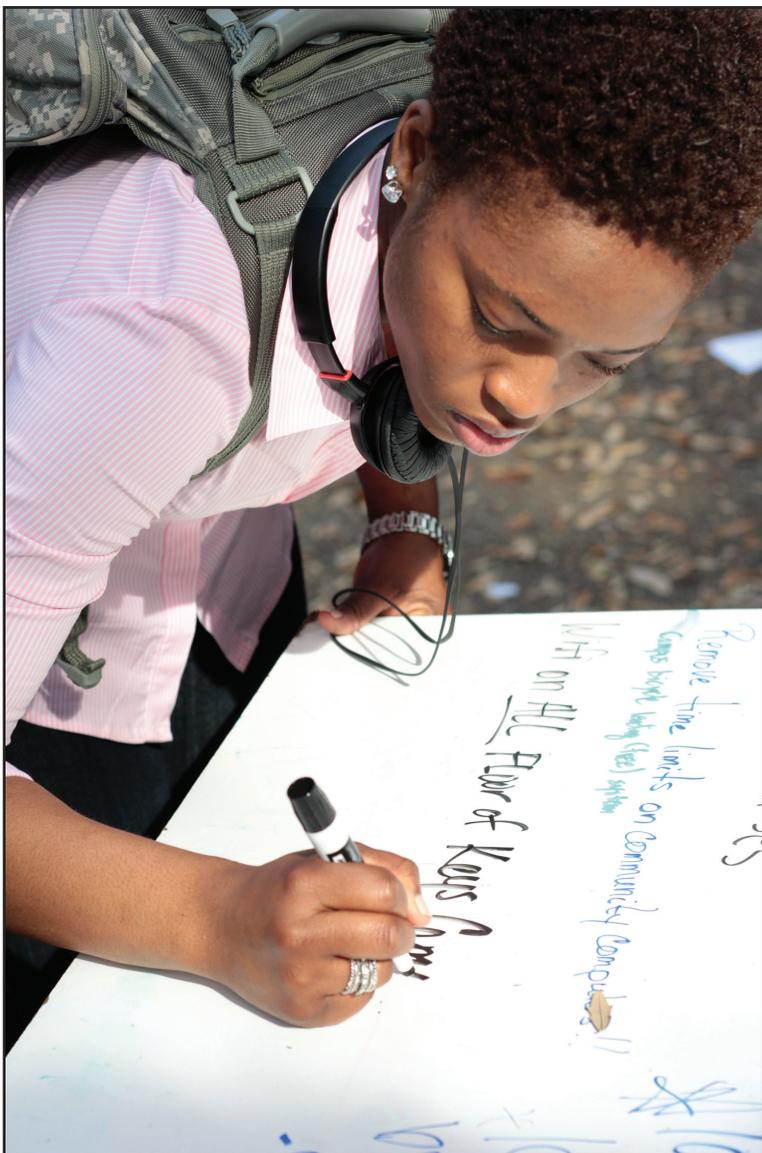




SG parties taking student ideas



Aundre Larrow / Alligator Staff

Jessica Virgille, 19, writes her request for wireless dorms on the Unite Party slate platform on Turlington Plaza on Monday.

► STUDENTS CAN INTERACT WITH PARTIES ON FACEBOOK.

SAMANTHA SHAVELL

Alligator Writer

UF political parties are taking the campaign for Student Government seats online this semester.

The Students Party and the Unite Party are gearing up for the senate and executive elections on Feb. 21 and Feb. 22 and upping their online campaigning.

The Unite Party debuted a new website and is using Facebook to interact with students.

"We encourage students wherever they are to post ideas on the wall."

Carly Wilson
 Unite Party senator

A question posted on the party's page asked what students wanted to see changed on campus. Students said they did not want a tuition increase, and they also voted for a Chick-fil-a with a breakfast menu at the Reitz Union and integration of ISIS, e-Learning and Webmail.

Party members will post videos to the Facebook page, said party spokeswoman Christina Bonarrigo.

The Students Party will also be shifting its campaign toward the Web.

The party will put up tables with laptops to encourage students to post ideas on its Facebook page, Sen. Carly Wilson said.

The tables will be set up Wednesday and Thursday on Turlington Plaza and at the Reitz Union from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Unite Party will still have a board for platform ideas at Turlington and the North Lawn on Tuesday.

Wilson said her party wants people who wouldn't walk through those areas to be able to participate.

"We encourage students wherever they are to post ideas on the wall," Wilson said.

Not every idea necessarily goes on the party platforms, though.

"We use the most frequent ones and the ones we feel can be accomplished," Bonarrigo said.

Group accuses business of bias in towing

ADRIANNA PAIDAS

Alligator Writer

Visitors of the Pride Community Center of North Central Florida have been frequently towed recently.

Co-president of the center Terry Fleming said Scott Espenship, who co-owns Sun Crest Office Complex where the center is located, has had 13 visitors' cars towed during the past month.

Fleming is filing a complaint with the city, calling the towing an "act of discrimination."

The center's visitors sometimes park in spots reserved for neighboring businesses, he said.

While the landlord has specified certain parking spaces for individual businesses, he said the parking lot was designated so anyone could park anywhere.

Documents on the Alachua County Property Appraiser website did not specify parking regulations for the lot.

Fleming said he approached Mayor Craig Lowe because people visiting other businesses who park in the wrong spots don't get towed.

Lowe referred the issue to the city's equal opportunity director and the city manager.

Espenship declined to comment.

Ron Chambers LLC is listed as the company that owns the property, according to the Alachua County Property Appraiser website. Ron Chambers, owner of the company, said Espenship is a co-owner of the complex. He said he would not discuss business about the complex because he does not oversee it.

Neighboring business owner Dawn Xenakis, who owns A Southern Elegance Salon, said Espenship is simply doing his job to ensure everyone has equal parking.

Fleming said he was unfairly targeting one organization.

"This is blatant discrimination," Fleming said. "He should be monitoring all visitors to the property, not just ours."



Lowe

CRIME

Tree trimmer charged with theft, burglary

TYLER JETT

Alligator Staff Writer

Gainesville police foiled a burglary attempt Sunday afternoon when the alleged criminal left behind a distinct clue: a business card.

Jason C. Johnson, 41, walked door-to-door on Northwest 13th Avenue, telling anyone who would listen that he could trim their trees.

When he knocked at 906 NW 13th Ave., nobody answered, but something caught his eye.

Johnson walked to the screened-in patio on the side of the house, picked up a queen-size bed frame and lugged it to his truck, which read "Gainesville Tree Service" on the back.

The owner of the house, Aowyn Plants, watched Johnson through a window, according to an arrest report.

Plants called 911 and, after some help from neighbors, Johnson was lured back to 13th Avenue and arrested. He was charged with petit theft and burglary of an occupied dwelling.

Prior to the arrest, officer Michael

Preston asked around to see if anyone else on the street saw a man from Gainesville Tree Service. To his luck, several people talked to Johnson. He even left behind his contact information, according to police.

Preston called Johnson. He wanted an estimate on the tree service, he said. When Johnson came back, Preston arrested him.

Johnson admitted to stealing the bed frame, according to police, but he could not be reached for comment Monday.

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Near Andersonville: Winslow Homer's Civil War
Today, 6 p.m.
Harn Museum of Art
The Samuel Proctor Oral History Program will host noted historian Peter H. Wood as he discusses Winslow Homer's painting "Near Andersonville," the 1864 election of Abraham Lincoln and the contested meanings of emancipation. For more information, visit www.history.ufl.edu/oral or call SPOHP at 352-392-7168.

Gator Basketball Watch Party
Today, 6:30 p.m.
Reitz Union Game Room
Come cheer on the Gators as they take on the top-ranked Kentucky Wildcats. The game will be shown on all of the game room's six large-screen TVs. There will be chances to win a free game of bowling or a free hour of pool during the game. Come out to bowl, play pool and cheer on the Gators.

Black History Month 2012: Truth Is Timeless
Today, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Reitz Union Rion Ballroom
Come join us for a night of information and entertainment in recognition of National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day. Learn about statistics, prevention methods and other facts through the performing and visual arts.

First Tuesday Takedown of the Semester
Today, 7 p.m. to 10:10 p.m.

