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Gators guard Brad Beal took home his SEC-leading fourth Freshman of the Week honor on Monday. See story, page 14.



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TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2012

911 call gives chilling details of I-75 accidents

► THE CALL CAME IN AT 4:03 A.M. SUNDAY.

TYLER JETT
Alligator Staff Writer

At 4:03 a.m. Sunday, just minutes before the madness started, one crash on Interstate 75 seemed almost ordinary.

A silver Toyota heading south through the haze of smoke and fog slammed into the guardrail in the far-left lane. The driver of the car veered to the right, coming to a stop in the grass off the highway.

Nothing too serious; all of the passengers were safe. One woman called 911 to report the crash and request a tow truck. They were about three miles south of the Archer Road exit, and the call was calm and routine.

Three and a half minutes into the conversation, the Alachua County Sheriff's Office dispatcher prepared to hang up.

"I'm going to have to let you go," the dispatcher said. "We have a lot of lines ringing right now, but we do have help going out there with you, and—"

"Oh, s**t!" the caller interrupted. "Another crash. Oh my gosh."

In the 911 call released by the Sheriff's Office on Monday afternoon, the dispatcher pressed the

woman for more information. It was across the median in the northbound lane, said the woman,

whose name was edited out of the tape.

A truck was involved. Other

than that, though, the woman couldn't give any more detail.

She could barely see her hand

in front of her face, she said. And on a morning when nature blindfolded drivers — leaving 10 dead, 21 hospitalized and countless more lives forever changed — the woman on the phone could only rely on sound to paint the tragedy.

Her friend thought she heard a couple other crashes earlier. She wasn't sure, though. She knew she heard something.

Then, just as the dispatcher tried to hang up, the group heard a sharp, loud ping. The crash was undeniable. The woman on the phone started talking to someone else in the area. Fifty-six seconds later, another sharp noise, like an aluminum baseball bat connecting.

One minute, 24 seconds passed. The dispatcher asked how many people were injured. The woman cut her off: "Uh-oh. Uh-oh. Another one."

The dispatcher asked for details. The woman didn't know. The dispatcher asked if chemicals were involved. A loud pop.

"Another one," the woman told the dispatcher. "Oh my goodness. This is bad."

Crying filled the background. Fifty-five seconds later, another crash. The dispatcher asked another question. Fifteen seconds later,



Courtesy to the Alligator / Alachua County Sheriff's Office

Pictured above is the view of Interstate 75 from an Alachua County Sheriff's Office vehicle at the time of the crashes Sunday morning.

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Apple launches textbook app

KELSEY MEANY
Alligator Contributing Writer

Apple Inc. is integrating technological advancement into the world of education.

The company introduced the launch of iBooks 2.0, an application available for iPhone and iPad only, on Jan. 19.

According to Apple's website, iBooks 2.0 is "an entirely new kind of textbook that's dynamic, current, engrossing and truly interactive."

The iPad version is a touch screen-friendly textbook featuring interactive diagrams, videos, multi-dimensional objects, photos and easy note-taking abilities. The launch also includes access to iBooks Author, a free app that would allow professors to create their own textbooks.

Top publishers such as McGraw-Hill, Pearson and Houghton Mifflin Harcourt have already added textbooks to the online store.

John Sculley, former CEO of Apple and co-worker of the late Steve Jobs, said Apple has always had the intention of changing education through technological innovation.



Jobs

"I understand that Steve saw the chance to reinvent the whole textbook market so that it would be less expensive and more accessible to more people," Sculley said. "Apple is trying to make the iPad a standard for educa-

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CITY ELECTIONS

Polls open today until 7 p.m.

ADRIANNA PAIDAS
Alligator Writer

Today is not only election day for the Florida Republican Presidential Preference Primary, but it is also election day for two seats on the Gainesville City Commission.

After long hours of sign-holding, hand-shaking and debating, residents will have a chance to choose who will fill the Gainesville City Commission at-large 1 and District 1 seats.

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

All registered voters can vote at their designated precinct, which can be found at www.votealachua.com under the "My Voter Information Page," said Pam Carpenter, county supervisor of elections. The website also has a list of candidates.

Voters should bring a valid photo I.D.

with a signature, she said. Gator 1 Cards will be accepted.

Only registered Republicans will have the primary on their ballots.

Carpenter said she encourages everyone to go out and vote, especially because the city elections are bipartisan.

"Voting is our way of giving direction..."

Pam Carpenter
county supervisor of elections

"We hear a lot of rumbling sometimes about how our government is working," she said. "Voting is our way of giving direction, be it on the municipal, state or federal level."

Mercedes Young, a 20-year-old telecommunication management senior, said voting in city elections is even more important than voting for the president.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Gator Nonprofit Professionals meeting
 Today, 5 p.m.
 Matherly, Room 114
 Gator Non-Profit Professionals will be hosting its first general body meeting of the semester. Come find out about local opportunities within the nonprofit sector, information about the different components that make up an NPO and classes you can take to get a nonprofit minor.

UF & Roots of Hope's Cuba Conference
 Today, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
 Smathers Library, Room 1A
 The Cuba Conference will feature interaction with Cuban artists, a live telephone conversation with young Cubans on the island, and presentations and panel discussions with academics and other community leaders. Food will be served. Please register through the link www.tinyurl.com/ufcubaconference.

Open house, potluck at Toastmasters meeting
 Today, 5:45 p.m.
 Entomology Building, Room 1031
 Talking Gators Toastmasters Club hosts an open house with a potluck food table. Meet members and learn about Toastmasters, an international organization that provides a

FORECAST

TODAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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positive atmosphere to learn and practice public speaking and leadership skills, in a group setting. For details, go to talkinggators.freetoasthost.biz. The club is also on Facebook.

Free salsa classes with the Gator Salsa Club
 Today, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
 Reitz Union Colonnade
 Come and join the Gator Salsa Club to learn some salsa moves for free. The lessons will be held on the Reitz Colonnade every Tuesday and Thursday from 6-8 p.m. The club specializes in teaching On2 from 6-7 p.m., followed by Casino style from 7-8 p.m. No experience or partner is required. All levels of dancers are welcome.

Free English classes
 Today and every Tuesday through May 29, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 Millhopper Branch Library
 Practice your conversational skills. For more information, contact info@latinawomen-sleague.org.

Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War traveling exhibition
 Wednesday, 2:30 p.m.
 Library West, third floor
 The exhibit opening will be followed by faculty presentations by Patricia Hilliard-Nunn and Sharon Austin at 3 p.m. in Smathers Library, Room 1A. A Q-and-A session and a reception will follow.

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I-75 ACCIDENT

Paynes Prairie brush fire continues to smoke, cause still unknown

MEREDITH RUTLAND
Alligator Staff Writer

The cause of the fire that led to a 20-vehicle wreck, claiming at least 10 lives Sunday, is still being investigated as of Monday night.

Smoke continued to drift from Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park across U.S. 441 and Interstate 75 Monday as officials worked to douse the charred underbrush.

Florida Forest Service was dispatched to the prairie fire at 2:47 p.m. Saturday, said Ludie Bond, spokeswoman for the Florida Forest Service. Various organizations have been working to contain and extinguish the fire ever since.

Bond said the fire was not started by lightning and was not the result of a controlled burn, but the cause isn't known yet. She said the fire has been contained to 62 acres.

Bond walked around the spongy, charred underbrush Monday as officials soaked the prairie with tens of thousands of gallons of water. A small puff of white smoke rose with each step she took.

This fire presents a special set of hurdles because it burned deep into the underbrush, which is about

10 feet of decomposing grasses and other plants. It's not a matter of simply dousing the flames.

