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# Trustees vote to approve new undergraduate fee

**ERIN JESTER and  
 JOEY FLECHAS**  
 Alligator Staff Writers

With a gallery of administrators, protesters and Student Government officials present, the UF Board of Trustees met Thursday to address issues ranging from new student fees to the proposed Reitz Union renovation.

The board's Committee on Educational Policy & Strategy approved a proposal for a new undergraduate enhancement fee that would supplement graduate assistant stipends.

The committee comprises the full board, which will meet today.

If the Board of Governors, the state university system's highest governing body, approves the fee, undergraduate students will pay \$89 per semester or \$178 per year throughout their undergraduate education. The new fee would not be covered by the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship.

UF President Bernie Machen spoke about the impact graduate

assistants have on undergraduate education, citing the bulk of instruction they provide to undergraduate students.

Student Body President Anthony Reynolds abstained from the vote, saying he did not feel comfortable taking a stance.

"After careful thought, I realized that I represent undergraduate and graduate students," Reynolds said.

After speaking with members of Graduate Assistants United, who asked the Board of Trustees at the meeting to eliminate graduate assistant fees, Machen said he is willing to discuss the concerns after the beginning of the new year.

"I think there's some common ground in there that we can work over," he said.

The Board also approved



Machen



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Jose Soto, a fourth-year Ph.D. candidate in food and resource economics, 31, left, and anthropology junior Robbey Hayes, 22, right, lead a group of about 60 protesters to Emerson Alumni Hall, where the UF Board of Trustees met Thursday. They rallied against tuition and fees increases.

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## UF reacts to FAMU student's death, hazing investigation

**UF HAS A STRICT ANTI-HAZING POLICY.**

**EMILY MORROW**  
 Alligator Writer

It has been 13 days since the death of Florida A&M University drum major Robert Champion, and the nation is still in shock.

Four students have been dismissed, band director Julian White has been fired, and while the head of Florida's university system is calling for an investigation of the school, Gov. Rick Scott has called for a re-evaluation of Florida universities' hazing policies.

UF has a strict no-hazing policy that defines hazing as any action or situation that "endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into or af-

filiation with any organization."

In Florida, hazing in high school or college is a crime. If the hazing causes serious injury or death, it is a third-degree felony.

Chris Loschiavo, director of UF's Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution, said he receives about two to three hazing complaints a semester. Complaints are often anonymous, he said, and he has yet to deal with anything as serious as a student's death.

Once the Dean of Students Office hears a complaint, it begins an investigation of the claims. If a complaint were serious or criminal in nature, University Police would be involved, he said.

According to a study conducted by the National Collaborative for Hazing Research and Prevention, about 55 percent of U.S. college students experience some sort of hazing.

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## LOCAL

# Deadline to own Paynes Prairie bison approaches

**MEREDITH RUTLAND**  
 Alligator Staff Writer

For those who want to own a Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park bison, the application deadline is approaching.

The requests for proposals, which will determine who will get to remove and keep the bison, are due Dec. 6 to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. They were sent out Nov. 4.

Jessica Sims, spokeswoman for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, said the proposals will be reviewed this month, and a vendor will be picked before 2012.

The department will not know the exact date the process will begin, how long it will take, how much it will cost or the details of the removal until a vendor is selected, Sims wrote in an email.

David Jowers, Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park manager, is directing all questions about the bison to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

The department decided in spring to remove all adult, male bison from the herd of

about 60.

Since then, some animal activists and park enthusiasts have protested the removal, saying it will decrease the area's cultural heritage and possibly lead to the slaughter of the animals.

*"No, we don't plan to kill anything."*

**Dan Pearson**

*environmental specialist for the Florida Park Service*

A public meeting was held in December 2010, when some Alachua County residents advocated keeping the animals in the park.

"Are you going to literally kill these creatures?" activist Lisa Grossman asked at the meeting.

"No, we don't plan to kill anything," said Dan Pearson, environmental specialist for the Florida Park Service.

"Would you purposely sell them to people you think are going to slaughter them?" she asked.

"I hope not," he answered.

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# News Today

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

**Dancin' Gators Fall Dance Showcase**  
 Today, 8 p.m.  
 Phillips Center for the Performing Arts  
 Styles of dance showcased include: jazz, tap, hip-hop, pointe, contemporary, swing, Irish, bhangra, Bollywood, Spanish and more. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., and admission is free. Alachua County Public Schools will be at the show collecting donations of canned food items to provide Alachua families with a holiday meal. For more information, visit [www.dancin-gators.weebly.com](http://www.dancin-gators.weebly.com).

**Inspi(RED) Soccer Charity Tournament**  
 Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
 Maguire Field  
 The ONE campaign at UF and Kappa Delta sorority will co-host a 6v6 charity soccer tournament at Maguire Field. All proceeds will go to Grassroot Soccer, an organization that harnesses the global popularity of soccer to help prevent the spread of AIDS worldwide. Teams can register at [www.grassrootsoccer.org/inspired-soccer/tournament-calendar/](http://www.grassrootsoccer.org/inspired-soccer/tournament-calendar/). Registration costs \$4 per player. Free agents are welcome to sign up. More information about the

## FORECAST

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tournament is available on the registration site. There will be prizes for the best teams.

### Food for Thought

Sunday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.  
 Marston Library, Library West  
 Food for Thought will provide students with an opportunity to take a break from studying by providing refreshments, an inflatable obstacle course and a photo booth. There will also be an arts and crafts station and a stress relief station. Tutoring Zone tutors will be available to offer students study hints and assistance in studying for exams. There will be an opportunity to win lap desks, survival bags, stickers and coupons for review sessions at Tutoring Zone.

### Got something going on?

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## CORRECTION

In Thursday's edition of the Alligator, a headline for an article incorrectly stated that a former UF professor was sentenced to four years in prison. He was sentenced to six months.

The Alligator strives to be accurate and clear in its news reports and editorials. If you find an error, please call our newsroom at 352-376-4458 or email [editor@alligator.org](mailto:editor@alligator.org).

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# Proposed House Republican bill would renew jobless benefit

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WASHINGTON — House Republicans are drafting legislation to renew an expiring unemployment benefits program, officials said Thursday, and intend to add it to a planned extension of a Social Security payroll tax cut due to run out on Dec. 31.

The measure is expected on the House floor as early as next week. It marks the second sign in as many days that lawmakers in both parties are eager to close out the year with a compromise on key elements of President Barack Obama's jobs program.

Republican officials say the cost of the extension of both programs will be covered within the measure, making sure deficits don't rise as a result.

The officials who spoke did so on the condition of anonymity to provide details in advance of a formal announcement.

With unemployment hovering around 9 percent nationally, Obama urged Congress in September to renew and expand the payroll tax cut he signed a year ago and called for an extension of benefits that can cover up to 99 weeks for the long-term jobless.

The core state-paid unemployment insurance program guaran-

tees coverage for six months, but Congress typically has provided additional weeks of federal jobless benefits in bad times. The latest cycle of additional benefits began in 2008, the last year of George W. Bush's administration.

Letting extended jobless assistance expire would mean that about 6 million people would lose benefits averaging \$296 a week next year, with 1.8 million cut off within a month.

It was unclear what changes, if any, Republicans intend to propose for the unemployment benefits portion of the bill.

A struggle already has broken out over steps to pay for the payroll tax increase.

Senate Democrats want to levy a 3.5 percent surtax on million-dollar tax filers to cover the costs, while Senate Republicans unveiled an alternative on Wednesday that relies on freezing federal workers' pay through 2015 and reducing the government's bureaucracy by 200,000 jobs. The bill also would raise Medicare premiums for the wealthy and take steps to deny unemployment benefits and food

stamps to anyone with a seven-figure income.

Senate Republicans said their legislation would offset the cost of the payroll tax cut extension and generate about \$110 billion in additional savings that could reduce deficits. They circulated statistics from the Internal Revenue Service reporting that tax filers with \$1 million or more in income had received a total of \$20.8 million in unemployment benefits in 2009, the latest year for which figures are available. Their bill would impose a 100 percent tax on those payments.

Neither of the two alternatives appears likely to win the 60-vote Senate majority needed to advance in votes anticipated Thursday night, a double-barreled rejection that would presumably clear the way for final negotiations on a compromise.

With lawmakers eager to adjourn for the year at midmonth, Republican and Democratic leaders have also begun discussions on legislation to avert a 27 percent cut in payments to doctors who treat Medicare patients, officials said.

The measure generally has bipartisan support, since it has the backing of the American Medical Association as well as patient advocacy groups.



Obama



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After a meeting with GOP Supercommittee members, House Speaker John Boehner walks to vote on the House floor Wednesday.

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STUDENT LIFE

# Students observe AIDS Day

**SAMANTHA SHAVELL**

Alligator Contributing Writer

At UF, three out of 10 students do not know their HIV status.

