

UF's women's tennis team won its third straight SEC championship this weekend. See story, page 13.



# Student walks away from crash



Brett Le Blanc / Alligator Staff

Louis M. Penque Jr. is helped to a stretcher by Alachua County Fire Rescue workers late Saturday. Penque lost control of his vehicle during an attempt to pass traffic while driving south on Southwest 62nd Street.

▶ HE CRASHED HIS CAR INTO A TREE ON SOUTHWEST 62ND BOULEVARD.

**TYLER JETT**  
 Alligator Staff Writer

Catherine Hooker crept toward the silver Mercury Sable, the one wrapped around the palm tree, and peeked inside Saturday night. The driver was alive, and moving, and talking.

"Just stay still until the paramedics arrive," said Hooker, whose father is an emergency room physician in Destin.

"That's probably the best advice I ever heard," said Louis M. Penque Jr., 20.

"Are you OK?" she asked.

"Weed is a magical drug," Penque responded, according to Hooker.

Soon after 10 p.m. Saturday, about five minutes after the crash, officers and paramedics responded to the scene at the entrance of Fairmont Oaks apartments, 316 SW 62nd Blvd. Paramedics freed Penque, who is listed as a student in the UF Phonebook, and he appeared healthy. Before he was told to lie on a stretcher, he laughed and raised both arms.

Gainesville Police spokeswoman Cpl. Angelina Valuri said the crash is still under investigation. Officers drew blood from Penque to see if he had used drugs Saturday night, and they are awaiting the results.

Before the crash, Hooker said she drove south on Southwest 62nd Street. The Sable sped toward her from behind, going 70 or 80 mph. When Penque reached Hooker's car, he veered left into the wrong lane.

The Sable tipped left, Hooker said, and Penque overcorrected. Now leaning

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# Architecture Computer Lab to close for summer

**MALLORY SCHINDLER**  
 Alligator Contributing Writer

The Architecture Computer Lab will be closed during the summer for renovations, but students taking summer classes will be able to go to the Computer Science and Engineering Computer Lab instead.

The Architecture Computer Lab's tablet computers will be moved to the CSE Computer Lab, which will be open 24 hours a day during the summer.

The Architecture Computer Lab will be reopened on the first day of Fall semester.

Renovation plans include upgrading the air conditioning system and lighting in the lab, said Adam Brown, operations manager for UF's Information Technology — Academic Technology Learning Spaces Support.

*"We don't have an unlimited budget ..."*

**Adam Brown**  
 operations manager for UF's information technology

Today is the last day for students to make suggestions for further renovations. Suggestions can be emailed to Brown at browad@ufl.edu.

"We don't have an unlimited budget, but if there is a student submission or we come across something we really like and we think will help the learning process in whatever way, we'll definitely try and make it happen," Brown said.

Abigail Figaro, a 19-year-old architecture sophomore, is no stranger to working through the night in the lab.

Figaro said the lab is inefficient because it doesn't have enough computers.

Rendering, a process used by architecture and design students to convert hand-drawn designs into digital designs, can take up to 12 hours. Figaro said that process would be more convenient if there were more computers to work on.

Air conditioning and lighting are the least of her concerns.

"If I had to make a list of things that I would want in the CIRCA Lab, that wouldn't even make the list."

## ADMINISTRATION

# Chairman of UF Board of Trustees resigns

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

The chairman of the UF Board of Trustees, Carlos Alfonso, announced his resignation Friday.

In a statement, Alfonso said he has withdrawn his application for reappointment, which would have needed approval from Gov. Rick Scott.

"I always considered myself an advocate for the students, and that's how I'd like to be remembered," Alfonso said Sunday.

Alfonso, who served under three governors, was a founding trustee in 2001

and was elected chairman last year. He said he didn't have any prior indication that the governor would not renew his appointment.

UF President Bernie Machen released a statement Friday afternoon wishing Alfonso well and noting the highlights of his 11 years on the board.

"He was instrumental in many of the university's greatest achievements during that period, including our increased tuition flexibility, significant progress in



Alfonso

innovation and the rapid growth of our campus research infrastructure," he said.