"This fire you can't put out," she

said. "There's no way you could drown this."

Trucks from the Florida Forest Service, the Nature Conservancy

and other organizations drove around the perimeter of the charred, smoking section of the prairie. They soaked the peat and set up sprin-

klers every 50 feet around the edge of the burned ground.

Smoke spurted from hot spots in the ground like small fountains. The air smelled of a campfire as trucks drove through, kicking up more smoke and ash.

David Jowers, Paynes Prairie park manager, said the primary concern now is controlling the smoke in order to keep drivers safe.

The animals that live in the prairie, including horses, birds and bison, know to run from smoke and are not in danger, he said.

Jowers spent Monday afternoon on the prairie with other responders, working to get sprinklers set to water the area.

He said this fire wasn't the largest he's seen. He said there was a wildfire in August that was larger.

Bonds said the burned area has to continue to be doused because low humidity and winds this week could help dry out the area again. She said Mother Nature was doing its best to make conditions difficult for responders.

"If you don't do thorough mop up, it could dry out and flare up," she said.



Meredith Rutland / Alligator

A tractor drives across a burned section of Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park on Monday afternoon. The smoke from the prairie fire caused a series of crashes Sunday morning that killed at least 10 people.

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Tenn. group wants history altered

FRANCIE WEINBERG

Alligator Contributing Writer

The president of the Gainesville Tea Party said she “would probably disagree” with the Tennessee Tea Party’s push to remove slavery from textbook references that make the Founding Fathers look bad.

“If they’re asking for an accurate rendition of what happened, then yes, I’ll support what they have to do, but I do not support a white-wash,” said Laurie Newsom, president of the Gainesville Tea Party.

According to the Memphis Commercial Appeal, the Tennessee Tea Party wants to remove material from textbooks so “no portrayal of minority experience in the history which actually occurred shall obscure the experience or contributions of the Founding Fathers.”

Steven Noll, a UF American history professor, said he believes calling for the removal of slavery from textbooks is disparaging, dismissing and disrespectful.

“That’s not history, it’s just lies,” Noll said. “It’s just making the past what we want it to be as opposed to what it was.”

He said the tea party needs to spend some time reading the Constitution and other pri-

mary source documents in which the Founding Fathers condone slavery.

When Thomas Jefferson said all men were created equal, he didn’t necessarily mean it literally, Noll said.

However, Noll said he believes the fact that the Founding Fathers were slaveholders humanizes them, which is much more realistic than their portrayal as heroes, an approach students are taught to take from an early age.

“That’s not history, it’s just lies.”

Steven Noll

UF American history professor

Sean Adams, a UF historian specializing in African-American studies, said slavery was a pivotal part of the American lifestyle, as was the nation’s ability to learn how to deal with African-Americans becoming a part of society in the years that followed emancipation.

This includes the Jim Crow laws that spanned from 1876 to 1965.

Newsom, though, doesn’t see it as that big of a deal.

“You had the Jim Crow laws, but that was like a gnat on a boar’s butt,” she said. “We’ve got so many bigger fish to fry in this country.”

Interim director of School of Theatre and Dance died Sun.

KATHERINE HAHN

Alligator Contributing Writer

Paul F. Favini, interim director of the UF School of Theatre and Dance, died Sunday night after a period of illness.

Favini, 51, was an associate professor of costume design and a UF faculty member since 2001.

“He was a skilled costume designer and administrator,” said UF Public Affairs Director Janine Sikes. “He shared the passion of theater with all who he knew and worked with here.”

On his personal website, Favini listed design experience from about 60 productions. As a freelance costume designer, he worked on productions such as “The Marriage of Figaro,” “Romeo et Juliette” and “La Traviata.”

Favini had a profound impact on the School of Theatre and Dance, Dean Lucinda Lavelli said.

“He was a man of extraordinarily varied talents,” she said. “He understood the performer, and he understood the needs of the performer by way of technical theater.”

Associate professor Ralf Remshardt will serve as interim director in Favini’s place until the appointment of a permanent director, Sikes said.

The exact cause of death has not been made public, she said.

Plans for a memorial service are being finalized.



Favini

Coffee shop, juice bar, bakery opens on West University Ave.



Haley Stracher / Alligator Staff

Richard Williams, Kati Ricci and Joshua Degen eat at Flashbacks Cafe, a new grab-n-go coffee shop, juice bar and bakery located at 211 W University Ave., on Monday.

► FLASHBACKS CAFE OPENED MONDAY.

SARAH LOFTUS

Alligator Contributing Writer

Joel Andreasen walked into Flashbacks Cafe on Monday and ordered a 24 Carrot smoothie. His verdict: a full carrot flavor with a tinge of lemon and apple.

Flashbacks Cafe, a grab-n-go coffee shop, juice bar and bakery located at 211 W University Ave., opens its doors for business today. The cafe held a trial-run opening on Monday.

The cafe will offer coffee drinks, juices, smoothies, shakes, baked goods, salads, bagels, sandwiches and wraps. There will be something for everyone, said owner Steve Nichtberger, 52.

Flashbacks Cafe is a grab-n-go type of place, but it offers high-quality items, he said.

“Our goal is to fill your belly, feed your soul and free your mind,” he said, “or at least let you use our free WiFi.”

Starting Monday, the cafe will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 7 a.m. to 3 a.m. Thursday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 3 a.m. Saturday.

The cafe will create an artistic atmosphere, said Adam Whistler, 35, the cafe’s general manager.

The walls, painted in bright purple, orange and yellow, offer an eclectic selection of mugs. A set of shelves houses board games, including the ‘90s Game, The Game of Life and “Friends” Trivial Pursuit.

The smoothies and juices are made with fruits and vegetables. Nothing else is added, Nichtberger said.

Nichtberger is also the owner of Flashbacks Recycled Fashions, a Gainesville consignment shop that has been around since 1986. He said he’s worked in the restaurant business for 10 years.

He said the competition with other cafes downtown will help the city overall. It will give people more reason to go there, he said.

“We love what we do, but we’re no different than other cafes,” Nichtberger said.

ON CAMPUS

‘Stuff Gator Fans Say’ hits YouTube with more than 30,000 views

BRITTANY ANN MORRISEY

Alligator Contributing Writer

Go cure cancer. Go to Mars.

Go make a YouTube video about your school’s favorite phrases.

Go Gators.

Cameron “Scooter” Magruder posted his video “Stuff Gator Fans Say” to YouTube at about noon on Sunday. It already has more than 30,000 views.

In the video’s 3 minutes and 3 seconds, 23-year-old Magruder parodies UF’s “Go Gators” commercial, takes some jabs at Florida State University, shouts at football referees and Tebow on Turlington Plaza.

The video follows the “s**t people say”

trend of YouTube videos that feature stereotypical sayings of groups such as girlfriends, freshmen and parents.

Magruder said he made the video to get more subscribers to his YouTube channel and to attract a wider audience. He saw an opportunity when he noticed no one had made a video about things Gator fans say, he said.

He graduated from UF in Spring 2011 with a degree in telecommunication productions and started making videos in October 2011.

Magruder’s video does not have any swearing, unlike other “s**t people say” videos. He believes someone can be funny without being vulgar, and he said clean language also allows anyone to watch without being offended.

His sister, 24-year-old Ph.D. candidate in

civil engineering Jeremy Magruder, appeared in the video and helped with the camera work.

“One of the highlights of his videos, I think, is that they’re clean comedy, and that’s something a lot of people can’t do, you know,” she said.

“All the people who dislike it go to Florida State.”

