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Gators blow out Spartans, advance to Sweet 16

MATT WATTS
 Alligator Staff Writer

OMAHA, Neb. — So much for Cinderella.

Florida made sure it didn't go down as part of Norfolk State's fairy tale Sunday, throttling the Spartans and ending all hopes of a magical run. Instead, it's the Gators (25-10) who will travel to Phoenix on Thursday for a matchup with No. 3 seed Marquette in the program's seventh, and second straight, berth in the Sweet 16 after winning 84-50 Sunday in Omaha, Neb.

UF Basketball

They did it by pounding on the Spartans (26-10) early, going on a 25-0 run over 6:28 after NSU established a 6-4 lead four minutes in. Florida made 9 of 11 from the field during the span, while also holding Norfolk State to 0-of-10 shooting and forcing four turnovers.

"I haven't ever been a part of anything like that," guard Kenny Boynton said. "We did a great job at getting stops and converting on the offensive end, and that

showed the level of focus we had out there."

Afterward, freshman Brad Beal talked about the importance

of establishing an early lead and eliminating any notion that Norfolk State could hang with Florida.

"Once we went on the 25-0 run, they kind of shutdown from there on," he said. "We knew they were capable of making threes,

and we didn't want them to keep the game close and get back into the game. We did a great job of putting the pedal to the metal and knocking down shots and playing good defense."

Coming into the game, much of the talk was about NSU's advantage in length, with each starter listed at 6-foot-5 or taller. But it was UF that dominated the boards, and in turn, dominated the game.

Florida outrebounded Norfolk State 27-13 in the first half, helping it to get out in transition and score points in a hurry while also wearing down a team that had to grind it out for all 40 minutes Friday. The Gators, on the other hand, were able to rest key starters down the stretch of their blowout win against Virginia, which helped contribute to the team's largest rebounding margin of the season Sunday, a plus-17 effort (48-31).

"That's our focus of having your body in play and boxing out and going after the ball," said Beal, who finished with 14 points and nine boards.



AP Photo

Five Gators scored in double figures, including Erik Murphy (10 points), as Florida toppled No. 15 seed Norfolk State to reach the Sweet 16 in back-to-back years. UF faces No. 3 seed Marquette on Thursday.

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Kappa Alpha Psi named in reported hazing case

► THE CASE HAS BEEN SENT TO THE STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

CLARE LENNON
 Alligator Staff Writer

Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity was named Friday morning as the second fraternity recently involved in hazing at UF.

Interim Vice President for Student Affairs Dave Kratzer named the fraternity, which was investigated by University Police, at an anti-hazing task force meeting.

He said the fraternity was linked to hazing by someone being interviewed about the Alpha Phi Alpha hazing incident. According to UPD's crime log, the incidents under investigation took place from April 23, 2010, to Jan. 31, 2011.

UF spokeswoman Janine Sikes said UPD sent the sworn allegation to the state attorney's office Thursday. State Attorney Bill Cervone is expected to release information in this week.

After the fraternity was named, Kratzer said, the university confirmed that the fraternity was being investigated in connection with hazing. The national office ordered the UF chapter to disband, Kratzer said.

Alpha Phi Alpha and Kappa Alpha Psi are both members of UF's National Pan-Hellenic Council.

"We're not trying to target any section of our Student Body, but when things come to us, we will always follow our procedures," Kratzer said.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

SG to install cellphone charging stations on campus

SAMANTHA SHAVELL
 Alligator Writer

Student Government plans to install six cellphone charging stations across campus this week.

Each station costs \$3,500, totaling \$21,000.

The stations can charge up to 18 devices in 15 minutes, said former Senate President Andy Mason, who co-authored the bill to fund them.

The stations will include chargers with plugs for several kinds of phones.

The Student Senate approved the bill in the fall to transfer the money for the stations.

The bill transferred \$28,800 from reserved funds for the charging stations, which were estimated to cost \$4,800

each. The funds come from student fees.

The leftover \$7,800 will go back in the reserves, said Unite Party spokeswoman and Senate Budget Committee Chairwoman Christina Bonarrigo.



Bonarrigo

The stations are scheduled to be installed at Library West, the Hub, the Reitz Union, Southwest Recreation Center, Marston Library and the Student Recreation and Fitness Center.

Mason said UF will be one of the first universities nationwide to install

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Volunteers shave heads in support of a cure for child cancer

Fourteen people had their heads shaved for the cause, pg 8.



Car enthusiasts show off rides for charity

Saturday marked the Gainesville Street Rod Club's 30th annual Cruz-in car show, pg. 3.



News Today

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

HOSA General Body Meeting

Today, 6:30 p.m.
Little Hall, Room 121
Come out to the Health Occupations Students of America general body meeting. HOSA is an organization for all students of pre-health professions. Volunteer and leadership opportunities will be discussed, and officer and committee chair applications will be due. Email hosauf@gmail.com for more information.

"Nora's Will" - Second Annual Jewish Film Festival

Today, 7 p.m.
Hippodrome State Theatre
Join UF Hillel for the the Second Annual Jewish Film Festival's Jewish comedy night screening of "Nora's Will."

Young Concert Artist: Jeanine De Bique, Soprano

Today, 7:30 p.m.
Squitieri Studio Theatre
International rising soprano star Jeanine De Bique will perform in the Squitieri Studio Theatre, inside the Phillips Center, Monday. She will be joined by award-winning pianist Christopher Cano. Her program will include classical works from composers such as Mozart, Richard Strauss and Maurice Ravel. Student tickets are \$12. Visit www.performingarts.ufl.edu for more information.

Prom dress drive begins

Today to Friday
Women's History Month is hosting the first prom dress drive benefiting Gainesville area high schools. Donate gently used prom/special occasion dresses to

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local high school students who might not otherwise be able to attend prom. Drop boxes will be located in all residence hall common areas.

Messiah's Mansion

Today to Saturday
North Lawn
Messiah's Mansion, a life-size reconstruction of the Hebrew wilderness tabernacle, will be on the North Lawn through Saturday. Visitors will engage in guided tours of the sanctuary. Tour hours are Sundays and weekdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The Art of Google Books

Today to April 3
Reitz Union, second floor gallery
Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday to Sunday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Reception March 22, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
The Art of Google Books by Krissy Wilson is an image curation blog that values the adversaria chronicled in book digitization. The aim of the project is twofold: to recognize book digitization as re-photography and to promote the signs of use that accompany these texts as worthy of study and exhibition. For more information, visit theartof-googlebooks.tumblr.com/exhibit.

"Underdogs: A War Movie" - Second Annual Jewish Film Festival

Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Hippodrome State Theatre
Join UF Hillel for the Second Annual Jewish Film Festival Jewish studies night screening of "Underdogs: A War Movie" with featured speaker Tamir Sorek.

Got something going on?

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CORRECTION

Tuesday's edition of the Alligator incorrectly identified Jeff Babik as the owner of a food truck. Babik interned for Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa in Fall 2011 and worked with the public safety committee.

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

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Car enthusiasts show off rides for charity

BENJAMIN S. BRASCH
Alligator Writer

Gregg Freas walked hand-in-hand with his 4-year-old son, Samuel, and pointed out the shiniest engines he could find for his boy.

They peered into the chrome maze of a hot rod, nodded and smiled to each other. It was their first car show together.

The Gainesville Street Rod Club hosted its 30th annual Cruz-in, a car show and competition.

For the past 10 years, the group has attracted families, students and car enthusiasts from across the state to raise money for Stop! Children's Cancer Inc.

Because of the car show, the club has donated about \$67,000 to the pediatric cancer prevention and control charity

over the past decade, said Tim Myers, president of Gainesville Street Rods.

Myers said 10 judges award 40 trophies to the top cars and 16 special trophies for the best Chevrolet, interior, paint and more. Car lovers raised money by charging a \$20 fee to enter each car, truck or motorcycle in the judging.

"This is a lot more fun than golf, and chicks love cars."

Larry Wilson
competitor

High gas prices and other roadblocks have knocked a few of last year's competitors out of the show, but 123 vehicles entered the competition Saturday, he said.

The show was open to all types of cars, from a 1962 Corvette to a brand-

new Mustang and everything in between.

Larry Wilson, 64, sat behind his spectre-master green 1968 Chevrolet pro-street Chevelle with a 468-cubic-inch Reher-Morrison engine, which is made to look like a street-racer.

Wilson has competed with his car for five years, but it was his first year at this show.

He bought the car at a swap meet in Texas. Since then, he has spent about \$70,000 on it.

On top of his engine was an "anti-theft device": a couple sticks of fake dynamite attached to a fake alarm clock.

"This is a lot more fun than golf," he said. "And chicks love cars."

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Biomaterials Day promotes research, business

ENGINEERING STUDENTS SHARED THEIR RESEARCH.

KATHERINE HAHN
Alligator Contributing Writer

About 25 students shared research on biomedical topics from contact lenses to cancer Friday at UF's first Biomaterials Day.

Guest speakers offered insight into getting new products on the market, and undergraduate and graduate students presented research project posters in the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom.

Materials science and engineering senior Stefany Holguin

won \$100 for best undergraduate poster, and biomedical engineering graduate student Matthew Carstens won \$100 in the graduate category.

The day was funded mainly by a \$5,000 grant from the national Society of Biomaterials, said Evelyn Bracho-Sanchez, a 23-year-old biomedical engineering senior who helped organize the event.

Keynote speaker Larry Hench founded the biomaterials specialization at UF, said Society of Biomaterials faculty adviser Anthony Brennan. Hench invented Bioglass and is a UF professor.

Biomedical engineering graduate student Jamal Lewis, 27, presented his research on developing a vaccine to prevent Type I diabetes. He said starting his own company is his ultimate goal.

.. THIS WEEK in GAINESVILLE ..

March 19, 1982: Microbiology Professor Donna Duckworth speaks at the Miller Health Center, saying she believes Christopher Columbus unwittingly carried a bacterium, syphilis, from the New World. Duckworth suggests that by indirectly introducing syphilis to Europeans, early Indians may have been taking advance revenge on Europeans for enslavement.

March 23, 1983: UF Student Health Advisory Board votes today to raise the student health fee and other alternatives. Other proposed alternatives discussed would eliminate the gynecologist, inpatient and mental health units and replace two doctors with physician's assistants.

March 20, 1986: After eight months of court cases, UF is eligible to receive \$6.7 million in renovation and construction money. The ruling, which overrides Gov. Bob Graham's veto, allows money for minor renovations, maintenance and planning for future products, like a new \$15-million performing arts center.

March 22, 1991: The Food Service Advisory Committee may switch from paper to Styrofoam products next fall. Committee chairwoman Linda Bobroff said if the plan is approved, it will save money, and it works better. Styrofoam is more environmentally sound because paper products are coated and cannot be recycled, she said.