Alfonso, a UF graduate, said he has no plans to continue his involvement with higher education in Florida. He has a family and is a prominent architect in Tampa. He said it would be nice, after 11 years, to take a break.

However, Alfonso added, he loves UF and will always pay attention to what's going on at the university.

"I think it's part of my DNA," he said.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

## Helping Hands Clinic Clothing and Supply Drive

Today to Friday  
Boxes are in Library West (second floor) and the Health Science Library  
Helping Hands Clinic is a group of volunteers that provides care, food and clothing for the homeless in the Gainesville community. The group is collecting donations including clean, gently used clothing, personal hygiene items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, brushes), insect repellent and batteries. Drop off donations in boxes located on the second floor of Library West and in the Health Science Library. For more information, contact [speakersbureau.g4hh@gmail.com](mailto:speakersbureau.g4hh@gmail.com), and for more ideas visit [www.hhcg.org](http://www.hhcg.org).

## Le Guin &amp; Rome

Today, 6 p.m.  
Headquarters Library, 401 E University Ave.  
Classics professor Jennifer Rea will be discussing Le Guin's novel "Lavinia" which was inspired by Virgil's "Aeneid" and tells the story of Rome's foundation. For more information, visit [www.aclib.us/bigread](http://www.aclib.us/bigread).

## South Pacific

Phillips Center for the Performing Arts  
Today, 7:30 p.m.  
Set on a tropical island during World War II, Rodgers & Hammerstein's "South Pacific" tells the sweeping romantic story of two couples and how their happiness is threatened by the realities of war and by their own prejudices. This breathtaking new production of "South Pacific" is based on the 2008 Tony award-winning Lincoln Center Theater production, directed by Bartlett Sher. Student tickets are \$20. Visit [performingarts.ufl.edu](http://performingarts.ufl.edu) for more information.

## Saints Mouth Film Festival

Today, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.  
Boca Fiesta, Palomino Pool Hall and the Back Yard Bar, 232 SE First St.  
Come join the Santa Fe Film and Video Society for a night of student-made films. Admission is free.

## Earth Day Festival at Santa Fe College

Tuesday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Oak Grove at the Northwest Campus  
Saints for Sustainability and other student organizations will be hosting a free event to celebrate Earth Day. There will be sustainable arts and crafts and music to enjoy. Food will be available and catered by Moe's Southwest Grill, a restaurant that promotes business sustainability. Come out and enjoy the festivities under the beautiful Oak Grove. This event is sponsored by Santa Fe College's Student Government.

## FORECAST

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## Florida's Canid Curiosities:

**Exploring the Roles of Wolves through European Imaginings into American Wolfdog Breeding Practices**  
Tuesday, 11:45 a.m.

Turlington Hall, Room 3312  
This brown bag talk by Sarah Lewis Mitchem examines a selection of European stories featuring wolves and explores how these animals were perceived, often in contradictory ways. It also covers how they were re-conceptualized in the United States through wolf-dog breeding.

## Toastmasters Potluck

Tuesday, 5:45 p.m.  
Entomology Building, Room 1031  
Students and community members welcome. This is an open house with a potluck and an opportunity to ask questions about joining. Toastmasters provides a positive atmosphere to learn public speaking skills. For details, go to <http://talkinggators.toastmastersclubs.org>. Talking Gators is also on Facebook.

## Robotics Demos at UF

Wednesday, Noon to 4 p.m.  
NEB (Harris) Rotunda  
The robot demos will include a showcase of robots including a "Mars" Rover, a small Dune Buggy, an ATV, and previous national and international award winning robots (including a submarine and a lawnmower). There will be demonstrations of 10 or more robots built by students in this semester's Intelligent Machines Design Laboratory (IMDL) course. See [http://mil.ufl.edu/imdl/robot\\_info\\_s12.htm](http://mil.ufl.edu/imdl/robot_info_s12.htm) for more information.