On Thursday, in honor of World AIDS Day, GatorWell encouraged those students to find out.

The on-campus counseling service, along with Eta Sigma Gamma and the College of Health and Human Performance, offered free HIV testing from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Florida Gym. The testing was held as part of GatorWell's third-annual World AIDS Day event.

About 100 students registered to get tested.

"It's a day where we can highlight the importance of knowing your status," said Samantha Evans, GatorWell sexual health promotion specialist.

GatorWell also offers free HIV testing by appointment on Wednesdays from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon.

Other campus and community organizations held events for the international observance.

The Queer Straight Alliance at Santa Fe College hosted a walk Thursday afternoon to raise money for Positives Empowering Positives, a local organization designed to support people living with HIV and AIDS.

The alliance also provided information to students.

"We must have given out hundreds of fliers to people walking by," said 19-year-old business freshman Jeremy Redford, president of the Queer Straight Alliance.

The event ended with Condom Miranda presenting a show about sexual education and AIDS and HIV prevention to 79 students, Redford said.

Vox: Voices for Planned Parenthood raised awareness about safe sex and World AIDS Day by distributing bags with condoms outside of clubs in downtown Gainesville.

*"It's a day where we can highlight the importance of knowing your status."*

**Samantha Evans**

GatorWell sexual health promotion specialist

"We wanted to do something people are interested in getting," said 21-year-old psychology senior Rosemary Daniels, president of Vox.

World AIDS Day started Dec. 1, 1988. In 2010, there were an estimated 34 million people in the world living with HIV. That number is up 17 percent from 2001, according to UNAIDS, the United Nations program on HIV/AIDS.

"Although it's a fantastic observance that really highlights the importance of getting tested and the impact of HIV, the other 364 days are good days to think about those things as well," Evans said.

# Grad student studies early Caribbean cultures

**AUBREY PRIMER**

Alligator Contributing Writer

A UF anthropology graduate student teamed up with anthropologists from two other U.S. universities to study the characteristics of prehistoric communities in the Caribbean.

The paper, "New records for prehistoric introduction of Neotropical mammals to the West Indies," includes the research of UF graduate student Michelle LeFebvre and graduate students from the University of Washington and North Carolina State University.

The team's studies involved evaluating prehistoric cultures in the Caribbean island Carriacou. Researchers focused on the influence that five particular animal species had on the island's natives.

Of the five species, only one can be found on Carriacou today.

Through studying these animals, researchers analyzed Carriacou's inhabitants' rituals, immigration and eating patterns, interaction with other

cultures and trade tendencies.

They used chemical analysis and other techniques, like carbon dating, to assess their discoveries.

"I hope that [the research] really showcases how the archaeological data can be used to address more of the complexities of human culture," LeFebvre said.

For the team of the three authors and about 20 field school students, each day started with field research from 6 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. followed by a three-hour break.

"We got a very early start in the morning because it's so hot there in the summer," said Christina Giovas, lead author and University of Washington anthropology graduate student.

The impact that Carriacou had on its surrounding areas, like South America, is highlighted in the research.

"People don't really realize how much influence the Caribbean has," said Susan deFrance, chairwoman of UF's anthropology department.

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## STATE USF adds 'Tampa Bay' to name

**MINA RADMAN**  
Alligator Writer

Danielle Kushner likes to tell people she's from the "real South Florida" when they question the University of South Florida's location in Tampa.

Kushner, a 20-year-old public relations sophomore at USF and a Coral Springs native, said "it's not usually a big deal" to people that USF is in Tampa.

"From what I've noticed in my friends, students here at USF don't find the term 'south' to be a huge deal," she said.

However, USF officials are trying to prevent any future confusion about the university's location.

The university announced Wednesday that it is adding the tagline "Tampa Bay" to the end of its official name, which will now be "University of South Florida, Tampa Bay."

Officials made the addition to the title to brand USF as part of the Tampa Bay area and to stop people from thinking the university is in the Miami area, according to a USF news release.

A task force appointed by Michael Hoad, USF's vice president for communications and marketing, found that people outside of the

state often confuse Florida's universities.

"Adding 'Tampa Bay' should help with our branding," Hoad said in the news release. "This is not a push to change the official name of the university or the official logo, but we want to be clear and accurate on where USF is located."

USF officials are not sure how the new tagline will be added to the official logo, according to the release.

*"I haven't ever really heard people being confused about USF and its location."*

**Hallie Kritsas**  
psychology sophomore

Hallie Kritsas, a 19-year-old UF psychology sophomore and Tampa native, said she thinks it will be different to hear USF called anything else.

She doesn't see the need for the tagline.

"I haven't ever really heard people being confused about USF and its location," she said. "It's just the way it's always been."

Kushner said she thinks the addition of "Tampa Bay" to the title could be misleading because the term "Bay" implies the school is on the water.

"I will still call it USF," she said.

## Student group holds food drive for 'food insecure'

▶ IT WILL BE ON THE REITZ UNION COLONNADE.

**SAPHIRA LAZARRE**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

With the holiday season well under way, thoughts of family, home and gift-buying fill the heads of many Alachua County residents.

However, for about 18 percent of local residents, not much fills their bellies.

Today the Center for Leadership and Service and a class-organized group called The 15 Percent are hosting a canned food drive from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Reitz Union Colonnade.

About 18 percent of Alachua County residents are food insecure, meaning they don't know when their next meal will be. The group's name is inspired by the national statistic: In the U.S., about 15 percent of people are food insecure.

Second-year journalism graduate student Rachel Sale, 24, is a strategic planner for The 15 Percent.

She said students often overlook poverty and food insecurities, and the event aims to raise awareness about these issues.

"It's not just about a one-time donation, although we appreciate all that we get," Sale said. "We want to see more students volunteer their time to help this cause."

Beth Nahlik, assistant director of the Center for Leadership and Service, said the food drive will be "mutually beneficial" to students who participate.

"Poverty happens in our own backyard," Nahlik said. "We're giving these students a chance to take action and be part of a solution."

All canned food and money donated at the event will be given to the Alachua County Public Schools Winter Break Food Drive. The 15 Percent's goal is to help at least 50 families.

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## Editorial

Only a few more days until the end of the semester. Finals loom but so does the holiday season.

But, of course, like every end of the week, we take this time to honor and poke fun at those who made an impact this week. That brings us to this week's man-I-really-wish-I-didn't-wait-till-this-weekend-to-start-giving-a-crap-about-my-classes edition of ...

## Darts and Laurels

To start this week's fun, we turn our attention to Kansas. An 18-year-old high school student was made famous by her "tweet heard 'round the world" this week when she jokingly tweeted that she told Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback that he sucked.

We throw a what-about-freedom-of-speech **DART** to **Gov. Brownback's staff and the school's principal** for trying to get the girl to apologize to the governor.

We also give a way-to-stand-up-for-your-rights **LAUREL** to **Emma Sullivan**, the girl who wrote the tweet.

Gov. Brownback eventually apologized to the girl, but because apparently he sucks, he doesn't get an award. Try to tell us to apologize.

Just try.

Next, we have to throw a they'll-let-any-whacko-be-a-guest-speaker-in-college **DART** to **Gary Yourofsky** for telling a class at SFC that our treatment of livestock is equivalent to slavery and murder.

So anytime a wolf kills a sheep for food, we need to arrest that wolf and put it on trial for first-degree murder?

However, Yourofsky made a good point when he encouraged animal rights activists to stop protesting because "demonstrations do nothing. Nothing works but teaching somebody."

If only the recipients of our when-will-you-guys-learn-that-you're-not-really-changing-anything **DART** would listen to him. The newly formed **Gator Student Alliance** has come together to protest tuition hikes. There are long-term, systematic reasons why tuition keeps increasing and Bright Futures keeps decreasing. Yelling on Turlington Plaza isn't going to change that.

And no, we are not "in the pocket" of the administration.

Next, we give a one-day-your-luck-will-turn-around **LAUREL** to the **Florida cities** that Men's Health named some of the least lucky cities in the country: Tampa, St. Petersburg and Miami (numbers nine, four and two respectively).

Just look up more and maybe we can reduce our high number of deaths from falling objects.

Finally, we give an it's-about-time-it-started-to-feel-like-fall-around-here **LAUREL** to **the weather**.

Maybe there will be one or two weeks of winter in February.

Maybe.

Have a fun and safe weekend!

## Reader response

**Today's question:** Will you be cramming next week for final exams?

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## SON of a GATOR

by Andre R. Frattino



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## Column

## US needs to question education philosophy

**F**inland, one of the world's most industrialized countries, has another honor to add to the list: excellent education reform.

In the United States, there has been an ongoing debate about our education system. The problem with the U.S. education sector is two-sided.

On one hand, education isn't as accessible as it was in the past. Receiving a master's, a Ph.D., or, in many cases, even an undergraduate degree, comes with loans that may never be paid in a troubled economy.