March 21, 2008: At its next meeting, the Florida legislature and the Board of Governors will consider the \$16 million it will take to renovate the Southwest Recreation Center for Fall 2009. Project members plan to expand SWRC to the corner of Hull Road and Bledsoe Drive with an indoor track and an area for group fitness classes.

— RAVEN PRITCHETT

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Donations can help students

Odds were stacked against student Heather Loran. It's a wonder, some would say, she's made it as far as she has — to UF and the doorstep of a most unlikely destiny.

Her father was never part of her life, and her mother was unable to care for Loran and her four siblings. Sometimes determination and heart are more telling than circumstances, and a tattered childhood is no match for Loran's will to become a physician assistant.

When her family split up, Loran moved to her grandparents' home in rural Coleman, a little more than an hour's drive south of Gainesville. "My grand-

parents are my saviors," Loran said.

At South Sumter High, Loran studied hard to get into UF and was class salutatorian. "I wanted to be part of The Gator

Nation and try and make a difference," she said.

UF's Florida Opportunity Scholars program put that goal in reach. The program provides scholarships for students from low-income households who are the first in their families to attend college.

"Without the scholarship, I would not be a Gator, so the FOS program means everything to me," said Loran, a health science major who is

Photo by Maria Farias/Health Science Center



The Orange, Blue and You campaign helps to fund the Florida Opportunity Scholars program, which allows students like Heather Loran to attend UF.

completing her junior year this semester.

Loran is especially grateful to donors who support the program.

"The donors impact so many students' lives here at UF. They make this world a better place," she said. "Hopefully, one day I will be able to give this amazing gift to students, like they have for me."

She has already begun to pay it forward by becoming a mentor for first-year Florida Opportunity Scholars.

Each year, the Florida Opportunity Scholars program puts a UF degree within reach for hundreds of students like Loran, who without the scholarship might never realize their promise. UF faculty and staff can help by giving to the program during the Orange, Blue and You campaign. For more information, visit www.orangeblucandyou.ufl.edu.

— Lee Herring

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Journalist to speak

One of Florida's leading political journalists will offer an in-depth look at what's happening in Florida's capital at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Bob Graham Center for Public Service. The event and parking are free.

Steve Bousquet, who covers the governor and state Legislature for the Tampa Bay Times, will share his insights during an exclusive session examining what happened during this legislative session.

Musical on tap

Mel Brooks' musical "Young Frankenstein" comes to Gainesville for a 7:30 p.m. March 28 performance at the Phillips Center for the Performing Arts.

From the creative team of the 12-time Tony Award-winning smash "The Producers," "Young Frankenstein" opened on Broadway in 2007; won the Outer Critics Circle Award for Best Broadway Musical in 2008; began touring nationally in 2009; and has earned five Broadway.com Audience Awards.

Tickets are on sale and available for this performance. Call 352-392-ARTS (2787) or 800-905-ARTS (toll free within Florida), or visit www.performingarts.ufl.edu for more information.

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UF Calendar of Events

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Man leaves trail of drugs during chase

TYLER JETT
Alligator Staff Writer

During a police chase Saturday night, a Williston man left behind a trail of crack cocaine, marijuana, a razor blade and a cellphone, police said.

Kebris T. Reynolds, 27, was charged with marijuana and cocaine possession with intent to sell and eluding a law enforcement officer, according to an arrest report. Reynolds was held at the Alachua County Jail on Sunday evening in lieu of a \$60,000 bond.

While patrolling Northwest 16th Avenue at about 8 p.m. Saturday, Gainesville Police officer Daniel Beans saw Reynolds speeding in a white Pontiac. With roads still slick from rain earlier that day, Reynolds abruptly turned left without using his signal, causing the driver of the car behind him to slam on the brakes, according to the report.

Beans followed Reynolds north on Northwest Fourth Street and switched his lights and siren on, but Reynolds sped away. Reynolds ran

a stop sign and turned left onto Northwest 19th Avenue, where he parked in a yard before running, according to police.

Beans chased after Reynolds. He caught him about one block west of where Reynolds parked his car and arrested him.

Beans found about 7.8 grams of marijuana in Reynolds' pockets before searching the area. The officer uncovered about 15 more grams of marijuana and 13.6 grams of crack cocaine, according to police.

Beans also searched the Pontiac, which he said smelled like burned cannabis. In addition, Beans found "a large amount" of gold and silver jewelry. According to the report, Reynolds said it wasn't his.

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Reynolds

LOCAL Downtown businesses host First Fridays events

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Alligator Contributing Writer

A recently created monthly event in downtown Gainesville has some business owners seeing an increase in downtown visitors.

First Friday, created by the Gainesville Downtown Owners and Tenants, aims to increase business in the downtown area by offering specials and prizes to visitors.

From 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. on the first Friday of every month, customers can get a booklet containing a list of participating businesses offering specials that night. When customers visit a business, they get a stamp in the booklet.

Customers exchange booklets for raffle tickets, and each business holds a raffle at 10 p.m.

Previous event participants have included Dragonfly, The Gelato Company, Maude's Cafe, Sharab Lounge, Rockey's Dueling Piano Bar and the Hippodrome State Theatre.

The idea came from Shawn Shepherd, president of GDOT and owner of Vellos Brickstreet Grill and Blue Water Bay. Shepherd said he's seen First Friday events in St. Petersburg, Orlando and Tallahassee and he wanted to bring the

concept to Gainesville.

"The goal is to bring a little more focus to downtown and show some of the changes that have been made over the past 12 months," he said. "Downtown has grown about 30 to 40 percent with new restaurants, lounges and other businesses."

Shepherd said the first First Friday, which was in February, didn't have many visitors. But they spread the word before the March event, he said, and 140 people came out.

Kara Winslow, director of development at the Hippodrome, said First Fridays are a good way to raise awareness about how downtown isn't scary.

Winslow said the Hippodrome gave away about 35 passports at the first event. This month, the theater gave away 30 passports within the first hour.

Randy Perez, a 22-year-old mechanical engineering senior, said he doesn't go downtown very often because Midtown is more convenient for him. However, he said he would visit restaurants like Blue Water Bay on First Fridays, when it offers \$3 draft beer.

"I would go downtown for dinner," he said. "And I could have a cheap beer before going out later."

St. Patrick's Day revelers started early

► MOTHER'S PUB & GRILL
OPENED AT 7 A.M.

ADRIANNA PAIDAS
Alligator Writer

Every hour on the hour, Megan MacFarlane dropped a shot of Bailey's Irish Cream and a shot of Jameson Irish Whiskey into a plastic cup filled halfway with Guinness.

"Today, we open and close the bar," MacFarlane, a 21-year-old UF anthropology senior said as she and her five friends clanked their cups.

They were among the St. Patrick's Day early-risers who hit pubs and bars for the flowing taps of Guinness and a cornucopia of Irish shots — and some Shepherd's pie, but always between green beers.

They got to Mother's Pub & Grill for the 7 a.m. opening to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

By 7:30 a.m., about 20 people were already at the pub — the majority of whom were, or at least claimed to be, of Irish descent.

"Today, everyone should take advantage of being a little Irish," MacFarlane said.

The reason beer is extra popular on St. Patrick's Day is because it falls during Lent, said Shauna Dixon, owner of Durty Nelly's Irish Pub.

"In Ireland, it's very common to give up alcohol for Lent," she said. "St. Patrick's Day is the one day during that time when we can drink."

But St. Patrick's Day wasn't a day for culture in Jason Russler's eyes. It was a day for drinking.

Russler, a 22-year-old water resources and engineering graduate student, went to bed at 9 p.m. the night before to prepare for a day of guzzling green beer.

As the morning progressed, waitresses brought out more and more trays of sloshing kelly green concoctions.

Each time a new round arrived at Thomas Iacometta's table, the

22-year-old advertising senior and a group of seven men chanted, "Everybody, everybody get f---d up," in a rhythm that was nonexistent by 9 a.m.

Mother's Security Manager Sean Wright walked around the bar, making sure rowdy patrons didn't stand on tables.

"For some reason, people tend to get a little more stupid on St. Patrick's Day," Wright said. "It's like it's everyone's 21st birthday."

The pub served 100 car bombs

by 9 a.m., said bartender Patrick Schaller, and about 1,000 during the course of the day. It also went through 15 kegs of beer.

MacFarlane was trading car bombs for water by 9:30 a.m. to pace herself.

"I have a blanket, pillow and a Gatorade in my car out front," she said. "That way I can take a mid-day nap and get right back out here."

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Alex Catalano / Alligator Staff

Dressed as a beer bottle, David Martinez, 24, finds an alternate way to drink the green beer served at Mother's Pub & Grill on Saturday morning.

Students Party opposes new stations

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charging stations.

"We felt it was a need useful to students," he said.

A charging station is already in place in the UF Bookstore, but the bookstore funded that itself, Bonarrigo said.

Students Party Senator and Minority Leader Carly Wilson opposes the new stations.

She said they are impractical and will not reach enough students to cover the cost.

"It's a waste of students' funds," she said.

When senators discussed the bill, she suggested adding more electrical outlets to the major study areas on campus instead.

Twenty-year-old health science junior Dierdre Lee thinks the charging stations are a great idea.

She said her phone dies a lot, and she likes that the stations have multiple chargers.

"We felt it was a need useful to students."

Andy Mason

former Senate President

Kasia Wallace, a 19-year-old health science sophomore, said she would probably use the new charging stations.

She said most of those locations are places where she could do something else, like study or work out, while her phone charged.

However, she questioned the cost.

"I would use it, but I think [the money] could be put toward better things," she said.

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MONDAY FEATURE

Happiness is a warm gun

SHELBY WEBB

Alligator Writer

The hat looked like it survived a war, and its surface was so full of bumps from shrapnel it felt like Braille. Near the top, a half-dollar-sized hole was ripped in the frayed fabric.

But the hat and its owner, 19-year-old Alex Rennert, are neither veterans of war nor guardians of peace.

The hat was fired upon by Rennert's friends and teammates in the Florida Gators Trap, Skeet and Sporting Club as congratulations for shooting his first perfect score in skeet — a sport where shooters try to hit a clay target ejected in a random direction.

"It's kind of a weird tradition," the UF aerospace engineering freshman said, looking down at the tattered collectible and grazing his fingers across it.

Suddenly, Bo Pleasanton, one of Rennert's teammates, snatched the hat out of Rennert's hands. Pleasanton walked 15 feet and put the hat on the barrel of his shotgun. Despite Rennert's pleas, Pleasanton, an 18-year-old UF forest resources and conservation freshman, pulled the trigger and ripped the hat in half. Pleasanton grinned and the rest of the group, except for Rennert, laughed.

Rennert sighed. Just another day at the shooting range.

The number of Americans using guns for recreation is on the rise, with 19 million citizens participating in target shooting last year, according to the National Shooting Sports Foundation website.