Cameron “Scooter” Magruder
video creator

Scooter Magruder said he’s gotten only positive reactions from people about the video.

Eighteen-year-old Lauren Salter, a pre-nursing freshman, laughed at the video on

her laptop. She said she thinks the sayings in the video are accurate and that Gators fans do say them.

Scooter said he learned video fundamentals in his classes at UF. He shot his first video, “The Chronicles of Sledd 350,” in Sledd Hall, where he lived at the time.

Since then, he has done videos such as “Why People Hate Tim Tebow” and “How to React to a Bad Gift.”

Magruder estimated he gained about 200 subscribers as of press time from the new video. The “Stuff Gator Fans Say” video currently had about 400 “likes” and about 40 “dislikes.”

“All the people who dislike it go to Florida State,” he said.

Lipreading class teaches participants to cope with hearing loss

► MONDAY WAS THE FIRST CLASS IN A FOUR-WEEK SERIES.

JULIA GLUM
Alligator Writer

Rhoda Chester, an 89-year-old hearing-impaired grandmother of nine, wants to understand her grandchildren again.

"My grandchildren talk so low that I can't hear them," Chester said before a lipreading class Monday.

"You're lucky," joked Carolyn Caracausa, 68. "Mine are loud."

They and about 10 others became students again at a class at the United Way of North Central Florida, the first in a four-week series of lipreading classes.

UF's Speech and Hearing Clinic and the Gainesville chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of Florida sponsor the free classes on Mondays from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Pat Kricos, a UF professor of audiology, has led the classes for 38 years.

Older patients often get hearing aids without learning strategies to communicate or how to speak up when they need help, she said.

The class helps people learn that they are not alone in coping with hearing loss, Kricos said.

Gaining the ability to lip-read is a combination of hearing any sounds possible, watching the speaker's lips and using context clues, Kricos told the class.

For an hour, the students practiced with Kricos, her student assistants and each other. They learned how to recognize what certain letters and words look like on a person's lips.

For example, when someone says "fan," his or her teeth come over the bottom lip. But for "van," the movement is less pronounced.

Not at all discouraged, the students worked hard. They filled out multiple-choice worksheets, watching Kricos intently with glasses low on their noses and hearing aids tucked behind their ears.

"If we really get good at this, we can read what all the football coaches are saying," joked Lynn Rousseau, president of the Gainesville's HLAA chapter.

Kricos said the class will be fun and informative for her students.

"They need every little bit of help they can get," she said. "If nothing else, just giving them confidence that, yeah, they can learn how to lip-read."



Alex Catalano / Alligator Staff

Ann and Doug Bonneville, 76 and 80, respectively, laugh during a Living with Hearing Loss class Monday at the United Way of North Central Florida.

POLITICS

UF professor weighs in on voting limitations in US Judiciary Committee

CHRIS ALCANTARA
Alligator Contributing Writer

A UF professor testified about potential voting limitations in a Florida election law before U.S. senators Friday afternoon.

Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., invited UF political science professor Daniel Smith to testify before the Judiciary Committee.

Smith focused on several amendments, including the shortening of the early vot-

ing period from 14 days to eight.

This would eliminate the final Sunday before election day, he said.

Smith said registration conducted by nongovernment groups will be a more difficult process that will include penalties for violations such as turning in late registration forms.

Kathy Kidder, 71, president of the League of Women Voters of Alachua County and Gainesville, said the statewide

league is not registering voters "because of these unreasonable requirements."



Durbin

The number of uncounted provisional

ballots could increase among residents such as college students, he said.

Kyle Burns, a 19-year-old political science sophomore, voted early for Tuesday's City of Gainesville election under the new law.

"I think that there's really no reason to pass it, because the whole idea of the bill was to prevent voting fraud," he said. "But the instances of voting fraud, especially in Florida, are few and far-between."

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Rat Race

All presidential candidates flawed

From the top two candidates in the Republican race, it appears that GOP voters are looking for a few key things. They want a candidate who supports increased military interventionism, an expansion of the surveillance state, social conservative values and an individual health care mandate.

So why aren't GOP voters supporting President Barack Obama?

During his presidency, Obama has supported policies that would not set him much further apart from the current top two GOP contenders.

Although he spoke out against the Patriot Act and Guantanamo Bay during his campaign in 2008, he ended up signing an extension of the former and has hardly taken any steps to close the latter.

The Department of Homeland Security has only become more invasive, monitoring the Internet and beefing up airport security to extreme levels with body scanners and grandma groping.

The president also recently signed the National Defense Authorization Act, a bill some opponents argue will give the government unprecedented power to indefinitely detain U.S. citizens.

And Obama has not decreased the involvement of the U.S. in foreign conflicts. While slowly drawing down our presence in Iraq, the president increased the number of troops in Afghanistan, intervened in Libya and has been performing drone operations elsewhere in the Middle East.

Does it sound like Obama should be running for the Republican nomination, too?

It gets worse.

Obama has always been against gay marriage, and usually never brings up the issue of LGBT equality. While he might have worked to end "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," that only affects a small percentage of the LGBT community. Meanwhile, the rest of the community is left without a voice if the contest is between Obama and Romney or Obama and Gingrich.

And if Republican voters are looking for a candidate who opposes government intervention in health care, they won't find that quality in Obama, Gingrich or Romney.

While Romney was governor of Massachusetts, he worked to pass a health care overhaul including an individual mandate, like the one in Obama's health care reform bill. And according to a new report from The Atlantic, it appears as though Gingrich expressed support for an individual mandate as recently as 2009.

Both Gingrich and Romney say they do not support this sort of government intervention on a national level, but if these candidates are willing to go against "free-market" principles in the past, what makes anyone think they will not do it again on another issue?

So, really, when looking at the three top candidates for the presidency, what's the difference?

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Column

Women get bombarded with sadistic messages

Macho Hollywood spawns dozens of blockbuster films every year, most with a predictable recipe of the following: million-dollar budgets, violence and loose women with cleavage, cleavage and more cleavage.

"Miss Representation," which was shown last week at the Reitz Union, is the refreshing exception. This must-see documentary unveils the media's vendetta against all things female, from advertising to the government, and the increasing sexualization and dehumanization of women.

The film features several influential women with even more powerful, positive agendas: Condoleezza Rice, Nancy Pelosi, Geena Davis, Rosario Dawson and Rachel Maddow, to name a few. These women speak of personal experiences of degradation and persuasion to change their appearance to the media's liking.

To label "Miss Representation" as a film stemming from the feminist movement would be misleading. The film is a well-rounded and bipartisan approach to showing viewers how women are being disrespected on a day-to-day basis and what the implications are on society as a whole.

The war of female appearance over accomplishments has come to its peak with the dawn of this media-saturated age. With more access to more TV shows and websites than ever, girls at an impressionable young age are exposed to a mistakenly superficial portrayal of the ideal woman: skinny, beautiful and willing to fulfill any man's needs.

Women, who comprise 51 percent of the country's population, according to the film, are holding much less power at the top of industries and government than should be acceptable.

Rising rates of depression and physical abuse are becoming a pandemic among young women who sacrifice their healthy body image for one that our culture finds acceptable.

Women are making slow gains in terms of influence. Only 17 percent of Congress is female, and the majority of the world's most profitable media industries only have a



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handful of women on the board of members. The inequality in the corporate world cannot be ignored.

The film does a fantastic job of pointing out that women are being held to a higher standard than men. In several TV segments shown in the documentary, women in power were constantly

scrutinized for every outfit and hairdo, while also having to answer questions that would never be directed toward men.