## Opening Reception for the exhibit "Jewish Jacksonville"

Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
Smathers Library (East) Room 1A  
The exhibit features Jacksonville materials from the late 19th century through the end of the 20th century, from the Isser and Rae Price Library of Judaica and the George A. Smathers Libraries Special Collections. The reception features special guest Marcia Jo Zerivitz, who will speak about "Jewish Jacksonville within 250 Years of Florida Jewish History." Zerivitz is the founding executive director of the Jewish Museum of Florida and has been a leader in the organized Florida Jewish community for 50 years. She initiated the legislation for both a Florida Jewish History Month in

2003 and a Jewish American Heritage Month in 2006 to increase awareness of the contributions by Jews to the state and nation.

## Civic Media Center Big Read Booktalk

Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Civic Media Center, 433 S Main St.  
Join a group discussion about Le Guin books and her politics. For more information, visit [www.aclib.us/bigread](http://www.aclib.us/bigread).

## Entering and Leaving Fantasy's Wild Lands at Wild Iris Books

Friday, 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
Wild Iris Books, 802 W University Ave.  
Chat with fellow readers who love traveling into the fantastical worlds created by Le Guin. Readings by local authors and music by Dirty Fist will help celebrate the end of a month's worth of the Big Read in our community. Refreshments can be purchased at Café Colette. For more information, visit [www.aclib.us/bigread](http://www.aclib.us/bigread).

## Gay Movie Night – "Kickoff"

Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
Pride Community Center, 3131 NW 13th St.  
What happens when the hardest team in the Sunday Soccer league comes up against a gay team and finds it's finally met its match? A funny, sexy, high-energy and extremely gay British comedy. Gay Movie Night is the last Friday of each month and is a free service of the Pride Community Center of North Central Florida. A \$2 donation is requested to cover the cost of snacks.

## Got something going on?

Want to see it in this space? Send an email with "What's Happening" in the subject line to [emorrow@alligator.org](mailto:emorrow@alligator.org). To ensure publication in the next day's newspaper, please submit the event before 5 p.m. Please model your submissions after above events. Improperly formatted "What's Happening" submissions may not appear in the paper. Press releases will not appear in the paper.

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## ON CAMPUS

## First Swampfest rocks Flavet Field

**SHELBY WEBB**  
Alligator Writer

About 3,000 people gathered on Flavet Field on Saturday evening for Student Government Productions' first Swampfest.

Mac Miller, Rooney, Tokyo Police Club and RAC performed despite heavy rain.

SGP paid Mac Miller \$45,000; Tokyo Police Club \$35,000; Rooney \$17,500; and RAC \$10,000.

Jeff Schnier, chairman of SGP, said VISA and Reitz Union Board Entertainment also helped plan the festival.

"These bands are really chill," the 22-year-old accounting senior said. "They were chosen for that reason."

The last major concert held at Flavet was a 2010 Slightly Stoopid show, but it was cut short after the crowd grew aggressive.

Student Government spent \$35,000 on safety improvements to the band shell after that.

Police weren't worried about Swampfest.

"Number one, this is a totally different genre," said UPD Lt. William Gainey, who said he expected a laid-back crowd.

Thunder caused the show to be postponed at about 4:45 p.m., about the same time UF students Taylor Lilley, 18, and Brittany Yates, 19, arrived.

"I think we saw about six people," said Lilley, a natural resource conservation freshman.

UPD gave the go-ahead at about 5:30 p.m. A group of about 50 gathered, some huddled under umbrellas while others stood soaking in the rain. The weather cleared by about 7:30 p.m.

The crowd had reached about 2,500 people when Mac Miller took the stage at about 9 p.m.

Miller met briefly with Brian Autieri, 20, and another UF student after the show. Both won a meet-and-greet through SGP's Facebook page.

Autieri's birthday was the day before the concert, and he said this was one of the best presents he's ever gotten.

"I was so stoked," the philosophy sophomore said.

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Dana Burke / Alligator Staff

Mac Miller performs at Swampfest on Saturday night on Flavet Field.