The Gator Skeet, Trap and Sporting Club has seen this increase firsthand. There are 35 active members this semester, up from the 17 members in the club's first semester last fall, after it was co-founded by Rennert.

Twelve club members compete, and of those, eight will travel to San Antonio, Texas, to compete in the Association of College Unions International's 44th annual Intercollegiate Clay Target Championship from March 27 to April 1.

"It's a fairly simple game to pick up, and the camaraderie among shooters is really welcoming," Rennert said. "People are amazed that we'll sit here and work with them just to promote the sport."

Gator Skeet and Trap, the club where the team practices, is located at 5202 NE 46th Avenue. Club manager and team member Jake Kennedy said his business saw a 600 percent increase last year, with 2,000 new shooters. He said about 500 people go to the range each week to shoot.

"People are amazed that we'll sit here and work with them just to promote the sport."

Alex Rennert

member of Florida Gators Trap

"Predominately it's the older generation," the 21-year-old UF business junior said. "But starting back in September, it's been more college-age people."

Robert Crow, the director of the National Sporting Clays Association, said some people are learning about shooting sports from work.

"A lot of corporate charity events are using sporting clays as a different avenue to get out instead of doing multiple golf outings," Crow said. "That has introduced people who would not normally go out to a gun range."

Kennedy agreed. He said many on-campus organizations and Greek chapters have recently been holding charity events, social outings and family weekends at the range.

UCF sociology professor James Wright has extensively studied gun

ownership. He said the number of U.S. gun owners usually hovers between 40 and 50 percent, and 70 percent of those cite recreation as a reason for owning.

He also said that in the mid-1980s, some scientists believed people with recreational guns could become violent. Wright said they believed the mere presence of a gun could make people trigger-happy, but he said the theory was disproved later in the 1980s by psychological research.

Rennert agreed that guns don't make people violent, and he also said recreational shooting is safer than many contact sports.

"You're more likely to get hurt playing golf," Rennert said.

Rennert pulled his first trigger at 12, when his father took him on a Boy Scout trip. He didn't know what to expect but found a natural ease aiming down the barrel.

"It felt right," he said.

He got a competition shotgun at 14. In 2006, he won his first state trapshooting championship in the under-15 division.

Since then, he's won four more trap titles and was named overall state trap champion in 2009.

"I get fairly aggravated if I don't shoot 99 out of 100," Rennert said.

The Gators team competes in trap and skeet shooting.

Trapshooting involves a clay target flying out of one of four bunkers in a specific order: one top and lower bunker on the left and right.

Skeet shooting is considered the most difficult shooting sport, Rennert said. Targets are ejected out of a small shack in the middle of the field and randomly thrown left, right or straight ahead.

Both games are typically scored out of 25; one point is awarded for each target hit.

The guns the team uses are not cheap. For a competition rifle, pric-



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The Florida Gators Trap, Skeet and Sporting Team takes aim at a clay disk filled with orange powder at the Gator Skeet and Trap Club last Tuesday.

es can vary from \$1,000 to \$20,000, with most costing about \$4,000. Rennert's gun cost \$3,000, while Kennedy had the most expensive weapon of the group: a \$5,000 shotgun. Guns for the recreational user can cost between \$500 and \$1,000, Kennedy said.

Amir Keshavarz, another team member, said although the sport

can be expensive, the friendships he's made more than make up for the cost.

"The sport is definitely cost-intensive," Keshavarz said. "But the experiences you have and the people you meet makes it very addicting."

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Inaugural Gainesville Community Fest includes exhibits, crafts



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Brothers Murdolph Jones, 7, and Malaqhi Jones, 5, play in bumper balls at the Gainesville Community Fest on Saturday afternoon.

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Alligator Writer

Isabella McKee, 9, sat on Roxy's back, swaying and smiling as the Asian elephant thumped along a circular path.

The ride was fun, she said, but a little smelly. And not at all scary.

"I felt relaxed since it's a slow animal," she said. "So, like, it wouldn't run off."

The inaugural Gainesville Community Fest offered a variety of activities Saturday — including a chance to ride an elephant — for families, students and business owners.

The eclectic nature of the festival, which was similar to a farmers market, a craft fair and a children's birthday party rolled into one, drew about 3,500 people to the Alachua County Fairgrounds.

Families meandered through a rainbow of tents. Children with snow-cone-stained lips tugged their parents' hands, moving them through a plethora of playthings. Kids played laser tag, pet goats and made buttons, among other activi-

ties.

Inside an exhibition hall, a few vendors sold smoothies, flowers, muffins and other treats. About 70 organizations, such as the North Central Florida YMCA and Fun 4 Gator Kids, handed out pamphlets, pens and other goodies.

Adults sipped on Budweisers while they shopped at outdoor tents full of jewelry, art and T-shirts set up by Gainesville business owners.

GainesvilleActivities.com sponsored the event to showcase nearby businesses, organizations and nonprofits, said organization president and CEO Richard Dreher.

Dreher said he thought the event went well, even though a thunderstorm shut it down about an hour early.

Brian Scarborough, dad of 5-year-old Lucy, who had a purple tiara painted on her forehead, said he plans to bring his family again next year.

"Bounce houses and face paint," he said. "What more could you want?"

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Editorial

More To It Elections not only indication of democracy

In a 2006 news release from the U.S. Department of Defense, former President George W. Bush was quoted as saying, "I hope the people of Afghanistan understand that as democracy takes hold, you're inspiring others."

This was the philosophy of President Bush's foreign policy: By bringing democracy to certain places in the Middle East, it will create a push for democracy in other authoritarian regimes.

And perhaps Bush was right to an extent, if the Arab Spring is any indication. Citizens in Egypt, Syria, Libya and elsewhere have risen up against their leaders in attempts to change their governments.

Whether these changes will look anything like democracy as we know it is debatable.

In the same release, Bush continued, "And that inspiration will cause others to demand their freedom."

Before we can determine whether this "freedom" has spread to places around the Middle East, we must first determine whether we can say that, after a decade of war, the people of Afghanistan have this "freedom."

First, it is important to recognize that freedom is not the equivalent of democracy. Democracy is merely a form of government. It usually includes features such as representative legislatures and executive bodies, and the makeup of these bodies is determined by elections.

Afghanistan elected Hamid Karzai as its president in 2004 and re-elected him in 2009. Because of these and other elections held in Afghanistan, one can say that the country shows signs of being a democracy.

There are, however, certain other conditions common among democratic governments. For instance, most democracies have high levels of press freedom, freedom of speech, due process and equal protection under the law.

It is this final condition that the government of Afghanistan seems to lack.

Guidelines issued by Afghanistan's religious council were recently backed by President Karzai, which would "relegate women to the position of second-class citizens," according to the UK's *The Independent*.

The Ulema Council, the group that sponsored these guidelines, said in a statement, "Men are fundamental and women are secondary." The guidelines went on to suggest that "men and women should not mix in work or education, and that women must have a male guardian when they travel," according to *The Independent*.

This is not the first time that the rights of Afghan women have come into question.

In 2009, Karzai signed a law that legalized the rape of women by their husbands, according to the United Nations Development Fund for Women. These policies are not exactly what one would expect to be coming from a "democratic" government.

While the goal of our mission in Afghanistan might have been to spread democracy, one must ask whether the fact that elections were held is enough to proclaim that we have succeeded.

Reader response

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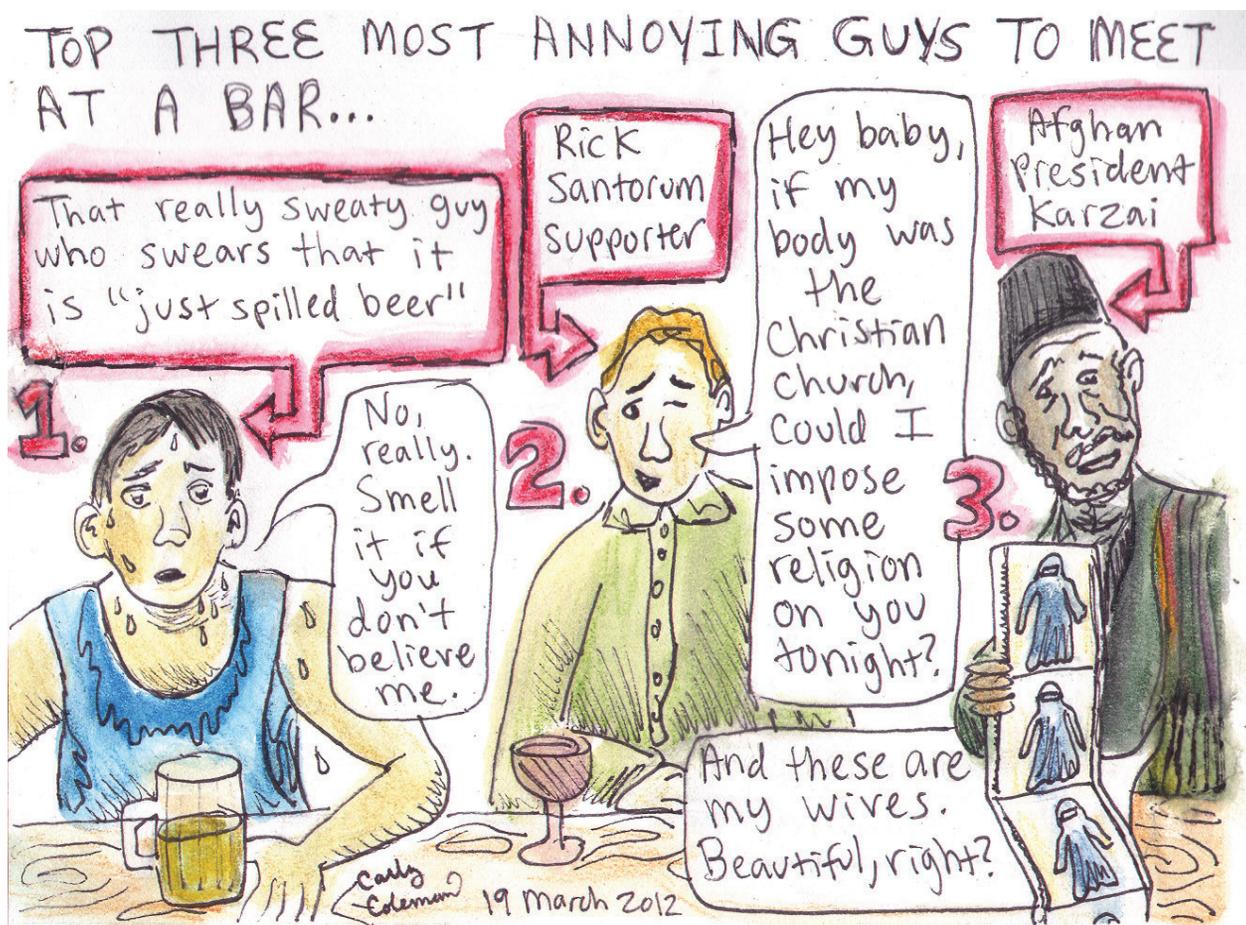
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Column

Tuition increases won't do UF any favors

Like many of you who arrived at UF in the fall of 2008 or before, I've noticed a giant increase in the cost of attendance. Though tuition is cited as the reason, rising fees are also to blame for the fast-disappearing refunds from Bright Futures that used to be commonplace.