One of the more resounding highlights the video points out is that we, as women, are our own worst critics. As women, we strive to mold ourselves into the picture-perfect woman, and we criticize other women who deviate from the norm or who choose to pursue goals that do not involve being on the cover of a tabloid.

"Miss Representation" made me aware that female degradation is a double-edged sword: Society teaches men at a young age to be masculine and to crave power and prestige. These shallow expectations are molding men into emotionless people who are taught from video games and action flicks to see women as nothing more than sex objects.

While I applaud RUB for showing this exceptionally well-made documentary, it is disappointing that last week's viewing was the first time "Miss Representation" was shown in Florida. I hope, however, that this will be the first of many thought-provoking films with little or no female degradation to be shown in the UF cinema.

Women should support films like "Miss Representation" that advocate better media portrayals of women. Change is possible, but realizing that women are being bombarded with sadistic messages is the first step to a more balanced, accepting world.

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Column

Americans need to acknowledge humanitarian crises

We readily scorn humanitarian crises in hindsight, but we have a selfish habit of ignoring those that persist in the present. Like the ostrich that buries its head, we feign that all is well even if we don't see it.

When these crises become clear, we are quick to pass judgment on those involved while remaining indifferent to their circumstances. It takes compassion to view these situations through the eyes of the individuals who are most affected and who are often held accountable.

The state of Somalia is just one of today's crises that is rarely publicized from the perspective of those within. On Dec. 25, SEAL Team 6 parachuted into a Somali village, stormed a compound, rescued two hostages and left nine pirates dead. But while we celebrate our victory and denigrate the Somalis, the strife and struggle from which these people derive is forgotten.

Since a civil war erupted in 1991, Somalia has had no centralized control over most

of its territory. Numerous "transitional" governments have seized power and been ousted, while citizens flail and famish like infants without parents.

Civil war and defective governments have meant no security for Somalia's citizens. Domestically disorganized and internationally unrecognized, Somalia has no hands for development and no mouth for diplomacy.

Without a navy to guard its waters or allies to uphold international law, foreign trawlers harvest the limited fish reserves off the Somali coast. Starving Somalis watch as toxic waste washes onto their shores, illegally dumped by European firms exploiting the crippled country. All the while, they endure the worst drought in 60 years. Ten million people are threatened by famine and 29,000 children have died within three months.

Somali fishermen can't compete with the foreign ships offshore. Reasonable work is unavailable throughout most of the country. In an effort to feed their families and themselves, many seek less credible "employ-



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ment" as militiamen and pirates.

Like brokers on Wall Street, these fishermen gravitate toward the highly concentrated wealth within their society. In both cases, this wealth

is held by a few men at the top who pay high wages for risky work from desperate people. The difference is that Somali fishermen are fighting to feed their families while brokers are betting on Ferraris.

I am not suggesting amnesty for murderers, and I recognize the dilemma of providing aid to Somalis — too often this aid finds the hands of warlords — but it is no less important to shed our apathy, to openly and actively acknowledge the crisis.

I'm not inciting a military campaign. Until Somalia's unrest is quieted from within, we cannot expect peace and diplomacy from without. But fire is not fought with fire;

Black Hawks and blame are loose bandages on festering wounds.

Viewing the issue through the eyes of the famished and forlorn lets us better understand the causes and consequences of the crisis. We must take it upon ourselves to empathize and to realize that they are as much a product of their environment as we are of ours. In our global society, we cannot afford this indifference; we must develop a global consciousness. And while there are wounds within our own country, we seem apathetic to them as well.

President Obama appoints a Citigroup Inc. CEO to chief of staff and says the state of our union is "getting stronger." Children starve in America and Gingrich wants to colonize the moon. Our bank accounts go untouched and our time un-volunteered. In our own country and abroad, little support is rallied in defense of human lives — but dare they touch our Internet, and at last we raise our voices.

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UWire

Republicans should drop 'biased liberal media myth'

Many media pundits attribute Newt Gingrich's win in the South Carolina primary last Saturday to his attacks on the liberal media during his recent debate performances.

The day before the primary, Gingrich called John King "despicable" for asking a question about his ex-wife's claim in an interview that Gingrich asked her for an open marriage. Based on that question, I think we can infer Gingrich knows despicable behavior.

But was King despicable for asking Gingrich about this "Nightline" interview? Absolutely not.

The number of debates that have taken place in this primary make Charlie Sheen's media barrage look restrained. The candidates, more or less, all agree on the same fundamental ideas (Ron Paul excluded), and rarely in these debates do we hear the candidates offer anything new. If we don't ask the candidates questions about their personal lives, CNN might as well just show a rerun of one of the November debates.

Gingrich used this question to unload on one of his favorite talking points: the "biased liberal media" myth.

If you have never watched Fox News, here is what I mean by the "biased liberal media" myth: All the major news outlets have a bias against conservatism and are actively engaged in trying to make liberals look good and conservatives look bad.

This is simply not true. Journalists are taught to remain objective in their reporting. Objectivity is a point of pride for many professional journalists. While there is no denying that publications such as The New York Times or The

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Washington Post have liberal leanings, they contain their political statements to the editorial page, just like conservative publications such

as The Wall Street Journal do.

Almost every news organization, whether it be newspaper, magazine or broadcast television, is owned by a media conglomerate run by wealthy, conservative CEOs. If their organizations were too liberally biased, wouldn't they intervene?

Conservatives generally point out that the mainstream media won't report on the same stories and issues as Fox News.

Essentially, conservatives want the media to criticize liberals more often. The problem with that is the media has to remain objective. While the economy is in bad shape, the media cannot lob all their criticism at President Obama. It would be unfair.

Gingrich has been particularly focused on attacking the media in recent weeks. Besides the confrontation with King, he got into a heated exchange with Fox News' Juan Williams over comments Gingrich made about blacks demanding paychecks, not food stamps, and earlier this week he criticized NBC's Brian Williams for instructing the audience at Monday's Republican debate to refrain from applauding and cheering.

It is no surprise that Gingrich's recent rise in the polls comes at the same time his attacks on the media have increased. Conservative voters are buying into this liberal-

bias-in-the-media myth.

The problem isn't that conservative voters are consulting only conservative news outlets. That is entirely their choice. My problem is that this liberal-media bashing is limiting conservative voters' scopes of information.

A recent poll by Fairleigh Dickinson University showed that Fox News viewers are less informed than people who watch no television news. Fox News viewers are subjected to these attacks on the media, and it's convincing them not to consult other news sources. The New York Times and The Washington Post may be considered liberal newspapers, but that doesn't mean the things they report are false.

The same thing goes for liberals reading The Wall Street Journal. Just because you don't agree with a paper's editorial board doesn't mean you shouldn't read the paper.

People should seek knowledge as much as possible. We shouldn't limit our scope to newspapers and news shows that reinforce our own opinions. We should try to expand our horizons and become more well-rounded and well-informed citizens.

Politicians need citizens to be knowledgeable. If we want our country to start heading in the right direction, we need voters who are well-informed when picking the leaders who will solve our problems.

Politicians and the media don't have to be at war. In fact, they can both be tools in making our country less problematic.

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AROUND GAINESVILLE

Taco Bell not bringing its breakfast menu to Florida yet

MATT BOLES

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Floridians were left empty-handed last week when Taco Bell launched its breakfast menu in the West.

Taco Bell introduced its breakfast menu Thursday to 750 restaurants in 10 states, including Alaska, California and Arizona. The "First Meal" menu consists of 11 items, ranging from breakfast burritos and wraps to hash browns and Cinnabon pastries, according to a news release.

The restaurants in the eastern part of the U.S. will offer breakfast in 2013, the release stated.