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Gainesville Crohn's and Colitis Support Group
Today, 7 p.m.
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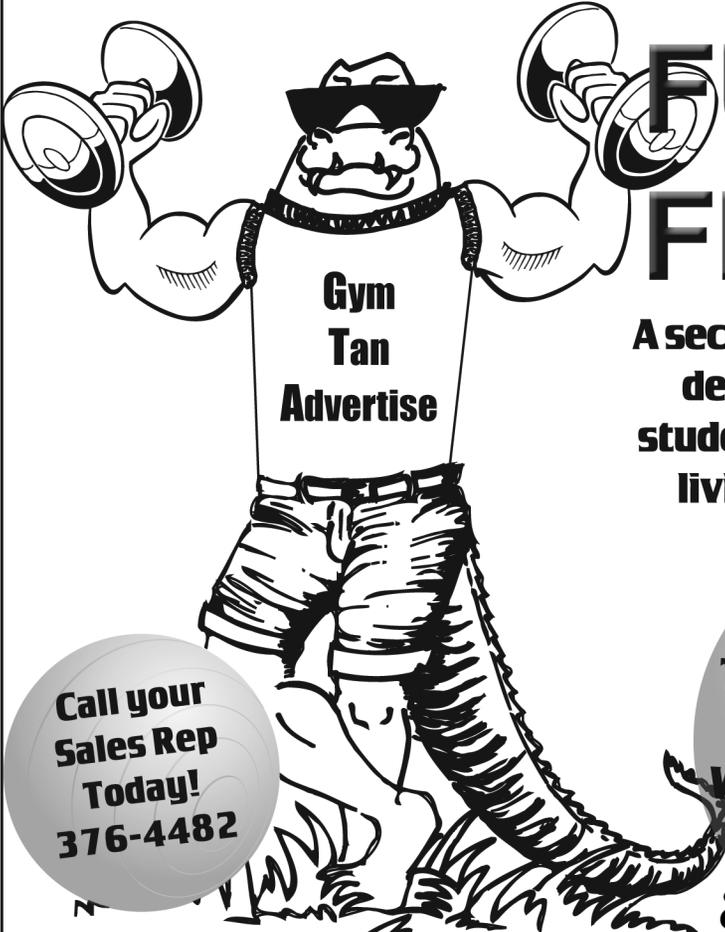
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Farrah's On the Avenue
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LOCAL

Animal rescue facility reduces euthanasia, increases capacity

ROMINA KARUNI

Alligator Contributing Writer

The Alachua County Humane Society is getting closer to its goal of zero euthanasia by the end of 2015.

The facility quadrupled in size over the last year to make adoption more efficient.

In 2011, Alachua County Animal Services euthanized about 2,500 animals. In 2000, that number was closer to 8,000, said Eric Van Ness, executive director of Alachua County Humane Society.

"We made progress, but there is still a while to go," Van Ness said.

Veterinary technician Zach Toundas said the center receives about seven animals each week.

"Dogs go fast, but adult cats go slow," Toundas said.

Though it is independent, ACHS works with other animal rescue centers in Alachua County.

There isn't any competition among them, Van Ness said. The centers work together toward the same goal.

While adoption has become more efficient because of a bigger facility, problems with funding and volunteers present obstacles to eliminating euthanasia.

After quadrupling in size, ACHS cut half its staff because of lack of funding, Toundas said.

Without funding, volunteers or both, Van Ness

said if none of the partner rescue groups can take animals in, Animal Services will be forced to euthanize because there is no room.

ACHS classifies animals in different categories of health: healthy, treatable re-habitable, treatable-manageable and unhealthy-untreatable, Van Ness said.

"Healthy is a narrow definition," he said.

"Dogs go fast, but adult cats go slow."

Zach Toundas
veterinary technician

Ear mites, for example, are considered treatable re-habitable, he said.

"There have been animals that were euthanized which were treatable re-habitable because there wasn't enough room," he said.

Alachua County Animal Services takes strays and abused pets, creating a constant influx of pets that need adopting, he said. ACHS takes some of them and places them for adoption.

Operation Catnip, a nonprofit organization that works out of ACHS's facility, helps with the overpopulation of stray cats.

Van Ness said the organization sterilizes cats and puts them back in the community.

The cats also get a microchip before being released.

Alum charged with battery

TYLER JETT

Alligator Staff Writer

A former UF football player was arrested for simple battery Sunday morning.

Steven R. Wilks, 23, punched Andrew O'Such in the UF Plaza parking lot at 2:05 a.m. after O'Such tried to break up a fight in which Wilks was involved.

O'Such was at Relish when he looked through the windows and saw Wilks pummel O'Such's roommate, Terrell Martin.

He said he doesn't know why Wilks hit Martin or why the two were even outside together. But the fight was one-sided.

O'Such said Wilks floored Martin with one punch. When Martin tried to get up, Wilks decked him again. Martin tried to get up again, and again Wilks punched him.

O'Such ran outside, hoping to stop Wilks.

"He was going crazy," O'Such said. "I tried to calm him down, but there was no getting through to him."

A large crowd gathered around the parking lot, and O'Such noticed former UF wide receiver Riley Cooper watching. Cooper, who now plays for the Philadelphia Eagles, hosted an on-line quiz show with Wilks last spring.

When O'Such stepped between Wilks and Martin, Wilks punched him in the left eye. The area around the eye is swollen, bruised and cut, according to an arrest report.

O'Such works with kids at a local community center, and he said he wore sunglasses all day Monday so they wouldn't see the injury.

"It's all purple; it looks like [Ninja Turtle] Donatello without the mask," he said. "It's not a good look."

Wilks, who played fullback at UF from 2007-10, is listed at 6-foot-1, 235 pounds on the Gators' official website. O'Such said he is 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds.

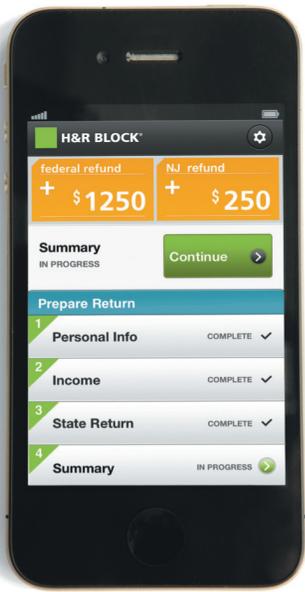
"I had no idea who he was," O'Such said. "I thought he was just some random, pissed-off big dude."

After punching O'Such, Wilks walked away, but he was arrested next to the parking lot about 20 minutes later. He told police the fight started when an unknown man punched him.

Wilks graduated from UF in December. He did not return a message seeking comment Monday.



Wilks



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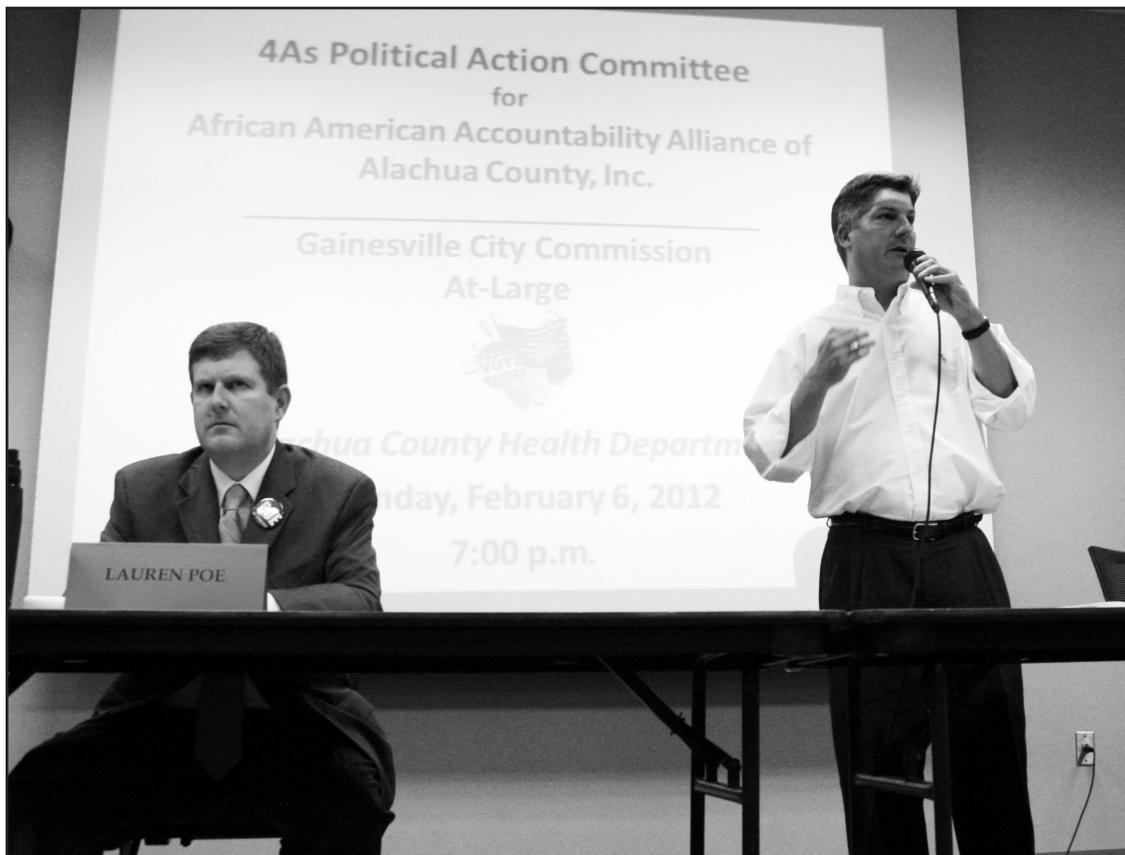
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Lauren Poe and Nathan Skop, Gainesville City Commission at-large 1 candidates, answer questions posed by the African American Accountability Alliance of Alachua County at the Alachua County Health Department on Monday night.