Even with Prepaid tuition, you might get a few hundred dollars a semester back in your bank account to help with the cost of living. Tuition increases of 15 percent or more per year prompt the question: What is a fair price to attend UF?

According to the UF Office for Student Financial Affairs, the total tuition and fees for a freshman for this school year amounted to \$5,700. At a place like Penn State, the total one-year cost for an in-state student is \$15,984.

There are two ways to read this difference. The first is to be very grateful that we live in Florida, where most of us get some form of tuition assistance and the total cost of attendance is one-third that of a comparable state university. However, though the administration would prefer us to view it in this lens, one outrageous sticker price does not justify raising the cost for another.

In a fair and functioning free market for higher education, many of the brightest and best students would not go to college at all because they would already have the necessary knowledge to get a job. Those who felt they needed four years of education so they could go into a technical field or those who felt they needed practice with critical thinking and writing skills would go to college.

However, everyone who is reasonably ambitious knows that he or she must go to college to have a chance. Even the famous examples of successful people who didn't finish college, like Steve Jobs, Bill Gates and Mark Zuckerberg, spent a few semesters there. We as consumers are faced with a product that we must buy, so we go to find the best value for our dollar in the market that



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exists.

The best value for our education in the state of Florida is unequivocally UF. Though as tuition continues to rise, the value of UF compared to our cheaper counterparts that still offer great merit scholarships will likely pull away some of

the best students that would have come here. When UF tuition was \$3,000 per year and National Merit Scholars were given tuition plus a \$4,000 per year stipend, it was a no-brainer for top students in the state to come to UF. Soon, the top merit scholarships at UF will not even cover all of tuition and fees, and schools such as the University of Central Florida and the University of Alabama continue to offer full scholarships to National Merit finalists. As we continue to raise our price, we will be risking the status of our university as one of the best college values in the Southeast.

Is it fair to charge students \$6,000 per year instead of \$3,000? It is probably ethical considering the state is cutting budgets like crazy and we all want to maintain program quality at UF.

The problem I have is that UF officials have been granted a power they could previously only dream of: the power to raise tuition to the national average.

UF will always be in Gainesville, which is much cheaper than the much of the South, and the South, in general, is much cheaper than the North. This idea that we should charge national-average tuition is actually a way they can charge much more on a cost of living-adjusted basis.

We must keep UF an affordable place to get a degree, and that means 15-percent tuition increases must stop.

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Column

Hooking up with opposite sects not advised, but possible

The story you are about to read is true. The names have been changed to protect the innocent.

Spring Break antics never cease to amaze me. From inadvertent scoring to supreme intoxication to dancing with divorcees — I've heard it all. But this year, one story took the cake — which was disappointing because I was really looking forward to that cake.

While on a cruise, one of my close guy friends (herein referred to as Carol) slept with a conservative of the "South Carolinian blonde who wants to become a lobbyist for the NRA" variety.

I thought about how odd it must be to sleep with someone who has different sociopolitical views than you. The more I thought about it, the more I realized social conservatives don't really have a problem seducing liberals. How does something like that happen?

I spoke with some of my other liberal friends about their own journeys rightward. Turns out they're very similar to Carol's. What follows is what I learned.

You have to let the conservative come to you if you want to successfully seduce him or her. Don't feel disconcerted if someone else is at his or her side; it's usually a clingy roommate. (Personally, I think this means conservatives have taken to using the buddy system to preempt debauchery. I call the buddies chastity belts.)

When the conservative approaches, you must make sure the chastity belt does not pick up on the real reason for stopping by. While on the cruise, Carol was sitting at the bar with his bros when this blonde girl and her roommate made the approach. We'll call the interested one "Amanda" and her chastity belt "Peaches." Carol and Amanda engaged in some small talk, which only got smaller as Amanda kept throwing out topic after lame topic, trying to keep the conversation alive.

Carol wondered why Amanda was doing this but then saw that if the conversation died, Peaches would recognize Amanda was there for something Jesus wouldn't be and lead her away. It came time to go, but Carol told the two of them he'd be on the pool deck later that night, since there was going to be a DJ.

The next step requires indirectly reminding the conservative of the reason he or she approached in the first place: your body. At the event that night, Carol took the opportunity to strip down to his boxers — since he was wearing jeans and a tie-dyed shirt — and go for a swim. When he got out, suave as hell, he asked Amanda if she could lend him a towel. She said there was one in her room he could use.

On the way there, Amanda correctly postulated that Carol was a social liberal since he was wearing a tie-dyed shirt on the pool deck, which he'd accidentally left behind. She told him she was from South Carolina and wants to become a lobbyist for the NRA.

When they got in the room, she threw him a towel and a College Republicans T-shirt. Next thing you know, she was straddling him and shouting — I kid you not — "I'm going to f**k the liberal right out of you!"

Afterward, Carol didn't really want to see her again and was able to avoid her.

None of my friends advised making a habit of this. Actually going through with seducing a member of the opposite sect can prove dangerous.

Conservatives take their ideologies so seriously that breaking with them sometimes summons a crazy that comes YOLO-ing up out of the underworld.

To take a phrase out of Boy Scout Handbook, "Be prepared."

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Letter to the Editor

Columnist applies simulated sense of past he argues against

First, I would like to compliment Luke Bailey's ongoing commitment to his conservative values. He always represents a position that favors precedence, tradition and hesitance. For him, truly the past is a lost treasure.

I find it particularly ironic, then, that Bailey's latest column, "Modern world has become one of 'fakery,'" tends toward rather postmodern philosophical methods. Bailey's opening conceit invokes the imaginary apparatus that is Disney World against the proper, historical castle, in order to illustrate the "real gilded society" in which we now live as "faux-people." In some ways, Bailey is quite correct. The Disney World he describes is similar to the "hyper-real" Disneyland Jean Baudrillard references in "Simulation and Simulacra." It is a state of consciousness in which reality cannot be separated from simulations of reality.

Nor is this necessarily problematic. If, in hyperreality, the simulation overtakes the real, eventually the simulation is reality. I do not intend on Disney World or con-

sumerism to be the simulated reality of the future. It is possible, instead, for a new program to arise.

In this sense, I depart fully from Bailey. He vests in the past far too romantic a notion: nostalgia for a time he's never experienced. He selects the symbol of the authentic past as a castle. Is there a more perfect image of hierarchy, patriarchy, undemocratic principles and imperial solitude? The castle, after all, requires a king.

Furthermore, Bailey says we are a people that do asinine things in the eyes of our ancestors. Indeed, flight, let alone space flight, would have been truly asinine to our forebears. Fire, too, was once cutting-edge technology.

Beyond Bailey's Luddite principles, I find it most interesting that he himself, the one who so clearly judges authenticity and propriety, falls victim to hyperreality. In order to demonstrate, as the hoary Bailey patriarch puts it, "real life," we are directed to a contemporary film. I cannot help but think Bailey's perceived sense of the past is as simulated as the theme park he rails against.

Ryan Fenton
UF alumnus

Column

Machen should support bus drivers

Often, the controversy that surrounds Student Government overshadows the good things that get done. While the furor accompanying the recent election season raged on, a group of activists and student senators quietly worked on a resolution that is set to have a positive impact on The Gator Nation.

The resolution urges the City of Gainesville to comply with the demands of local bus drivers represented by the Amalgamated Transit Union 1579 in their ongoing contract negotiations. Our bus drivers are facing stagnant wages, cuts to their pensions and unfair grievance procedures. Perhaps the most egregious encroachment upon their rights is the practice of forced overtime. The city refuses to hire more workers, forcing our bus drivers into a situation where they need to drive extra routes to keep their jobs, even if they are exhausted. Forcing drivers to work while they are tired is not only a labor rights issue, but a safety issue for everyone on campus.

On Tuesday night, when student senators voted unanimously in favor of this resolution, they took a massive step toward solving this problem. This statement of support for the bus drivers adds to the mounting public pressure on the city to do the right thing and accept the bus drivers' demands. Local labor unions have already issued statements of solidarity with the Amalgamated Transit Union, while community organizers with Fight Back Florida have been lobbying city commissioners. On campus, Students for a Democratic Society has collected thousands of signatures and banked hundreds of phone calls from outraged students. With an official mandate from the Student Body, there is perhaps only one per-

Conor Munro Speaking Out

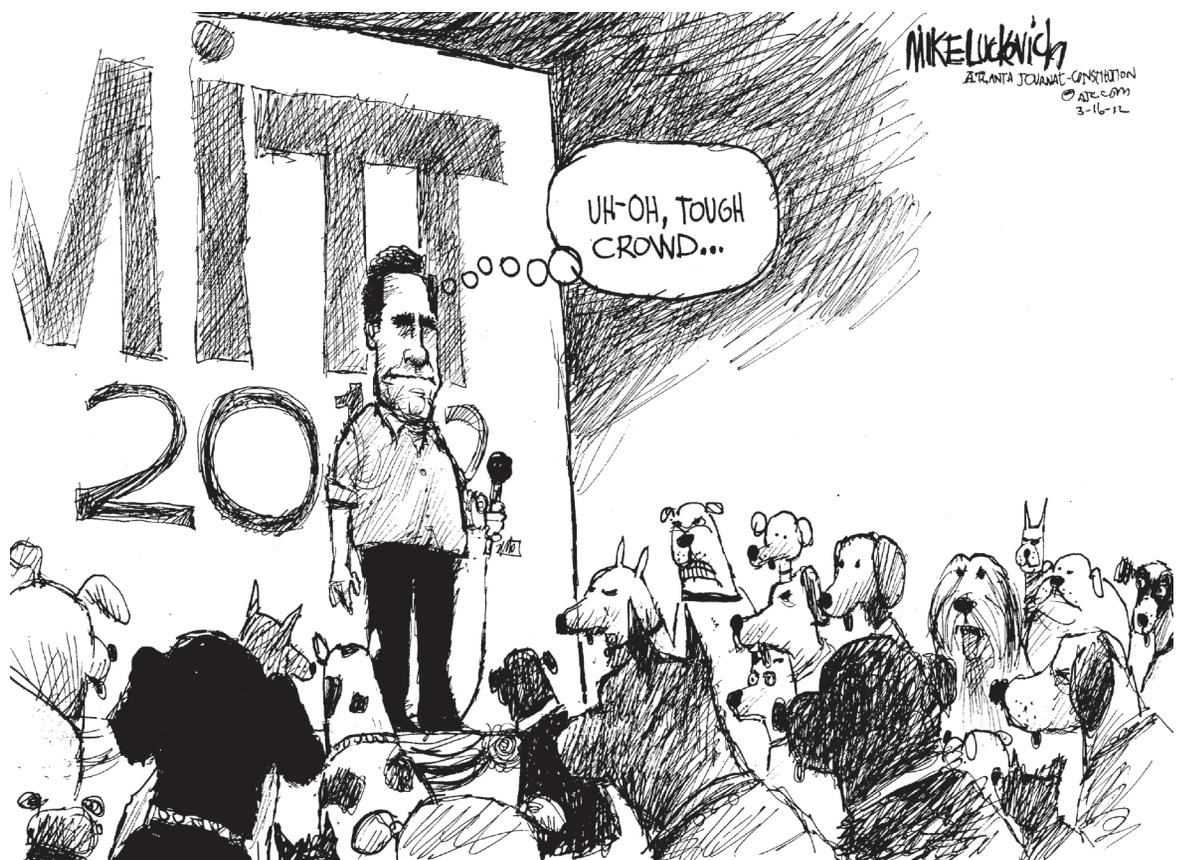
son left on campus to convince: President Machen.