Michelle Navar, 20-year-old chemical engineering sophomore, said she is interested in the new menu.

"I would buy it," Navar said. "It seems like they are trying to close the gap between themselves and other places like McDonald's."

Taco Bell joins other fast-food restaurants, such as Subway, Burg-

er King and Wendy's, that offer breakfast.

Matt Rubin, a 20-year-old telecommunication junior, said he likes the idea of the new items.

"It gives them another option to make money during that time," he said.

Taco Bell started breakfast in western states where breakfast burritos are more common, according to a news release. Taco Bell teamed up with Johnsonville, Cinnabon, Tropicana and Seattle's Best Coffee to create a breakfast menu.

"It gives them another option to make money during that time."

Matt Rubin

UF junior

"I know it's coming," said Simone Bailey, manager of the Taco Bell on West University Avenue.

Bailey said the majority of people who eat at her restaurant are college students, and she expects more customers to come in during breakfast hours once the menu comes to Florida.



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Alex Cardelle, a 22-year-old political science and economics senior, eats lunch at Taco Bell. Taco Bell's new breakfast menu is not yet available in Florida.

UF program given grant to improve teaching in high-poverty schools

PROGRAM TO REACH 20 SCHOOLS.

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First-grade teacher Virginia "Joey" Traynor spends two to three hours each weeknight — and most of her weekends — studying how to bring the most effective teaching methods to her classroom. She's into her second semester of teaching and has written about 30 pages on her findings.

Traynor is part of the \$6 million Investing in Innovation, or i3, grant program. The new program started in the fall and expands UF's preexisting Florida Master Teacher Initiative into 20 high-poverty schools in Miami-Dade County.

The Florida Master Teacher Initiative trains teachers to improve their practice. It involves about 1,000 teachers in Collier, Duval, Miami-Dade and Pinellas counties and will be expanded through the i3 program.

The new program will benefit about 1,200 teachers and 30,000 pre-K through third-grade

students.



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Teachers enroll in online courses, conduct classroom research projects and work with

In 2010, the Florida Master Teacher Initiative beat 1,700 other teacher development programs to join about 50 winners, chosen by the U.S. Department of Education, to receive the i3 \$5 million grant. The W.K. Kellogg Foundation also gave \$1 million.

UF professors-in-residence. Traynor is taking Culturally Responsive Classroom Management, her second course since the i3 program's launch in fall. She meets regularly with professor Raquel Diaz.

"It's very intensive," Traynor said. The teachers work full-time in addition to participating in the program.

Traynor faces challenges such as a lack of family support for students and a lack of technological resources as a teacher at a high-poverty school.

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Gov. Scott orders investigation of FHP

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more screaming. Sixteen vehicles have now been involved, the woman told the dispatcher.

Fifteen more seconds. The woman said a car was approaching: "He's coming too fast. Here comes another one." Then, a smack.

All around the woman, firefighters and officers sifted through the sightless, according to an incident report. One person said the smell of fire permeated the air. Another man said his wife was in the back of his SUV and couldn't wake up.

Multiple vehicles were on fire. A friend was breathing but unconscious. A pickup truck was on top of a car.

All the while, the woman on the phone tried to remain steady. The dispatcher promised help was on the way. The dispatcher told her to encourage those wounded to sit comfortably.

"You are doing an amazing job," the dispatcher said.

The woman was calm until the end of the call, around 4:05 a.m. Her voice wavered, and she whispered one wish, barely audible over her breath.

"Slow down," she said. "Slow down. Slow down."

RICK SCOTT ORDERS INVESTIGATION

- Gov. Rick Scott on Monday ordered the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to investigate the Florida Highway Patrol's decision to open Interstate 75 prior to the deadly series of crashes Sunday morning.

- After a crash at 11:55 p.m. Saturday, FHP shut down all lanes of the highway. An FHP supervisor, whose name was not released, ordered the highway be reopened at 3:26 a.m., according to a statement by FHP spokesman Lt. Patrick Riordan.

- By 4 a.m., Alachua County Sheriff's Office dispatchers started receiving calls reporting crashes.

- "We believe our troopers did their due diligence to keep our highways safe while working alongside our safety partners," Riordan said.

Professors can create their own textbooks

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tion."

He said Apple is working on ways for teachers to use the electronic textbooks in their curricula and is constantly thinking of ways educators can use tablet computers.

Ed Kellerman, a senior lecturer at UF's William and Grace Dial Center for Written and Oral Communication, said he uses video and photo examples in many of his lectures.

"We won't have much of a choice as to whether or not to use this technology in the coming years," Kellerman said.

This summer will be his first time teaching his Introduction to Communication Studies class completely online and essentially paper-free.

He wrote the textbook for his introductory course and said he would consider using the iBooks Author program if it were to be-

come popular.

If a complete switch to Apple's interactive textbooks were to occur, textbook retailers could experience some loss of business. Apple offers textbooks at a fraction of the price, according to the company's website.

Doby Gray, textbook manager at Gator Textbooks Inc. in Gainesville, said he has heard of the new Apple textbook program but does not think it will end the bookstore business in the near future. However, he said he believes it is important



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to stay aware.

"We are threatened a little bit. It's like the horse and buggy syndrome," he said. "When the horse and buggy met the automobile, they thought it was temporary. Those are the ones that got left behind."

ON CAMPUS

Few students using Android application to call SNAP

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Alligator Writer

Need to figure out how to get to that bar? There's an app for that.

Want to update your status about your caffeine-fueled study session? There's one for that, too.

There's even an app for the UF service that can take you around campus at night, but most students aren't using it.

About 13 percent of students who called the Student Nighttime Auxiliary Patrol for nighttime rides on campus used the service's web-based system.

SNAP is staffed by students and supervised by the University Police Department.

The system, which was established during the summer, lets students request rides from

smartphones and computers.

Students can also download an Android application that links them to the website. The Android app store showed that the app had been downloaded between 100 and 500 times.

In July, UPD also started using an automated call-in system to handle requests, said SNAP Coordinator and UPD Officer Gregory Castronover. Students can choose to speak to a person after an initial automated greeting.

Eighteen-year-old history freshman Sarah Parker said she uses SNAP a few times a week. One of her friends has the mobile app, she said, so she asks her friend to use the app to request a ride because it's easier than calling.

Requesting SNAP by phone can take about a minute, Castronover said, but an online re-

quest can be placed in five to ten seconds.

The app is only available for Android phones, but he said an Apple app is in the works.

"It's one of those things that you have to time right."

Sarah Parker
UF freshman

In the fall, SNAP processed about 29,000 requests for 47,500 rides. About 3,500 requests were made through the web-based system.

SNAP users can log in with their Gator-Link information and track the SNAP van as they wait for it to arrive.

If a van has to wait for a person or group, the driver calls dispatchers and then the on-line system calls the person who made the

request, he said.

Passengers then have two minutes to come out to the van, he said, which should cut down on delays.

Parker experienced this when she and her friends were unable to make it to the van in two minutes. The group ended up walking home.

"It's one of those things that you have to time right," she said.

To download the app, those with Android phones can scan the QR code at police.ufl.edu or search for "UFL SNAP" at market.android.com.

Students can also request SNAP by calling 352-392-SNAP or visiting snap.ufl.edu. The service is available every night during the fall and spring semesters from 6:30 p.m. to 3 a.m.

Florida cruise bookings not down despite shipwreck in Italy

Gainesville agency seeing spike in business

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Spring Break is right around the corner, and cruises are being booked as quickly as ever despite the Costa Concordia shipwreck in Italy two weeks ago.

