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Haley Stracher / Alligator Staff

## Hazy Shade of Winter

Rhianna Reed, 22-year-old food and resource economics senior, uses her scarf and coat to stay warm while studying in the grass behind The Hub on Monday afternoon. Read the story on page 3.

## SG candidates focus on safety at debate

ELECTIONS ARE FEB. 21 AND 22.

### SAMANTHA SHAVELL

Alligator Writer

Student Government executive candidates from the Students Party and the Unite Party discussed safety, financial and sustainability issues at a Monday night debate.

About 100 students showed up to the

debate, which was hosted by the Asian American Student Union and Asian Pacific Islander American Affairs.

Students can vote for the Student Body president, vice president and treasurer in the Feb. 21 and 22 elections.

Candidates from both parties emphasized safety. Unite Party presidential candidate and current Student Body Treasurer Tj Villamil said the party wants to add lit

emergency phones and defibrillators. He also said he wanted to expand the Student Nighttime Auxiliary Patrol two blocks off campus, which is now under the jurisdiction of University Police.

However, Students Party presidential candidate Alex Cornillie said this could bring liability issues. He also said he doesn't want to give money to lighting and phones

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## UF grads make love last while overseas Peace Corps volunteers serve together

### JULIA GLUM

Alligator Writer

About a month and a half after she first met Conrad Mapp, Lindsay McDaniel stood outside Swamp Restaurant wear-

ing a black tube-top dress, waiting for him to arrive.

It was 2005, and Mapp was throwing a party. He had told her he'd pick her up on his bike.

Mapp hadn't seemed like

the motorcycle type when they met at Grog House that summer, but McDaniel liked the UF law student enough to give him a chance.

Mapp pedaled up on a beach cruiser. He told her to hop on

the handlebars.

In a split second, McDaniel decided to hold on tight and go along for the ride, no matter where it took her — to his house, to the altar or even to Eastern Europe.

Six and half years later, the two UF alumni are married and

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### Today



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## CORRECTIONS

In Monday's paper, the Alligator incorrectly reported that the UF TED club organized the TEDxUF event. UF's Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation was the event organizer.

In Monday's paper, the Alli-

gator incorrectly reported that to be qualified as a political party, a prospective party must have candidates for Student Body president, vice president and treasurer and have at least six candidates for the Student Senate. To be qualified as a party, a prospective part needs candidates for Student Body president, vice president and treasurer, or have at least six candidates for the Student Senate.

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**WEATHER**

# Temperatures to warm up this week

**BENJAMIN S. BRASCH**

Alligator Writer

The freezing temperatures in Gainesville are taking a vacation.

Cold temperatures, which started Friday night, will warm up to 73 degrees today and 78 degrees Wednesday.

A high-pressure system from Antarctica cooled Gainesville to 25 degrees over the weekend, said Phil Peterson, a meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Jacksonville.

The cold front started Friday night with temperatures dipping below 40 degrees, according to the Florida Automated Weather Network.

Peterson said the cold front is moving clockwise, pulling warm air from the Gulf of Mexico and warming up Gainesville as the front moves toward the southwest.

The warm temperatures will stay longer than the cold temperatures, he said.

Today's low is in the mid-30s, Wednesday's is in the mid-50s and Thursday's is in the upper 50s, he said.

Cold temperatures drew more customers than usual to Volta Coffee, Tea & Chocolate, said Jenny Todd, a 25-year-old employee.

"When it gets colder, people crave more hot drinks and less cold drinks," Todd said.

However, the freezing temperatures hurt Gainesville's farmers.

Travis Mitchell, a 26-year-old community food project coordinator of Florida Organic Growers, lost his snow peas to the weekend frost.

The freezing temperatures can kill part of a plant's leaves, causing the plant to take longer to grow.

Below the surface, the crop suffers even more, he said. Plant cells are damaged when a plant thaws after a freeze.

"It's poetic," Mitchell said. "It's the returning warmth that lays the final blow."

*"When it gets colder, people crave more hot drinks and less cold drinks."*

Jenny Todd

Volta Coffee, Tea &amp; Chocolate employee

Plants like tomatoes, radishes and some varieties of lettuce cannot make it through a hard freeze, he said.

Some gardeners protect their plants from the cold by covering them with blankets to trap the heat, and naturally formed tree canopies can help keep plants warm.

Strawberry gardeners use sprinklers to warm their plants, he said, because heat is released by the water freezing on the strawberries.

"A few degrees will make all the difference," Mitchell said.

# Martial arts facility to offer free self-defense class

► THE CLASS HAS SPOTS FOR 40 TO 50 STUDENTS.

**JENNIFER SMITH**

Alligator Contributing Writer

In response to recent local crimes, the Gainesville Dojo is offering training to those who want to learn how to protect themselves.

The martial arts facility will hold a free, two-day self-defense class on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The class is open to men and women 12 years and older, said Keith Teller, owner of Gainesville Dojo and self-defense instructor.

The class does not require any prior experience and is designed to

teach practical self-defense on both a physical and psychological level.

There will be space for 40 to 50 people. Teller said he will teach participants how to stand balanced, how to throw a proper punch, how to maneuver your body when someone is coming at you and how to use personal belongings to protect yourself.

"This course is not going to make you a martial arts or a self-defense expert, but it will give you more awareness and confidence about defending yourself," he said. "The way society is today, you have to be a little more alert."

University Police spokesman Maj. Brad Barber said such classes are certainly beneficial, but people also need to be able to assess their own capabilities.

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# Couples demonstrate balanced relationships to other cultures

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volunteering for the Peace Corps in Moldova.

About 7 percent of Peace Corps volunteers are married couples, said spokeswoman Erin Durney.

Mapp, 30, and McDaniel, 27, are not the only couple that started in Gainesville and ended up across the world for a 27-month term with the Peace Corps.

UF alumna Ilana Echevarria-Stewart and her husband Nate, a Gainesville middle school science teacher, work in Guyana. They have been together for about five years.

Both couples get to model equal-status marriages in places where balanced relationships typically aren't the standard.

For example, men in Moldova are generally steadfast in traditional gender roles. The fact that Mapp does his share of cleaning shocked McDaniel's married coworker.

They work together overseas just as they did in their College Park apartment behind University Avenue.

"One of the Peace Corps goals is to try to explain American values to other cultures," McDaniel said. "So it's kind of a neat thing that we bring to the table."

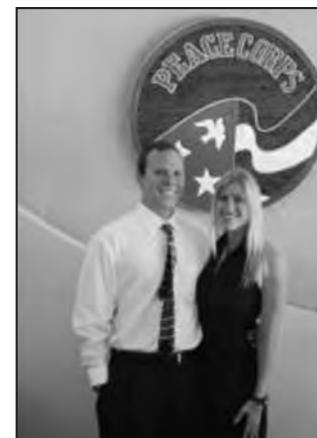
Married couples that apply to the Peace Corps are placed in foreign countries together, said spokeswoman Kristina Edmunson. The organization looks specifically for job assignments where the couples can live together.

For Mapp and McDaniel, this means going to separate jobs — he at a community development organization, she

at a 25-person domestic violence shelter — but returning home to the same place.

There, they can cook Mapp's mom's famous fettuccine, complain about Moldova's single-digit temperatures and reminisce about Gator football games.

"It would be a completely different experience with-



Courtesy to the Alligator

**Left:** Moldova Peace Corps volunteers Lindsay McDaniel and Conrad Mapp. **Right:** Guyana Peace Corps volunteers Nate Stewart and Ilana Echevarria-Stewart.

out somebody that you're married to and living with over here," Mapp said. "I don't know how the other people do it."

Being a Peace Corps volunteer is personally challenging, McDaniel said, so she loves sharing the experience with her husband.

"It keeps me really grounded," she said. "It's such an invaluable luxury."

In South America, the Stewarts feel similarly. Ilana, 26, is an administrative health promoter and Nate, 29, works with the education department.