Make no mistake, a statement of support from our administration would almost certainly guarantee that the bus drivers came out of their negotiations with a fair contract. UF has tremendous influence over the RTS situation. Students comprise 75 percent of the riders, and we pay 51 percent of the transportation costs. With enough pressure from UF, the city will be left with no choice but to offer our bus drivers a contract addressing their grievances. Students have been doing their part, but we need our administration to stand with us.

This is why SDS was disappointed when, after presenting thousands of signatures and making hundreds of calls, Machen declined to support bus drivers and their requests for a safer and efficient transport system. As the head of The Gator Nation, President Machen has an obligation to protect the well-being of our bus drivers and the safety of our students. We are asking him to reconsider his stance on this and issue a strong support statement for our local bus drivers. At the very least, President Machen should sit down with drivers and students to hear their concerns.

Students interested in getting involved with the campaign should come to an SDS meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays in Anderson Hall, Room 32.

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ON CAMPUS

Volunteers shave heads in support of cure for children's cancer



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Renee Shifrin-Tannenholtz gets her head shaved on the bandshell of Flavet Field on Friday afternoon for the Freshman Leadership Council's first annual St. Baldrick's Day event. Shifrin-Tannenholtz raised \$1,831 for children's cancer research.

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Alligator Contributing Writer

Renee Shifrin-Tannenholtz grinned ear to ear as she had her head shaved in front of a crowd of about 115 people.

Fourteen others joined Shifrin-Tannenholtz on Flavet Field on Friday, shedding their locks to raise money for children with cancer as part of the Freshman Leadership Council's St. Baldrick's Day event.

St. Baldrick's Foundation is a volunteer-driven charity that supports and raises money for childhood cancer research.

Friday's event raised \$6,295 through 15 "shavees" who were sponsored to have their hair cut. Shavees participated individually and in teams.

The Freshman Leadership Council had the most participants on its team and raised the most money — \$4,305.

Shifrin-Tannenholtz, 44, was one of the few women who signed up to have her head shaved.

She raised \$1,831, more than any other participant.

"People say I'm so brave for doing this,"

Shifrin-Tannenholtz said, "but the kids fighting cancer, they're the ones that are brave. I'm just getting a haircut."

Dr. William B. Slayton, associate professor of pediatrics in UF's division of hematology and oncology, treats cancer patients who range in age from newborns to young adults.

"People say I'm so brave for doing this, but the kids fighting cancer, they're the ones that are brave."

Renee Shifrin-Tannenholtz

St. Baldrick's foundation volunteer

"The research that's funded by groups like St. Baldrick's Foundation is critical in terms of making lives better for people who might not have easy cures," Slayton said.

Political science freshman Leigh Robertson, 19, organized St. Baldrick's Day events three years in a row at Park Vista High School in Lake Worth.

She organized Friday's event, which she said was the biggest one she's put on.

"Bald is in!" Robertson said.

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 rates. 239-300-1294 3-30-12-52-2

TOWNHOUSE - 2BR/1.5BA, W/D hook-up,
 pvt backyard, carpet, tiles, just painted. Extra
 clean. \$625/mo + \$600 sec. 2627 SW 38th
 Place. Available now. 941-204-1304 or 352-
 215-3160 4-4-12-45-2

2, 3, 4, & 5 BR houses blocks to UF. Rent di-
 rectly from owner, no intermediary. Pets OK,
 dalyproperties.com or 352-359-3341/359-
 5584 3-30-12-44-2



Trend's Student Rentals of the Month!
 Biven's North - Huge 3BR Lakefront
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 Text "Trend" to 313131
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 4-25-74-2

2 For Rent unfurnished

SUN KEY~SUN HARBOR APARTMENTS
 999~1001 SW 16th Avenue
 1BR/1BA close to UF, Shands & Vet School
 Sun Key units starting at \$475
 Sun Harbor units \$525
 Furnished Sun Key units available for Fall!
 Sun Island Properties
 352.376.7041/352.376.6720
 4-25-12-58-2

SUN BAY APARTMENTS
 708 SW 16th Avenue
 Close to UF, Shands & Vet School
 1bed/1bath units starting at \$475
 2bed/2bath units starting at \$550
 Reduced Deposits for Full Time Grads!
 Sun Island Properties
 352.376.6720/352.376.7041
 4-25-12-58-2

3BR/2BA HOUSE, near UF, VA, Shands.
 3627 SW 15th St. across from I-Hop. Fenced
 large backyard, fireplace. Available \$850/mo.
 Prefer students or professionals 327-2931 or
 376-6183. 1BR/BA Suite Also Avail \$375/mo
 3-22-11-26-2

SPACIOUS 2BR/2BA APT.
 Convenient location to Shands, UF & Butler
 Plaza. Asking \$700/OBO. Please call
 Kelly 305-332-6566. yttek@hotmail.com
 3-19-11-50-2



MOVE IN TODAY!
 3 & 4 bedroom upgraded apartments
 *\$0 to sign \$100 gift card/rent credit
Call today spaces going fast!
 Thecrossingatsantafe.com 379.9300
 4-25-12-43-2

PET'S PARADISE
 \$390 - \$650. No app or pet fee.
 1 & 2BR, privacy fenced. SW.
 352-331-2099 3-27-12-20-2

1.5 miles to UF in NW Gville. Luxury 2bd/2ba
 condo in small community: walk-in closets,
 W/D, vaulted ceilings, balcony, 1410 sqft.
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 or katewallis83@yahoo.com. Avail. March 1
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2 For Rent unfurnished

VETERANS and SECTION 8
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GREAT VALUE - WOODLAND TERRACE
Off SW 34th St b/t Archer & Williston Rd. Water, sewer, garbage provided. Updated units, private courtyards, RTS stop 1BR \$445, 2BR \$545. 352-335-0420 3-29-12-20-2

SERENOLA PINES
Off SW 34th St b/t Archer & Williston Rd. Updated units, private courtyards, full W/D avail. 1BR \$515, 2BR \$595 352-335-0420 3-29-12-20-2

Very nice 3/3 Rockwood \$800/m
lg bedroom, closet and nice bath Close to UF, I-75 and bus routes all appliance inc(washer & dryer) Call Jared at (941)737-6997 3-19-12-12-2

4BR/4BA Beautifully Renovated condo spacious kitchen, living area, and bedrooms partially furnished. W/D in unit. Great bus rts ten min to UF & shopping. \$325/ room. Must rent all rooms at same time. Call(941)-232-1960 4-13-12-31-2

Cute HOUSES for Aug 1
View at www.10houses.com Cent H/A, W/D provided Quiet Areas Bike to UF 352-316-0154 nancy@10houses.com 3-22-12-10-2

DUCKPOND DUPLEX \$700- big oak tree, UF near, busline, carport, immaculate, carpet, 2br/1ba, WD hookup, CHA, fans, DW, burglar bars, postj@bellsouth.net; 352 284 3873; 352 376 0080. Prefer grads/quiet adults. 4-4-12-19-2

3BR/2BA CHARMING 1950's HOUSE
Walk/bike to UF. Small pet ok. W/D, \$1295/mo. Avail August 1st. OPEN HOUSE March 17th, 11:00am - 3:00pm. 352-371-0601 410 NW 26th St. 3-23-12-10-2

Beautiful 2-story house. 2.5 miles from UF. 5BR/2.5BA 2400sq.ft. on large treed lot. Very quiet neighborhd. H/W & tile floors, ceiling fans, W/D, ref, stove, dishwasher. \$1600/mo & security deposit. 727-686-1404 3-20-12-5-2

3 Bed House \$795/mo available now & Aug. Central AC, wooden floors, w/d hook-ups, and a vintage style walking distance to campus and downtown. University Ave & NW 8th st area. By Leo 706 Call now! 352-226-3535, 813-347-9379 3-27-12-10-2

***WALK OR BIKE TO UF ***
3/2 vintage home or 2/2 apt includes parking, available August 2012. Call Carolyn 352-538-3556 or email alligatoralley@cox.net 4-10-12-20-2

2BR/2.5BA LUXURY CONDO
1/2 mile from campus. On busline. Free internet. W/D, clubhouse. \$825/mo. Call 352-332-8841 3-27-12-10-2



----- Near UF -----
gainesvillestudentrentals.com 352-317-4408
●2/1 apt 204 nw 18 st \$1100
●4/2 house 929 nw 22 st \$1500
●3 house 3514 nw 7 pl \$1500
●5/3 house 630 nw 36 st \$1500
3-20-12-5-2

EXCELLENT SINGLE FAMILY HOMES
3BR/2BA & 4BR/3BA. Close to UF. 630 NW 34th Terr / 611 NW 36th Terr / 3404 NW 7th Pl. Call Mike 352-665-7316 Pets OK. 4-12-12-20-2

2 For Rent unfurnished

TIRED OF COMPLEX LIVING?
Quite, 2BR/2BA, Includes, W/D, HSInternet, 943SF, MUST SEE. Loc: off SW 34th St, close to shopping, UF, VA, Vet School/ RTS Bus Rt 36 Stops at complex about every 20 Min. ONLY A FEW LEFT FOR FALL CALL FOR TOUR TODAY (352) 335-5424 3-23-5-2

LOOKING FOR 5/BR/3BA FOR FALL/ GREAT DEAL FOR GROUP LIVING. Located just off SW34th Close to shopping, Shands, VA, Vet School, UF \$2500M/JUST\$500/Per Bedroom CALL FOR TOUR TODAY (352) 335-5424 3-23-5-2