On the other hand, perhaps the dilemma with our education system transcends financial and governmental issues. The downfall of U.S. education may be the result of a flawed philosophy.

Recent publications show that Finland remains on the top of each list, boasting an unbelievable record of intelligent students. But what is so great about producing smart students? After all, the U.S. is renowned for doing the same.

What is interesting about Finnish students is that their intelligence does not stem from standardized test scores or long, nightmarish study hours. Instead, the Finns have implemented a radically different model of educational reform based on a balanced curriculum.

In fact, the Finnish education system champions teachers' rights and requires rigorous standards for teacher certification, excellent working conditions and respect for the profession similar to the respect given to doctors, lawyers and other highly regarded professionals in the U.S.

However, obtaining a teaching position in Finland is not as easy as it is in the U.S. Becoming a teacher in Finland is highly competitive — only one in 10 applicants are accepted into master's programs. In the U.S., one can become a teacher without even receiving a master's degree.

While becoming a teacher in Finland is a demanding process, the benefits provide important values that are not apparent in the U.S. education system.



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In Finland, teachers aren't unfairly pressured to perform their jobs by unwarranted legislation like they are in the U.S.

A prime example is the "No Child Left Behind Act" of 2002, which forced teachers to compress their curricula and teach merely to pass their students.

While President Barack Obama

has reformed the law, the fact remains that students and grade school teachers alike are hindered by looming standardized tests, which seem to define success in this country. In fact, there is often a fine line between the wealthy minorities who perform excellently on standardized tests and go on to Ivy League schools and the poorest students who perform below average. The lack of proficiency in math and reading due to inadequate teaching conditions or flawed curricula prevents many students from excelling outside of high school. Children are left behind.

In Finland, wealth is not an issue. There are no standardized tests. Perhaps the most interesting element of the Finnish education system is the implementation of business strategy, which utilizes talent from within, and only within, the organization itself. Finland ensures a prominently qualified education system by employing principals and superintendents from within the education sector. Even the teachers in Finland come from the Ministry of Education. This doesn't only happen in select schools. This strategy of cultivating talent from within is pervasive.

Finns will stay committed to their education philosophy and will continue to produce students whose skill sets will surpass those of U.S. students. To be competitive on the international stage and, more importantly, to save our education system, it's time we question our own philosophy.

*Akansha Mishra is a pre-law junior at UF. Her column appears on Fridays.*

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

## Letters to the Editor

### Alligator is a forum for influence

First, it is hard for me to be upset because you have always surprised me and printed my opinions — all of which have focused on the misuse of alcohol by college students at UF. You can be the “cool big brother,” and I’ll be the “I’m-telling-on-you-big sister.” I want to emphasize how extremely thankful I am because the Alligator truly is a stage where I could potentially positively influence even just one student who reads my opinion to think twice before drinking irresponsibly. I understand that you were trying to write fairly, but please, please keep in mind that underage drinkers are the only people who can be underage drunk drivers, and they make up a large portion of alcohol-related fatalities in this state every year.

Thank you for acknowledging that my accident was horrible; it truly was terrible. On a lighter note, I still have the football Urban Meyer signed and sent to Shands at UF for me when I was in a coma from my accident back in 2006. Pretty sure I’ll be sending it back to him.

Nicole Martingano  
UF Class of 2009

## UWire

# Obama has lost spark amid nation's problems

President Barack Obama isn't happy. The president seems to have lost his spark, as media have buzzed with speculation over the root of his gloomy demeanor between coverage of those vying for his job.

Even his biggest cheerleader, MSNBC's Chris Matthews, who said he “felt this thrill going up my leg” when Obama delivered a speech during the primaries in 2008 and who compared Obama's meteoric rise to the New Testament, according to the Huffington Post, has sensed that the Obamas don't seem settled into the White House.

“Once having won the office, he seemed to think that that was the end of it in terms of his connection to the American people,” Matthews said, according to the Washington Times. “I think everybody feels an absence of communication from the time he's been elected. And it's not about being left-wing enough or too left. That's not his problem. It's connection ... I don't sense the gratitude, the happiness level, the thrill of being president.”

Matthews isn't the only one to notice the change of heart from the man who, in 2010, was named “one of the best presidents ever” by presidential scholars. According to a Gallup poll on Wednesday, he has now surpassed Lyndon B. Johnson as the president seeking re-election with the lowest approval rating.

Perhaps his poor spirits can be attributed to his looming to-do list.

Obama may be hoping to bring troops back from Iraq and Afghanistan in time for Christmas. However, involvement in Libya, which Obama said in March would take “days, not weeks,” according to ABC News, is still high. A year after his inauguration, the president pledged to his supporters that he would close Guan-

Anastasia Dawson  
UWire

tanamo Bay. Yet the infamous prison remains open, and Obama conceded that he hasn't “been able to make the case right now,” according to the Washington Post.

Though war has often been used as a means to boost the economy, the U.S. unemployment rate remains at 9 percent, and according to The Associated Press, about 46 million Americans now live in poverty, the highest numbers recorded since the Census Bureau began tracking poverty levels in 1959.

Even so, government spending is at historically high levels with respect to the nation's declining GDP. Other nations with such high levels of spending, such as Greece, Ireland, Iceland, Portugal and Spain, are on the verge of collapse, which certainly has done nothing for Obama's nerves.

America has managed to keep its AAA credit rating with Fitch even after losing it with Standard & Poor's, but according to Fox News, Fitch has downgraded its outlook to negative, a move undoubtedly associated with the failure of the congressional Super Committee to cut \$1.2 trillion in government spending by the end of the year. A drop in the national credit rating will drive up interest rates across the board and make it that much harder for businesses to borrow for capital expenses, which, in turn, affects hiring.

Such news is enough to make anyone, even the president, want to live in a tent in Zuccotti Park. And though Obama has pledged to look out for the interests of the omnipresent Occupy Movement's 99 percent, the polls speak for themselves.

Anastasia Dawson is a columnist for *The Oracle at the University of South Florida*.

## UWire

# Using non-prescription Adderall should be considered cheating

With finals and papers looming, it seems like the right time to make the decision: Will you or won't you allow chemicals to alter your brain makeup so that you can do better on a paper or final?

Research on Adderall quickly reveals that it is considered a highly addictive medication. Typically, Adderall is given for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, ADHD. However, the same chemicals in Adderall are also in a medication for narcolepsy. These chemicals, dextroamphetamine and amphetamine, work by changing the amounts of certain chemicals in the brain to produce a different result.

For people who do not have ADHD, Adderall acts as a stimulant. Although stimulants increase attentiveness, they also increase heart rates, sometimes at a rate too high to be safe. Other side effects of Adderall abuse are: development of sleeping and eating disorders, dry mouth, mood swings and higher blood pressure.

Although there are no real statistics to show how prevalent the use of Adderall and similar medications are on college campuses, the National Survey on Drug Use and Health in 2009 revealed full-time college students between the ages of 18 and 22 are twice as likely as their counterparts who are not full-time college students to have used Adderall non-

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UWire

medically during that year.

Any medication, legal or illegal, altering the chemicals in your brain should be considered thoroughly before being taken.

This semester, Duke University updated its Duke Community Standard to include unauthorized use of prescription medicine in the definition of cheating. Although the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill doesn't include unauthorized use of prescription medicine, according to an article published in the *Daily Tar Heel*, the student attorney general for UNC's honor system said it might be included soon.

With other local universities taking the step toward lowering — if not doing away with — the use of Adderall as a study aid, it's time for North Carolina State University to do the same.

Although our Code of Student Conduct and Procedures includes various methods of cheating that are, unfortunately, utilized by students, Adderall should be included.

If a student uses Adderall and receives a 96 on a test, it's very obvious they wouldn't have gotten the same score had they not used Adderall. The Adderall made it possible to

significantly increase the amount of time spent studying as well as the attentiveness to the material.

When said like this, it sounds highly beneficial, but the fact still stands — it alters the chemicals in a person's brain.

I, for one, am not a fan of the fact that a medication can change the chemicals in my brain. Even if I don't graduate from college with a 4.0, the fact that I'll have made it through college without taking Adderall or a stimulant to make myself study more will mean more than a 4.0 with Adderall would.

I've never taken Adderall, but it would seem to me that although the material could be retained for the test or final, it wouldn't be remain after that. What we learn in college is supposed to help us for the rest of our lives. If we learn the material just for the test, it's not going to help us ever again.

I hope the university will at least consider including Adderall use in the Code of Student Conduct and Procedure. Using mind-altering substances is not something that shows we are an institution of higher learning, as the administrators like to remind us that we are.

Chelsey Francis is a columnist for *the Technician at North Carolina State University*.

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## Student OK after being thrown from scooter in accident

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Alligator Staff Writer

A car cut off a UF student on a scooter Wednesday, propelling her onto the car but leaving her without major injuries.

