabbed nine rebounds in the Gators' 71-57 win against the Hatters (1-1) in the O'Connell Center on Monday night.

"I just worked on posting up more and wanting the ball," George said. "I was just trying to own the paint, unlike I did in our first game."

George's performance comes on the heels of a one-shot, three-rebound effort in Florida's 69-66 season-opening loss to Michigan on Friday.

When Butler saw George barely made a mark on the stat sheet, she planned on having Florida (1-1) focus on getting the ball into the paint Monday.

"[George] knew Friday's effort was not her best, and she accepted that," Butler said. "That's a hard thing to do, to say, 'My bad, y'all. I'm better than that.'"

While George was nearly nonexistent in the Gators' loss to the Wolverines on Friday, senior guard Deana Allen didn't play after suffering a concussion in practice Nov. 6.

But Allen returned to the lineup against Stetson and provided a much-needed offensive spark.

She played 19 minutes, scoring 11 points and grabbing eight rebounds. Allen and George were the only Gators to score in double figures.

"I was hyped all over again," Allen said. "[Monday] was my actual first game of contributing with the rest of my teammates."

UF fared much better offensively Monday, making 28 of 60 shots for a 46.7 shooting percentage.

However, the struggles from 3-point range continued, as the Gators connected only once in 10 tries.

"The best thing about that stat is the 10 part," Butler said. "The improvement was recognizing, 'Here's what's not working, so let's quit doing that.'"



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Junior forward Jennifer George scored a career-high 21 points and grabbed nine rebounds Monday in Florida's 71-57 win against Stetson.

The first half was a tightly contested 20 minutes, as the Gators and Hatters exchanged the lead 10 times and were tied on four different occasions.

However, Stetson's 30-29 halftime lead would prove to be their last advantage of the night. Florida started the second half on an 8-0 run, pulling ahead 37-30 with 18:06 remaining.

Sophomore forward Kayla Lewis

sparked the spurt, scoring six points and registering a steal to help put UF ahead for good.

"When post players run the floor, and they run the floor every single time and get out ahead of the transition defense, it's really hard to guard," Butler said. "I was proud of Kayla and the whole team of the way we came out of the locker room for the second half."

RECRUITING

No. 1 defensive end recruit Fowler dealing with discipline issues

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ST. PETERSBURG — Dante Fowler Jr. could be considered either one of high school football's biggest question marks or one of its boldest exclamation points.

At 6-foot-3, 232 pounds, Fowler carries the title of the nation's No. 1 defensive end recruit, according to Rivals.com.

Beneath the evasive façade and tough bravado, though, is just an 18-year-old with a soft voice and a wide-toothed smile — and an easily ignited temper.

After an on-field dispute last season, Fowler was ejected from a game and served a one-game suspension from the Florida High School Athletic Association.

Then, in early September, according to the St. Petersburg Times, a growing tension between Fowler and his coaches at St. Petersburg Lakewood High was detonated by one maverick play.

Fowler, frustrated by being double teamed in Lakewood's season opener against Seminole High, went rogue and recorded a sack despite orders from his coaches to remain inside. Then came a four-week suspension from coach Cory Moore.

Against St. Petersburg High on Friday night, Fowler also got into trouble, beginning with a late hit in the first quarter, after which he taunted the offensive lineman he had pushed around.

He was also involved in a dispute involving a few players from both teams on the St. Petersburg sideline after a player was pushed out of bounds.

"Yeah, I get out of line a lot," Fowler said, "but I'm going to have to practice on that in college."

Coupled with his on-field aggression is a senior season in which Fowler has failed to meet expectations and his own goals.

Before the season, Fowler had set a

goal of 25 sacks. Instead, he watched his team go 5-0 from afar before rejoining the squad that has now ended its season on a 1-4 note.

Fowler ripped off his helmet nearly every time his cleats crossed the Lakewood sideline Friday night, often throwing it to the ground in irritation.

For a defensive lineman heralded for his pass-rushing ability and knack for disrupting offenses, Fowler seemed to consistently be the farthest Lakewood defender from the ball.

He recorded just one and a half tackles before halftime and capped the 37-14 loss with five tackles and two assisted tackles. He was also pulled out for a few fourth-quarter plays and later reinstated at tackle.