FOR FALL/3Bd/2Ba house large fenced yard (Great for Pets) Located just off SW 34th St Close to shopping, Shands, VA, Vet School, UF \$1575/month, CALL FOR TOUR TODAY (352)335-5424 3-23-5-2

Several cute & clean houses & apartments available for August, located in quiet NW areas near UF/Downtown. Rates from \$600 per month. Call/Text Anita: 352-575-4395; Anita@cozygator.com; www.cozygator.com 3-30-12-10-2

3 Subleases

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Short-term sublease until (now-July) Hunters Crossing complex (NW G'ville Millhopper) 2BR/2FB + Den, patio, cathedral ceilings, walk in closets, W/D connect (rentals available), garage optional, townhouse style, (separate entrance) exercise gym, pool, hot tub, sauna, racquet ball-basketball-tennis courts, sand volleyball, playground! Pets allowed (2 pet maximum). No limit on size of pets. \$911 saving \$239 (regular lease amount is \$1,150). www.hunterscrossing.com for pictures; 352-262-5899 or sisterkatrina@yahoo 3-19-12-4-3

University House Summer Sublease \$550/mo - 1BR/1BA in a 3BR/3BA All inclusive and fully furnished 6 blocks to UF Contact 941-286-8316 3-19-4-3

3 Subleases

DON'T WAIT TO PLACE YOUR SUBLEASE AD
Last spring semester paper published on April 25th.
CALL TODAY!!!
or
PLACE YOUR AD AT WWW.ALLIGATOR.ORG

Two bedroom two bath apartment available for sublease available on April 1 2012 at Stoneridge Apartments For information call Carlos 954-732-3962 or Jorge 954-594-9878 3-23-12-5-3

\$399 Furnished Sublease: May 2012/ July 2012 (The Landings) (Electric/Water Included; 1bed/1 bath in a 3 bed/3 bath) Contact Corey at corey118@gmail.com or at (347) 756-9688 3-23-12-5-3

Perfect sublease till July.
It's a 2/2 Boardwalk apt. for \$735/month + deposit. Call (352)278-5268. 3-21-3-3

Summer sublease \$603 (May-August) at Looking Glass Apartments (one block from library west!) 1br/1ba in 3br/3ba, fully furnished room with washer/dryer in apt. email: elisemorales0492@yahoo.com cell:786-564-3922 3-20-12-2-3

4 Roommates

I'VE HAD IT WITH YOUR LOUD MUSIC!
Is your roommate driving you crazy? Find a replacement in the Alligator Classifieds!

4 Roommates

Roommate Matching HERE
Oxford Manor 377-2777
The Landings 336-3838
The Laurels 335-4455
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4-25-72-4

COLLEGE ROOMS STARTING AT \$400.00 MONTH, UTILITIES INCLUDED NO MOVE IN COST. WE DO SEMISTER LEASING Frances 352-375-8787 Rent Florida Realty 9-28-12-85-4

Female roommate needed in furnished condo, 1.5 miles from UF \$379/MO cable, internet, utilities, pool+ more beautifully renovated, on bus route, Call 352 262-2871, Available 6/1/12 4-11-12-20-4

5 Real Estate

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NEW CONDOS-WALK TO UF
For Info on ALL Condos for Sale, Visit www.UFCONDOS.COM or Matt Price, University Realty, 352-281-3551 4-25-72-5

6 Furnishings

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

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

BED - KING - \$200 PILLOWTOP
mattress & box springs. Orthopedic rated. Name brand, new, never been used, in plastic with warranty. Call 352-372-8588. Can deliver. 4-25-72-6

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. Brand new in plastic w/warranty. Retail \$1800. Sacrifice \$700. Call 352-377-9846 4-25-72-6

JUMBLE CROSSWORDS™
by David L. Hoyt R 3-19-12

ACROSS

1. Disputed
5. Accumulate
6. Fixation, madness
7. Walled vessel

ANSWER

DEURAG
MSSAA
INAMA
TERAYR

DOWN

1. Uncaring attitude
2. Language rules
3. Significant quality
4. String of beads

ANSWER

YHAPTA
MRARAMG
EEECNSS
SORRAY

CLUE: This landlocked country is home to about 10 million people.

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-Armed 5A-Amass 6A-Mania 7A-Artery 1D-Apathy 2D-Grammar 3D-Essence 4D-Rosary B-Hungary

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RACK 2: A₁ E₁ E₁ U₁ M₃ R₁ P₃

RACK 3: E₁ E₁ I₁ S₁ R₁ T₁ T₁

RACK 4: E₁ E₁ O₁ O₁ N₁ M₃ S₁ 2nd Letter Double

PAR SCORE 140-150
BEST SCORE 237
FOUR RACK TOTAL
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6 Furnishings

FUTON Solid oak mission-style frame w/ mattress. New, in box. \$160 332-9899

DINETTE SET 5pc \$120 Brand new in box. Never used. 352-377-9846 4-25-72-6

****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

BED- QUEEN New orthopedic pillowtop mattress and boxspring set. Brand name, brand new, still in plastic with warranty. Can deliver. \$130 352-377-9846. 4-25-72-6

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Selling computers, parts, or repair services or just looking for that new rig? Look in the Alligator Classifieds. Call 373-FIND for more information.

I'VE HAD IT WITH YOUR LOUD MUSIC!
 Is your roommate driving you crazy? Find a replacement in the Alligator Classifieds!

8 Electronics

Sell your old stereo, cell phone, and more in the Electronics Section of the Alligator Classifieds. 373-FIND

9 Bicycles

In the market for a new set of wheels or just looking to add a second to that collection? Want personalized handlebars or a fitted seat? Check in the Alligator Classifieds

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

●Uf Surplus Equipment Auctions●
 are underway...bikes, computers, printers, vehicles & more. All individuals interested in bidding go to: surplus.ufl.edu 392-0370 4-25-12-72-10

GOATS FOR SALE

Charlie - 352-278-1925 4-25-73-10

Guitars and Musical Instruments
 New, Used and Factory Refurbished
 Check Us Out Before You Buy!!
 Leonardo's Music, Micanopy, FL
 352-450-0928 Leonardos302.com
 4-25-11-99-10

11 Motorcycles, Mopeds

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4-25-12-72-11

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 Great Scooters, Service & Prices!
 118 NW 14th Ave, Ste D, 336-1271
 www.NS4L.com
 4-25-12-72-11

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 New Scooters 4 Less has LOW repair rates!
 Will repair any make/model. Close to UF!
 Pick-ups avail. Cheap oil changes!! 336-1271
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★★★Road Rat Motors★★★
 Largest Scooter Store in Town! Run by Gator Grads! New scooters starting at \$899. 1yr Parts AND labor warranties included. 376-6275 RoadRatMotors.com 4-25-12-72-11

11 Motorcycles, Mopeds

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2009 - BASH SCOOTER
 As-is. \$485 firm.
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 CARRSMITH AUTO SALES 373-1150
 4-25-72-12

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Titles Only. Call KT
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 ALL VEHICLES \$0 DOWN!
 NO CREDIT CHECK!!!!
 VEHICLES \$500 AND UP!
 352-338-1999 4-25-72-12

SUN CITY AUTO SALES
 BRING W2 AND DRIVE HOME TODAY!
 OVER 150 VEHICLES IN STOCK!
 CARS, TRUCKS, SUVs, & VANS!
 352-338-1999 4-25-72-12

BUY FOR BLOWOUT
 PRICES & SAVE BIG!!!!
 VEHICLES STARTING \$500!!
 PRICES NEGOTIABLE!!!
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94 FORD TAURUS \$900
 98 DODGE AVENGER \$1500
 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
 352-338-1999 4-25-72-12

01 DODGE NEON \$1999
 98 CHEVY VENTURE \$2999
 95 CHEVY BLAZER \$2999
 98 DODGE DURANGO \$4999
 352-338-1999 4-25-72-12

99 ACURA INTEGRA \$2999
 95 CHEVY CAMERO \$2500
 02 KIA RIO \$3500
 00 HONDA ACCORD \$3999
 352-338-1999 4-25-72-12

SUN RISE AUTO SALES
 NO CREDIT CHECK!
 CARS, TRUCKS, SUVs, & VANS
 30 DAY WARRANTY
 352-375-9090 4-25-72-12

SUN RISE AUTO SALES
 BRING W2 AND DRIVE HOME TODAY!
 30 DAY WARRANTY!
 NO CREDIT CHECK!
 352-375-9090 4-25-72-12

12 Autos

01 NISSAN ALTIMA \$6999
 02 NISSAN SENTRA \$6999
 04 TOYOTA CAMRY \$6999
 04 CHEVY ASTRO \$6999
 352-375-9090 4-25-65-12

04 HONDA ACCORD \$7999
 04 CHEVY IMPALA \$7999
 02 HONDA ODYSSEY \$7999
 01 TOYOTA SOLARA \$7999
 352-375-9090 4-25-65-12

05 DODGE DURANGO \$9999
 05 FORD F150 \$10,999
 06 SATURN ION \$11,999
 07 FORD MUSTANG \$12,999
 352-375-9090 4-25-65-12

1999 Volvo V70 Wagon, Runs and drives great, well maintained with all scheduled maintenance/oil changes, Ice cold A/C, New tires with recent oil change and alignment 157K \$3500.00 OBO. 352-214-3741 3-19-11-5-12

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 ★ Gold ★ Diamonds ★ Gems ★ Class Rings
 ★ ETC ★ Top Cash \$\$\$ or Trade ★
 OZZIE'S FINE JEWELRY 352-318-4009.
 4-25-72-13

UF GRAD PAYS MORE
 for gold jewelry, scrap gold, Rolex, diamonds, guitars, etc. Top \$\$\$\$. Get my offer before you sell! Call Jim 376-8090 or 222-8090
 4-25-72-13

The American Cancer Society
 Road to Recovery Volunteers Needed!
VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED
 to transport cancer patients to treatment.
 Flexible schedule.
 Training and liability insurance provided.
 Please call
 352-240-5062 if interested.