The car drove in front of Alyson Burdge, a 21-year-old UF mechanical engineering junior, who was driving south on 13th Street, said Cpl. Angelina Valuri, public information officer for Gainesville Police

Department.

Burdge said she had a minor concussion and bruises, including a noticeable one on her forehead. She wasn't wearing a helmet.

A 2005 Chevy Classic was traveling north on 13th Street at 10:15 a.m. when the driver turned left, intending to turn onto Union Road on UF's campus.

The car turned in front of Burdge, who had the green light. Burdge said

*"I'm just going to take a bus."*

Alyson Burdge

junior

she was driving at about 35 mph.

Her 2008 Meit scooter hit the car, and she was thrown forward. Burdge said she remembers hitting the car's front tire.

Burdge said about four pedestrians rushed to help her. She said one of them called 911 and another

er moved her scooter, which was smashed in the front, out of the road.

Burdge's mother took her to Shands at UF. The trip made her miss four classes, including Mechanics of Materials, where she missed a quiz.

The 38-year-old car driver was given a traffic citation, and her insurance company called Burdge about covering the damages to her

scooter.

The plastic on the front of her scooter is entirely gone, exposing the wires. The front wheel is also jammed, Burdge said.

Even if her scooter is fixed, she said she probably won't be riding it anytime soon.

"I'm done with scooters, obviously," she said. "I'm not going to ride it anymore. I'm just going to take a bus."

## Student Senate holds workshop on lawmaking

► THE EVENT DREW ABOUT 70 PEOPLE.

CLARE LENNON

Alligator Writer

The Student Senate's Judiciary Committee educated students about legislation in its Legislative Writing Workshop on Thursday night.

About 70 students attended the event, which was held in the Reitz Union and led by Judiciary Committee Chairman Aundre Price.

Students joined group discussions on legislative committees and drafted a resolution in memory of Jade Guzzo, a UF student who died Sunday.

Price said the resolution will be presented to the Senate on Tuesday.

Students who are not senators can propose legislation if it is sponsored by a sena-

tor.

Economics freshman Brandon Pinkston, 18, said he was already interested in Senate, and now he wants to run for a seat.

He said the group-discussion leaders seemed to know their committees thoroughly.

"I felt like they cared, almost," he said.

In the Nov. 15 impeachment hearing for Supervisor of Elections Toni Megna, several senators said the error lay with the Senate because elections legislation was not rewritten for the electronic voting system. Price said that did not affect his decision to hold the workshop.

He said the goal of the workshop was to increase transparency between the Student Body and Student Government and encourage nonsenators to propose legislation.

## UF band director hasn't seen hazing

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Loschiavo said hazing can be as simple as asking freshmen to carry pebbles in their pockets or as serious as physical violence.

The FAMU marching band has a known history of hazing. This year alone, 30 students have been suspended from the band for hazing, and the university has three open investigations for hazing allegations.

On Nov. 19, Champion, 26, was found unresponsive on a bus after performing. He was taken to Dr. P. Phillips Hospital in Orlando, where he later died.

Although the Orange County Sheriff's Office has not determined the cause of death, officials said hazing likely was involved.

Former FAMU band director White told The New York Times on Thursday that Champion had been repeatedly punched by band members as part of a hazing ritual. He was one of six drum majors.

David Waybright, director of bands at UF, wrote in an email that in his 25 years at the university, he hasn't seen any instances of hazing within the Fightin' Gator Marching Band.

The band's code of conduct strictly forbids any type of hazing, and directors work to ensure students are educated about this policy, he wrote.

Eric Ascher, coordinator of competitive sports for UF RecSports, said he also has not heard any complaints of hazing in his 10 years as coordinator at the university.

Sports club officers are required to sign a code of conduct that includes RecSports' anti-hazing policy.

Hazing is usually a sort of initiation ritual, he said. On sports teams, it might be, "Freshmen, carry the equipment." In Greek organizations, hazing is often directed

at pledges.

In 2008, Tau Epsilon Phi was suspended for a year after new members were found shirtless and kneeling on the basement floor.

Pledges told police they were told to do pushups and wall-sits. Water was poured on them, food was thrown at them, and they were told to wear diapers on their heads, the report said. The report also stated that a bowl of chocolates was passed around to the pledges, who were told it was full of laxatives.

The pledges all told police that they participated in these activities voluntarily, and the criminal hazing charge against the fraternity was dropped.

Also in 2008, Pi Kappa Phi was suspended for four years after members told UF they were forced to do wall-sits and consume large amounts of alcohol.

In 2009, UF's Interfraternity Council created an anti-hazing pact that all the chapter presidents signed.

Rajiv Asnani, president of IFC, said educating fraternities about hazing is something that continues to be important to the council.

"Hazing may have been a big part of the community years ago," he said, "but we really want to change that, and the key to that is constant education."

Loschiavo said what saddens him most about the FAMU incident is that students knew it was going on, but no one stood up to stop it.

"Students need to realize they have a responsibility to their fellow Gators," he said. "If you see someone who's struggling, step up, let someone know."



White

## Reitz Union renovation, expansion project estimated to cost \$75 million

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a reallocation of student fees to finance the renovation and expansion of the Reitz Union. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$75 million.

Reynolds emphasized that no new student fee will be created.

A reallocation of 87 cents from each student's Activities and Service Fee, which is covered by Bright Futures, would go toward the project.

The cost to a student taking 15 credit hours would be \$13.05.

Reynolds said he would adamantly oppose any new fee for the renovation.

"I really can't see myself increasing the burden on students," he said.

About 60 students denouncing tuition and fees hikes rallied on Turlington Plaza as the committee meetings began. The Gator Student Alliance organized the event.

The group marched to the meeting at Emerson Alumni Hall, blocking traffic on University Av-

enue for about 15 minutes as they chanted.

After speaking at the meeting, the protesters left the room. Board Chairman Carlos Alfonso met with them downstairs, where the conversation became heated.

Students insisted Alfonso sign a banner that listed the group's demands, which included a moratorium on future tuition hikes.

When students asked him why tuition increases happen, Alfonso could get in only one statement before the argument continued:

"It must be done," he said.

After disagreeing over the need for the increases, which are not discussed by the Board of Trustees until the end of the school year, protesters abruptly erupted in chants as Alfonso walked away and returned to the meeting. He later apologized for the tone of the encounter.

"I had a terse conversation with the students downstairs," he said. "For my part in that, I want to apologize because I know how [passionate] they are."

"I just want to say we want to continue these dialogues," he said. "They are stakeholders for us."



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Student Body Treasurer T. J. Villamil, left, and Reitz Union Board of Managers Chairman Sean Fahy speak Thursday about the Reitz Union renovation.

# UF Chemistry Club puts tutoring sessions, questions on YouTube

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Chemistry students who are struggling in class might now be able to find help on YouTube.

The UF Chemistry Club created a YouTube channel that includes videos of members working through and explaining problems from the textbook for the General Chemistry 1 class.

*"I usually get asked by people to help them with chemistry, but I think that these videos allow students to feel more comfortable asking chemistry questions."*

**Frances Ooi**

*UF chemistry club member and tutor*

Erika Klump, 20, a chemical engineering junior, was one of the club members who helped the idea become a reality.

With many students taking General Chemistry 1 every semester, it became difficult to meet the needs of all the students who sought help from the club's tutors, she said.

Klump said they needed to find an alternative to traditional weekly tutoring and test review sessions in classrooms on campus.

The club members who create the videos are all students who study science and love chemistry, she said.

"When I was in high school, I had spent over 100 hours tutoring students for AP Chemistry and occasionally CHM2045 when my friends came down for the weekend, so it was just natural for me to keep tutoring," said Frances Ooi, 19, a freshman club member and tutor.

Ooi, a materials science and engineering student, is one of the tutors who solves problems similar to past exam questions via video.

"I usually get asked by people to help them with chemistry, but I think that these videos allow students to feel more comfortable asking chemistry questions," she said.

Akshay Deshpande, 20, a biochemistry junior and club historian, said the videos allow an unlimited number of students to learn and review at their own pace.

The tutors used to use time from the live tutoring session answering questions, but now they have time to get into the nitty-gritty details of the chemistry problems. The tutors quickly answer any questions students may have through the club's Facebook group, he said.

The YouTube channel can be found at [www.youtube.com/user/UFChemistryClub](http://www.youtube.com/user/UFChemistryClub). More information about the club can be found on the UF Chemistry Club group on Facebook.

# Drunk driver plows boulder into road

▶ HE MISSED A CURVE.

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A man was taken to Alachua County Jail early Thursday morning on a charge of driving under the influence after he missed a curve and hit a boulder, knocking it into the road.

Brandon Kyle Hanson, 29, of 8413 SW Fourth Place, crashed into the lime rock boulder at about 2 a.m., said Cpl. Angelina Valuri, public information officer for the Gainesville Police Department.