When she needed an emergency appendectomy about a day after they arrived for training, he was with her.

He was with her as they journeyed to the nearest hospital — which meant canoeing, walking a half-mile over flooded land and driving a Land Rover through mud for an hour just to reach a paved highway.

He was with her as they stayed in Guyana's capital while she recovered with no painkillers stronger than Tylenol.

But he won't be with her for Valentine's Day today.

This week, Ilana is in a remote part of Guyana training new volunteers. She doesn't have phone or Internet access.

But that's no problem for them.

The two are always on the same page, Stewart said.

"We just love each other, man," he said. "We're just a really good match."

| <b>SG Party Platforms</b>   |  |
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| <p><b>Unite Party</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ <b>Tuition and Bright Futures</b> ←           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Freeze tuition at current rate</li> <li>- Work with state legislators to increase Bright Futures funding</li> <li>- Sustainability</li> <li>- Switch to e-textbooks</li> </ul> </li> <br/> <li>→ <b>Student life</b> ←           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Implement a bike-rental program</li> <li>- Increase breakfast and late-night food options on campus</li> <li>- Open umbrella rental and poncho-purchasing stations</li> <li>- Increase cellphone reception on gamedays</li> <li>- Encourage student involvement in the Reitz Union expansion and renovation design</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p><b>Students Party</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ <b>Student voice</b> ←           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Oppose tuition increases</li> <li>- Oppose cuts to Bright Futures</li> <li>- Oppose state legislature's move to have the governor nominate the student on the Florida Board of Governors, rather than be elected by university presidents</li> <li>- Ensure that necessary renovations of the Reitz Union are first priority in the effort</li> </ul> </li> <br/> <li>→ <b>Student life</b> ←           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Create one login for ISIS and Sakai and switch to Gmail for university email</li> <li>- Expand 24-hour library hours to Friday and Saturday</li> </ul> </li> <br/> <li>→ <b>Student Government</b> ←           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- End perks for SG officials</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <small>Shawn Janetzke and Clare Lennon / Alligator Staff</small>  |  |

## Discussion also included tuition, Reitz renovation

### DEBATE, from page 1

because they are already allotted to UPD.

Tuition was another popular topic. Villamil said he wants to band together with larger schools to "[fix] Bright Futures problems."

Students Party treasurer candidate Carly Wilson said she wants to know where the 15 percent tuition increase is going if classes are being cut. She also said SG agencies get money that should be going toward other organizations.

However, Unite Party treasurer candidate and current Student Body Vice President Juan Rodriguez said there was no wasteful spending on the \$40,000 cabinet budget. Rodriguez added that he wanted to increase communica-

cation between organizations to cut wasteful spending.

The debate also touched on the Make it Reitz campaign to renovate and expand the Reitz Union. Cornillie said he will focus on structural issues before making a "fancy" union.

Villamil said the Reitz is a student union, not a facility.

"It should be a place for students and Gators to share and collaborate," he said.

Cornillie said the Students Party wants to add recycling bins and solar panels. Villamil said his party wants to create a bike rental program and use more e-books.



Rachel Crosby / Alligator  
Sen. Carly Wilson, Students Party treasurer candidate, speaks at the third annual Asian American Student Union Student Government Debate on Monday night.

# Shands gets new helicopter

► THE HELICOPTERS GET ABOUT THREE CALLS A DAY.

KRISTEN MORRELL

Alligator Contributing Writer

Shands at UF is adding a second helicopter that will focus on calls from Marion County.

ShandsCair, the air medical and critical care transport system for Shands, will begin operating its new helicopter and base, ShandsCair 2, on Wednesday.

Spruce Creek Fire Station 30 in Summerfield will host the base. An EC135 helicopter will sit on a concrete helipad at the station until called by ShandsCair, which receives three calls a day on average, said ShandsCair program director Stacie Allen.

Operations will begin at 8 a.m. on Feb. 15, Allen said.

The helicopter will also be used for other areas when the first one is in use.

Allen said she did not know how much the project cost.

Patients picked up by the new helicopter will be brought to Shands and other hospitals within an approximate 210-mile radius.

"The idea is to get more people to treatment faster," Allen said. "In the world of medicine, the faster you treat them, the more likely they are to have a positive outcome."

The project has been planned for about a year, and the Marion County Board of County Commissioners approved it in January.

The station chosen for the base has eight open acres on its property, and it already had space to house ShandsCair staff, said Marion County Fire Rescue spokeswoman Jessica Greene.

## CRIME

# Man charged with killing baby

TYLER JETT

Alligator Staff Writer

The Alachua County Sheriff's Office arrested a Gainesville man Monday morning on a charge of killing his 1-year-old daughter — about 15 months after the girl died.

Christopher J. Strawder, 24, was charged with homicide and aggravated abuse toward a child for the Nov. 19, 2010 incident.

Members of the Sheriff's Office responded to a 911 call at 5021 SW 64th St., Sgt. Todd Kelly said Monday. Only Strawder and his daughter Kamir were home.

Strawder told officers he was in his bedroom when he heard a loud thump from the kitchen. Kamir must have fallen from the countertop, he said.

Strawder said he found his daughter having a seizure on the ground. She was later pronounced dead at Shands at UF, Kelly said, adding that Strawder's account did not add up with the autopsy report. Medical examiners found a fracture in the back of the baby's head and ruptured blood vessels in the small intestine and one of her eyes, Kelly said.

Though Strawder was a suspect, the State

Attorney's Office did not issue an arrest warrant until Thursday. In the 15 months between Kamir's death and Strawder's arrest, ASO waited for reports from the Medical Examiner's Office and the Florida Department of Children and Families.

"This was a case where we had to rely almost exclusively on the medical examiners and the doctors' expert opinions," Kelly said.

At about 3 a.m. Monday, detectives arrested Strawder at the Kangaroo Express at 4324 SW 20th Ave., where Strawder worked as a clerk.

Kamir's mother, Katrina Thomas, could not be reached for comment Monday. Strawder and Thomas lived together at 7204 SW 44th Place until they were evicted in June, according to public records.

One of their former roommates said Monday he did not know where the couple moved. According to the Clerk of the Courts, Strawder and Thomas have another child.

Strawder was held at the Alachua County Jail on Monday night with a \$1.2 million bail.



Strawder



Alex Sanchez / Alligator

## History Talks

Lew Welge as Abraham Lincoln and John McLean as a 1st Lieutenant Union Soldier act on the Plaza of the Americas on Monday afternoon. The reenactment was part of a national traveling exhibit, "Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War," which is on display on the third floor of Library West until March 7.

## 1-75 ACCIDENT

# Man killed in I-75 accidents remembered for compassion

MEREDITH RUTLAND

Alligator Staff Writer

As a toddler, Jason Raikes would take apart and inspect his toys. He grew to be a man who helped people put together computers and relationships simply because he could.

Following his death, his friends and family remember him as someone who brought home stray pets and lost friends. He'd spent the last months of his life with his girlfriend, Christie Nguyen. Some said he was the happiest they'd ever seen him.

Raikes, 26, died Jan. 29 in a series of wrecks on Interstate 75. He is one of 11 vic-

tims.

Deanna Davison, a 24-year-old friend of Raikes, said he would drop anything to help a friend.

"He was always about getting people to feel better about themselves," said Davison, who is from Richmond, Va., "which is what friends should do."

She said he would spend countless hours on the phone helping her recover from boy trouble and took time from his night to fix her computer. She remembers a day when her keyboard was broken, she had work to do and the pouring rain wasn't helping her spirits.

"He just said, 'Come on over, I'll fix it,'"

she said.

Born in Chesterfield County, Va., Raikes attended Lloyd C. Bird High School. He discovered he had a knack for Japanese and a soft spot for animals and friends who needed a home, said his mom, Robbin Raikes.