The Costa Concordia, carrying more than 4,200 passengers, capsized off the Tuscan island of Giglio after crashing into a reef on Jan. 13.

The wreck left 17 people dead, and 15 are still missing. Despite the recent disaster, Florida travel agencies have not seen a decrease in business for any cruise line.

John May, owner of Continental Capers Travel and Cruises in Gainesville, said he is seeing a lot more sales this year for all cruise lines.

"We haven't had any repercussions from it at all," he said. "Sure, everybody knows about it and realized how bad the safety procedures were on that, [but] I haven't had

anybody cancel or even think twice about it."

According to the Tampa Bay Times, U.S. Coast Guard rules state ships must conduct safety drills within 24 hours after leaving a port, which the Concordia did not do.

"It's a wake-up call for all cruise lines to work on their safety practices and the training of their crews," May said.

Marie Marcano, manager of Kendale Lakes Travel in Miami, said the Costa Concordia disaster has not and will not affect the number of people booking cruises.

"I've been telling people that it was something just locally and something that just one or two people on the ship that did it," she said. "It's not industry-wide."

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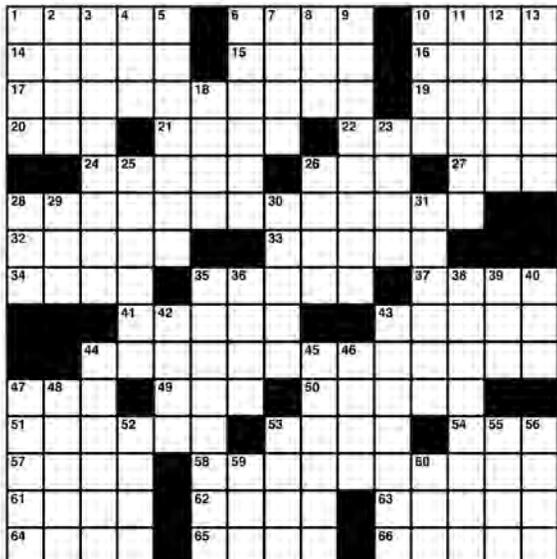
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 - 10 Peak
 - 14 Sleep malady
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 - 16 Sound repeated before "fizz tizz," in ads
 - 17 Bakery cookware
 - 19 Coin on the Continent
 - 20 Non-revenue-generating TV ad
 - 21 Quite befuddled.
 - 22 Southwestern cuisine
 - 24 Water pitcher part
 - 26 Bro's sib
 - 27 Work at
 - 28 Quiet times for baby ... and mom
 - 32 Orchestra section
 - 33 Period of watchful attention
 - 34 Mimic with wings
 - 35 Steals the bank blueprints for, e.g.
 - 37 Haunted house outbursts
 - 41 Not even once
 - 43 Chair maker Charles
 - 44 Ability to focus
 - 47 Photo taker
 - 49 Gallery work
 - 50 Sacred song
 - 51 Sister of Magda and Eva
 - 53 Medium, e.g.
 - 54 Singer Sumac
 - 57 Complexion concern
 - 58 Crisp cookie
 - 61 Fishing gear
 - 62 Cole Porter's "Well, Did You ...?"
 - 63 To-be, in politics
 - 64 ER "Immediately!"
 - 65 USAF NCO
 - 66 Lavishes affection (on)
- DOWN**
- 1 Temporary shelter
 - 2 Numbered musical piece
 - 3 Remove, as a seatbelt
 - 4 Gridiron official
 - 5 Some sewers
 - 6 Admits guilt for, as a lesser charge
 - 7 Latin I verb
 - 8 Jaworski of "Monday Night Football"
 - 9 Bulletin board items
 - 10 Very top
 - 11 Small groups, as of bushes
 - 12 Edible mushroom
 - 13 Strong adhesive
 - 18 Bill or gates, e.g.
 - 23 Morales of "La Bamba"
 - 25 Nit-picking type
 - 26 Irritated state
 - 28 Kind of wrestling done while sitting
 - 29 Seven-time Emmy winner Tina
 - 30 Not concealed
 - 31 Bring contentment to
 - 35 Sports section decimals

- 36 Hunched (over)
- 38 Uncontested, as a late-game hockey goal
- 39 Mauna __
- 40 Job application ID
- 42 JFK guesstimates
- 43 Walked into
- 44 Actress Bearse or Plummer
- 45 "Consider me a maybe"
- 46 Flow slowly
- 47 Industry leaders
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Butler, UF scrambling to solve close losses

JOE MORGAN
Alligator Staff Writer

Coach Amanda Butler admits that the Gators lack focus at the free-throw line right now.

However, a concrete solution to Florida's current slump has eluded the six-year coaching veteran and former UF guard.

"I'm not sure, it's kind of an individual thing," she said. "If there's a way to coach them better from the free-throw line, then I'll certainly find it."

Until the shots start falling again, the Gators' only option for improvement has been repetition in practice.

Prior to a film session in preparation for Arkansas last week, multiple players were putting up shots from the free-throw line.

Butler has even had UF do some work outside of team activities, encouraging her players to practice foul shots on their own.

"We're getting in the gym, and we're shooting," sophomore guard Jaterra Bonds said. "It's all mental. When you get up there, it's nobody's fault but yours if you miss it, so it's a mental thing."

In its last two contests against No. 6 Kentucky and Arkansas, Florida shot just

45 percent from the free-throw line — 21.5 percent off its mark before those games.

After losses to the Wildcats and the Razorbacks, the Gators now have seven defeats by six points or fewer, magnifying the free-throw problem.

Part of the struggles may stem from the fact that UF's last two games have been away from home.

Even though the team is in the midst of a three-game road trip — its longest of the season — Butler expects the shots to fall the same way.

"You've just got to be able to step up and be mentally tough and hit [free throws], especially in big moments, but really, the whole ball game," Butler said.

Florida has two days to try and get back on track from the charity stripe before playing LSU on the road Thursday night in Baton Rouge, La.

Free throws played a significant role in the Gators' first tilt against the Tigers, a 62-58 win on Jan. 15 in the O'Connell Center.

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Bonds

Gators' Beal making most of minutes

► HE LEADS SEC WITH FOUR FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK AWARDS.

JOHN BOOTHE
Alligator Staff Writer

Florida coach Billy Donovan isn't worried about Brad Beal getting tired any time soon — at least in his legs.

As the lone freshman in Florida's starting lineup, Beal is leading the Gators in steals, free-throw attempts and defensive rebounds all while scoring 14.1 points per game.