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. Call 352-219-6948
 3-23-12-74-13



St. Francis House, Inc.
 #HOMELESS SHELTER AND SOUP KITCHEN
 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
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

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| ACROSS | 3 Religious splinter group | 36 Trips to environmentally protected areas | 47 Fettuccine topping |
| 1 Subdued color | 4 "For shame!" | 37 Part of CD letter | 48 Prayer starter |
| 7 Take a breather | 5 Seventh Greek | 38 iTunes download | 49 Slightly above average grade |
| 11 Marx's "___ Kapital" | 6 Inheritance | 39 Destiny | 50 Backpack toter |
| 14 Christmas carol start | 7 Pizza slice edges, geometrically | 43 Alias, to the LAPD | 53 Petri dish gel |
| 15 Green Gables girl | 8 180 degrees from WSW | 44 65-Across, e.g. | 54 Bit of chicanery |
| 16 All-Star starting pitcher | 9 Becoming tangled, as a fishing line | 45 All there, so to speak | 55 Sport with swords |
| 17 Airfare-plus-hotel stay, say | 10 Rat out | 46 "That's a lie!" | 58 Nashville-based awards org. |
| 19 Convent dweller | 11 Classic role-playing game, for short | | 59 Country stopover |
| 20 Invoice total: Abbr. | 12 Extreme, as pain | | 60 Badminton divider |
| 21 Thrilla in Manila fighter | 13 Barcelona mister | | |
| 22 "I'd be delighted!" | 14 Yellowstone grazers | | |
| 24 Poultry hierarchy | 23 Noah's handiwork | | |
| 27 Camaro and Corvette | 24 On-the-job extra | | |
| 29 Sound from a snout | 25 Like villains | | |
| 30 Comic actress Oteri | 26 "Don't look at me!" | | |
| 31 RR stop | 27 Elegant and stylish | | |
| 32 Diagnostic scanner, briefly | 28 "Darn!" | | |
| 35 Soul food pork snack | 30 Yr.-end auditor | | |
| 40 Comics cry of disgust | 31 Hot springs facility | | |
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- Chicago Cubs shortstop Starlin Castro set a record in 2010 for most RBIs in a major-league debut. How many did he have?
 - In 2011, Atlanta's Brian McCann became the second person in major-league history to have a pinch-hit, game-tying homer in the ninth and followed with a game-winning home run. Who was the first?
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 - Entering the 2011-12 season, Kentucky was the No. 1 team for total victories in Division I college basketball (2,052). Name three of the next five schools.
 - How many players reached the 100-point plateau in the NHL in the 2010-11 season?
 - Name the Russian superheavyweight Olympic weightlifter who won two gold medals and had a nine-year unbeaten streak (1970-78).
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- Answers**
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Florida shuts down Big Ten POY, will face top seed Baylor next

JOE MORGAN
Alligator Staff Writer

Florida can now turn its focus to Brittney Griner and No. 1 Baylor.

The Gators will face the nation's top team Tuesday after winning their first NCAA Tournament game since 2009.

"Brittney Griner is phenomenal," assistant coach Brenda Mock Kirkpatrick said. "She's almost an unstoppable machine."

Florida (20-12) will take on Griner, the Big 12 Player of the Year, after shutting down Ohio State's Samantha Prahalis, the Big Ten Player of the Year. The ninth-seeded Gators held Prahalis to just nine points and three assists in a 70-65 win against the eighth-seeded Buckeyes on Sunday in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Prahalis averaged 20.1 points and 6.4 assists per game prior to the NCAA Tournament, but Florida's defense shut her down after half-time, causing her to miss all six second-half shots.

"We knew that she was going to try to take over the game," Kirkpatrick said. "Just the feeling in our

kids' minds was, 'Look, [Prahalis] is going to come out on fire. We know we're going to have to check her.'"

Shutting down Prahalis helped minimize the effect of Buckeyes guard Tayler Hill, who led the Big Ten in scoring by averaging 20.3 points per game in the regular season.

"[Brittney Griner is] almost an unstoppable machine."

Brenda Mock Kirkpatrick
UF assistant coach

Hill scored a game-high 23 points on 9-of-15 shooting but disappeared down the stretch with just four points in the game's final nine minutes.

"They have two kids that average over 20 points, and we wanted to focus on them a little bit more than we normally just single out a couple of players on a particular team," Kirkpatrick said.

Hill scored her final four points and picked up an assist on a late 8-3 run by Ohio State that cut Florida's

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AP Photo

Coach Amanda Butler has the ninth-seeded Gators in the second round of the NCAA Tournament after Florida's 70-65 win against eighth-seeded Ohio State. UF will face undefeated Baylor on Tuesday.

Rosario enjoying different viewpoint this time around

JOHN BOOTHE
Alligator Staff Writer

OMAHA, Neb. — For 10 exhilarating days last year, Mike Rosario watched from afar as his teammates made a deep run in the NCAA Tournament.

Though he didn't travel with the Gators and was redshirting a season after transferring from Rutgers, seeing his teammates pile up victories late in March was something Rosario had always dreamed of.

He watched on TV as his fellow Gators coasted to a pair of early-round wins and ended BYU's season in a Sweet 16 nail-biter. The next round, however, Florida's ride through The Big Dance stopped abruptly in an Elite Eight overtime loss to Butler.

This season and this team feel different to Rosario.

Now eligible, he was on the court for both of UF's double-digit wins in Omaha, Neb., and scored 12 points off the bench Sunday during Florida's 84-

50 third-round win against No. 15 seed Norfolk State.

After helping the Gators rack up their two largest NCAA Tournament victories since the 2006-2007 national championship season, Rosario said he believes he and his teammates are on pace for an even bigger run than last year.

"We have more depth now and we can really make a big jump," Rosario said. "We just have to stay focused on the task at hand."

While their transition into the postseason has been anything but smooth — Florida lost four of its last five to remove some luster from its Selection Sunday resume — Rosario believes playing tournament-caliber teams this season has given the Gators an edge in single-elimination games.

"We went up against the best of the



Rosario

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END OF GREGULATION

Defense emerges at key time to help spur pair of blowouts

OMAHA, Neb.

Maybe Florida was just playing possum all season long.

The Gators were no better than average defensively all year, but they've turned it on when it matters most.

On Friday, UF held Virginia to just 0.71 points per possession, by far the lowest the Cavaliers have scored in a game this season.

Florida put on a similar display Sunday against Norfolk State, holding the upstart Spartans to just .59 points per possession before halftime. That figure helped UF put Norfolk in an impossibly large 28-point hole.

If UF's commitment to defense holds and the Gators maintain the kind of intensity they've shown in the first two NCAA Tournament games, this team has what it takes to make a run at a national title.

The Gators entered the Tournament with the classic profile of a team ripe to be upset in the early rounds.

Three-reliant Florida ranked third in the nation in offensive efficiency and just



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89th in defensive efficiency coming into Sunday, according to KenPom.com.

That profile is eerily similar to the trio of top-four seeds that got knocked off in the Tournament's

opening round.

Two-seed Duke (11th in offense, 66th in defense), two-seed Missouri (first in offense, 116th in defense) and four-seed Michigan (21st in offense, 59th in defense) were all three-reliant throughout the year, and each was handed a devastating opening-round upset.

So how did Florida avoid the fate of its oddly similar counterparts?

Defense.

In one respect, the sudden emergence was highly unlikely.

The five games after Florida lost Will Yeguete for the season with a broken foot were five of UF's seven worst of the season

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Quotable

"Not far enough. I want four more." (on Florida's win to earn berth in Sweet 16)

Patric Young
UF center

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UF Announces Basketball Ticket Information

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Freshmen Taylor Gushue (17) and Casey Turgeon (2) each hit solo home runs in Florida's 8-2 win against Vanderbilt on Sunday.

UF BASEBALL

Freshmen lead sweep of Vanderbilt

BRYAN HOLT

Alligator Writer

The No. 1 baseball team in the country started four freshmen in its lineup Sunday afternoon. This wasn't an exhibition or a midweek pushover — it was Florida against Vanderbilt with a sweep in the opening weekend of Southeastern Conference play on the line.

No one missed a beat.

"It's great that we can all be a part of this team and make an impact," freshman first baseman Taylor Gushue said. "It's just humbling that we get to do that."

Florida's lineup has become a running list of players who can contribute in a big way on any given day, and that was no different Sunday when the Gators (19-1, 3-0 SEC) overpowered the Commodores 8-2.

If the game was ever in doubt, it was early — very early. Vanderbilt (7-13, 0-3 SEC) had runners on first and third with one out in the top of the first before sophomore starter Jonathon Crawford fed Commodores shortstop Anthony Gomez a full-count, two-seam fastball that Gomez rolled into a 6-4-3 double play.

"[Crawford is] starting to believe that he's pretty good, and obviously we're going to need him," UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan said. "When we get (Karsten) Whitson back, I feel really good about our pitching staff."

It was the fifth inning by the time Vanderbilt got another baserunner in scoring position. Florida led 4-0 and Crawford was nearing the end of his scoreless five-inning outing — and still throwing 94 mph.

For offensive support, he needed to look no further than a couple of his young teammates. Freshmen infielders Gushue, Casey Turgeon and Josh Tobias all had hits in the game's first three innings. Gushue opened the scoring in the second with a solo homer that sailed over the right-field McKethan Stadium video board. After senior Preston Tucker notched his eighth long ball of the year in the third, Turgeon added Florida's

third blast of the game to lead off the fifth.

"I'll never be a power hitter," the 5-foot-9, 165-pound second baseman said. "I'll go up there looking for a good pitch and put the best swing I can on it."

Florida's Nos. 1-5 hitters complemented the freshman prowess by all recording an RBI against Vanderbilt. The Commodores started 2011 first-round pick Tyler Beede, who has now begun his college career 0-3 with a 7.71 ERA after being the only first-round pick to turn down the majors last year.

"I'll never be a power hitter. I'll go up there looking for a good pitch and put the best swing I can on it."

Casey Turgeon

UF second baseman

Junior relievers Steven Rodriguez and Austin Maddox weren't at their best for Florida but finished out the game's final four innings. Maddox ended a streak of 20 appearances without giving up a run when he allowed an RBI single to second baseman Andrew Harris in the ninth.

Florida did not commit an error all weekend and only walked three batters en route to defeating Vanderbilt by a combined score of 23-5.

"We're playing really well right now, solid defense," Gushue said. "I'm proud of everybody that's been a part of it."

The lone dark spot came on Friday night when senior center fielder Tyler Thompson injured his right knee while rounding first. O'Sullivan announced Sunday that Thompson has a torn ACL and will meet with doctors on Tuesday to decide the best option for treatment. Immediate plans have freshman Justin Shafer starting in left with senior Daniel Pigott shifting to center.

"I feel terrible," O'Sullivan said. "He's worked awfully hard to put himself in a great position, but we'll get together on Tuesday and see what all of our options are."

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Gators set sights on deep tourney run after eliminating Spartans

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Junior Kenny Boynton led all scorers with 20 points on 7-of-12 shooting after scoring just 10 points combined in Florida's past two games.

His biggest contribution may have come on the glass, as the 6-foot-2 guard pulled down a career-high eight rebounds, one of three Gators to reach that mark Sunday.

"I've never seen him rebound like that before," center Patric

Young said. "His rebounding probably got him a little fired up. Going in there and just tearing one down one time, he sees how it feels to be a big man and go in there and rip one down."

Young finished with just six points and four boards, playing 26 minutes. But his defense on Norfolk State center Kyle O'Quinn helped hold the Spartans big man to just four points and three boards one game after he exploded for 26 and 14 against Missouri.

Young said Florida wanted no

part of helping Norfolk State continue its Cinderella story.