He adopted an abandoned golden retriever, Boddie, who became one of his closest companions.

After graduation, he worked with computers and lived in the apartment above his parents' barn. Every night, he would make dinner and they

would shout out answers to "Wheel of Fortune."

She said he was a homebody, which made his decision to move to Gainesville to live with Christie all the more unexpected.

He was taking online classes at Western Governors University and hoped to get a job at UF's IT department, she said.

Even several states away, he would call home every Sunday.

"He would always say, 'Mom, you can jump in the car and see me anytime,'" she said. "'I'm not dead. I'm just 700 miles away.'"

His surviving family includes his mom; his dad, Rennie; and his sister, Caitlyn.



Raikes

# Opinions

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## Editorial

### No Whining Valentine's Day not worth complaints

We have all heard these lines:  
"Valentine's Day is a corporate holiday invented by corporations to sell candy and stuff."

"It's just a holiday invented by Hallmark to sell cards."

"I hate Valentine's Day because I don't have anyone."

If you have not uttered one of these statements at one point in your life, you are kidding yourself.

If, for some reason, you still rely on these platitudes whenever Valentine's Day comes around, we have this to say:

Shut up!

Expressions like the ones previously mentioned have become just as cliché on Valentine's Day as hearts, candy, flowers and, especially, greeting cards.

Grow up and stop complaining about something that has no effect on your life. If you don't care about Valentine's Day, why exhaust yourself complaining about it?

If you think Valentine's Day is an important holiday but you hate it because you reside in a state of perpetual loneliness, then you need to get over yourself.

Chances are, life isn't as bad as you think it is.

Just because you may not have a significant other to share this holiday with does not mean you shouldn't celebrate it.

Before you write off Valentine's Day and go into your corner, curl up into a ball and cry, think about ways that you direct your emotions to more positive outlets.

For instance, Valentine's Day doesn't have to be about romantic love. Everyone has friends and family for whom they have strong feelings. Wouldn't it be a better use of time to remind these people, whether it be your parents, siblings or best friends, just how much you love and appreciate them?

You could accomplish this by doing something as simple as sending a nice text saying, "Happy Valentine's Day!"

For the guys, you could call up some buddies and go grab a drink or some food.

You could call your mom or your dad and tell them how much you appreciate their support and encouragement.

If you have a platonic friend of the opposite sex, you could still have fun and go see a movie with them. Who knows, maybe that friend who's "just a friend" could turn out to be more.

The point is that Valentine's Day is not going away anytime soon. There's no point in turning into a curmudgeon, sitting at home and pouting about how much you hate this holiday.

Life is too damn short to be mad all the time, especially on a day that's supposed to be about happiness.

Valentine's Day might seem like it's reserved for those with significant others. However, it should also be a reminder to those who are single that there are people around them who are just as important.

## Reader response

**Today's question:** Did you enjoy the cooler weather?

**Monday's question:** Do you know anyone who got into UF? **71% YES**  
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Obama's proposed tax increases for the rich makes for a bittersweet Valentine's Day.

## Column

### Hazing has no place in college experience



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Surprise, surprise: another hazing incident in the headlines. This time, controversy surrounds UF's own Alpha Phi Alpha, which has consequently been temporarily suspended after allegations of hazing surfaced last week.

Reports have indicated physical abuse and visible injuries, though no specific details have been given out. It is relieving to know that no one has been hospitalized, although any form of hazing on campus should not be tolerated.

President Bernie Machen's email to students announcing the investigation of the fraternity was a prompt and necessary response. The email reassured me that students' safety is a top priority on the president's long-running list.

The timing of the allegations could not have been worse, as the discerning eyes of the nation were already fixed on neighboring FAMU's November hazing incident, in which a 26-year-old drum major died. Several involved with his death are now under state investigation, and the university's once legendary Marching 100 band is now defamed.

The timing and location are too close for comfort, and the reputation of Florida frats may be beginning to snowball.

In my dictionary, Greek life is synonymous with trouble. The road to bid acceptance and the subsequent lifestyle is not always worth the promised perks.

In my opinion, the whole process is a bit crooked. After you get all dolled up and spend a few nights kissing ass for total strangers, the brothers and sisters convene and discuss you to see if you are "a good fit."

If you are worthy of their approval, you are offered a bid that you can accept and then pay some obscene amount for fees, which, in many cases, contradicts the "best value" aspect of UF. Many come to school here because they want to graduate with little or no debt at all, yet end up binding themselves to yearly membership fees.

There's always an initiation process. Some are more symbolic and welcoming than customarily "paying your dues."

Undeniably, UF is home to wholesome sororities and fraternities that are all about brotherhood and sisterhood, but these atmospheres naturally foster superiority of veterans over fresh meat, even within the so-called "family."

Hazing has a wide spectrum: It may be as minor as a "big" making a fake Facebook account for a "little" with embarrassing pictures and information, or it could be a serious criminal offense, physically, sexually and verbally humiliating others for the sake of tradition.

The latter occurs in hundreds of universities across the nation, where power-starved upperclassmen ruthlessly prey upon newcomers. It's the epitome of dehumanization.

It is also a grandfathered cycle: Someone was picked on and humiliated when he or she first began, and now it's his or her turn to "keep the tradition going."

It's a shame in UF's case that a historic black fraternity has to suffer through this type of incident. Alpha Phi Alpha's purpose is to serve as a networking tool for young, ambitious African-American students. Now, the organization is at risk of being permanently dismantled.

My hope is that the allegations against Alpha Phi Alpha are false. However, if that is not the case, whoever is responsible should be harshly dealt with in order to serve as an example for others who may cross the line in initiation practices.

I don't expect Greek life to disappear overnight; in fact, I'm not suggesting that would even be a viable solution. I hope students recognize abuse up front and walk away from fraternities and sororities that do so, as well as report any serious incidents. A life could be at stake.

College is a time to meet and socialize with others, usually without a paddle involved.

Colleen Wright is a journalism freshman at UF. Her column appears on Tuesdays.

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Columns of about 450 words about original topics and editorial cartoons are also welcome. Questions? Call 352-376-4458.

## Letter to the Editor

### Student Body president responds to Students Party candidate

In a letter to the editor published yesterday, SG presidential candidate Alex Cornillie seriously misled readers in his diatribe against my stance on Florida House Joint Resolution 931 and Florida Senate Joint Resolution 1508.

I, along with the Student Body president at Florida State University, have been avidly fighting in support of this legislation for quite some time now. Contrary to what Cornillie would like students to believe, this initiative is designed to restore a fair and equitable process of representation on the Florida Board of Governors.

As it currently stands, there is one seat on the board reserved for a student. Per the Florida Constitution, this seat is reserved for the chairman of the Florida Student Association, an organization comprised of Student Body presidents from Florida's state universities. In order for Student Body presidents to become members of this exclusive organization, they are required to pay thousands of dollars in fees.

No, this money does not come from their personal finances — instead, Student Body presidents all over Florida use student fee money (yes, your money) to finance their membership in FSA. And while some money goes into legitimate purposes such as lobbying and advocating, much of it goes to finance lavish retreats and social networking opportunities.

As the Student Body president of UF, I cannot, in good conscience, spend student fee money on expenses that do not go to serving UF students. FSA should not be able to hold the fact that its chairman sits on the board as a stick for membership.

The needs of the more than 50,000 students at UF can be entirely different than students at other state universities, some of which have fewer than 1,000 students. It goes without saying that there are bound to be conflicts of interest, which has happened in the past. Why should I authorize the use of student money for an organization that sometimes lobbies against the best interests of UF students?

Cornillie fails to mention that as a result of my efforts in Tallahassee, along with the efforts of many other students both here at UF and FSU, emergency action was taken within FSA last week. Membership is now free, and all universities have an equal opportunity to run for chairmanship of the FSA. Thanks to the coordinated action and honorable leadership at UF and FSU, students are no longer footing the bill for a private club of some Student Body presidents around the state.