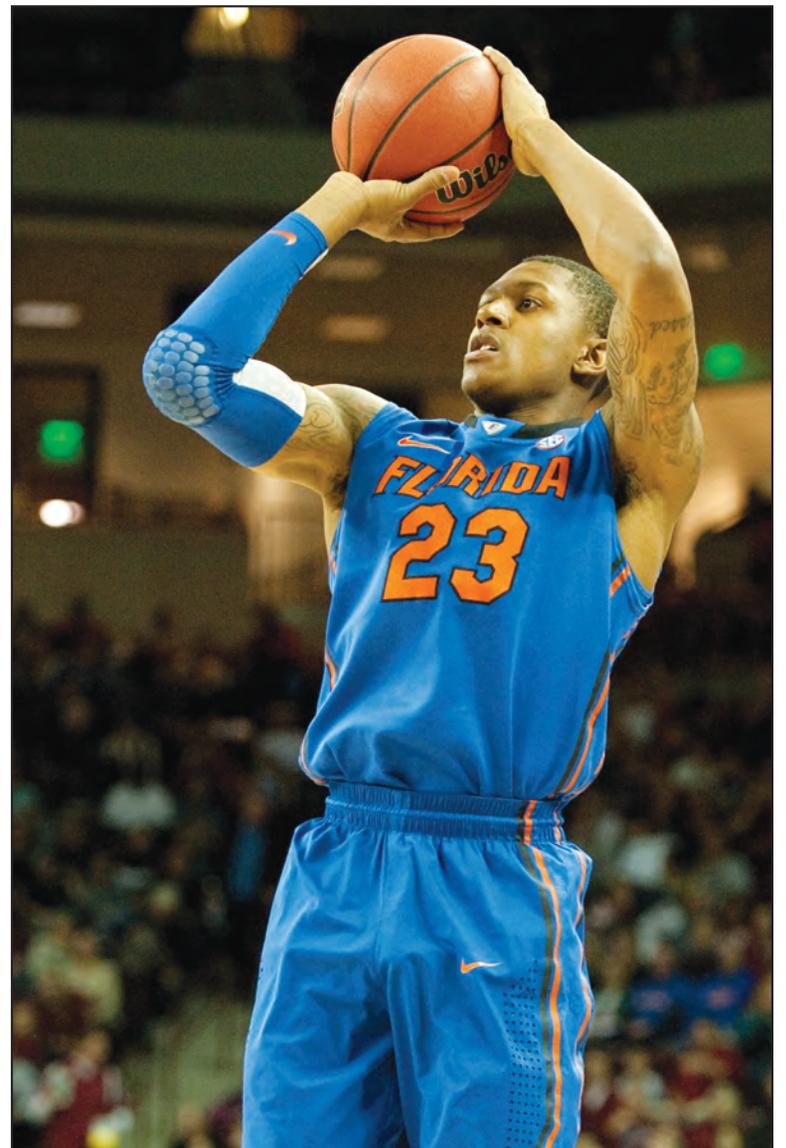
While Donovan has said that too much is expected of Beal at times, the 6-foot-3 guard hasn't seen his playing time decrease six games into UF's Southeastern Conference schedule. Beal leads Florida with 33.5 minutes played per game, which is also the fourth most in the league.

"Rest hasn't really been a concern with Brad," Donovan said. "I think the biggest thing that happens to those guys more than anything else is that they get mentally fatigued, and I have yet to see that mental fatigue on him, or the physical fatigue. I think right now he's fine — not to say that couldn't happen a couple weeks from now. I feel pretty good with where he's at right now."

On Monday, Beal was named the SEC Freshman of the Week for a league-high fourth time after scoring a combined 28 points in a pair of Florida victories against Ole Miss and Mississippi State.

The only other SEC player who has won the award more than once is Kentucky center Anthony Davis, a three-time freshman of the week who ranks 17th in minutes played.

While Florida is set to face three conference teams, including the Wildcats, in six days starting Thurs-



Brett Le Blanc / Alligator Staff

UF freshman Brad Beal leads the team in steals (27), free-throw attempts (88), defensive rebounds (102) and minutes (33.5 per game).

day, Beal said the Gators have been able to ready themselves for the grueling stretch with tough practices.

"It was very physical at Ole Miss — they're probably the most physical team we've faced," Beal said. "Mississippi State has a bunch of big guys inside that are really physical,

too. We just try to prepare ourselves — we battle each other in practice all of the time — so it's really our preparation for the games."

Pitchford injured: While minutes have been easy for one Florida freshman to come by recently, any

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END OF GREGULATION

Cutting out turnovers critical to Florida's recent success

With about eight minutes left and Florida nursing a four-point lead, Erving Walker drives the lane.

As he leaves his feet, Gators fans collectively inhale. After three seasons watching Walker at the point, they're prepared to let out the frustrated groan that has accompanied so many of his turnovers.

What would it be this time? Would he land for a travel? Force up a wild layup that has no hope of cutting through the trees? Dump it off out of bounds?

On Saturday against Mississippi State, it was none of the



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ability to keep that number low will be as critical as any factor above. Walker found Brad Beal sliding away from his man and into the weak-side corner, getting him the rock for an easy catch-and-shoot three.

Over the last five games, those plays have become commonplace.

Florida's turnover numbers have been slashed drastically during its current winning streak, and the Gators'

ability to keep that number low will be as critical as any factor in determining the team's fate.

Florida is currently tied for fifth in the nation in turnover percentage at 16 percent, almost five percentage points below the NCAA average of 20.7.

But, in the games UF has lost, a barrage of turnovers has led to a breakdown of the usually unstoppable offensive machine.

The four blemishes on Florida's record were its four worst turnover percentage games of the year, ranging from 15

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Gators junior T.J. Vogel leads by one stroke after two rounds of the Sea Best Invitational at the PLAYERS Stadium Course at TPC Sawgrass. See story online at alligatorSports.org.

SEC coaches pick Gators to win

Florida's softball team has been picked to win the Southeastern Conference, according to a vote of the league's coaches that was released Monday. UF is ranked No. 2 in the NFCA Preseason Top 25.

UF lacrosse ranked in top five

The Gators' women's lacrosse checked in at No. 3 in the Inside Lacrosse/deBeer Media Preseason Top 25, behind No. 1 Northwestern and No. 2 Maryland.

oral commits 2012 defense

With National Signing Day fast approaching, alligatorSports continues its preview of the oral commitments the Gators have received thus far. Today, we take a look at UF's defensive commits. Florida has commits from 13 defensive players, including seven defensive linemen.



★ **6-foot-1, 165 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive back
★ **High school:** Hallandale
★ **Also considered:** Miami, North Carolina, South Florida
★ **Recruited by:** Aubrey Hill, Travis Robinson

Willie Bailey

Although Bailey enrolled early, don't expect to see him play much in 2012. He is smaller and not as talented as the two other corners Florida has coming in with this class. Bailey is lean and rangy, but he needs to refine his fundamentals.



★ **6-foot-4, 255 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive end
★ **High school:** Shelby, N.C., Crest
★ **Also considered:** Clemson, South Carolina
★ **Recruited by:** D.J. Durkin

Jonathan Bullard

With great bulk and strength, Bullard has a chance to help the Gators defense in a big way when he arrives in Gainesville. He's coming in at a position of need with Ronald Powell the only proven pass rusher left, so with some polished technique, the physical end could make an early impact.



★ **6-foot-3, 240 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive end
★ **High school:** Fort Lauderdale St. Thomas Aquinas
★ **Also considered:** North Carolina
★ **Recruited by:** Aubrey Hill

Bryan Cox, Jr

A member of a 2012 class stacked on the defensive line, Cox will give Florida coaches a lot of options. Although not super speedy, Cox can hold his ground well and provides solid run defense. He's another one of the ends in this class who has been told he will start off at the Buck linebacker position until he bulks up.



★ **6-foot-4, 290 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive tackle
★ **JUCO:** Scooba, Miss., East Mississippi Community College
★ **Also considered:** Tennessee, Mississippi State, Texas A&M, Texas Tech
★ **Recruited by:** Dan Quinn

Damien Jacobs

Jacobs immediately provides much-needed depth at tackle for the Gators. As the No. 10-ranked junior college prospect in the nation, Jacobs comes in this spring with Division I-ready size and experience.



★ **5-foot-11, 190 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive back
★ **High school:** Bolling Springs, N.C., Crest
★ **Also considered:** Tennessee, Auburn
★ **Recruited by:** D.J. Durkin

Rhaheim Ledbetter

As a hybrid player, Ledbetter can be used in multiple schemes at Florida. He's an explosive tackler and has serious strength for his size. A drawback, though, is his height.