Hanson was driving west down Northwest Eighth Avenue and missed the curve

near the intersection of West Newberry Road, she said.

At the scene, it appeared that Hanson then drove into the lot of Corda-Roy's Originals store at 5310 NW Eighth Ave.

A tow truck moved the boulder out of the road.

Hanson refused to take a breath test, but because he showed signs of alcohol impairment, he had to take sobriety tests, Valuri said.

When Hanson failed them, GPD officer Steven Carter arrested him.

Judge Thomas Jaworski allowed his release from jail between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Thursday, according to the Alachua County Sheriff's Office Department of the Jail.

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# Texas father fatally shoots four kids, wounds wife, kills self

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAY CITY, Texas — Laura Gonzalez was happy to be back at work after three weeks away that included a stay at a battered women's shelter. She saw it as the beginning of a new life. One without her husband, the father of her four children, she told co-workers. She wasn't going back to him this time, she said, and left for home.

Less than an hour later, her 24-year-old husband, Jose Avila, launched a brutal final assault. First he shot his wife three times. Then, he began shooting the children. Avila's final act was to kill himself.

Two of the children died at a hospital Thursday, a day after their two siblings were killed in the shooting that rattled the small southeast Texas town of Bay City. Their mother is hospitalized in critical condition.

As details trickled out, a picture emerged Thursday of a family long struggling with violence, including an assault reported by Gonzalez just before Thanksgiving. After that, she went to a battered women's shelter.

"I asked her how she was doing because I knew she was at the crisis center. She said she was trying to make something of her freedom and a better life for herself and her children,"

said Alejandro Gonzalez, a fellow waiter at La Casona, the Mexican restaurant where Gonzalez worked.

"She wanted to make a better life for his kids because they see all the violence," he added, recounting the conversation he had with Gonzalez hours before Avila turned on her.

Although Gonzalez left the trailer home she shared with her husband after reporting the assault, Bay City Lt. Andrew Lewis said she refused to press charges. He didn't know how long she stayed at the shelter.

Wednesday's violence unfolded on a quiet street in Bay City — a town about 65 miles southwest of Houston — just as two nearby schools were letting out. The couple started arguing inside the trailer, and Avila shot his wife twice, Lewis said. She ran out to the front yard, where Avila shot her a third time. Then, he turned on the children.

"We heard ... that he was walking around waving a gun," Lewis said, describing the violent scene that unfolded on a lawn now decorated with a makeshift memorial of teddy bears, candles and prayer books. At least one student witnessed the incident.

Two of the brothers, 3 and 5, died of their wounds at a Houston hospital Wednesday. Their 2-year-old sister and 4-year-old brother

had been on life support but died Thursday. Gonzalez was in critical condition Thursday night at Memorial Hermann-Texas Medical Center in Houston, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Police have not officially released the names of the victims, but co-workers and neighbors identified Avila's wife as Laura Gonzalez.

*"She wanted to make a better life for his kids because they see all the violence."*

Alejandro Gonzalez  
waiter at La Casona

The family moved into the trailer home near Bay City's Western-style downtown about a year ago, neighbors said. They appeared to live a quiet life. On occasion, next-door neighbor Isuro Perez heard them arguing, but it appeared to be nothing out-of-the-ordinary.

"He always plays soccer out here in this field out here, plays soccer with his kids," Perez said, pointing to a grassy area opposite the row of trailer homes. "They were nice people, nothing went wrong really. They were a happy family."

At work, though, Gonzalez portrayed a different picture. Alejandro Gonzalez said

he once saw her with a black eye. And Ruby Gomez, a waitress at La Casona, said Laura Gonzalez had told her about problems she had with her husband.

"She had to leave to get the kids in the afternoon because he threatened her that if she left him he was going to kill the four kids and her," Gomez said.

Once, Gomez said, Gonzalez told her Avila had locked her in the house and gone to work. She escaped through a window and went to a shelter, Gomez recounted. That was the second time she left him and vowed not to go back.

The first time, "he convinced her that he was going to change and that he really loved his kids and convinced her to return to live with him," Gomez said.

Still, the tragic outcome of the relationship came as a shock to Gonzalez's co-workers and to other residents of Bay City — a town of just over 17,000 people surrounded by large ranches and farmland.

"It's going to be sad for the momma when she wakes up and finds out she lost her children," said Gloria Carranza, a 41-year-old Bay City native.

"Things like this don't happen in a small town like Bay City," she said.

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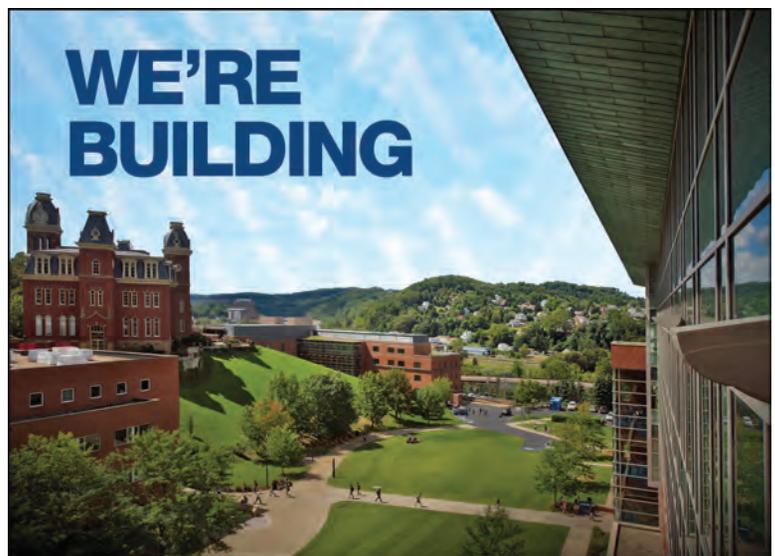
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# More colleges using video games as educational tools

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Each day when UF sophomore Matt Goldsmith gets ready to start his Calculus III homework, he closes his laptop and opens his textbook.

Soon he might do the opposite — shutting his book and opening his laptop to complete coursework by playing an online game.

An increasing number of colleges are adding video and computer games to their curricula, according to a recent USA Today article.

Although the game-based learning trend has mainly affected elementary and high schools, university professors have begun to supplement courses with educational games.

They can be successful tools to teach a variety of subjects, said Benjamin Lok, a computer and information science and engineering associate professor. This range of topics includes design, computer graphics, simulation, art and music.

Integrating games can improve students' engagement and motivation, he wrote in an email.

A 2003 survey conducted by the Pew Research Center reported that 65 percent of 1,162 students at 27 colleges played video and online games regularly.

A team including Marston Science Library researchers and digital



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An increasing number of colleges are adding video and computer games to their curriculum.

arts and sciences assistant professor Ben DeVane received a grant from the National Science Foundation to create a Web-based game called Gaming Against Plagiarism.

The three-level game will help new graduate students in the science, technology, engineering and math fields learn how to recognize and avoid plagiarism.

Starting in May, students will play it in workshops and research-focused courses at universities across the nation, DeVane said.

"It's a gaming approach to a dry

topic," he said. "We designed this game to be not just like a series of quizzes about research misconduct but also an experiential thing."

In the first level, the player will be a student trying to get research funding. By the end, the player will become a research-misconduct investigator trying to uncover the identity of the campus' serial plagiarist.

Although many students might jump at the chance to play a game for a grade, professors must remember that some are not gamers, Lok said. Even so, he thinks more UF professors will embrace gaming as they start to understand its educational value.

The current generation of students consists mostly of digital natives, DeVane said. Because they had high-tech childhoods, they often respond best to digital media.

"If you can get the facts for free by learning while playing, then that's generally something that more people prefer as opposed to doing something that they think is boring," DeVane said.

Goldsmith, a 19-year-old computer science student, would love to play a video game as part of his coursework.

"I play video games in my spare time for fun, so if they can work that into assignments, the fun carries over," he said. "I'm more likely to play than to read a chapter or write an essay."

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# Occupy Gainesville not facing eviction

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As several Occupy movements have been swept from the streets of cities around the nation, Occupy Gainesville still stands.

After police raided the Occupy L.A. camp at City Hall, they arrested about 300 people and collected 25 tons of debris, according to The Associated Press.

The large amount of garbage was making the area unsanitary, causing the government to remove the protesters, among other reasons.

This is the problem with the large Occupy movements, said 19-year-old Occupy protester Johnny Morrow, a student at Santa Fe College.

"The Occupy protesters in the big cities are less of a community than we are," he said. "We are peaceful."

Occupy Gainesville is smaller. About 25 protesters have

been arrested since the protesters set up downtown on Bo Diddley Community Plaza in October.