One of the most vocal complaints about my actions from other university SG organizations is that Florida House Joint Resolution 931 and Florida Senate Joint Resolution 1508 give UF and FSU too much power. As long as I represent more than 50,000 students at UF, I will not take shame in advocating on their behalf to the best of my ability.

God bless and go Gators!

Anthony E. Reynolds  
Student Body president

## Column

# UF should denounce biotech company



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A few weeks ago, a mobile exhibition called "America's Farmers" visited UF and parked on the North Lawn. With a mission to celebrate American family farmers, the exhibition offered a pamphlet, a short tour and a video of the lives of these rural Americans.

Curious (and skeptical), I looked into the campaign.

America's Farmers is sponsored by Monsanto, the world's largest agricultural biotechnology corporation. It makes herbicides, pesticides and genetically engineered seeds that produce unnaturally abundant and tasteless crops. Many of these products are only effective and compatible with other Monsanto products. That is, Monsanto seeds require specific Monsanto fertilizer.

The list of Monsanto's legal issues is as disturbing as it is expansive. The organization has been sued for the adverse side effects of Agent Orange during the Vietnam War, for the questionable safety of saccharin (the carcinogenic compound that makes most of your "zero calorie" drinks taste so sweet) and, most recently, it has been found guilty of chemical poisoning in France.

To offer a point of reference: If you've seen the movie "Michael Clayton" with George Clooney, the company he's investigating for misconduct, "U/North", is based

on Monsanto.

In the real world, Monsanto is careful to exclude what many consider accurate warnings and health-safety claims from its product labels.

The company claims that, when used properly, its products (remember, we're talking about insect and plant poisons) are safe for human handling and, eventually, consumption.

Yet, a French farmer who experienced memory loss, stammering and headaches since he inhaled a Monsanto weed killer in 2004 would strongly disagree.

Despite the shocking number of Monsanto court cases, the company often emerges with little more than lawyer fees, as plaintiffs have been unable to clearly show the relation between the illness and the side effects of the pesticides.

Within this discourse, as in the discourse of all controversial issues, is the question of the advocates of the company within consideration.

My worry is whether or not UF and its administrators see themselves as ethically

accountable for hosting or inviting a company with such questionable tactics to feature its exhibition (and feature its brand) in the middle of campus?

Excuses of "We support 'America's Farmers,' not Monsanto" are as shallow as they are baseless. If you want to support farmers (local farmers, not monocultural mega-farmers) visit the farmers market. Invite local farmers to host a market on campus to share Alachua County's large farming population and to sell their reasonably priced, healthy and generally pesticide- and herbicide-free crops to students and faculty.

I don't know the specifics of the agreement between UF and Monsanto to feature the "America's Farmers" exhibit on campus, so I am not entitled to judge the university's actions except at face value. But when Tiger Woods' affairs were revealed, Gatorade cut connections with the golfer, publicly denouncing his misconduct.

Will UF similarly make a public denunciation of Monsanto, a company that has been charged with sharecropping and unethical monopolization and has now been found guilty of chemical poisoning?

It's fair to say that it must.

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## Guest column

# Conservative movement lacks enthusiasm

This weekend, Republicans in Maine held their presidential caucus, and the winner was Mitt Romney, with an avalanche of 2,190 total votes.

To put that in perspective, more frat guys will be forced by their houses to take a break from hazing and vote for the Unite Party next week than Republicans in an entire state voted for Romney. Hardly a ringing endorsement.

But then again, should anyone be surprised by the lack of excitement toward the conservative movement in this country? By its very nature, it is a negative ideology: Conservatives do not support anything, they only oppose things. And in times like we live in today, no one is in the mood for a party with no real ideas.

If you don't believe me, look at the positions held by the Republican candidates this year: repeal health care reform, undo labor protections, get rid of social programs, remove regulations on busi-

## Matt Schneider

### Speaking Out

can even tell anymore?

Even Ron Paul, the candidate who is supposed to be "different", wants to return us to the glory days when restaurants didn't have to serve black people. I guess it might qualify as a new idea, but he doesn't even have a problem with individual states establishing their own official religions, as long as the federal government doesn't. However, that might qualify as an Articles of Confederation-type idea, so maybe he just wants to go back further than anyone.

*Matt Schneider is a physics senior at UF. You can read the rest of this column at alligator.org.*





Dear Mom and Dad,  
I want to say Happy Valentine's Day. God  
Bless you both as my parents. They met on  
this day in 1983, and they are still together.  
I LOVE YOU, Sara.

Miss u Chops

I truly love you

Dear Jourdan J.  
You are my p.i.c.

DAB,  
Our 1st night ended platonicly on a couch.  
1st time we met was at a table.  
our relationship so far I can vouch,  
has been more fairy tale, than fable.  
5:)

My Bojoyuca,  
Even though we're opposites, a little piece of  
ourselves can still be found in the other. The  
delight is the recognition of it, and that my  
friend, is love. Thanks for always being in my  
life, and no matter what, I promise to be in  
yours! Happy Valentine's Day Babe! I love  
you a lot a lot a lot!

Lisa's Mom

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Happy Valentines Day - BK^2

Dearest Villains,  
Our name may sound deceiving,  
Most of us have been fleeting.  
One big group we'll always be.  
Thank you, Gainesville.  
We love thee!  
Love, A Fellow Villain

Boom.Psh Boom-boom-psh.Boom.Psh.  
Boom-boom.psh.

Schiffson: I'll start by saying you're my main  
squeeze. You have that so-fa swagger with  
a signature steez. I'll never forget the first  
night we went out for Tiesto, we were up til  
mornin getting straight loco.

After that you were callin me kitten. And  
that's when I knew you were straight smitten..  
We always have a good time just kickin'  
it hard with some Jameson & lime.

You even rep my teams the M.Heat & the  
MD's. With one love frame of mind you  
recycle trees like Udonis sinkin three's. My  
mom says your earrings & snap back make  
you look like a gangster. I just say na ma, it's  
called being an original gangster.

Flow like yours simply can't be taught try  
exclusively via only bloodline brought. One  
thing I know for sure that is true I've only felt  
like this once and baby that's with you.

From a slow serenade to a frenzied beat  
then back again until our song's complete.  
It's safe to say I'm no longer solo but that's  
okay, because You only live once, that our  
motto, YOLO. Happy Valentines day lova <3  
xoxo Prinny

To my AmandaPanda,  
Five years later, our love story continues. I  
miss you, babe. Can't wait till we're together  
again.

Roo

My little croissant,  
I will serenade you! "Woah, woah. When I get  
you, oh my gosh when I get you! Delicious,  
delicious!"

Love, Goober

Dear Dr. ABDUL

On this day I have to tell you that I love GOD,  
because He knows our entire story from the  
first word to final breath. I am very thankful,  
he loves me to be with one He and I love.  
we love you

Your Fiancee ♥: Latifah

L tiger,  
Gerr Gerr I love you!  
You are perfect for me :)

You are the quin to my oa.

You are the only solution to the problem I call  
life. If I were Newton, you would be Raphson.  
If I were Peng, you would be Robinson. You  
are the Stokes to my Navler and the Bronsted  
to my Lowry. You are the only real root to the  
function of my heart... My dearest Panda! ♥

To my Super Awesome Boyfriend,  
How did I get so lucky?  
I love you, Happy Valentine's Day :)

Night Hawk,

Keet-I love you times a million-Keet.

-Little Duck

To the love of my life, Johnny M. Jr.  
Always and forever yours, love Key ♥

Laura ♥,  
Thank you for making my life whole. And  
thank you for being my Lifetime Valentine!  
With all my love, Farmer.

To the lovely Jester in our court,  
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to come. Keep that pen moving, those hips  
shaking and that smile shining bright. Happy  
Valentine's!