## .. THIS WEEK in GAINESVILLE ..

**April 22, 1980:** UF police evacuate all floors except the ground floor of the Reitz Union after a threat of "disturbance" during a speech by Israeli Bible teacher Yitzhak Yitzhaki. A paper with "One kilowatt wide" and the date written on it was found in a box under the podium in the Rion Ballroom.

**April 22, 1985:** Graduate assistants have a new contract that includes a 6.5-percent pay increase and overtime procedures. The average graduate assistant earns about \$5,500 per year for teaching 10 to 20 hours a week. Ralph Turlington said that while some assistants work more hours than they are contracted for, it is difficult to say they are "overworked" because each person has different out-of-class habits.

**April 25, 1989:** A new cable channel that broadcasts news in foreign languages is introduced for international students and students taking foreign-language classes. "I've taken three years of Russian, and this is the only oral experience I get," said UF student Steve Kraus.

**April 23, 2003:** The University Writing Program is created to standardize courses critical to professional development. The program plans to expand during the next five years to include graduate courses, undergraduate disciplinary writing courses and faculty workshops. Students will be able to try the classes this year, but eventually they will be required to take a writing course at UF before graduating. This program is separate from the English department.

**April 26, 2006:** Student Government uses \$6,278 of students' tuition to fund the SG end-of-the-year banquet. To cover the additional costs for the banquet, organizers used both outside revenue and student money designated for SG elections. Items purchased for the banquet include a \$350 chocolate fountain, \$625 round table linens and \$666 chocolate gators.

— RAVEN PRITCHETT

# InsideUF

Your campus news source

## Gators get a lift when needed

University of Florida students and others with physical challenges or injuries need not struggle to get across campus. The Gator Lift service is available to take students, staff and faculty with any mobility challenges to their on-campus destinations.

The service, which is part of the department of transportation and parking services, runs from 7 a.m. until 11 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays and break weeks when hours are 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Three shuttles each accommodate 13 to 15 passengers, including two positions for wheelchairs.

Eric Zamora/UF Photography



Gator Lift Supervisor Lynn Hervey assists Antonio Dowels, a senior in sports management, as he leaves the Springs Residential Complex.

The shuttle picks up any student or employee who has a permanent or temporary disability that keeps them from getting around campus with "no questions asked," said Ron Fuller, assistant director for transportation and parking services.

There is no charge for the service. It is funded through the Student Traffic Court and partially from the transportation access fee and the transportation and parking services budget.

The shuttles can be used in place of RTS buses, which also can transport students in wheelchairs but are slowed down when they have to utilize the lift.

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The shuttle service also meets students at any location on campus. They can come directly to the residence halls, classroom buildings or a rider's car so they don't have to meet the shuttle at a stop as they would for a bus. To schedule a ride, a rider just submits his or her schedule on the Gator Lift web page: <http://www.parking.ufl.edu/subpages/gatorlift.html>.

Gator Lift Supervisor Lynn Hervey has been working with the service since 2002. For her, driving the shuttle is a pleasure. She says the Gator Lift mission is to help people.

"My favorite thing is the appreciation everyone has for us," she said. "That's very rewarding."

By Jensen Werley

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### Midnight run this week

The sixth annual Midnight Fun Run starts at 11:59 p.m. Wednesday at Gate 2 of the O'Connell Center and consists of a 5K run or 1.5 mile walk through campus.

The event is open to anyone with a Gator 1 Card and one guest. For more information, contact Jessica Gates at 352-273-2414 or [JessicaG@recsports.ufl.edu](mailto:JessicaG@recsports.ufl.edu).

### Dance showcase Sunday

Danza's Spring Showcase by UF's student-run dance company will be performed at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Phillips Center for Performing Arts. The student-choreographed show will include contemporary, hip hop, and jazz dancing, one musical theater number, and guest performances.

The event is free and open to the public.

### Final edition

This is the last edition of the print version of InsideUF for the spring semester. News about UF can be found at [www.insideuf.ufl.edu](http://www.insideuf.ufl.edu). Items should be sent to [insideuf@ufl.edu](mailto:insideuf@ufl.edu).

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### UF Calendar of Events

For a listing of events, or to submit an event to the calendar, click "UF Calendar" at [www.insideuf.ufl.edu](http://www.insideuf.ufl.edu).