★ **6-foot-4, 275 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive tackle
★ **High school:** Stone Mountain, Ga., Stephenson
★ **Also considered:** Miami, Tennessee, Auburn, Georgia
★ **Recruited by:** n/a

JaFar Mann

Mann isn't a flashy or explosive player and lacks some tackle instincts. He also needs to put on more bulk. Although he could be useful in early-down situations, Mann would most benefit from a redshirt.



★ **6-foot-1, 195 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive back
★ **High school:** Melbourne Holy Trinity
★ **Also considered:** FSU, Alabama, Auburn, LSU, Miami, Michigan, South Carolina, Tennessee
★ **Recruited by:** n/a

Marcus Maye

Coach Will Muschamp emphasized the importance of forcing turnovers throughout 2011, and Maye is a versatile player who can make such momentum shifts possible next season. His longer frame could fill out to become a linebacker, though his best fit is at safety.



★ **6-foot-7, 212 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive end
★ **High school:** Clemmons, N.C., West Forsyth
★ **Also considered:** Georgia Tech, North Carolina
★ **Recruited by:** D.J. Durkin

Alex McCalister

Although already a lengthy and rangy end, McCalister definitely needs to put on muscle. He has shown promise as a pass rusher and is explosive off the line. As another Buck linebacker candidate, McCalister could, however, contribute relatively soon next season as depth and fatigue were a huge ailment for UF's linebacker unit in 2011.



★ **6-foot-3, 220 pounds**
★ **Position:** Linebacker
★ **High school:** Bolingbrook, Ill., Bolingbrook
★ **Also considered:** Alabama, Oregon, Tennessee
★ **Recruited by:** Bryant Young

Antonio Morrison

Morrison moves through traffic well and has an opportunity to help out on kickoff returns in 2012. As another early enrollee, he will have a chance to develop his toughness and strength, as he already displays good athleticism and the appropriate stature for an outside linebacker.



★ **6-foot-6, 268 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive tackle
★ **High school:** Venice
★ **Also considered:** Auburn, Miami, South Florida
★ **Recruited by:** D.J. Durkin, Dan Quinn

Dante Phillips

Phillips has seen serious success throughout his senior season as he has steadily bulked up his longer frame. Already considered a good prospect due to his measurables and potential, Phillips neared 300 pounds at the time of the Army All-America game yet has maintained his athleticism.



★ **6-foot-2, 200 pounds**
★ **Position:** Linebacker
★ **High school:** Largo Pinellas Park
★ **Also considered:** Marshall, South Florida, South Carolina
★ **Recruited by:** D.J. Durkin, Derek Lewis

Jeremi Powell

Powell is another flexible player, as he successfully played running back and receiver in high school. Although UF's staff has told him he definitely will need to add weight, Powell can be useful in various defensive schemes early on due to his quickness, instincts and solid tackling skills.



★ **6-foot-4, 295 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive end
★ **High school:** Tyrone, Ga., Sandy Creek
★ **Also considered:** Georgia, Tennessee, FSU
★ **Recruited by:** Travis Robinson, Dan Quinn

Quinteze Williams

Another member of the stacked defensive line arriving in Gainesville, Williams could see the bottom of the depth chart his freshman year, especially given the addition of Bullard. But Williams' massive build gives him a bit of an advantage, especially since his tall physique could easily support more weight.



★ **5-foot-11, 187 pounds**
★ **Position:** Defensive back
★ **High school:** Bradenton Southeast
★ **Also considered:** Notre Dame, Western Kentucky, FSU, LSU, Georgia, Alabama
★ **Recruited by:** Derek Lewis, Travis Robinson

Brian Poole

Poole has fielded plenty questions regarding the solidity of his oral commitment, but none question his solidity as a player. Despite a shorter frame, Poole has a nice build and displays quickness in pursuit as well as good strength as a tackler. Like Maye, Poole is one of the more explosive backs UF will bring in.

Compiled by Kelly Price

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Pitchford injured in scooter accident

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chances backup forward Walter Pitchford had at seeing playing time this week were derailed when he sprained his right wrist in a scooter crash Monday.

According to a school report, the accident occurred just north of the intersection of University Avenue and 13th Street when Pitchford, a freshman, rolled his scooter while trying to avoid hitting a vehicle in front of him.

The 6-foot-10, 221-pound Pitchford also suffered a bad scrape to his arm and is expected to miss 10 days to two weeks with his injuries.

He has played a total of 15 minutes and scored four points in eight games this season.

Rankings update: Following a pair of wins against Ole Miss and Mississippi State, Florida (17-4, 5-1 SEC) moved

up two spots to No. 12 in the Associated Press poll this week and made a dramatic 21-spot jump in the NCAA's RPI standings.

Florida's RPI is 15th in the nation after besting two top-40 teams in the Rebels and Bulldogs. The Gators own the SEC's second-highest RPI behind the Wildcats, who are fifth in the standings.



Pitchford

No. 1 Kentucky (21-1, 7-0 SEC) maintained its top spot in the AP poll for the second straight week, while Mississippi State (17-5, 4-3 SEC) slid down four spots to No. 22. Vanderbilt (16-5, 5-1 SEC) entered the rankings for the first time since Dec. 18 at No. 25.

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UF looking to bounce back against LSU

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Making 9 of 13 foul shots — all in the second half — Florida was able to hold off a late LSU rally to secure its first home victory in Southeastern Conference play this season.

"If there's a way to coach them better from the free-throw line, then I'll certainly find it."

Amanda Butler
UF coach

On the verge of elimination from regular-season SEC title contention, the Gators would welcome another 69.2 percent clip against the Tigers to help escape their recent rut.

According to Butler, Florida returning to its early-season form is a matter of confidence.

"We really have, I don't think, a deficit in that area," Butler said.

"Whatever happens is usually contagious, especially at the free-throw line. If one person's hitting, it makes it a little bit easier for the next person to hit it."

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Coach Amanda Butler is trying to find a cure for her team's free-throw struggles. UF has lost two straight games by fewer than six points.

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giveaways against Tennessee up to 20 against Syracuse.

Overall, Florida has averaged 17.3 turnovers in those losses.

In the last five outings, the Gators have given the ball away just 7.8 times per game, three lower than their season average and nearly 10 below the figure they have posted in losses.

Coach Billy Donovan said the recent surge is a result of the team making better decisions

and learning how to utilize each other, things that had to develop during the first 15 games.

Now, the results are starting to show. With six minutes left in Saturday's first half, Beal used a Patric Young screen and then found the big man rolling to the basket without a moment's hesitation, floating a lob his way for an easy two-handed slam.

Beal has just five turnovers in the last five games, a stark contrast from his early-season struggles. After averaging 2.6 giveaways per game during the first 16 games, he has had just one turnover per contest in the last five. This

season he has posted five games with five or more turnovers and, not coincidentally, Florida has lost four of them.

To some extent, the same is true for Florida's other two primary guards, Walker and Kenny Boynton. Walker has eight games with three or more turnovers this season, and Florida has lost four of them.

Boynton has four games with three or more turnovers, and UF has lost three of them.

While turnovers are obviously critical in and of themselves, they have also affected other areas of UF's game.

To take stat-nerdiness to the next level, the correlation between turnovers and shooting percentage for UF is minus-.47. That means that as UF's turnover count has gone up, there's been a moderate relationship to shooting percentage going down.

This makes sense, given that turnovers break up the flow of the game and take UF's many talented shooters out of their rhythm.

With so many weapons, all Florida needs to do is keep limiting giveaways to have a shot at a deep tournament run.

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