- The King

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The end of our Alabama date was sad,  
but there's no doubt about it,  
you're the best I've ever had!!

Michael Marie ♥

Eli,  
You light up my life, you tickle my toes  
We love Long John Silvers, everyone knows  
You hold my hand, you'll be till the end  
That's why you'll always be  
my very best friend  
Cry about it, Kylie

Ali,

Love your gummy smile, HVD! ♥

To my loving Honey Boo Boo Child/Valentine,  
Regardless of what I wanted in the past,  
I am glad that you are my Valentine this year.  
♥ Happy Valentines Day. Love, Your 45%.

Dear Laura,  
Being with you makes me want to Tebow!  
Forever Yours, ♥  
Michael

Lampwall -  
Four years later, and I still can't  
stop kissing you. ♥

JMC -  
I am so happy to have found you. I love you  
more each day. Happy Valentine's Day!  
-Turtle

Tali Y  
oh beautiful wonderful absurdly ace girlfriend  
of mine! I happen to be pockets over pasta  
in love with you =) Some people spend their  
whole lives looking for this.  
♥ Sickeningly yours, Aidan

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Mr. jcgb8r - happy valentine's day! life w/ u just keeps getting better! 15 more days 'til 24 hrs at disney! can't wait 2 ride buzz lightyear! 2 infinity & beyond. hi colt! :) Brenda

Mr. jett, I'm not a short-haired feminist, but will you still be my valentine?

Mr. LYLAxF, I'm totally into you! 59 percent because you're funny and 49 percent because you're cute. I can't do math but I can be your valentine. ♥

Mr. Ms. M., I love you forever, even when you burp loudly into the phone when I'm having a fashion emergency.

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Mr. To my sugar pie on our second valentine's day-I love you and can't wait for the future! ♥ Love, honey bunny

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 Internet, Pest Control, & Refuse Included  
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Gainesville Place Apartments  
 Student friendly 4/4's  
 Only \$459 per person!  
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 1-4 BR, Starting at \$450  
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**Clean, Quiet 1 & 2 BR apts.**  
 Off SW 20th Ave. \$425 to \$545. Sorry, no pets, or Section 8. Call 335-7066 for info.

4-25-12-72-2

**AVAILABLE NOW & FALL**  
 ● Studio \$410 ● 1BRs \$425-495  
 ● 2BR/1.5BA, W/D \$580  
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Spacious 1, 2, & 3br starting at \$475. Many floor plans, some with enclosed patios or balconies. Italian tile, bedrooms carpeted. DW, W/D hook-ups, verticals, CH/AC. Near bus route, some walk to UF. Call 352-332-7700

4-25-12-72-2

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Newly remodeled 2 & 3 BDs  
 Quiet neighborhood. Lots of upgrades.  
 Free 32" HD Plasma TV for new Sec 8 lease.  
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 \$550 - 1BR/1BA - 3 blocks to UF  
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 No application fee, most pets ok.  
 E.F.N. Properties, 352-371-3636 or  
[www.efnproperties.com](http://www.efnproperties.com)  
[rentals@efnproperties.com](mailto:rentals@efnproperties.com)  
 2-28-12-36-2

**2** For Rent unfurnished

**SUN KEY~SUN HARBOR APARTMENTS**

999-1001 SW 16th Ave.  
 Close to UF, Shands & Vet School  
 2bed/1bath Sun Key units starting at \$550  
 2bed/1.5bath Sun Harbor Townhouse  
 starting at \$575  
 Inquire about our student specials today!  
 Sun Island Properties  
 352.376.7041 / 352.376.6720

4-25-11-80-2

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708 SW 16th Ave.

2BR/1BA close to UF, Shands, Vet School  
 Units starting at \$550!!  
 Inquire about our student specials today!

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4-24-20-2

**★ CAMPUS EDGE CONDO ★**

2/2 Walk to UF, Shands, VA & Pharm School.  
 Tile floor, W/D in unit. Avail fall. Reasonable  
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4-25-11-79-2

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Avail Aug 1st. 4BR/2BA house. Very private  
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 2-17-12-24-2

**TOWNHOUSE - 2BR/1.5BA,** W/D hook-up,  
 pvt backyard, carpet, tiles, just painted. Extra  
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 Place. Available now. 941-204-1304 or 352-  
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2, 3, 4, & 5 BR houses blocks to UF. Rent di-  
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 Prestigious Bivens Arm. 5BR house, Pool, &  
 Dock. Bike or walk to Shands & UF. Serious  
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1BR/1BA Apt., Large screened-in porch,  
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**2** For Rent unfurnished



Trend's Student House of the Month!

2710 NW 2nd Ave

Huge 2/2 with a Den and Fireplace!

Walking Distance to Law School

Biking Distance to UF

Text "Trend" to 313131 for More Details

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 1BR/1BA close to UF, Shands & Vet School

Sun Key units starting at \$475

Sun Harbor Townhouses \$525

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Sun Island Properties

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1bed/1bath close to UF, Shands, Vet School

Units starting at \$475!!

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**2-10-2**

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5-7 bdrm \$2000 per month

Will Accommodate Individuals or Groups

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Call Eric at (352) 682-7424

2-23-12-15-2

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● 2/1 apt 204 nw 18 st \$1100

● 4/2 house 929 nw 22 st \$1500

● 3/3 house 3514 nw 7 pl \$1500

● 5/3 house 630 nw 36 st \$1500

2-14-12-5-2

3BR/2BA HOUSE, near UF, VA, Shands.  
 3627 SW 15th St. across from I-Hop. Fenced  
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ONE Block to UF-Available 8/1/2012-2/2.5  
 bath townhouse,w,d,dishwsh, guaranteed  
 parking, wood floors VERY cute-1017 SW  
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 20-2

Share a 4BR, 2BA house. LR, FR, kitchen,  
 off street park. NW 34th St/NW 39th Ave  
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**2** For Rent unfurnished

A Short Walk to Shands and UF Campus!  
 1/1

**4 Roommates**

2 rooms available in 4br/2ba for \$300/month + 1/4 utilities. close to campus and available march 1. all cable channels and internet at house. male or female. call matt at 352-256-3492 2-17-7-4

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For Info on ALL Condos for Sale, Visit [www.UFCONDOS.COM](http://www.UFCONDOS.COM) or Matt Price, University Realty, 352-281-3551 4-25-72-5

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Got a new couch? Sell your old one in the Alligator Classifieds. Call 373-FIND (3463) to place your ad today.

**BED - QUEEN - \$120 ORTHOPEDIC**  
Pillow-top, mattress & box. Name brand, new, still in plastic. Call 352-372-7490 will deliver. 4-25-12-72-6

**6 Furnishings**

**BED - FULL SIZE - \$100 ORTHOPEDIC**  
Pillow-top mattress & box. New, unused, still in plastic w/warranty. Can deliver. Call 352-377-9846 4-25-12-72-6

**MICROFIBER SOFA & LOVESEAT - \$400**  
Brand new still packaged w/warranty. Must sell. Can deliver. Retail \$1600. 352-372-7490 4-25-12-72-6

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**BEDROOM SET. 7pc Cherry, Queen/ king bed, dresser w/mirror, 2 nightstands, chests avail. Dovetail const. New, in boxes. Can deliver. Retail \$4500, must sell, sacrifice \$850 (352) 372-7490 4-25-72-6**

**SOFA & LOVESEAT 100% Italian leather.**  
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**FUTON Solid oak mission-style frame w/ mattress.** New, in box. \$160 332-9899

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**6 Furnishings**

**\*\*BEDS - ALL BRAND NEW\*\***  
\*\*Full \$100 Queen \$125 King \$200\*\*  
Orthopedic pillow-top sets. Brand name matching sets not used or refurbished. Still in plastic, direct from factory! 352-333-7516. 4-25-72-6

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**••ESTATE SALE••**  
6pc BR, 10pc dr, 6pc off, 5pc dinette, couch, 8pc wicker, silver/china/art, decor items, can deliver. 4203 NW 69th St., 2/16-2/20. 7a-7p. 2-20-11-5-6

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**11 Motorcycles, Mopeds****★★★Road Rat Motors★★★**

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**VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED**  
to transport cancer patients to treatment.  
Flexible schedule.