# Fire damages several apartments at Arbor Park on Friday

► THE CAUSE IS UNKNOWN.

**TYLER JETT**

Alligator Staff Writer

When Terry Sullivan woke up Friday morning, he was optimistic. He was going to look for a job early in the day and then watch his sister get married.

Sullivan, 28, said he worked as a driver for Nationwide Insurance until he was fired on April 16. On Friday morning, he applied at Mister Paper Office Supply and Molly and Friends Premium Handmade Cat Furniture.

He stopped by his home in Arbor Park apartments, then drove to the courthouse to watch his sister get married. He arrived too late. At about 10:30 a.m., about five minutes after he showed up at the courthouse, Sullivan received a call: His apartment was on fire.

The cause of the fire at 309 SW 16th Ave. was unknown late Friday, said Gainesville Fire Rescue District Chief Pat Lewis. Two neighbors had to leave their apartments on ladders from their windows, and firefighters rescued several dogs.

Lewis said the department received a call about the fire at about 10 a.m. The Red Cross was called to the complex to help people living in apartments damaged by the fire.

Sullivan said the fire couldn't have started at the stove. It just couldn't have. He moved the stove this morning when he dropped a \$5 bill, but he double-checked the whole apartment before he left. Electronics, lights, appliances — they were all off, he said.

"I lost everything," he said, sitting by a curb in the apartment complex. "Baby clothes, my flat-screen TV. I lost everything. It's kind of hard to explain. ... What a bad way to end the week."

He lived at the apartment with his wife, Danielle, and two sons, but nobody was home when the fire started. Danielle was at work, he said. His 9-month-old was with Terry's mother, and his 3-year-old was at Sidney Lanier School.

Matthew Horler, 24, stood on the curb near Sullivan on Friday morning wearing a red robe and black sneakers. Horler said he moved into the apartment a few weeks ago.

He works the graveyard shift at the Alachua County Sheriff's Office's Combined Communications Center, where co-workers often receive calls from people reporting fires like the one at Arbor Park.

He was preparing for bed when he smelled smoke. He checked his kitchen. Nothing. Then, he opened his front door and craned his neck into the hall.

"It was like staring in ink," he said. "Couldn't see a thing."

He heard fire trucks, so he opened his living room window and yelled. A firefighter came with a ladder.

Tural Akhmedov, a 23-year-old chemistry graduate student at UF, also needed a ladder to escape. He was sleeping when he heard his fire alarm screech Friday morning. He thought it a mistake. He unhooked the alarm and hopped back in bed.

About five minutes later, he said, the alarm went off again. He doesn't know how. This time, he heard firefighters. He opened his bedroom



Brett Le Blanc / Alligator Staff

Evee, an Australian shepherd, and Cookie, a Chihuahua, wait outside of Arbor Park Apartments while Gainesville Fire Rescue workers inspect damage caused by a fire at on Friday morning.

door and was greeted by thick fog.

Firefighters broke his window and stuck a ladder inside, and he climbed down. Neither Horler nor Akhmedov was injured.

Back on the curb, Sullivan kept thinking about what was gone. No

clothes. No money. No food — they just bought groceries, he said.

"I know I didn't leave the stove on," he said. "I know I didn't. I know I didn't leave the burners on. I know. I know."

As he sat, Sullivan held the sides

of his head. He kept his eyes toward the ground, toward his high-top Chuck Taylors.

They had flames painted on them.

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# Biannual book sale draws hundreds to Saturday opening

## The sale will run through Wednesday

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Alligator Contributing Writer

As staff opened the doors to the Friends of the Library Book Sale, people flooded the warehouse carrying empty cardboard boxes.

Soon, they had to side-step through aisles, and many reached over their neighbors' shoulders toward shelves packed with books.

About 750 people waited outside the Friends of the Library's book warehouse at 430 N. Main St. Saturday morning for its biannual book sale. The sale will go through Wednesday.

Sarah Harrison, publicity chair for Alachua County Friends of the Library, said opening day is always the busiest.