CITY ELECTIONS

Former commission candidates endorse Skop for runoff election

BENJAMIN S. BRASCH

Alligator Writer

Most of the former at-large 1 candidates for the Gainesville City Commission race have decided to support runoff candidate Nathan Skop in the runoff race — leaving little support for his opponent, former City Commissioner Lauren Poe.

Dejeon Cain, Richard Selwach, Darlene Pifalo and Mark Venzke — who were defeated in the Jan. 31 City Commission race — have given their support to Nathan Skop for the Feb. 28 runoff. James Ingle is undecided. Donna Lutz could not be reached for comment.

The former candidates ran on platforms of changing the current City Commission, instituting change in east Gainesville and creating change in the city's economic status.

Poe earned 4,411 votes and Skop earned 4,955 votes, coming in first and second, respectively, in the race. No candidate earned a majority of the votes, so the race will go to a runoff on Feb. 28.

Those who support Skop said they particularly like his stances on important city issues such as job creation.

"We need a new direction, and I believe it can begin with Skop," said Dejeon Cain, a former at-large 1 candidate. "He can bring experience."

Cain said Skop will bring insight gained from dealing with governmental agencies.

"We can't go in the same direction, like we would with Lauren Poe," he said. "The path is contaminated."

Richard Selwach, a former at-large 1 candidate, will be publicly supporting Skop around town and has already donated to his campaign.

Darlene Pifalo, a former at-large 1 candidate, said she wants more information on how each candidate plans to deal with the biomass plant project.

Skop has already publicly said the biomass situation needs to be fixed, she said, and Poe is proud of his stance on moving forward with the biomass plant.

Some former candidates are less sure of their choice.

Mark Venzke, a former at-large 1 candidate, said he has some reasons to be uncomfortable with Skop but more reasons to wary of Poe.

He said he has asked several times for Skop and Poe to produce documentation proving their views and numbers, especially regarding a city biomass contract.

One former candidate hasn't decided whom to support.

James Ingle, a former at-large 1 candidate, said he will sit down with both runoff candidates in the next week.

At-large 1 candidates vie for supporters at forum

BENJAMIN S. BRASCH

Alligator Writer

The African American Accountability Alliance endorsed Lauren Poe in the Gainesville City Commission runoff race after a forum Monday.

Organization members said they felt Poe was the best candidate to bring jobs to Gainesville and fulfill the promise of Plan East Gainesville.

Gainesville residents listened to Lauren Poe and Nathan Skop, the runoff candidates for the at-large 1 seat, vie for the alliance's support at the forum.

"East Gainesville has potential," Poe said.

The number of people who live in the area and the transportation services make the east side of Gainesville valuable.

Poe said there is too much red tape in the way of developing Gainesville further.

"It was tough to be a public servant and a teacher during [an economic recession]," Poe said. "It was tough for everyone."

Skop said he doesn't agree with Poe's ideas about how to operate city finances.

"We have all been the victim of Poe-enomics," Skop said, referencing his opponent's term on the City Commission.

Julian Kinsey, 20-year-old Santa Fe elementary education sophomore, said the atmosphere of the forum was open and encouraged active government participation.

"I really like the forum because you get to dig into what the candidates are saying," said Kinsey, a former student of Poe's.

Kinsey said the organization is a voice for east Gainesville.

With the organization's support, Poe will receive a check and campaign help.

"The endorsement is really going to affect how voters in east Gainesville are going to make their decision," he said.



Skop

Grant to improve transportation

► UF TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH CENTER RECEIVED \$3.5M GRANT.

CLARE LENNON

Alligator Staff Writer

UF's Transportation Research Center received a \$3.5 million grant for an initiative to improve transportation in the Southeast United States.

The U.S. Department of Transportation awarded the grant to UF in January after the university led a team of schools in submitting a proposal for the project.

This led to the new Southeastern Transportation Research, Innovation, Development and Education Center at UF, or STRIDE. Seven other schools are collaborating with UF: Auburn University, Florida International University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Mississippi State University, North Carolina State University, University of Alabama at Birmingham and University of North Carolina.

Ines Aviles-Spadoni works at the TRC within UF's College of Engineering and will serve as the STRIDE coordinator.

She said the initiative will focus on mak-

ing transportation more economically competitive, easier for local communities and safer for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians.

The grant will provide more funding for graduate and undergraduate student research in transportation, said director of the TRC and civil engineering professor Lily Elefteriadou.

This is the second grant UF has received from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Elefteriadou said. In 2007, the department gave \$1 million, which was matched by another \$1 million, primarily from the Florida Department of Transportation.

This year's grant requires that it be matched by a maximum of \$3.5 million from nonfederal agencies. It also must be used for research, education and workforce development, and STRIDE must make the findings easily available through outlets such as workshops and classes.

Southeastern transportation needs must be evaluated and reformed on a broad scale, Aviles-Spadoni said, from emergency evacuation procedures to air-quality concerns in local communities.

"We hope that by coordination with these universities that we will address all those critical needs," she said.

Santa Fe student charged with animal cruelty after cat abuse

TYLER JETT

Alligator Staff Writer

A Santa Fe College student was charged with animal cruelty, domestic battery and false imprisonment after trying to smother a cat and then trapping his girlfriend in a bathroom on Sunday, according to Gainesville Police.

Marvelle S. Rucker, 21, told officers he tried to kill his girlfriend's cat after it caused him to fail an online exam.

Rucker said he held a pillow over the cat and punched it.

Rucker and Tiffany R. Gammon live together at The District on 62nd apartment complex, located at 1000 SW 62nd Blvd.

They have been dating for more than a year, according to police.

When Gammon arrived home from

work around 4:50 p.m. Sunday, she found her cat to be lethargic and unresponsive.

Rucker cornered her in the bathroom, yelled at her and continually poked her in the face.

Rucker stood over Gammon and yelled at her for about 15 minutes, according to police.

Gammon finally escaped after another roommate stepped in.

Rucker told police he wasn't going to let Gammon leave the

bathroom until he told her what he wanted to say. He also admitted to poking her in the face and said he didn't know that was a crime.

Rucker declined to comment Monday.



Rucker

Checkers employees robbed at gunpoint

► SUSPECT STOLE ABOUT \$1,000.

JON SILMAN
Alligator Staff Writer

A man wearing a stocking cap and blue latex gloves robbed a Checkers at gunpoint early Monday morning.

According to Gainesville Police, a black male entered the restaurant, located at 912 W University Ave., from the rear entrance at about 3:30 a.m. brandishing a firearm.

Police described him as between 5-foot-8 and 5-foot-10, 30 to 40-years-old and weighing between 180 and 200 pounds.

According to a Checkers

employee, the suspect stole the night's deposit — about \$800 to \$1,000 — and fled east. The employee, who declined to provide a name due to company policy, said three employees were working the night of the robbery.

The employee said the combination to the safe was changed, among other safety precautions, and that the employees handed over the money without incident.

"I'm sorry," the employee said, "there's nothing in this store that's worth your life."

Anyone with information about the robbery can call Crime Stoppers at 352-372-STOP to remain anonymous.

Islam events intended to change biases

BRITTANY ANN MORRISEY
Alligator Contributing Writer

Abidah Ali's friends recognize her by her shoes. The black-and-gold Pumas peek out from under the clothes that cover most of the 20-year-old sociology junior's body. She wears a floor-length abaya robe and a hijab head scarf, signs of her Islamic religion.

Before the current president of Islam On Campus moved to Gainesville, she was afraid she'd be a target of prejudice.

To change biased perceptions, the organization is putting on Islam Awareness Month during February. Members hope to work with individuals to change the broad perception of Islam, Ali said.

She found that her religion wasn't really an issue at UF but said she feels the 9/11 terrorist attacks changed the general American population's view of Muslims.

UF assistant professor of Arabic Sarra Tlili said she agrees that Gainesville is relatively accepting because the university allows people to be more educated on religion.

Student Government funds Islam Awareness Month, which costs about \$21,000, Ali said. She expects about 200 people at each event.

Three main events showcase the fundamentals of

Islam. Each event is color-coded to coordinate with the theme, "Colors of Islam."

"If by having these events one non-Muslim can understand Islam better and respect Muslims better and respect the faith better, then that means I've succeeded as a president."

Abidah Ali
president of Islam On Campus

The first event is Islam 101, a forum on Thursday for people to ask questions about the religion.