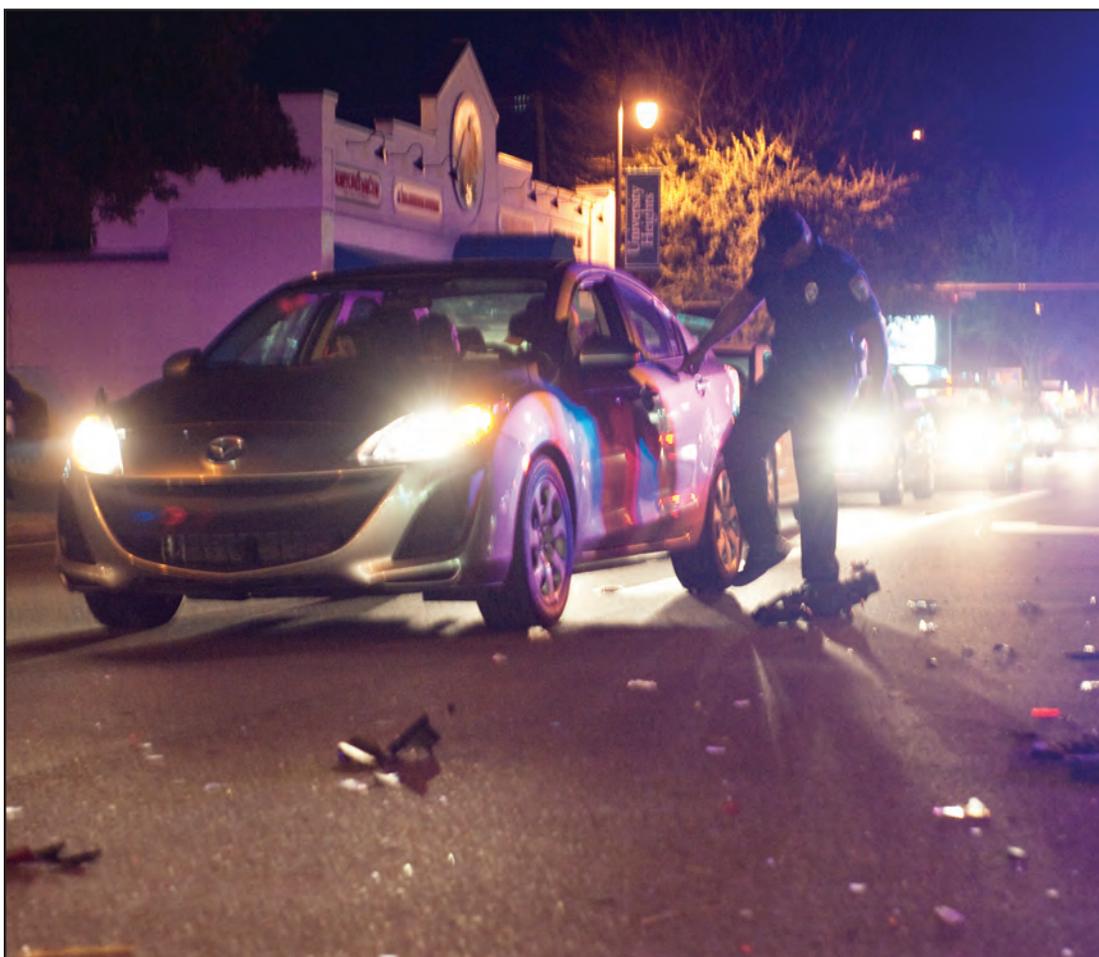
The local movement has not been removed from downtown because protesters are not violating the law, said Gainesville City Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa in an email.

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg ordered the temporary eviction of the Occupy encampment of Zuccotti Park because the protesters had become a health and fire hazard, according to Reuters.

Occupy Gainesville is not a camp, said Cpl. Angelina Valuri, public information officer for the Gainesville Police Department. The protesters set up during the day and leave when the park closes.

"The situation in other cities is not what is going on in Gainesville," Valuri said.

About 15 protesters stay through the night on the sidewalks bordering the park.



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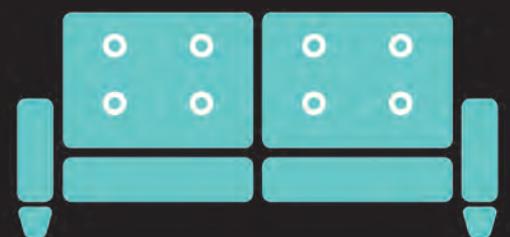
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1 Family nickname	1 Model/actress Berenson	40 Free TV ad	54 Invite as one's date for
5 Turkeys	2 Online image	41 Strong finish?	56 Self-titled 2000s sitcom
10 Together, in scores	3 Vietnam's ___ Delta	45 Younger, as a sister	57 Self-assured statement
14 Say and mean	4 Exist	46 Play-of-color gem	60 Basker's abbr.
15 "Star Wars" name	5 Met villains, perhaps	47 Camera store choices	61 A little off
16 Locks that are hard to manage	6 Round gaskets	49 Tanning booth item, briefly	62 One-named R&B singer
17 Shed tool	7 McKinley, e.g.: Abbr.	50 "The Devil's Dictionary" author	
18 Restraints to prevent the eating of forbidden fruit?	8 Leader		
20 "Who am ___ judge?"	9 Junior-to-be		
21 ID theft target	10 Key related to C		
22 Eastern faith	11 Cop's order		
23 Crooned while tipsy?	12 Thus far		
26 Sleep: Pref.	13 Twisting shape		
28 Present in court	19 Struggle with sassalras?		
29 Resistant to punches?	21 Absolute		
32 Officiate	24 Sage		
34 Word often ignored in alphabetizing	25 Restaurant pots		
35 Golfs, e.g.	27 They might happen		
36 Scary place to pray?	30 "The Motorcycle Diaries" subject		
40 Thickness	31 McCain : Palin :: Dole : ___		
42 Wide size	33 Went up		
43 Big-league	36 One of seven in this clue		
44 Actor Holbrook under the weather?	37 Casual "Sure"		
48 Island mentioned in the Beach Boys' "Kokomo"	38 Italian luxury label		
52 At ___ in one go			
53 Underwater menace?			
55 Doha resident			
58 Patience-virtue link			
59 Regulus's constellation			
60 Rooster that doesn't wake you up?			
62 End of school?			
63 Rhode Island senator for whom an education grant is named			
64 Struggling with			
65 Community service org.			
66 Escaped			
67 "Then ..."			
68 One good at takeoffs			

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**

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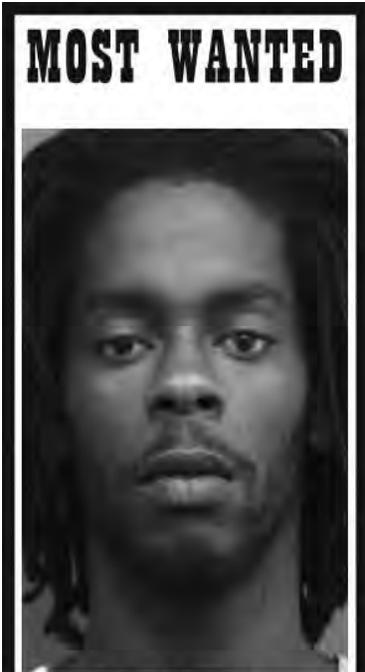
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**GREG**, from page 20

three-point shots, which brings us back to the same problem that hindered UF early last year and doomed them this season against Ohio State.

Florida is at its best when defenses have to worry about the Gators moving the ball and scoring on the interior. Whether that means getting Patric Young involved or perimeter players driving to the basket, the Gators need

to establish a scoring presence — or any type of presence at all, really — inside the arc.

When Syracuse gives teams fits defensively, it's because it forces them into the same vice that limited Florida's potential last season. Teams see five big, orange jerseys roaming the interior, pass it around the perimeter for 30 seconds and then settle for a contested 23-footer.

Since the Gators were prone to one-man possessions and lackadaisical ball move-

ment last year — and have shown spells of the same early this season — this type of defense is designed to induce their most common faults.

Taking threes is fine, but the shots need to be generated, not forced.

"I'm not opposed at all to taking threes, but you really, from possession by possession, have got to take not necessarily what's given to you, but what you create," Donovan said. "A lot of it is making good decisions,

and this will be a great test for us."

If Florida can avoid offensive funks and display crisp ball movement and an ability to penetrate the lane consistently, the Gators will beat the Orange and prove they have the type of offense they need to make a deep run in the Tournament.

If not, the season is by no means in trouble, but Florida will learn that it still has plenty of work left to do.

Contact Greg Luca at [gluca@alligator.org](mailto:gluca@alligator.org).

**PICKS**, from page 20

of trouble and a defense that can terrorize an offense — ask Xavier Nixon.