"They start lining up from Thurs-

day evening," Harrison said. "At 10 this morning, you couldn't walk in here."

The first Friends of the Library book sale held in 1954 raised \$80. Harrison said Friends of the Library now makes between \$140,000 and \$160,000 through the five-day sale.

Ann Hemme, co-chairwoman of the book sale, said the organization raised about \$110,000 during Satur-

day and Sunday's sale.

"It's the largest book sale in the Southeast," Harrison said. "It's really sort of a phenomenon."

Harrison said the sale typically has about 500,000 items, including books, magazines and records.

Hemme said the number of items dropped a bit from last semester's sale.

Sarah Yost, a 24-year-old book sale volunteer, said her parents have been volunteering with the book sale for 25 years, and they often brought Yost and her two younger brothers

to the sale.

"We used to sit cross-legged underneath the table and read Betty and Veronica comics," Yost said. "Loving books is kinda more in my blood."

Jamie Fisher, a 20-year-old Chinese and linguistics sophomore at UF, said she enjoys the cheap prices, but the unexpected nature of the book sale is what keeps her coming back year after year.

"You come not knowing what you're going to get," Fisher said.

## UF lighting design program draws focus offstage

► THERE ARE FIVE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM.

SUMMER BENSON

Alligator Contributing Writer

In the sea of more than 50,000 students at UF, five students are enrolled in a unique program very few universities have access to.

UF's Master of Fine Arts lighting design program is one of just a handful of universities that looks at lighting as a technique to be used beyond the theater stage, said third-year MFA lighting design student Bryan Lussier.

"There are a lot of programs that focus on theater and only theater," said Lussier, 28. "What makes UF's program very unique is that we're involved in the museum lighting, we're involved with architectural lighting."

Essentially, UF examines the next step of lighting, which makes people think about the environments they're in, Lussier said.

The program is headed by professor Stan Kaye, whose background spans

more than 30 years of experience in both academia and the lighting industry.

The aim of the program is to bring theater lighting to the masses while maintaining a focus on the fundamentals of lighting design.

Students in the three-year program practice lighting design in a variety of settings in order to gain experience outside of theater production.

Several students recently worked with Kaye and Luxam's lighting company to develop and install a customized lighting system in the new Cofrin Asian Art Wing at the Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art.

"We look at how science and art work so we can try to understand how our art is interpreted by the population," Lussier said.

He said the program is about pushing the art forward in an age when people are constantly looking down at their phones instead of looking at the world around them.

"When we talk about innovation, entrepreneurship, international work and the fusion of art and science and technology, this is it," Kaye said.

LOCAL

## Santa Fe club competes in NASA rocket-building competition Sunday

JULIA GLUM

Alligator Writer

Eight months of 13 Santa Fe College students' hard work went up in the air Sunday morning. That's exactly where they wanted it.

"We were screaming, jumping up and down, and then we realized, 'Oh, wait — we have to wait for it to come down safely,'" said LaNiece O'Steen, 27, an engineering student and president of Santa Fe College's Engineering Club.

The Gainesville group joined 41 other teams in Huntsville, Ala., for NASA's University Student Launch Initiative. The competition encourages students to design, build and launch a reusable rocket, according to its website.

Participating universities included UF, Pennsylvania State University and the University of Notre Dame. This was Santa Fe's first year competing.

"A lot of people don't really see us as competition when it comes to things like this," O'Steen said. "So it's really fun to get to work with [them] and to get to interact with the other teams."

The Santa Fe team consisted of 13 students, two advisers and one mentor. They wrote a proposal last fall and were accepted.

Since then, the team has been passing mile-

stones such as a preliminary design review and a flight readiness review. They created more than 500 pages of documents. NASA engineers reviewed their plans via video conference, O'Steen said.

The final product was a 9-foot-8 rocket weighing 37.8 pounds. A graphic that looked like water wrapped around its bottom half, fading into white and displaying the Santa Fe logo.

*"The flight was just about perfect."*

Jimmy Yawn  
team mentor

The launch went well, said Jimmy Yawn, the team's mentor. To see it in the air was a relief because there were so many aspects that could have gone wrong, he said.