A Monday lecture titled Me, Myself & God explains what is asked of a Muslim in a relationship with God, Ali said.

The third lecture on Feb. 23 will consider how Muslims view Muhammad.

Other events include a "Malcolm X" screening, a Henna tattoo booth at the Reitz Union's Gator Nights and a Jewish-Muslim comedy show co-sponsored by UF Hillel and the Jewish Student Union.

Ali said she hopes to make a difference at UF through Islam Awareness Month.

"If by having these events one non-Muslim can understand Islam better and respect Muslims better and respect the faith better, then that means I've succeeded as a president," she said.

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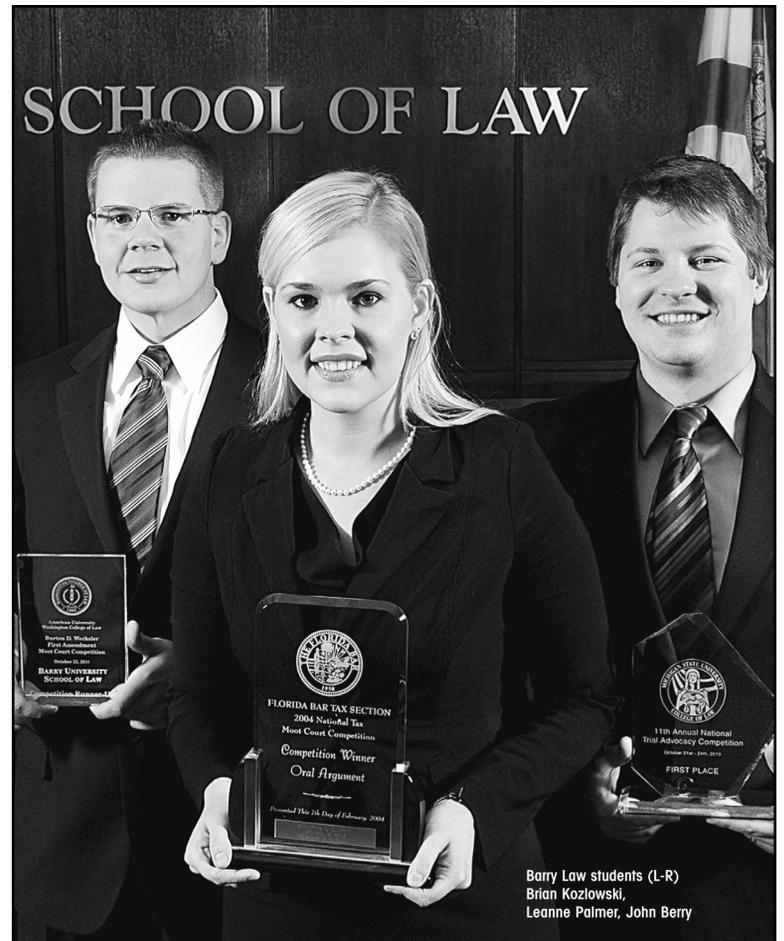
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Editorial

No Class Senate candidate wrong for racist ad

We have all heard the platitude that China owns us. As of November 2011, according to the treasury department, foreign governments held \$4.75 trillion of U.S. debt. China owned \$1.13 trillion, or 23.8 percent, of all foreign holders of U.S. debt.

That's a large sum of money that has many on both sides of the aisle worried about our growing dependence on China as a primary lender.

It's also an especially popular campaign strategy for one side to blame the other for increasing the debt and subsequently giving China more power. Many candidates for federal office have used this as a talking point in ads around the country.

Pete Hoekstra, who is running for U.S. Senate, is another one of those candidates.

Hoekstra's opponent is Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich., whose last name Hoekstra has cleverly changed to "Spend-it-now."

In a recent ad, which ran during the Super Bowl, Hoekstra tried to tie Stabenow's record of increased spending to the issue of Chinese ownership of our debt.

For a state like Michigan, with an unemployment rate above the national average at 9.8 percent, hearing that more jobs could be outsourced to China as a result of its growing economy sounds like an effective strategy.

Well, unless you're Hoekstra.

The 30-second spot begins with a pan of what looks like a rice paddy field with gongs and Asian instruments in the background. Then, what has to be an Asian-American girl in a yellow shirt (yes, really) rides up on her bike to the camera, stops and says the following with an American accent:

"Thank you, Michigan Senator Debbie Spend-it-now. Debbie spend so much American money, you borrow more and more from us. Your economy get very weak. Ours get very good. We take your jobs. Thank you, Debbie Spend-it-now [sic]."

Where to begin?

Often, people have a tendency to cry racism when things are taken out of context or if they are trying to belittle their opponents. But there is absolutely nothing you can say to make it seem like this ad was not being overtly racist.

The girl, who is probably not even Chinese and most likely an American, is riding a bike through a stereotypical rice paddy. If you are trying to create an image that jobs are being shipped overseas, what in the hell does a rice paddy have to do with anything?

You could show images of a thriving city in China or Chinese workers in a factory or anything but this. Fire your campaign manager for making an ineffective advertisement if you wish to pretend that this ad wasn't racist.

These sort of idiotic stereotypes play to the lowest common denominator and really do nothing more than make you look like an imbecile.

Reader response

Today's question: Are you planning on suggesting platform ideas to student government parties?

Monday's question: Did you watch the Super Bowl? **67% YES**
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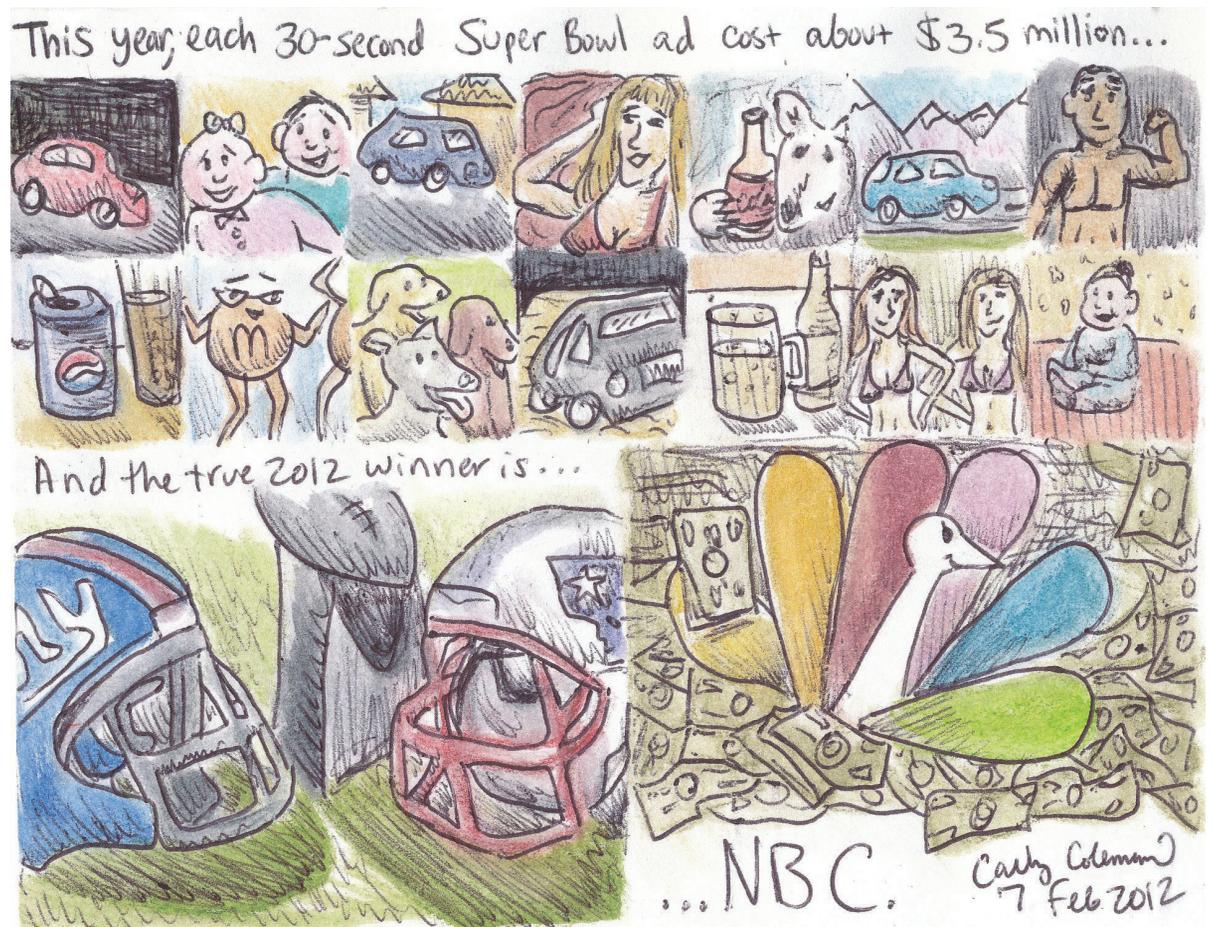
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Column

Tragedy should signal better safety measures

Waking up Sunday morning two weekends ago, I booted up my Internet browser to check on the news, politics and my guilty pleasure of celebrity scandal.