Training and liability insurance provided.  
Please call  
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St. Francis House is a homeless shelter and soup kitchen located in downtown Gainesville and we are looking for help from volunteers like you.

St. Francis House is in need of donations such as personal hygiene items and household cleaners such as bleach and liquid Lysol.

If you are interested in helping, please contact  
Stephanie Breval at (352) 378-9079  
or by e-mail at sfhcoor@stfrancis.cfoxmail.com

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
I AM BLIND & WOULD LIKE HELP WITH:  
● Rides to church: Mass at Queen of Peace.  
● Learning to rake knit hats to send to Haiti & other places.  
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**Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle**

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

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1 Place for family game night  
4 Book of poems partly by King David  
10 Farm grazer  
13 Egg cells  
14 Communicating regularly  
16 Fat Tire product  
17 Ballplayer's hat  
18 Woos, minstrel-style  
19 N.J. neighbor  
20 Dismiss an occult doll-making practice?  
23 Hanukkah money  
24 Govt.-issued ID  
25 Donahue and Collins  
26 Double Stuf cookies  
28 With 57-Down, wealthy people  
31 Hair removal brand  
32 What's that chocolate beverage you're drinking, Yogi?" answer?  
36 Raggedy doll  
37 Debate side  
38 PC component  
39 Studio whose films get off to a roaring start  
42 Model train expert?  
45 Speed-of-sound name  
48 Wee, like bairns  
49 Sarandon of "Bull Durham"  
50 Snow-block home  
52 Hippie's home  
55 When Romeo meets Juliet  
56 Frilly Hawaiian dress?  
60 Small amount  
61 Temps  
62 Fib, e.g.  
64 Dark lime for a poet  
65 Kind of fiction  
66 Recreational transport, briefly  
67 Driller's deg.  
68 More sexy  
69 Manhattan liquor

**DOWN**  
1 Bespectacled dwarf  
2 Role for Patti LuPone or Madonna  
3 Layered pastry  
4 "Hogwash!"  
5 Scissors cuts  
6 Periodic table figs.  
7 Access with a password  
8 "Faster, huskies!"  
9 John Candy skit show  
10 Golf bag carrier  
11 World Cup chant  
12 Runner-up's news  
15 Earring style  
21 Texter's "From a different aspect..."  
22 "Say it isn't so!"  
23 "La maja desnuda" painter  
27 Second-year student  
29 High, in Hamburg  
30 Spanish river  
33 Top Olympic medals, in Madrid

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**  
  
xwordeditor@aol.com 02/14/12

**10 For Sale****●●●PARKING●●●**

Private, Secure, Guaranteed. 60 sec to UF. Reserve now! Reasonable rates. 352-538-2181. Can leave mssg. 4-25-12-72-10

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**GOATS FOR SALE**

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Guitars and Musical Instruments  
New, Used and Factory Refurbished  
Check Us Out Before You Buy!!  
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352-450-0928 Leonards302.com  
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**11 Motorcycles, Mopeds**

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96 CADILLAC DEVILLE \$1700  
98 GRAND AM \$1999  
352-338-1999 4-25-72-12

97 FORD EXPLORER \$1700  
96 TOYOTA CAMRY \$1999  
97 MITS MIRAGE \$2500  
98 NISSAN ALTIMA \$2500  
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98 CHEVY VENTURE \$2999  
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95 CHEVY CAMERO \$2500  
02 KIA RIO \$3500  
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Now carrying Vespa Scooters!  
Great Scooters, Service & Prices!  
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CARS, TRUCKS, SUVs, & VANS  
30 DAY WARRANTY  
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30 DAY WARRANTY!  
NO CREDIT CHECK!  
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**14 Help Wanted****BARTENDING****\$300 A DAY POTENTIAL**

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**Summer Jobs**

- \$2400
- Co-ed camp
- Room and Board included

**Get Paid to Play!**

The Florida Elks Youth Camp (FEYC) needs college students for summer camp counselors ages 18 and up. FEYC is an over-night camp located in Umatilla, FL. The camp runs June 11 – Aug 4. Please contact Krys Ragland at 1-800-523-1673 Ext. 251 or 352 455-4267. [www.floraelks.org/feyc/index.aspx](http://www.floraelks.org/feyc/index.aspx) 4-25-12-72-14

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Closing Drivers.

\$100/night Guaranteed.

Apply at [gatordominos.com](http://gatordominos.com) 2-24-12-30-14

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Love children and the outdoors? Timber Ridge Camp, a children's overnight summer camp located in the Shenandoah Mountains of West Virginia, is seeking both males and females for a variety of positions including Land Sports, Water Sports (WSI, Lifeguards), Canoeing, Rope Course, Tennis and Much More! Spend the summer outdoors doing things you love! Competitive Salaries, Room & Board, and travel provided. Apply online at [www.trcamps.com](http://www.trcamps.com) or call 800-258-2267 2-15-9-14

**14 Help Wanted****Do you want to quit smoking?**

We are currently recruiting smokers between the ages of 18 and 60 for a smoking cessation study. Please contact the UF Smoking Lab and Clinic at 352-273-2151 or [smokeclinic@gmail.com](mailto:smokeclinic@gmail.com) for further details 2-17-12-10-14

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**Planting, Mulching & Mowing**

Student needed for yard work & gardening. \$12/hr, up to 25 hrs/wk. Email resume to [jaythaw@bellsouth.net](mailto:jaythaw@bellsouth.net) 2-16-12-5-14

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If you have a burning desire to succeed, your dedicated and coachable, then we need to talk. Call me for a meeting that could position you to make a potential six figure income. Daniel 305-282-1839 2-16-5-14

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Transcribe audio dictations. Create your own skd M-F, 7am -midnight. \$7.67-\$12+, based on speed and accuracy. Close to campus.

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- Admin Asst
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Please complete an online application at [www.gleim.com/employment](http://www.gleim.com/employment). 3-2-12-15-14

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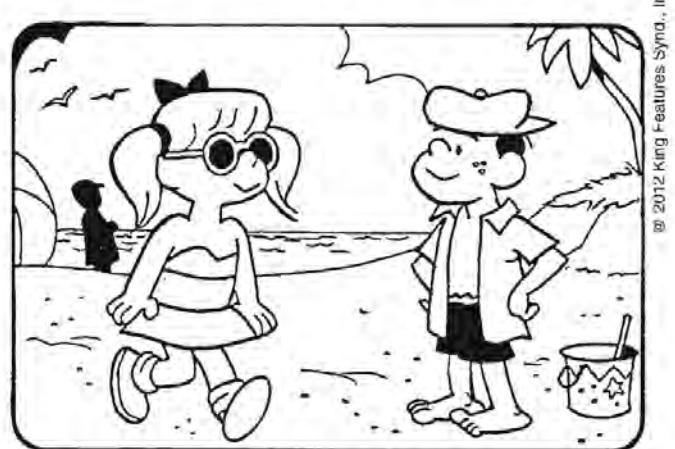
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## Gators hire new offensive line coach to replace Verducci

UF ADDED FORMER UTAH AND MIAMI DOLPHINS ASSISTANT TIM DAVIS TO ITS STAFF MONDAY.

**TOM GREEN**  
Alligator Staff Writer

Florida parted ways with offensive line coach Frank Verducci to make room for one of coach Will Muschamp's former colleagues Monday.

The team announced Muschamp hired former Utah offensive line coach Tim Davis to replace Verducci, who has decided to "pursue other interests," according to Muschamp.