"The flight was just about perfect," Yawn said.

The team's rocket didn't reach the required one-mile height. It fell about 700 feet short at 4,539 feet, O'Steen said.

The Santa Fe students hope to return next year anyway. O'Steen said the growth of the team since August has been amazing. Yawn echoed that statement.

"Every one of them is smarter than I am," he said, "but I try not to let on."

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## Crash occurred at Fairmont Oaks apartments entrance

CRASH, from page 1

right, the car rolled down a ditch. It dragged forward against the grass. Then it hit a bump and caught air.

The car crashed into the palm tree at the entrance of Fairmont Oaks. The tree split in the middle. The passenger's side of the Sable ripped open.

"If someone were on the other side of the car, he would have been dead," said GPD Sgt. David Blizzard.

Tony McCloud, 24, was at Hamp-ton Oaks Apartments, about a quarter mile north of the crash, when it happened. It sounded like a bomb, he said.

After the crash, Hooker said she checked on Penque. He leaned against the tree trunk, which now juttied between the driver's and passenger's front seats. He was laughing.

Penque asked for his iPhone, which lay on the road next to the wrecked car. Hooker handed it to him, thinking he would call 911. Instead, he snapped pictures of himself. When officers arrived, Hooker said, he threw the phone at one of them.

After a rescue team freed Penque, he stood, laughing. A group of about 15 watched from a ditch next to the crash, conflicted about the proper response. Some laughed. Others asked if they should cheer. Paramedics carted him to an ambulance.

An hour later, the top half of the palm tree stretched across the exit of Fairmont Oaks. Glass sprinkled the road. Other parts of the Sable were spread throughout the entrance.

Then there was the car's license plate. It was a vanity plate. Proceeds went to the Police Benevolent Association.

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Alachua County Fire Rescue workers attempt to free Louis M. Penque Jr. from his car late Saturday. A witness said Penque attempted to pass her while traveling about 70 to 80 mph on Southwest 62nd Street.

## Editorial

### Campaign Conundrum How SG election codes can be fixed

Last week, the UF Supreme Court ruled that the SG election codes do not prevent campaign-like activities throughout the year.

The code in question states, "Campaigning begins on the first day of the active election cycle."

On Thursday, we discussed the implications for student free speech if this code were interpreted to mean that campaigning could only occur during the brief election cycle leading up to each election.

Fortunately, the UF Supreme Court clarified this rule in favor of student free speech. However, the Student Senate also has the chance to clarify these codes in the upcoming months.

We strongly advise the Senate to not amend the codes to restrict campaign activity during off-election periods for reasons given in our editorial last week.

We also advise the Student Senate to amend code 762.0, which requires that all campaign material have the label "Registered Political Advertisement."

First, we believe this code is way too proactive. By this, we mean that the code is attempting to remedy a problem that may not even exist.

The code seeks to prevent the distribution of fraudulent campaign material by ensuring that the material has been approved by someone in each party and registered as official campaign material with the Supervisor of Elections.

However, election codes 762.11, 762.12 and 762.13 already prohibit misrepresentations of facts and falsely attributed material to candidates or parties who did not authorize that material.

Therefore, we believe the codes that govern the election process should be retroactive. In other words, code violations involving the distribution of false information should only be addressed when they occur.

This does not mean that candidates and parties cannot still oversee and approve materials promoting their candidates or their party.

However, it prevents the Elections Commission from giving code violations to candidates or parties for forgetting to put "Reg. Pol. Ad." in a Facebook post about the election.

Essentially, we propose that code 762.0 be removed from the election codes to let the parties self-regulate their campaign material.

If one party charges another with the distribution of false material, the problem can be solved through hearings and, if need be, a ruling by the UF Supreme Court.

We also want to remind members of SG that there is not only an Elections Commission to address these sorts of disputes, but there is also a press that can bring to light any misrepresentations and false materials distributed by either party.

Those running for office also have access to the Internet to help address possible falsifications.