On the Huffington Post newsfeed, a blue underlined hypertext read the following: "Florida Pileup Kills At Least 10."

After what I thought would be a quick perusal, I realized this pileup didn't happen in just any city in Florida. It happened in Gainesville, just a few miles south of a city I have come to call home.

Eleven people perished on Interstate 75 near Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park, several of whom called Gainesville home as well. Among those was a Santa Fe College student and single mother whose passion was dancing.

The names and stories of those who perished extended from local to national headlines, and within hours Gainesville rose in the eyes of the nation from the quintessential college town to one that was grieving over a major loss of life.

On a weekend that was marked with two popular events, the local Hoggstowne Medieval Faire and nearby Gasparilla Pirate Festival in Tampa, many woke up to the solemn news: A forest fire and already foggy conditions made for poor visibility along the highway at 4 a.m. and a domino effect of deadly automobile crashes ensued.

But while the city mourned over its losses, the town stood guard, ready to deal with the tragedy.

Shands at UF went live at 5 a.m. that Sunday, bringing in medical experts and extra staff to tend to those in critical condition. As always, Shands didn't fail in offering superb medical attention.

The Hilton University of Florida Conference Center Gainesville took in those who had been stranded for hours on the interstate, offering rooms for the night free



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of charge. The Hilton's gesture alleviated much of the stress the city already had to deal with.

As of today, the fire that began the early-morning tragedy remains unexplained. It is possible that the fire was man-made.

Whether the fire was started accidentally or by an arsonist, investigations must be made to

prevent such a tragedy from occurring again.

Gov. Rick Scott rightfully ordered an investigation of the Florida Highway Patrol. Opening the highway back up was a bad judgment call on the FHP's part. If the FHP was present clearing up an accident earlier that night, why wouldn't it leave the road closed after seeing the fog conditions?

While whoever is at fault should be punished, whether it be an arsonist or those who prematurely opened the highway, measurements should be enacted to keep the roads safe for all who come to and from Gainesville.

FHP should also play an active role in discouraging travel during the late-night hours. Past midnight, driving on the roads becomes a serious danger. A driver not only has to deal with dim lighting and the battle of falling asleep at the wheel, but also with the possibility of drunk drivers.

Thousands of passengers, both from the university and those just passing by, travel down I-75 each day.

Gainesville cannot afford another heart-wrenching tragedy, so I urge the FHP to crack down on enforcement and safety measures on our roads. But as far as dealing with the tragedy goes, the city has done a tremendous job in maintaining the reputation of a caring town.

Safe travels.

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Column

Violence, unrest in Egypt signs of 'growing global disorder'

Seventy-four Egyptians were killed during a soccer match in Cairo on Feb. 1. The beaten and trampled victims suffered stab wounds, suffocation and severe head trauma. The immediate cause of the brawl is uncertain, but it was likely motivated by team rivalry.

Video depicts players sprinting to the locker rooms as hundreds of people storm the field. Armored policemen stand around dimly unsure of their duties. One-sided fights — one or two men surrounded by a mob — begin on the field and in the stands. Police fire tear gas at the rioters from a safe distance.

In a country that has come so far but still has so far to go, it's devastating that such effort would be wasted on petty murders and misdirected violence. What might this riot reveal about a latent state of our own society?

Three factors catalyzed this outbreak of violence.

Egypt's society is unsettled. Political strife and disorder persist. The Egyptian post-revolution elections left new leaders in office

and citizens with contempt for authority. Unrest and economic uncertainty have bred disdain in the protestors and citizens whose sacrifices now seem ineffective.

Egyptian society is polarized and, for many, its opposition's visions are too threatening to its own. Islamist groups, such as the Al-Nour Party, oppose many of the youth who call for personal liberty and voice. Military infidelity tightens the tension between extremes.

These same factors lie dormant within our own society. The Internet has spiked awareness of political misconduct and corruption.

In a single day, millions of citizens voiced their opposition to SOPA/PIPA — bills that threatened the First Amendment.

In the wake of the economic crisis, much of this insight comes as a bitter beacon of inequality. It unsettles Americans to learn that the front-running Republican contender, whose wife held \$3 million in a secret Swiss bank account and jokes about being "unemployed," pays a tax rate that is half that of most Americans'.

Volatile contempt brews within our so-



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ciety; occasional protests emerge through tea party and Occupy movements. These movements reveal the polarization of our own society. At face-value, the movements are

distinct, antithetical even. Yet their demands derive from the same desire for a voice.

Society as a whole becomes more polarized as citizens exclusively subscribe to certain networks, outlets and ideologies. Yet with blatant ethnocentrism, some dismiss the Egyptian tragedy as an outcrop of a violent Arab disposition.

With our pious consumption of violent sports, movies and video games, Westerners are hardly less inclined to violence. The fact that our system still wobbles on its unsure foundation is all that keeps us from similar outbursts. It is baseless and blind to see American disposition as passive. The violence seen on any given night out is enough

to make this apparent. We have our own revolution, but it is more mental than political. The public is becoming more conscious and assuming responsibility for action.

And though this revolution does not bring the same strain and strife as a political overhaul, it reveals a latent discontent for our system. If this discontent goes unchecked, misdirected violence will begin to plague our society. We may find ourselves similarly affected by petty assaults.

With acute foresight we can resist this violence.

The deaths in Cairo are not merely an indication of Arab disorder but an indication of a growing global disorder. We must embrace the principles of solidarity toward each other, accountability toward ourselves and civil disobedience toward corruption. We must plan for a future in which these principles are upheld, and we must direct ourselves peacefully with reference to the present.

Misdirected violence abroad should caution us from misdirected violence at home.

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Guest column

Americans don't understand true meaning of American dream

Vice President Joe Biden visited Florida State University on Monday to talk about rising college costs and the various efforts the Obama administration is undertaking to tackle them.

During Biden's visit, a student asked him if increasing government aid and subsidies have been contributing to the increasing tuition costs Biden was speaking about. The vice president's response was in the affirmative: Government meddling in the funding of students' college education has led to increased tuition.

It's an inescapable effect of government meddling in the free market. We've seen it happen with the housing market.

The dream of owning a home is exploited by the government through laws and regulations that are enacted to encourage home ownership among those who desire a home of their own but cannot afford it. Home values rise and the need for financing increases.

What happens? The system crashes. Taxpayers are left to

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carry the costs and the economy suffers. The fact is that the current availability of financial aid should be a cause for concern in that it appears to be the same game with different players.

Students have the dream of a college education. Parents can't afford to help and students cannot find work to pay for the tuition. So the government enacts laws and regulations that provide funding for subsidies and guarantees loans to individuals regardless of which school they attend, what their major is and whether or not, in the future, they will have the ability to pay off the loan. Tuition costs rise and the need for aid increases. What happens then? The system will crash. Taxpayers will be left to carry the cost and the economy suffers.

The reality is that responsibility is lacking on the part of both the government and the student. The government is too bulky and awkward to evaluate every loan application and survey the feasibility of investing in an individual's education. Indi-

vidual students fail to evaluate the benefits of an education at a particular institution and enroll at schools where tuition exceeds the value of career opportunities that await graduates. Students graduate with overpriced degrees that they will not be able to pay off. This is similar to homeowners who buy expensive homes with loans they will be unable to pay off just for the societal status.

The problem lies in a fundamental misunderstanding of the American dream. Owning a home is not the American dream. Earning a college education is not the American dream. The dream is the pursuit of one's goals and the pursuit of happiness. Rather than an equal outcome, it means an equal opportunity to rise above one's background toward a quality of life that one's ancestors could only dream of.

That's the dream. You have not failed if you do not own a home. You have not failed if you don't have a college education. You only fail when you give up on pursuing your dreams.

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INNOVATION HUB

Former SG president returns to Gainesville an entrepreneur

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Alligator Writer

When former Student Body President Jordan Johnson left UF in 2010, he was on a track to become the CEO of a General Electric Co. business.

He was working in a rotational program, and every six months GE would send movers to his house, pack up all his stuff and give him a ticket to someplace new. He went to New York, Connecticut and Washington, D.C.

Johnson learned to work through convoluted business breakdowns and figured out a solution.

"It made me sharper," he said.

But Johnson left his GE work behind in December.

"I could come back to Gainesville and build a dream," he said.

So he co-founded Totuit with Ray Land, the owner of Fabulous Coach Lines. Totuit is located in the Innovation Hub and creates mobile applications for the transportation industry.

Totuit is in the process of developing two applications.