Plus, Georgia is playing for a BCS Bowl bid. LSU is pretty much locked in for a rematch with 'Bama. The last time experts said a team could play for the national title without winning its conference championship game, No. 1 Oklahoma got run over by Kansas State, 35-7 in 2003.

— TYLER JETT

**The Tigers (-14) won't pull an Oklahoma circa 2003 because...**

LSU is that much better than every other team; it's that simple.

The Tigers have played seven ranked teams this season and have come out on top in each game. Save for the three-point win against Alabama, which is apparently the second-best team in the nation, the Bayou Bengals have absolutely mauled their ranked opponents, winning by an average of 23.5 points.

LSU is bigger, faster and better than Georgia. If Florida's defense held Aaron Murray to arguably his worst game of the season, imagine what LSU will do.

Besides, the Honey Badger takes what it wants — and it wants that SEC championship, man.

— TOM GREEN

Now, on to the picks!

Entering the final week in first with a 63-39 record is The Associated Press' Mark "Age is a two-digit number; I'm more concerned with the seven-digit ones" Long, who is now asking college-aged reporters to hook him up with their female friends. But don't worry, ladies: Mark will never see you na-

ked. His middle-aged eyes can't make out anything through that peephole.

Trying to make a final push to catch Mark and in second with a 59-43 record is alligatorSports writer Greg "Marvin Gaye and Chardonnay" Luca, who will be spending his Friday night enjoying a nice (free) bottle of white wine with his roommates and sharing some fine foreign cheeses. To set the mood, Greg plans to light a few scented candles and play some R&B.

In third with a 53-49 record is ESPN's Mike "Where were you when I was 16?" DiRocco, who for the first time in his life was picked for a team when Will Muschamp asked him to play guard last Saturday. An actor playing Mike in a future film will need to study Dennis Quaid in "The Rookie," Rodney Dangerfield in "Back to School" and that truffle shuffle kid from "The Goonies."

Tied with Mike at 53-49 is alligatorSports writer Tyler "Parallel parking is for suckers" Jett, who tried (and failed) to parallel park on the office's weekly outing to Tijuana Flats for Taco Tuesdays. But hey, if you've been reading this column all season, you already know Tyler has troubles "getting it in."

Falling to fifth at 51-51 is alligatorSports assistant editor Matt "KHAAAAAAN!!" Watts, who was so overwhelmed by Tuesday's news that the Jaguars not only fired Jack Del Rio but got a new owner that he donned his bootleg Blaine Gabbert jersey to work. It was weird, not just because Gabbert is awful, but because that's ALL he wore to work. Talk about awkward.

In sixth at 50-52 is FightinGators.com's Cody "Too easy" Jones, who laughed off a chance to mock the Miami Marlins' mascot's new fashion makeover. Cody isn't a fan of the Miami Vice style; he prefers his "Atlanta chic" look, which includes a

patterned shirt, a half-grown beard and one of many Braves hats.

Maintaining his position in seventh with a 49-53 record is InsideTheGators.com's Kyle "Don't talk about Timmy like that" Maistri, whose fervent man-love for the Chosen One shone through like a light from above on a recent episode of the podcast. Merrill Hoge better look out, because Kyle is on a crusade to end the hate on Tim Tebow. What a homer.

And rounding out the pack in dead-ass last with a piss-poor 46-56 record is alligatorSports editor Tom "Turkey Legs But No Teacups" Green, who again spent a holiday weekend away from Gainesville with his family in Orlando. Sadly, Tom didn't get to take a trip to the Magic Kingdom for some smoked bird and had to force his mom's dry, unpalatable turkey down his gullet. Sorry, Barbara, but Tom sold you out. Hey, at least there was cranberry sauce.

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## Syracuse's zone D presents new test for Florida



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Coach Billy Donovan said UF was forced into tough situations on offense during its last top-10 matchup, a loss to Ohio State on Nov. 15, and that his team will face a similar challenge against No. 4 Syracuse.

► NO. 10 FLORIDA PLAYS NO. 4 SYRACUSE TONIGHT AT 7 IN CARRIER DOME.

### JOHN BOOTHE

Alligator Staff Writer

In Florida's second game against a top-10 team in three weeks, coach Billy Donovan can only hope the Gators aren't haunted by the same mistakes.

Since giving up 16 turnovers in a Nov. 15 loss at second-ranked Ohio State, UF has cut down on its giveaways and upped its assists while playing against four teams at or below .500.

As No. 10 Florida (5-1) travels to the Carrier Dome to take on fourth-ranked Syracuse (7-0) tonight at 7, Donovan predicts that trend will be much tougher to continue in just his squad's second true road game.

"I thought we forced some things (against OSU)," Donovan said. "I thought we tried to create something that wasn't there that led to a tough shot or a turnover. We're going to be put into probably twice as many situations like that Friday against their zone than we would've against Ohio State's man-to-man."

The Gators' decision-making will be put to the test early on against the Orange's vaunted 2-3 zone defense, which makes

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## Florida needs to create shots, not take them vs. 'Cuse

Almost exactly a year ago today, the Gators were a team in turmoil.

On Dec. 1, 2010, Florida lost to UCF, 57-54. After the game, coach Billy Donovan was upset with UF's 14 turnovers, compared to just 12 assists.

"We have a bunch of guys on the floor that make nobody better," he said.

Once the 2010-11 team got chemistry and ball movement straightened out, Florida's run to the Elite Eight became possible.

The 2011-12 version of the Gators face a similar challenge. Although a soft schedule has masked some of the concern, Florida had 11 assists and 16 turnovers in a loss to Ohio State earlier this season.

Donovan said his team has gotten better



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at moving the ball and making decisions since then, but tonight's game against Syracuse will be the toughest test to date.

The Orange has forced turnovers on 30.5 percent of its opponents' possessions, the second-best mark in the nation. While limiting turnovers will be key, the biggest indicator of where Florida is offensively will be shot selection.

Syracuse is known for its signature 2-3 zone, where its five lanky athletes pack into the middle of the floor, taking away inside scoring but leaving holes on the perimeter for

3-point shooters.

On paper this is a perfect matchup for a Florida team that takes 43.2 percent of its field-goal attempts from beyond the arc and hits 42.9 percent of those tries.

"I wish every team would play 2-3 zone," said junior guard Mike Rosario, who has taken 35 of his 51 shots from 3-point range. "I love to play against 2-3 zone so you can shoot threes."

It's obvious that the three-ball is a big part of the Gators' offense, and Donovan himself said he's fine with the team shooting from distance.

The issue is how Florida gets those

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## Picks Column



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Earlier this week, one of our participants asked what he would win if he finished first in the alligatorSports Brand Picks Column.

Seeing how this is the last Friday of the semester, we thought it was an appropriate time to come up with actual prizes for this thing. At first, we offered space in next Monday's paper to write a column. This idea was rejected because, apparently, writers really don't like to write — odd, we know.

Our second offer was a little more substantial, and this is what we have settled on: We are willing to part with a 10-foot tall painting we "borrowed" from a South Carolina sorority house. The artwork, which is displayed on a white-sheet canvas and draws inspiration from the work of Mexican finger painter Lupe Rodriguez, is pretty awesome.

It shows a Gamecock wearing sunglasses and holding a Gator in his arms like a guitar. Above the painting, the artist wrote "Rockin' Out." It has been a rough season, but at least the stakes of the alligatorSports Brand Picks Column have been raised substantially.

We can't say the same thing about this weekend's slate of college football. Everyone in the biz is saying LSU will go to the national championship even if it loses to Georgia this week. And regardless of how everyone else plays, the Crimson Tide will be waiting for the Tigers because — apparently — Alabama is really, really good.

But this week still matters to us, so we let a couple of our writers debate the Southeastern Conference Championship.

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This week's game is college football's equivalent of the Puppy Bowl on the Animal Planet every January. It's a matchup that no one really cares about, but it serves as a nice appetizer for the championship. Also, the scrappier team always wins.

And trust us, Georgia is scrappy. The Bulldogs have a couple of running backs who can't seem to stay out

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Tangerine Wiggs (left) and Florida's volleyball team travel to Cedar Falls, Iowa, today for the first round of the NCAA tourney. See story, page 24.

### Finley Finds a Home

Former UF linebacker Dee Finley, who decided to transfer earlier in the season, announced on his Twitter account that he intends to enroll at North Alabama, a Division-II school. Finley is from Auburn, Ala.

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# Florida hopes balanced offense leads to upset

**JOE MORGAN**

Alligator Writer

Florida coach Amanda Butler scoffs at the notion of having a go-to scorer.

Instead, she champions a balanced attack on offense featuring multiple players that can put the ball in the hoop.

"If you have one person as your 'go-to girl,' then your opponents have one person to really focus on shutting down," Butler said. "Then, you don't have a 'go-to girl' anymore."

While Butler's philosophy may just be coach speak, it has proven viable for the Gators so far this season.