Davis has coached for more than 25 years and brings 18 years of experience as an offensive line coach in Division I football and the NFL to Florida, where the Gators' line struggled during Muschamp's inaugural season.

"Tim is a perfect fit for our program — he has a history of coaching in a pro-style offense and shares the same program philosophies," Muschamp said in a press release.

"It will be a seamless transition for our players and staff. ... He understands the values that we put on the line of scrimmage, and he will help us get where we want to be at that position."

Davis worked with Muschamp in 2005 with the Miami Dolphins and has also worked with running backs coach Brian White, tight ends coach Derek Lewis and defensive coordinator Dan Quinn.

He said his experience with Muschamp and other members of UF's staff will be a benefit, especially in the early going.

"I've been on a number of coaching staffs and usually there is a transition period

when you join a new staff," Davis said. "I don't look at this as joining a new staff."

The personnel change comes less than two weeks after Muschamp stressed the importance of the Gators improving along both lines of scrimmage during a press conference on National Signing Day.

As the Gators limped to a 7-6 record last season, the offensive line was largely overpowered in the team's six losses. Florida tied for 54th in the nation by allowing 23 sacks, with 20 coming during defeats.

The offensive line also struggled in the run game, as the team finished with the nation's No. 73 rushing offense (143 yards per game).

While the unit was able to open holes against inferior opponents, the Gators averaged just 61.8 yards per game and 2.1 yards per carry in their six losses.

Davis' line at Utah last season touted worse stats than Florida's group — the Utes ranking 95th nationally with 33 sacks allowed and finishing with the 80th-ranked rushing offense (137.6 yards per game).

But Davis has been a part of two national championship teams and has coached 11 players who have gone on to play in the NFL.

"I'm excited to work with Coach Muschamp again and join the Florida football program," Davis said. "I understand the shared philosophies of the staff and look forward to being part of The Gator Nation."

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Davis

### Florida baseball picked to win SEC

The Gators' top-ranked baseball team was picked Monday by the conference's coaches to repeat as Southeastern Conference champions this season.

## UF wants leaders in quiet backcourt Florida, 'Bama play at 7 p.m.

**JOHN BOOTHE**

Alligator Staff Writer

Whenever Billy Donovan hears a dead-ball whistle, he expects at least one of his players to come alive and reign in the rest of his teammates.

There doesn't need to be any high-fives in the huddle or chest bumps when a timeout is called. Yelling and screaming aren't necessarily the prerequisites Donovan is looking for in a vocal leader.

Instead, a simple fire and passion for playing are needed. Two important characteristics that have been sorely lacking from

the Gators during their two-game slide in Southeastern Conference play, featuring a 20-point drubbing on national TV and a home loss to a 13-12 team.

Ahead of No. 14 Florida's (19-6, 7-3 SEC) road trip to Alabama (16-8, 5-5 SEC) tonight at 7, Donovan said he can't be the sole voice of inspiration for the Gators.

Veteran guards Kenny Boynton and Erving Walker — UF's lone senior — will need to carry some of the load and lead by more than just example, even if it's not in their nature.

"Erving is not a very, very vocal, demonstrative kind of player, and I'm probably putting him in

situations that are making him uncomfortable," Donovan said. "But I think our team needs to see more fire, more energy, more passion out of him. That would help us."

While Donovan was pleased with the progress Boynton made in UF's five-point loss to Tennessee last Saturday, getting more from Florida's soft-spoken point guard has proven difficult.

*"Chandler Parsons was a great outlet for Erving Walker because when Erving got into maybe taking some quick, ill-advised shots, over-penetrating, (we could) put it in Chandler's hands and kind of facilitate offense through him a little bit and get Erv off the ball."*

Billy Donovan  
UF coach

In his last two games, the 5-foot-8 Walker has four turnovers to just three assists, bumping him to second in the overall SEC assist standings. During Florida's seven-game win streak — when Walker still led in the category — he was averaging 5.3 assists and 1.6 turnovers per outing.

Donovan said a big reason for the inconsistency lately at the point has been the lack of a second ball handler for Walker to rely on.

Last season, the Gators leaned heavily on Chandler Parsons, the SEC's Player of the Year, to refocus the team when Walker lost control.

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Though Florida's replacement for the 6-foot-9 Parsons this season, freshman Brad Beal, can at times match the former Gator's rebounding numbers, Donovan said he isn't willing to place even more responsibility on the first-year guard's shoulders by asking him to run the offense.

Beal leads Florida with 54 turnovers — two more than Walker.

**SEE HOOPS, PAGE 15**



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Florida guard Erving Walker has four turnovers to just three assists in the Gators' last two games. UF lost both games.



Florida junior Mia Piccio and senior Evan Jensen carded 1-over rounds of 72 to lead UF after the first day of play at the Northrop Grumman Regional Challenge. See story at [alligatorSports.org](http://alligatorSports.org).

### Softball freshman receives honor

Florida freshman infielder Sami Fagan was named SEC Freshman of the Week on Monday after hitting .667 with 10 hits and two steals last weekend.

# Bonds proving clutch for Florida

► THE GUARD HAS PLAYED MORE THAN 1,500 MINUTES IN TWO SEASONS WITH THE GATORS.

**JOE MORGAN**

Alligator Staff Writer

Jaterra Bonds has been a key player for the Gators since she arrived on campus.

The sophomore guard has logged 1,654 minutes during her two-year career at Florida.

Only redshirt senior guard Jordan Jones, who has 1,819 minutes, has accrued more time on the court since the beginning of last season.

Bonds has taken advantage of extensive playing time early in her career, putting together a solid resume with career averages of 9.4 points, 2.5 assists and 2.3 rebounds per game.

She earned a spot on the All-Southeastern Conference Freshman team last season, playing in a UF-freshman-record 34 games.

Perhaps her best stretch came when she averaged 15.4 points per contest in the Gators' final five games of the 2010-11 season.

While she has not yet duplicated that scoring tear this season, Bonds has still put up respectable scoring numbers, notching her 10th double-digit scoring effort of the year with 12 points in last Thursday's 70-55 win against Auburn.

However, Bonds' three points and three turnovers in Sunday's 62-58 loss to No. 25 South Carolina serve as a reminder of her youth.

"Jaterra is a very basketball-savvy player, she usually knows the right play to make," assistant coach Brenda Mock Kirkpatrick said. "Sometimes, she gets a little overzealous, and sometimes,

times, that can affect her decision-making."

Bonds' issues boil down mostly to shot selection and her ability to take care of the ball.

She has recorded a 34.1 field-goal percentage, including a team-low 28.3 clip in SEC play, and her 66 turnovers rank second-most among Gators with 19 or more starts this season.

However, the frequency of Bonds' giveaways has improved from last season from one turnover every 8.5 minutes to one turnover every 11.1 minutes.

"She does a great job of absorbing the game plan and learning from week-to-week," head coach Amanda Butler said.

"She is really striving to make better decisions because she knows how important that is for us."

Bonds' experience has aided not only her performance on the court but her leadership role on the team.

Through Butler's multiple lineup shifts, Bonds is the only player who has started every game for the Gators this season.

"If I'm not talking, I don't feel comfortable," Bonds said. "I have to talk, like instructing, if I see something wrong, to help my teammate out."

Bonds fits in with Butler's up-tempo style, making her a vital piece in Florida's transition game and full-court press.

As Bonds continues to gain experience early in her career, she hopes to make waves with the Gators on the national stage as she made clear during Florida's media day before the season began.

"My goal is when they talk about college basketball, I want them to mention my name."

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Florida sophomore guard Jaterra Bonds has played 1,654 minutes since joining the team last season and is the only Gator to start every game this year.

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL

# Suspended Tide players to return; Rosario out

**GREG LUCA**  
Alligator Staff Writer

After levying four suspensions in the past week, Alabama coach Anthony Grant said Monday that two of those players — guards Trevor Releford and Andrew Steele — will "most likely" be back for tonight's matchup with Florida.