Cartuit will give people the ability to summon a ride by dropping a pin on the map at any location.

"It's automatic, it's seamless and, frankly, it just makes sense," Johnson said.

The other application, called To by Totuit, is for transportation companies. It's an intelligence

dashboard with Google maps, a chat system, drivers log and trip status.

Johnson said the idea of Totuit is to take the paper-run industry and turn it into the technology of

tomorrow.

"There's a reason why we came back and started a development company for the transportation industry, and that's because we feel like we can win," he said.

Johnson graduated in 2009 with a degree in economics. After he won the Student Body presidency, he continued his schooling at UF and graduated with a master's in management in 2010. He was the first president to run with the Unite Party.

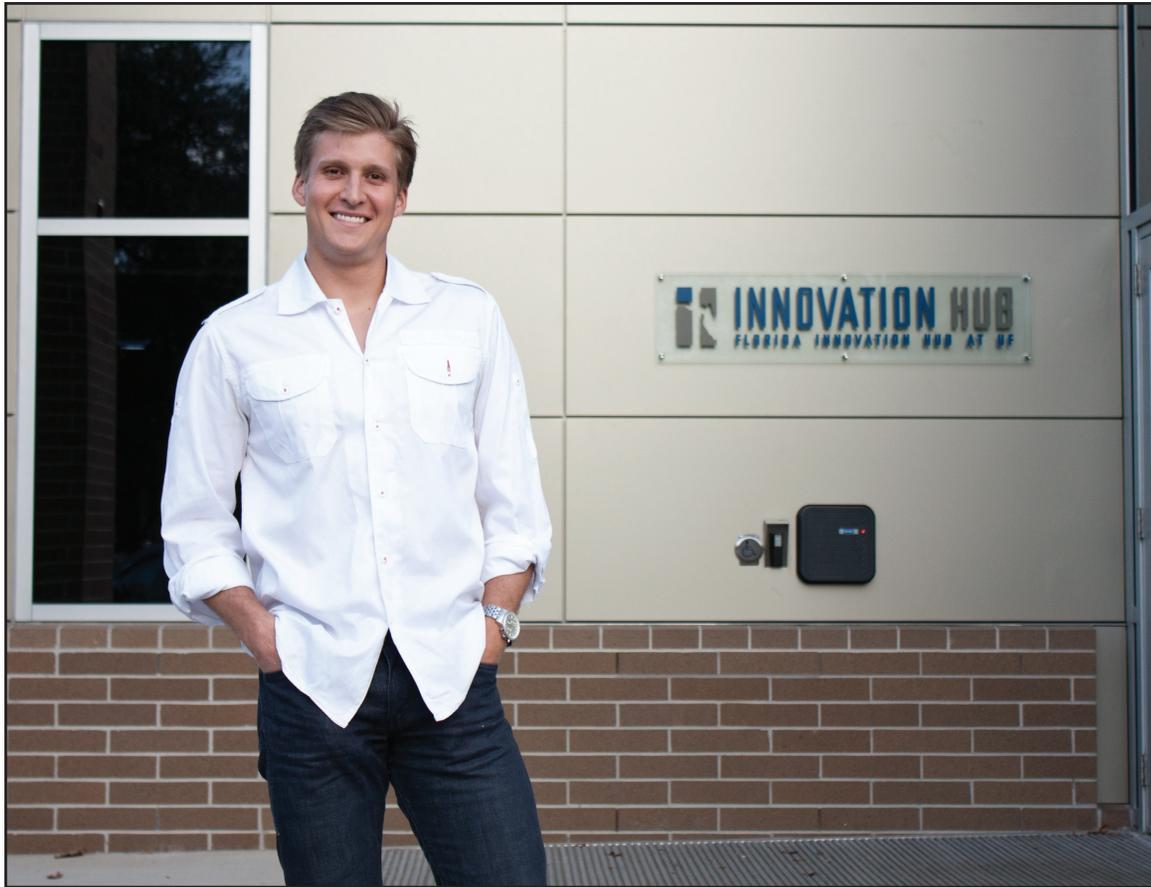
David Kratzer, interim associate vice president of student affairs, has known Johnson since he was an undergraduate student. He said Johnson is focused, positive and self-assured. He also said he thought Johnson would stay with GE.

"Here he is, walking away from the dream career to take a chance and be an entrepreneur," he said.

The Innovation Hub is designed for startup companies just like his, Kratzer said.

City and university officials want to turn Gainesville into a place where students can stay and be successful, Johnson said.

"And to me, that's what Gainesville is: It's a place where I can come back and be successful," he said. "And I can be successful at making a difference."



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Jordan Johnson poses for a picture Friday evening at the Innovation Hub in downtown Gainesville.

Roadwork near campus to begin in summer

RESURFACING WILL AFFECT NEIGHBORHOOD BEHIND HILLEL.

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Alligator Contributing Writer

Roadwork for a through street near UF will affect the daily commute of about 100 residents and thousands of drivers once construction starts this summer.

The plan to resurface the road along Northwest 22nd Street and Northwest Fifth Avenue will go before the Gainesville City Commission on March 1.

The initial plan for the construction project was submitted last week.

The project will involve replacing the curbs and gutters, resurfacing the asphalt and widening the sidewalks.

Stefan Broadus, the project's manager and an engineer for

the City of Gainesville Public Works Department, said his goal is to finish the project before the home football game against Louisiana State University on Oct. 6. If the contracted construction company doesn't finish the project before football season, it won't be allowed to work during home game weekends.

Although the final cost of the project won't be settled until a construction contractor is chosen through a competitive bidding process, the budget is about \$1 million, he said.

The project will span Northwest 22nd Street between University Avenue and Northwest Eighth Avenue and Northwest Fifth Avenue between Northwest 22nd Street and Northwest 20th Street, according to the city manager's biweekly report.

With so many potholes in the asphalt, there is rarely a smooth patch of road for more than 5 feet, said Monica Petrella, a 20-year-old UF food and resource economics sophomore.

The construction is scheduled to start in the summer because "the traffic drops significantly once the semester ends," Broadus said.

College of Agriculture to host career fair this week
About 50 employers will attend

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About 50 employers will attend the 11th annual College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Career Expo.

The expo will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday in the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom.

Charlotte Emerson, director of student development and recruitment for CALS, said this year's event will bring employers such as Bayer CropScience, Syngenta, The Walt Disney Company and some government agencies.

Emerson said she expects about 500

students to attend.

Although many students leave the event with internships and jobs, Emerson said students who aren't looking for jobs can still benefit from the expo.

"The earlier they have the opportunity to practice communications with a potential employer, I think the better they will be in the long run," she said.

If you attend the fair, Emerson said, dress professionally, bring a resume

and, most important, know about the companies you're interested in.

Entomology and nematology senior Andrew Shahan, 23, attended his first CALS Career Expo in 2011.

He said it had a much more personal feel than other career fairs.

"I was surprised by how friendly the employers were," he said.

Shahan said students should attend the event early on in college. It gives students "face time" with job recruiters, he said. "They can see how you handle yourself."

Emerson recognized students have insecurities about the future.

However, she said, "There are jobs out there for our students, and that is probably the biggest misconception."



Emerson

Suspect arrested in
2006 on domestic
battery charges

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The phone number provided in the arrest report was disconnected.

Katherine Hanea, who lives two doors down from Plants, said she met Johnson on Sunday morning. He kept his distance and wasn't too chatty.

"He's probably not employed anymore."

Butch Holton

owner of Gainesville Tree Service

"He couldn't have stayed for longer than a minute," she said. "He was real brief: in and out."

The owner of Gainesville Tree Service, Butch Holton, said he hired Johnson about three weeks ago.

"He's probably not employed anymore," Holton said Monday.

Johnson was arrested and charged with domestic battery in 2006, according to the Alachua County Clerk of Court website. Holton said he did not know about Johnson's prior arrest before hiring him.

"I don't go on the Internet and dig that up," he said. "I talk to people eye-to-eye. The majority of the people in the tree-trimming business aren't Ph.D.s. Most are kind of on the bottom."

Gainesville residents discuss changes they want to see in city

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Gainesville is changing, and its residents had a chance to voice their opinions on changes they would like to see more of at the Focus on the Future community forum on Monday night.

About 40 Gainesville residents and officials gathered at Cone Park to give city officials feedback on what they would like the city to look like in the future.

Focus on the Future was designed to help city officials prioritize their focus on issues residents said were problems in the community.

"What we're really looking for are ideas," said Mayor Craig Lowe. "We never know what ideas citizens may bring forward that will solve a problem that we have in the city."

The forum was structured around six roundtable discussions: economic development; transportation and transit; future growth and the environment; customer service; public safety and parks; and recreation and culture.

"I think one-on-one conversation is always the best," Lowe

said. "Small group meetings are good to have a constructive conversation about the real issues that the city faces."

Residents chose which discussions to join. After 30 minutes, everyone switched categories.