**UF Basketball** is 6-1 thanks largely to an abundance of reliable scoring options.

Four Gators average double-digit points, a stark improvement compared to last season when guard Jordan Jones' 10.2 mark led the team.

Jones ranks second on the squad through seven games with 12.6 points per contest, but her best performance was a UF career-high 28 points in an 85-74 win against La Salle last Friday.

"Everybody on the team — every time Jordan catches it — screams, 'Shoot!' And that's a great confidence builder for her," Butler said. "Jordan is one of the best shooters in the country."

One breakout threat this season has been junior forward Jennifer George, whose 13.4 points per game leads the Gators.

"She has no idea what a difference she makes," Jones said. "(She's) really making other teams respect her."

Guard Lanita Bartley singled out George's 18-point, 15-rebound performance against La Salle as a "beast" performance.

While Jones and George lead the team, the point guards have provided help for the Gators this season.

Bartley ranks third on the squad with 12.1 points per game after having a career-best 28 points in last Saturday's 82-73 win against Charlotte.

Meanwhile, Jaterra Bonds is scoring 10.3 points per contest despite a slow start to the season.

"So much of this guard scoring came as a result of the defense," Butler said. "The points off turnovers, generating defensive momentum and energy that led to easy baskets. That's our favorite kind of offense."

In the season opener against Michigan, it seemed like Florida had designated Jones as its "go-to girl."

She led the Gators with 21 points in a 69-66 loss to the Wolverines, taking 13 of the team's 27 3-point shots. During that game, George only attempted one shot.

However, during its six-game winning streak, UF has spread the ball around.

The Gators have had four different leading scorers and seven play-



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Guard Jordan Jones (33) averages 12.6 points per game to help lead a balanced Gators attack this year.

ers reach double-digit points during the run.

Five of the seven players to score in double figures did so multiple times.

In tonight's matchup with No. 11 Rutgers (6-0) at 8 in Daytona Beach,

Florida will have multiple strategies to get the ball in the basket.

Scoring options include feeding the ball to George in the paint, letting Jones set up from beyond the arc, or having Bartley drive the lane for potential three-point plays.

But offense will take a backseat to the Gators' defensive mentality.

"We spend most of our time in preparing for teams by how we're going to defend them," Butler said. "If we can defend them, then we're going to score."

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# Donovan preaching patience on offense for Gators tonight



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Guard Mike Rosario, a Rutgers transfer, is the only player on UF's roster with experience in the Carrier Dome. He shot 6 for 21 there in 2009.

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scoring inside difficult and entices teams to settle for long threes.

Through seven games, Syracuse has forced an average of 20.1 turnovers per game — the fourth highest in the nation.

Donovan stressed that patience by his guards would be the key to creating good looks. The Gators have lost to the Orange in their last two meetings in 2008 and 2009, with senior guard Erving Walker shooting a combined 10 for 26 in two games and a then-freshman Kenny Boynton hitting 7 of 17 shots in 2009.

"Not to say that we want to milk the clock all the way down, but if you don't have what we want within the first 30 seconds, we have to do a better job of taking care of the ball and making decisions, unlike what we did in Columbus (against Ohio State) there in the second game," Donovan said.

In the 33,000-seat Carrier Dome, which holds nearly 50,000 for football games, Syracuse has allowed opponents to make just 50 of 156 shots from three.

The Gators have never played at the Orange's home arena and will be faced with shooting in a much more open environment than the O'Connell Center.

"I think overall as a team we had success in the SEC Tournament shooting in a place like that," Boynton said. "A gym is a gym, we've just got to go in there and try to get the win."

The one Gators guard who has played in the Carrier Dome is redshirt junior Mike Rosario, who spent two seasons at Big East rival Rutgers. In his last trip to Syracuse, N.Y., in 2009, Rosario went 6 of 21 from the field, including 2-for-9 shooting from three.

"This will be a great challenge for us again," Rosario said.

"Another step forward. I feel like we built from our game that we played against Ohio State and we got better in the things that we needed to get better in. So I feel like we prepared to go out there and play to win the game Friday."

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### UF Basketball

Inside the Numbers		
No. 10 Florida	Points Per Game	No. 4 Syracuse
90.8		83.1
48.8	FG%	48.9
42.9	3 PT FG%	63.2
62	FT%	16.7
16	Offensive Rebounds per Game	56.5
26.7	Defensive Rebounds per Game	22.7
16.2	Turnovers Forced per Game	20.9
18.3	Assists per Game	18.1

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## [No. 10 Florida (5-1) at No. 4 Syracuse (7-0)]

# Probable Starters



	<p>› <b>Erving Walker</b> 5-foot-8 Sr. Guard 13.7 points per game, 5.3 assists per game</p>
	<p>› <b>Kenny Boynton</b> 6-foot-2 Jr. Guard 18.5 points per game, 4 assists per game</p>
	<p>› <b>Brad Beal</b> 6-foot-3 Fr. Guard 17 points per game, 6.5 rebounds per game</p>
	<p>› <b>Will Yeguete</b> 6-foot-7 So. Forward 6.2 points per game, 6.8 rebounds per game</p>
	<p>› <b>Partic Young</b> 6-foot-9 So. Center 10.2 points per game, 7.7 rebounds per game</p>

	<p>› <b>Scoop Jardine</b> 6-foot-2 Sr. Guard 7 points per game, 4.1 assists per game</p>
	<p>› <b>Brandon Triche</b> 6-foot-4 Jr. Guard 11 points per game, 3.6 assists per game</p>
	<p>› <b>Rakeem Christmas</b> 6-foot-9 Fr. Forward 4.3 points per game, 3.9 rebounds per game</p>
	<p>› <b>Kris Joseph</b> 6-foot-7 Sr. Forward 14.7 points per game, 5.7 rebounds per game</p>
	<p>› <b>Fab Melo</b> 7-foot So. Center 5.9 points per game, 5.1 rebounds per game</p>

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**UF VOLLEYBALL**

# Gators open NCAA Championship against future SEC foe

**BRYAN HOLT**  
Alligator Writer

When Florida takes the court in Cedar Falls, Iowa, tonight at 6, it will be staring across the net at a team that embodies nearly everything it is not.

Missouri is an unfamiliar opponent in both history and stature. Florida has never in its 27-year history played the school it will call a Southeastern Conference foe next season.

"We haven't played Missouri since we've been here, so I couldn't even tell you what happened 20 years ago," UF coach Mary Wise said after seeing her team's first-round draw on Sunday night.

Florida's postseason attack is one based almost entirely on experience and desperation.

The Gators (24-5, 17-3 SEC) have five seniors who have ended every year of their collegiate careers in the NCAA Regional Semifinals.

In the Tigers, they will find one of the tournament's youngest teams, a squad that regularly starts three freshmen and two sophomores in addition to just one senior.

"Those girls are playing for each other," junior right-side hitter Tangerine Wiggs said. "There's not really that pressure and there's not really that weight of thinking this could be our last game. That's scary."

Expecting the Tigers (21-12, 7-9 Big 12 Conference) to play with nothing to lose, the Gators have put extra emphasis on defense and controlling runs off the serve.

Both are areas that have been major focuses all year for Florida, and both are areas where it feels it has peaked.

"We've really been working on things throughout the year that aren't necessarily our strengths that they might expose," Wiggs

said.

Missouri's lone starting senior, Brittney Brimmage, is a 6-foot-3 middle blocker and outside hitter who has been a rock both offensively and defensively for the Tigers all season. Without missing a single set and having her rota-

tions split up by playing two different positions, Brimmage leads the team in hitting efficiency (.358) and is second in blocks.

But her success in her final game will rely primarily on underclassmen.

Missouri's offense has been

plagued by unforced errors throughout the season. Brimmage is the only regular contributor hitting above .279.

The Tigers' defense is somewhat similar to that of the Gators' in that it relies heavily on blocking in lieu of libero play. Missouri averages 2.3 blocks per set, a total comparable to Florida's 2.4 mark — a stat the Gators are not often matched in.

*"Those girls are playing for each other. There's not really that pressure and there's not really that weight of thinking this could be our last game. That's scary."*

**Tangerine Wiggs**  
UF junior right-side hitter



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Florida junior right-side hitter Tangerine Wiggs (left) and the Gators travel to Cedar Falls, Iowa, tonight to take on a youthful Missouri team in the opening round of the NCAA Championship.

In the backcourt, the Tigers are a mixed batch that has seen six players record at least 136 digs on the season.

"We're really focusing on Mizou right now and just really putting our heart and our minds into that and hoping for the best," UF sophomore setter Chanel Brown said.

While the Tigers appear to have little pressure on them, the Gators will be trying to feed off the must-win scenario.

During the practices leading up to tonight's game, Wiggs has seen a renewed intensity in her seniors.

"They've been working really hard in practice this week," she said. "You can see that type of grit that they have and that fight that they have. It's going to be exciting to see them play."

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