"It's a tough loss," Fowler said.



Fowler

Mann goes from backup to UF star

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After 21 years at Florida and 25 years of coaching college volleyball, Mary Wise doesn't come across many firsts.

But after watching Chloe Mann, a sophomore middle blocker just a couple weeks removed from being a small role player, lead the Gators to two weekend victories, Wise was impressed.

"I can't remember in our tenure here somebody [emerging] that way," Wise said.

Against LSU and Arkansas, Mann, 6-foot-1, put on two of the better individual performances in Florida history. First, she used a size advantage against the Tigers' middle blockers on Friday night en route to the second-highest single-game hitting efficiency in NCAA history by a player with 20 or more attempts. Mann had 18 kills on 20 swings for a .900 hitting percentage.

In Sunday's game, Mann broke the UF record for points and kills by a middle blocker since 25-point rally scoring began, both marks she previously set on Friday. During the five-set match, Mann had 19 kills and five blocks.

Friday's game was the best overall hitting performance by a Gator since 2002, when All-America middle blocker Benavia Jenkins had 12 kills on 13 attempts against UCF.

Mann's recent playing time has come at the expense of senior middle blocker Cassandra Anderson, who carried a starting role since midway through her freshman year. Before Florida's Oct. 30 game against Kentucky, Mann had taken just 14 swings in seven Southeastern Conference appearances.

In her new starting job, Mann has been given a larger offensive role than either of her middle blocker teammates. During the weekend, Mann averaged 6.2 swings per set. In comparison, Betsy Smith and Anderson have averaged 2.95 and 3.14 this year, respectively.

"Her contact point is very different from Betsy and Cassandra's," Wise said. "It's way up there. It's easier to set, but it's different."

On Sunday, Anderson saw her first game action since the Kentucky match but played a support role in comparison to Mann, who became the first middle blocker to be named SEC Offensive Player of the Week since 2007.

"Cassandra has been Chloe's greatest ally," Wise said. "I've never been more proud of Cassandra than how she's handled the past couple weeks and especially how she came in and played [Sunday]."



Mann

Young tasked with slowing Sullinger

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him reminds me of a throwback guy of a long, long time ago. You have guys that are really big and strong, but he understands how to use his size."

In last season's matchup, Sullinger and Young, both highly touted freshmen at the time, had an opportunity to showcase their skills to a national audience. Sullinger clearly took advantage of the spotlight and went on to have an All-America season while Young saw the court for just 12 minutes in the game.

"I just thought I could go in there and could compete against him, because I've done it in AAU before," Young said. "I thought, 'My time's going to come when I get the chance to just play against this guy again, hopefully, one day.'"

Now, as UF's focal point in the paint, the 6-foot-9, 247-pound Young does not have to worry about playing time Tuesday in Columbus, Ohio. He will face the tall task of trying to slow down Sullinger with a different approach than departed seniors Alex Tyus and Vernon Macklin used.

"The gameplan is to keep him off the boards, not let him get anything easy," Young said. "He's a good player. He's going to score a few points here and there, but don't let him get anything easy."

Half of Sullinger's rebounds in the previous matchup came on the offensive glass, and he was able to finish above the rim for an easy dunk seven times.

Rebounding has been a concern for Donovan through Florida's exhibition and first regular-season game. With more depth at guard than in the past, he is expecting UF's perimeter players to have a larger role.

"That will be a big factor in the game: our rebounding," junior guard Kenny Boynton said. "Both teams will miss shots. ... Sometimes it'll just be (Sullinger) and four other guys down there, and he comes down with the rebound."

While the Buckeyes did lose three seniors, including 6-foot-5 swingman David Lighty, who also scored 26 points against the Gators, OSU returns a strong core in shooting guard William Buford and

point guard Aaron Craft.

Like Florida's Young, both are on the Naismith and Wooden Award Watch Lists for Player of the Year.

"We're just going to try to contain (Sullinger) but let him have what he wants," Boynton said. "But other than that, try to contain the other players and not let the other players have big games also."

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Florida sophomore center Patric Young and Ohio State All-America forward Jared Sullinger will go head-to-head in tonight's game.

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