The City Commission pro-

vided members of the different categories with a set of questions meant to stimulate discussions and appointed a speaker who

reported the findings to city officials.

Each resident had the chance to speak out about the issues they were passionate about.

Residents said they want faster response times from police and from city officials. They also want city employees to follow up on work orders such as neighborhood road maintenance the same day residents place the orders.

"We should have more of these meetings to get the issues to the power and get the community involved."

Caleb Young
Gainesville resident

City Manager Russ Blackburn said information gathered from residents will be used in planning the city's budget for the 2013-14 fiscal year and in the five-year capital improvement plan.

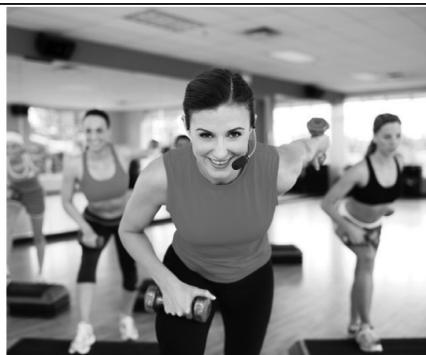
Residents said they were pleased with the forum.

"I think it is time for city officials to prioritize on the issues," said Gainesville resident Caleb Young. "We should have more of these meetings to get the issues to the power and get the community involved."



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Community members discuss ways the city can improve at the Eastside Recreation Center on Monday evening. Concepts discussed will be presented to the City Commission for the next budget cycle.



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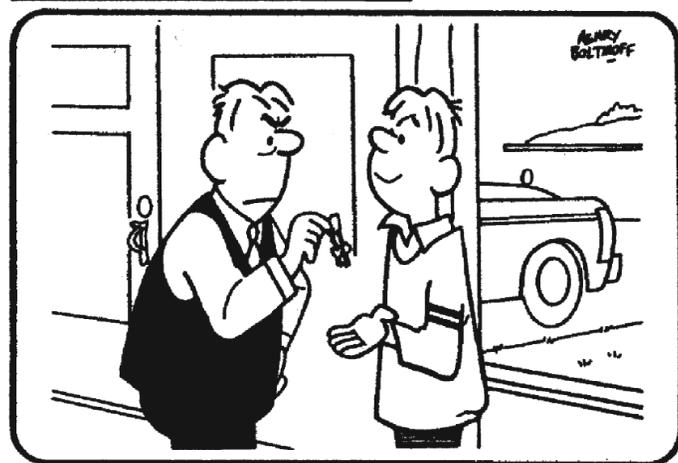
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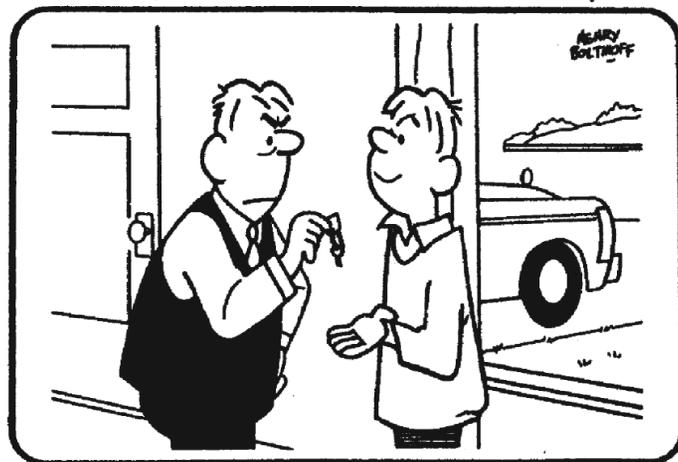
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CARS, TRUCKS, SUVs, & VANS
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12 Autos

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04 NISSAN SENTRA \$6999
02 TOYOTA CAMRY \$6999
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ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Luggage carrier	PRTEOR
5. Percentage	TIRAO
6. Refuges	ALRIS
7. Strut	NCAPRE

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Saying	RAHEPS
2. Type of snake	TRATREL
3. Anger, for example	MEOINT
4. Chase	RUUPES

CLUE: There's a very good chance you will use this today.

BONUS ○○○○○○○○○○

How to play Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

ANSWERS: 1A-Porter 5A-Ratio 6A-Lairs 7A-France 1D-Phrase 2D-Rattler 3D-Emotion 4D-Pursue B-Toothpaste

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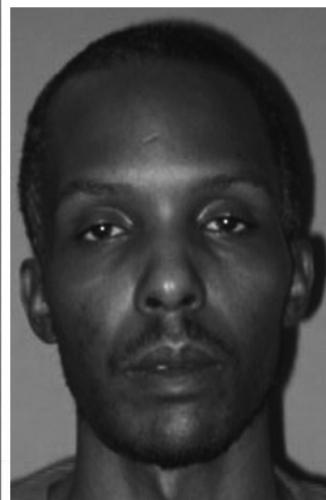
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Last Thursday, with less than four minutes to play, Brad Beal was in mid-air above the rim and about to exact a small piece of revenge on South Carolina's Damontre Harris.

Earlier in Florida's 74-66 win, the 6-foot-9 Gamecocks starting forward sent back six Gators shots, including a layup of Beal's.

But this time, Beal had a step on his defender.

As he continued to elevate from the baseline, Beal's right arm cocked back and then sent forward the ball cradled in his hand. Harris, clearly, wasn't going to touch this one.

It was the kind of dunk that ended up putting the 6-foot-3 freshman guard on national TV.

Heading into Rupp Arena tonight at 7, though, that's the same kind of play Beal doesn't expect No. 8 Florida (19-4, 7-1 Southeastern Conference) to be making when it takes on top-ranked Kentucky (23-1, 9-0 SEC) for a share of first place in the league standings.

"It's probably going to be impossible for us to get all the way to the rim, just because they have (Terrence) Jones and Anthony Davis down there," Beal said. "Both are great shot blockers."

While the Gators had problems dealing with
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FLORIDA - KENTUCKY PREVIEW

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Freshman guard Brad Beal said Florida will not be able to drive the basket easily against Kentucky, which features top shot-blocker Anthony Davis. Davis leads the country with 116 rejections; as a team, the Gators have 81.

THE END OF GREGULATION

Pressuring Teague key for Gators

Florida's best chance of upsetting Kentucky lies not with Kenny Boynton, Brad Beal or even Patric Young, but with one of the Wildcats.

His name is Marquis Teague, and he isn't your average John Calipari point guard. Of course, that's partly because the average Calipari point guard is otherworldly.

Teague is following in the footsteps of Brandon Knight, John Wall,

Tyreke Evans and Derrick Rose, but at this point in his career, he has nothing on those NBA talents.



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In fact, he'll be the worst starter on the floor Tuesday night.

The best way for Florida to fell the mighty beast that is Kentucky is to hack off its head, and that means pressuring the turnover-prone Teague into mistakes.

UF proved how important turnovers were in Saturday's win against Vanderbilt, when 17 takeaways sparked numerous Gators runs and took the Commodores out of rhythm.

That's a model UF desperately

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LACROSSE

Bruns to play against North Carolina; Rhea out indefinitely

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After being involved in a scooter accident Friday, Florida attacker Ashley Bruns will play in this weekend's season opener. The situation is not as clear for Colby Rhea.

Bruns is expected to be in the lineup when Florida plays North Carolina on Saturday in Chapel Hill, N.C., but coach Amanda O'Leary said Rhea will miss the game due to an undisclosed injury that occurred prior to Friday's accident. There is no timetable for Rhea's return.

O'Leary confirmed Monday that Rhea suffered severe facial

injuries that required stitches after the scooter Rhea and Bruns were riding crashed into a car near the entrance to The Estates apartment complex Friday.



Bruns

"I'm just happy they were wearing helmets," O'Leary said.

O'Leary said Rhea sustained the facial injuries despite the fact that she and Bruns were wearing helmets when the accident occurred. O'Leary said she makes all players wear helmets if they choose to ride scooters.

"Obviously now, looking back it was a good idea," she

said.

After a number of players were involved in scooter accidents at the beginning of the Summer B semester, Florida soccer coach Becky Burleigh instituted a rule requiring all players to wear helmets when driving scooters.

O'Leary said she had Burleigh's rule in mind when making the same decision last month. In addition to requiring all drivers to wear helmets, any lacrosse player riding a scooter as a passenger must also be wearing a helmet.

"There have been some incidents with athletes and scooters," O'Leary said. "Looking across the board, it just made

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Quotable

"They have a lot of answers with personnel at every single spot. They really don't have a lot of weaknesses in their team."

Billy Donovan, UF coach
(on top-ranked Kentucky)

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Beal Honored Again

Gators guard Brad Beal was named the SEC's Freshman of the Week on Monday, marking the fifth time he has won the award this season.



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Sophomore center Patric Young played just 14 minutes against Vanderbilt after getting into early foul trouble.