Forwards JaMychal Green and Tony Mitchell remain suspended indefinitely.

Prior to Saturday's game against LSU, Green and Mitchell had combined for 37.4 percent of Alabama's points and 35.9 percent of the team's rebounds.

Green leads the Crimson Tide in points per game with 14.1 and rebounds per game with 7.2.

Mitchell is second in both categories with 13.1 points per game and 7.0 rebounds per contest.

No other Crimson Tide player averages more than 3.8 rebounds per game.

Mitchell also leads Alabama with 31 blocked shots, with Green right behind at 29.

"You always prepare for their full team, that's what we're expecting," UF coach Billy Donovan said. "The last thing I would want to have happen for our team is to assume something or somebody not playing and then all of a sudden they're out there."

**Injury update:** Donovan said Monday that Will Yeguete and Mike Rosario will be out Tuesday against Alabama.

Rosario is still dealing with a hip pointer, while Yeguete is yet to pass three portions of UF's five-part concussion test after he was knocked unconscious early in Saturday's loss to Tennessee.

Although Yeguete is not suffering any symptoms of dizziness or illness, Donovan said the sophomore forward still needs time to rest and that light and movement are not good for his recovery process.

Donovan said Yeguete is not close to passing certain portions of the test, including a balance indicator that requires him to stand on one leg with his eyes closed.

"This could be a couple weeks, this could be a week, could be three weeks," Donovan

said. "I'd say right now, with where his symptoms are at, I feel pretty confident that he'll be out this entire week."

Yeguete also suffered a minor concussion courtesy of an elbow from forward Jared Sullinger in a loss to Ohio State on Nov. 15. He missed UF's next game against UNF before returning against Wright State on Nov. 21.

Donovan added that Cody Larson was a limited participant in practice but will be available tonight after missing Saturday's game with an illness. Donovan said Larson lost weight, and his conditioning has suffered.

**Replacing Yeguete:** With Yeguete sidelined for at least this week, Donovan is turning to Casey Prather to pick up the slack.

Prather admitted Monday that he's struggled with his confidence as the result of limited playing time and production but said that a meeting with Donovan on Sunday helped alleviate some of his concerns.

Donovan thinks Prather can be a valuable fill-in for Yeguete because of his length and athleticism at the top of UF's press defense.

To be successful, the 6-foot-6 Prather said he has to slow the game down and use his quickness against bigger opponents.

Prather has been held back by an inability to "read the game," but his effort has never been a concern.

"He's never had a bad attitude," Donovan said. "He comes to practice every day and works. He's put extra time in. He deserves to play well."

Donovan said UF will likely shrink the floor and press less as a result of sometimes having to use Brad Beal and Scottie Wilbekin at the power forward position.

One option Donovan does not plan to turn to is freshman Walter Pitchford, who has struggled to retain the offense and scouting reports after missing time with a wrist injury.

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With forward Will Yeguete ruled out of the game with a concussion, Florida will be relying on little-used 6-foot-6 forward Casey Prather (left) against Alabama tonight.

**Gators taking bad practices into games**

## HOOPS, from page 13

Against Tennessee, Beal had three giveaways.

"We didn't compete at all really," Beal said. "We weren't really focused. We weren't getting any offense at all. We were just jacking up shots. Our mentality throughout the whole game — we just weren't focused at all."

Beal blamed much of the team's struggles after the loss on poor practices. Boynton echoed that sentiment and said it

only takes a single player to throw Florida off its rhythm on both sides of the ball.

"If one person is having a bad game, then he might be down for some reason, and it's messing us up defensively, not rotating or something," Boynton said.

"So I think one person having a bad game or something like that, I think he just needs to put that behind his head and focus on the team."

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### Brad Beal, G, Fr. (3 points)

• 30 points, 7-of-23 shooting, 14 rebounds, three steals



The 6-foot-3 guard carried the rebounding load once again for Florida with injuries building up in the frontcourt. While he was a miserable 2 for 12 from three, Beal was able to get to the foul line for a team-high 17 free-throw attempts against Kentucky and Tennessee. Beal missed just three shots from the charity stripe to help the Gators' attempt at reeling in a double-digit deficit late on Saturday.

### HOT SHOTS

SEC Week 4: 0-2  
Kentucky, Tennessee

#### Kenny Boynton, G, Jr. (2 points)



• 34 points, 10-of-22 shooting, three rebounds, three assists  
• Though Boynton ended an 8-for-16 week from three with a pair of large scoring efforts, most of his outside shots came too late to spark Florida. He hit three of his four 3-pointers against the Wildcats with the Gators already down by 21 points. Against the Volunteers, he hit his fourth and final three as time expired to make the final margin a more respectable five points.

#### Patric Young, C, So. (1 point)

• 19 points, 7-of-14 shooting, 12 rebounds, four blocks



• In a much-anticipated matchup with Kentucky center Anthony Davis, Young held his own offensively with 12 points on 5-for-10 shooting from the field but failed to make much of an impact on the glass with just four rebounds. After again starting slow on the boards against Tennessee with only one board at the break, he hauled in seven during the second half.

### STANDINGS:

1. Brad Beal (9 points)
2. Kenny Boynton (6 points)
3. Patric Young (4 points)
4. Erik Murphy (3 points)
5. Erving Walker (2 points)

# Gators lacked intensity in season-opening loss to Tar Heels

## UF lost 11-9 against UNC on Saturday

**JOSH JURNOVY**

Alligator Writer

After jumping out to a quick lead Saturday, the Gators were not the same.

In the 11-9 season-opening loss, Florida struggled to keep up with North Carolina after an early 2-0 advantage.

"We definitely came out strong in the first two minutes," Gators junior attacker Kitty Cullen said. "And then we just didn't play like ourselves for the rest of the game. We just didn't play a full 60 minutes like the team that we are, and it resulted in a loss."

Florida led by two 2:02 into the game but gave up three straight goals before tying the score on a man-up goal from junior attacker Caroline Chesterman.

After Chesterman's score, the Gators went more than 25 minutes without finding the back of the net. Cullen said the drought was the result of the Gators not playing with proper focus.

UNC took the lead for good with four unanswered goals to end the first half, including a score with just one second remaining.

Eight minutes into the second half, the Tar Heels extended their lead to 8-3 on a goal from junior midfielder Emily Garrity.

*I don't think there was a sense of urgency once we got down by four goals. I think there needed to be more of a sense of urgency on ground balls, making sure we were possessing the ball and getting good opportunities.*

Amanda O'Leary  
UF lacrosse coach

"I don't think there was a sense of urgency once we got down by four goals," Gators coach Amanda O'Leary said. "I think there needed to be more of a sense of urgency on ground balls, making sure we were possessing the ball and getting good opportunities."

The Gators climbed back in the second half as they cut the deficit to 8-5 on two goals from junior attacker Ashley Bruns. The Tar Heels responded with two goals, but the Gators stuck around, as Cullen scored two straight and junior midfielder Gabi Wiegand scored on a free-position shot to make it 10-8.

Cullen said that while the Gators were able to make a late push, it was the result of effort that should have been present earlier in the game.

"Even though we did end up getting a couple, it just

wasn't enough," Cullen said. "We needed to have the intensity we ended up having in that last 10 minutes the whole game."

In order to rebound from the loss to North Carolina,

O'Leary said Florida must show a higher level of intensity the entire game. Last year, after a season-opening loss to the Tar Heels in Chapel Hill, the Gators responded by winning 14 games in a row.

"Our team is certainly dedicated to working hard," O'Leary said. "They're going to try their best to rebound back from this."



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Florida junior attacker Kitty Cullen (left), who scored three goals in UF's season-opening loss to North Carolina on Saturday, said the Gators did not play with enough intensity throughout the game after opening up an early two-goal lead.

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