"We came into this game with a mindset knowing that everyone



Young

was going to be cheering for the Cinderella team. Everyone is all about that: the underdog story," he said. "Everyone wants to see how far they can go — the George Masons, the VCU's, the teams like that.

"We don't want to be a part of

that team's run. We've just got to go out from the gate and let them know that we're not here to play around."

But both Young and reserve guard Mike Rosario, who contributed 12 points and two key offensive rebounds off the bench, said the Gators will not be satisfied with a trip to the Sweet 16.

"We want more and want to keep going as far as we can," Rosario said.

For the immediate future, more means No. 3 seed Marquette, which will be waiting for

Florida in Phoenix in the West regional semifinals after beating No. 6 seed Murray State on Saturday.

"It feels like we haven't really accomplished anything yet. We'd like to go further," Young said. "We're here to win. We're here to cut down nets. We're here to not just make it to the tournament.

"We're coming here to finish it strong, the best way we can, hopefully all the way to the end with a championship."

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George leads strong UF rebounding effort

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lead to 65-63.

It was the closest the game had been since UF took a 2-0 lead on a Jaterra Bonds layup 12 seconds into the game.

"At the end of the huddle I said, 'Look at me. We're going to win this. We got this,'" coach Amanda Butler said. "The looks I got back were very confident. At that moment, I had a sigh of relief, because the confidence in their eyes was undeniable."

Following the timeout, Jennifer George, who led the Gators with 16 points and six rebounds, took a pass from Azania Stewart in the paint and pivoted to her left for a layup. George's bucket proved decisive in the five-point victory against the Buckeyes, improving the Gators' record to 4-10 in games decided by six points or fewer.

"I commend Jennifer for continuing to shoot, continuing to attack," Kirkpatrick said. "She was getting bumped down there, and that's OK. That's what we wanted. A physical game always favors us."

Although Ohio State outscored Florida 42-30 in the paint, UF was much more efficient on the glass, outrebounding OSU 46-35.

The Gators, boosted by 20 offensive rebounds, outscored the Buckeyes 16-5 in second-chance points.

Ohio State had just six offensive boards, contributing to Florida's 81.3 defensive rebounding percentage — 18.2 percentage points higher than its season average.

"We knew that we would have the inside advantage," Kirkpatrick said.

After playing the underdog role against the Buckeyes, the Gators will do so again against Griner and the top-ranked Bears.

As one of the last four teams selected to the NCAA Tournament, Jones said Florida is motivated to pull a second upset Tuesday.

"Ohio State talked a lot about being disrespected (because of its low seeding)," Jones said. "But we felt disrespected, too."

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New contributors key Florida's wins

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best: Syracuse, Ohio State, Kentucky (three times) and Vanderbilt (twice)," he said. "We learned a lot from those games and now when it's most important, we are coming together and bonding as one to take that next step."

Coach Billy Donovan pointed to new contributors like freshman starter Brad Beal as well as bench players like Rosario and Casey Prather as a reason why Florida was able to make it back to the Sweet 16.

With Beal providing a steady 14 points in both the Virginia and Norfolk State wins, the Gators have also gotten a career-high 14 points from Prather on Friday, followed by Rosario's recent 5-of-7 shooting performance Sunday.

"It's been rewarding for them to have success," Donovan said. "You see them go through ups and downs for the season and every team goes through those, but it's been rewarding."

After scoring just three points against Virginia, Rosario had eight in the final 4:14 of the first half against Norfolk State.

Rosario nailed a 3-pointer with three seconds to play, giving Florida a 47-19 lead and all of the momentum going into halftime, Donovan said.

The 6-foot-3 guard also helped contribute to Florida's 48-31 advantage on the boards by hauling in two offensive rebounds, which led immediately to four Gators' points.

"I didn't tell Mike, 'Hey, listen we need you scoring,'" Donovan said. "When you're locked in those things can happen for you. ... He



AP Photo

Coach Billy Donovan pointed to the efforts of Brad Beal (14 points, nine boards) and Mike Rosario (12 points) as catalysts to UF's win.

gave us good contributions. I think in this tournament you have to have different guys step up at different

times."

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in terms of points per possession allowed.

By leaps and bounds UF's best defender, Yeguete gave the Gators a versatile player who could guard every position but center and be a menace at the top of the press.

But, with the surfacing of Casey Prather and the jelling of new rotations, Florida has been able to pressure opponents almost as effectively as it did with Yeguete in the lineup.

A switch to the press helped the Gators climb out of an early 10-2 hole against the Cavaliers, and a similar switch paved the

way for a 25-0 run against the Spartans on Sunday.

In another respect, Florida's suddenly strong play on defense can't be considered all that shocking. When the Gators have struggled this season, the lapses were blamed on effort and focus.

In the NCAA Tournament, where every game could be your last, it can't be too surprising that Florida has found its groove on the defensive end and avoided similar mistakes.

"We proved that the last two games against Virginia and [Sunday against Norfolk State] that we could play really great defense and if we lock in on those things

and come up with the loose balls and the rebounds," Patric Young said. "We need to keep that intensity up every game. Should've had that from the beginning of the season."

Maybe Brad Beal and Erving Walker are fighting through screens a little harder with so much on the line, and maybe Kenny Boynton is crashing the defensive glass with more passion.

His five defensive boards against Virginia tied a season-high, and his eight against Norfolk State set a new one, as well as a career-high.

A two-game sample against two average-at-best offensive teams isn't enough to

say Florida will be a defensive juggernaut the rest of the way.

But there's definitely reason to be more optimistic than before the Tournament began.

If the effort and intensity stay where they've been the past two games, there's no reason Florida can't overcome the curse of three-happy, offense-reliant teams.

"The motivation of knowing what's on the line and what's at risk if we lose, we have to do those things to continue our season," Young said. "If we do that and take care of those little things, we can keep going."

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UF SOFTBALL

Coyle, Haeger homer as patient Gators sweep Gamecocks

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Sometimes, it is best to play the waiting game.

Florida's ability to be patient is allowing the Gators to become an even more potent offensive threat.

Coach Tim Walton has stressed in practices this season the value of going after the right pitch. The result: a squad with the best ratio of walks-to-strikeouts in the Southeastern Conference. With a 1.1-to-1 ratio, the Gators are the only SEC team to have more walks than strikeouts.

"Walks are part of our game,"

Walton said. "Most people think we take a lot of pitches, but that's not the goal. The goal is to get you a good pitch early in the count, but if the team doesn't throw strikes, then don't chase. That's our M.O."

In Sunday's 7-3 win against South Carolina, Florida (26-2, 7-1 SEC) took its time to find the right pitches, and the wait was worth it. Sixteen of the 32 UF batters saw two-ball counts. Those 16 batters combined for four walks and three key hits: an RBI single, a home run and a double late in the game to put away South Carolina (19-12, 2-6).

Alyssa Bache started and pitched three scoreless innings

while Hannah Rogers closed things out for her 14th win of the season.

Sophomore Cheyenne Coyle demonstrated patience and power Sunday, hitting a homer and drawing a walk.



Coyle

"(We did better by) looking at strikes and taking balls," Coyle said. "When people try too hard, maybe that's when things mess up. It's hard to be patient and wait for your pitch, though. Some pitches look good, then they break, and then it's not the same pitch you saw. I think

definitely you have to keep your weight back and look for your pitch. You're bound to get it."

When Florida takes advantage of the right pitches, the results are impressive. The Gators have the second-most home runs in the SEC (34), the second-highest batting average (.332), and they have scored the second-most runs (183).

"That's what we've been working on since our first day of practice," Walton said when asked how difficult it is to wait for the right pitch. "It's definitely a discipline; I call it 'aggressively disciplined.' That's why we can hit some home runs, too."

A prime example of what com-

posure at the plate can do is junior Kelsey Horton, who leads the SEC with nine home runs and 29 RBI. Horton also has one of the best walk-to-strikeout ratios on the team with 1.2 walks for every strikeout. Freshman Lauren Haeger, who went 3 for 4 Sunday with a home run, has the highest ratio, drawing 2.4 walks for every strikeout.

"We have strong people on our team," Coyle said. "There are a lot of girls who can hit the ball; even our little tiny players have pop. But we're disciplined, and we go over everything in practice. And when we are not hitting as well, we can always play small ball to get those things going."

Florida faces tough trip out West vs. No. 1 USC

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In the midst of a Southeastern Conference slate described as brutal by coaches and players, Florida men's tennis team will travel to No. 1 USC, the three-time defending national champions.

While the Trojans (17-0) will put their 37-match home win streak on the line, the Gators will travel nearly 2,500 miles for their biggest challenge of the year.

The Gators scheduled a home-and-home against the Trojans and hosted them last spring, losing 4-3.

"I'm basically against going to the West Coast," coach Andy Jackson said. "I'm against going to L.A. because I think it's a lot of work for one match. But I really like the coach. I think that they

have a great team, and they were willing to come here first."

The trip comes with Florida sitting at 2-2 in SEC play, although both losses were 4-3 affairs. After losing close to Kentucky, UF would probably prefer working at home this week.

Instead, the Gators will face the Trojans, whose closest match this season was a 4-3 win against No. 2 Ohio State.

"It's not like I said, 'It's going to be great for us to go to back to L.A. when we've lost a tough one to Kentucky, and instead of taking a week off, let's go kill ourselves in L.A.,'" Jackson said. "Right now, I don't really feel like [the scheduling has] worked out well, but that's because of hindsight. Every decision looks bad if you lose."

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Hedberg leads UF women to repeat win; men finish third

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It's not every day that you hear about a freshman leading her team to victory. Camilla Hedberg did just that this weekend at home in the SunTrust Gator Women's Invitational.

After a steady start on Sunday, Hedberg went on to make two birdies against one bogey the rest of the way, giving her a round of 69 (-1). This was her second round under par as she recorded a three-day score of 208 (-2).

"I played pretty good today. I stayed very calm," Hedberg said. "I started with 11 pars in a row so it was kind of a boring round, but it was safe."

The freshman tied for second overall, which helped the Gators win their home tournament for the second year in a row with a team score of 864 (+24), beating Alabama by one stroke.

"It's one of the best fields we've played against here at our home tournament, and to beat Alabama by one down the stretch shows

determination," said Evan Jensen, who finished seventh. "We really prepared well, and it paid off."

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Evan Jensen

UF women's senior golfer

While the women were busy trying to repeat last season's win, the men were unable to bring home a win from Statesboro, Ga.

Florida finished tied for third at the Chris Schenkel Invitational after shooting 17-under (847). Alabama ran away with the tournament, finishing with four players in the top 5 en route to a 22-stroke victory.

"We're still learning and improving, although it can't happen quick enough after seeing what Alabama did out there this week," UF men's golf coach Buddy Alexander said. "That was an impressive display of golf."

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