Davis presents post challenge for Young

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Harris, the SEC's fourth-leading shot blocker, Kentucky's big men present a much taller challenge.

The 6-foot-10 Davis, a freshman, has 116 rejected shots — the most in the nation.

Florida has 81 as a team.

Gators coach Billy Donovan said the best way to negate Davis and Jones, who has 42 blocks, is to make good decisions and not risk floating shots in the lane.

"It can't be a situation where we're not going to go to the basket or not post up because [Davis is] there," Donovan said. "I just think you have to make wise choices, because when he does block shots, it certainly ignites them on a fast break, and they're traditionally a terrific transition, fast-breaking team."

With 6-foot-11 junior Erik Murphy being more of an outside-shooting threat and fellow forward Will Yeguete making most of his plays on defense, the only other Gators player with a better penchant than Beal for

finishing at the rim is center Patric Young.

A 6-foot-9 junior, Young has a team-high 34 dunks, but he is also struggling to find his way back to form after injuring his right ankle in early January.

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Billy Donovan
UF coach

Though he made his return to the starting lineup for the first time in five games Saturday against Vanderbilt, Young got into foul trouble early and played just 14 minutes. His lone field goal came off an uncontested dunk.

Donovan said Young may still be feeling the effects of the injury, even if it's just on his conditioning.

"When he's got that energy going and when he's got that motor going

and he's somewhat rested, he's really effective," Donovan said. "I think his inefficiency maybe the last couple games has had to do with he has not played with that motor. He's got to mentally push through that fatigue."

Beal said he doesn't think Young is frustrated.

"He's probably going through the same thing that I probably went through, so to speak," Beal said. "I think he's fine mentally. He just has to get back into his flow, and I think he'll be alright."

Regardless of if they are able to get Young comfortable and scoring points again in the paint, junior guard Kenny Boynton said the Gators will have to shoot at a high percentage from the 3-point line to keep Kentucky off-balance.

"Three-point shooting will be a factor in the game," Boynton said. "Anthony Davis is a great shot blocker down there, so they're going to try to run us off the line. We just got to adjust to whatever defense they play."

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O'Leary set rules for protection

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sense. It's a helmet. It's not that big of a deal."

Gators basketball player Walter Pitchford and baseball player Casey Turgeon have suffered minor injuries in scooter accidents in the past six months.

For the lacrosse team, O'Leary took measures to ensure her players' feet were protected as well. She put a rule in place requiring players riding on scooters to wear closed-toe shoes.

"They'll put their feet down to stop ... if they drag their toes and are in flip flops or whatever, then their skin flies off," O'Leary said.

Last season, Bruns was the Gators' second-leading scorer with 46 goals and led the team with 28 assists. The junior attacker also earned first-team all-conference honors in 2011.

Rhea started in 13 games for the Gators in 2011, scoring 15 goals and recording three assists. The junior midfielder also missed Florida's exhibition opener against England with the prior undisclosed injury.

Several freshmen will help replace Rhea's production while she is out. Freshmen midfielders Nicole Graziano and Nora Barry saw time against England and combined for six goals. O'Leary also said freshman midfielder Shannon Gilroy, who missed the England game with a knee injury, will be back for the North Carolina game.

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needs to follow against Kentucky, a team that will hold almost every conceivable advantage.

The Wildcats have won 48 in a row at fabled Rupp Arena, where 23,500 fans will try to make life miserable for the Gators.

Kentucky will have a decided edge in athleticism, including six players who entered as five-star recruits.

The Wildcats figure to control the paint, as the team leads the nation in block percentage and two-point field-goal-percentage defense thanks to monsters like Anthony Davis and Terrence Jones.

Their seventh man, Kyle Wiltjer, would have a legitimate chance to start at Florida.

But if UK has a weakness — a legitimate "if" for the No. 1 team in the nation — it's turnovers. And Teague is the main culprit.

The dominant Wildcats haven't lost since Dec. 10, but the closest they came was a three-point win against Tennessee on Jan. 14, when Teague turned it over five times.

His turnover rate for the season is 25.6 percent, more than five percentage points higher than anyone else who will play in Tuesday's game.

UF coach Billy Donovan is usually hesitant to go to full-court pressure on the road, given the lack of crowd support and officials' tendencies to give the home team preferential treatment.

But on Tuesday, Donovan has to throw caution to, and run like, the wind.

On the surface, it seems like a bad idea to speed up a Kentucky team with so many athletes. But during the course of the year, the Wildcats' offense has actually been worse in games with a higher tempo.

The most possessions UK played in a game was 78 against fast-paced Louisville when the Wildcats scored a season-worst 0.88 points per possession.

And given Kentucky's propensity to pound it inside, this game could very easily be one where Young and Erik Murphy get into foul trouble. That scenario would mean greater minutes for Will Yeguete and Casey Prather, two players best suited to bring the heat at the top of a press.

Pushing the tempo gives Teague and the Wildcats more chances to make a mistake, something UF will desperately need if it hopes to knock off heavily favored Kentucky.

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Anthony Davis

Davis leads the SEC at 4.8 blocks per game and is second in the SEC with 10.1 rebounds per game.



Patric Young

Young is 13th in the SEC with 6.5 rebounds per game and T-14th with one block per game.



Doron Lamb

Lamb is 13th in the SEC with 13.5 points per game and has hit 47.8 percent of his threes (44-92).



Kenny Boynton

Boynton is third in the SEC with 17.6 points per game and has hit 43.8 percent of his threes (77-176).



Michael Kidd-Gilchrist

Kidd-Gilchrist is 17th in scoring with 12.6 per game and seventh in rebounding with 7.5 per game.



Brad Beal

Beal is sixth in the SEC in scoring with 14.3 per game and 16th in rebounding with 6.1 per game.



Marquis Teague

Teague is tied for fourth in the SEC in assists but is tied for 22nd in assist-to-turnover ratio.



Erving Walker

Walker is No. 1 in the SEC in assists, and he is fourth in the conference in assist-to-turnover ratio.



Terrence Jones

Jones has taken 84.7 percent of his attempts from inside the arc.



Erik Murphy

Murphy has taken 51 percent of his attempts from outside the arc.



Senior Stewart stepping up for Gators during stretch run



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Senior center Azania Stewart has picked up her play as of late, scoring 14 points against Ole Miss and 12 against LSU. She is averaging 9.2 points and 6.6 rebounds in UF's last five games.

JOE MORGAN

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Azania Stewart needed to shake up her season.

Watching tip-off from the bench for the first time Jan. 12, Stewart had minimal statistical impact in a 61-55 loss to then-No. 19 Georgia.

The 6-foot-4 senior played just 17 minutes, scoring two points and failing to grab a rebound in Florida's third Southeastern Conference loss in four games.

Except for junior forward Jennifer George — the team's leading scorer and rebounder — the Gators were lacking offensive punch in the frontcourt.

However, Stewart reversed her fortunes in the paint just one week later in a 61-37 win against Alabama.

George led all post players with 15 points and 12 rebounds against the Crimson Tide, but Stewart was the breakout performer, scoring eight and grabbing 10 boards.

"We really had a double threat on the low block," coach Amanda Butler said. "It's crucial to being a great team in this league. You've got to control the paint."

Since defeating Alabama, Stewart has posted some of her best numbers this season.

In the last five games, she is averaging 9.2 points and 6.6 rebounds per game, which best her season numbers of 5.2 points and 5.3 boards.

Most impressive have been her back-to-back contests with double-digit points, scoring 12 on LSU and a season-high 14 against Ole Miss.

Although UF is only 3-2 during that stretch, Stewart has played well enough on an individual basis to rejoin the starting five.

Stewart says the method behind her

increased output of late has been an increased focus on accomplishing more in practice.

"I'm having great practices, not even just on the offensive (end), but just being more vocal with what I do in practice," Stewart said. "Preparing even for practice like I prepare for games, just trying to transfer that over."

Butler has not noticed much difference in Stewart's routine during the week except for the center's mindset. Stewart is doing a better job of maintaining the momentum she builds up in workouts throughout the week and into games, Butler said.

"Azania just really took to heart needing to play better on the offensive end," Butler said. "(She's) just really preparing better, mentally maybe more so than anything."

"We really had a double threat on the low block."

Amanda Butler

UF coach

Leading up to the Jan. 29 game against Arkansas, Butler emphasized the need for Florida's five seniors to "take over this season."

Facing a deficit of 4.5 games to No. 7 Kentucky in the conference standings with six left to play, UF is on the verge of being eliminated from the race.

However, with Stewart and fellow seniors Ndidi Madu and Lanita Bartley trending upward right now, the Gators can use their experience to make a run at a higher seed in the SEC Tournament, which begins March 1.

"There's just things that happen in your senior year that are just things you feel," Butler said. "Just a heightened sense of awareness of that clock is ticking on your college career."

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