While being proactive in preventing fraud sounds like a noble cause, the costs to student free speech during SG elections greatly outweigh the benefits of this type of rule.

## Reader response

**Today's question:** Did you go to Swampfest?

**Friday's question:** Have you ever had sex on campus? **52% YES**  
**48% NO**

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## Column

### Now's the time to find your passion

During my four years at UF, I've learned that if you find a passion, learn how to fail and surround yourself with the best people, you will set yourself up for an unforgettable college journey that will set you up for success in life.

When I got to UF, I was passionate about political science — or so I thought. I was in denial that the lack of any numbers in my class bothered me, but I still enjoyed talking about political issues, so I switched to economics. I have tried to be passionate about many subjects that I've merely liked, but you can't fake it to yourself forever.

There is a giant gap between passion and drive, and when I realized that drive was what was getting me through most of my higher-level math classes on the way to graduate school, I stopped and changed course even though I had no idea which way to go. After walking around in Library West and picking out interesting books from the shelves, I discovered that I was seriously in love with investing and personal finance. If you aren't reading articles from your major just for fun and for the pure enjoyment of learning more, you are in the wrong major and should change now.

Please do not waste time pretending that biology is your long-lost love or that you were meant to write journal articles because that's what successful people do. Find what you like to learn about, and don't settle for anything less.

Failure has been a major theme in my UF career. We need to stop thinking about failure as a terrible thing. Failure can be productive: You either overcome it or redirect your course. In high school, I did really well because it was a protected and structured world with controllable variables and predictable outcomes. All of a sudden, I was at a university with 50,000 people and had no one to compete against but myself. After going through a half-dozen career paths in my head, I finally found a great job at an investment company. A major reason why I finally found something exciting is that I applied for countless scholarships,



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internships, grad programs and funded travel that rejected me. Please don't be afraid of rejection. It's not fun to fail, but in the real world you will have plenty of successes and failures; having a high volume of rejections just means you are spinning the wheels of thought and opening yourself up to lots of great opportunities. Please apply for that program or job you are thinking about right now.

You should also shoot to surround yourself with people who are honest, wholesome and smart. If you look for the group that will go to Grog with you every night drinking, you will leave UF with little to talk about except stories about alcohol. There's a lot to be said for having a great time with friends and having some beers, but don't let the worst parts of UF's culture consume you. When you party, if you're still able to talk about something from class or an interesting story in the news, you've found a great group of people that are actually interested in you. The top students here are every bit as good as those anywhere in the country, so choose wisely.

I am so proud that I will be able to say very soon that I'm a graduate of UF. I've been sheltered from the harsh realities of the world for the past four years and am about to roll into full gear. I've been given the opportunity of a lifetime by being able to graduate with an awesome education from inside and outside the classroom.

Cherish your time at UF. Don't be afraid to search for what keeps you up late at night thinking, and don't worry about failing a bunch on the way there. With good people by your side, you'll go far.

Go Gators!

Travis Hornsby is a statistics and economics senior at UF. His column appears on Mondays.

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

## Letter to the Editor

### University should have stepped up after death of student

This is a call to the UF president, provost and dean of students.

I'm severely disappointed in how the university dealt the recent death of Michael R. Edmonds Jr.

As the news broke, I sat in my residence hall refreshing Twitter feeds to verify the rumored death. The awful news led to a conversation with a fellow student.

We spoke about being a part of a prestigious university that holds its morals to high standards (seen in the fast response to hazing earlier in the semester). We just knew that we were going to receive some sort of official communication in the following hours, affirming that the university saw this as an important issue that emotionally affected a lot of students, even if they didn't personally know Michael. But the email never came.

UF has to be a stronger force against the thoughts or actions of suicide. The failure to communicate the news from the university's point of view takes away from the gravity of the issue at hand. A student with suicidal thoughts might feel as though his or her suicide would also go unmentioned as this one did.

There exists a divide between students who believe this happens all the time and those who believe it rarely happens. This is why I feel that the university needs to address student suicides with as much urgency as any other threat to student safety.

Daniella Saetta

*Environmental engineering sophomore*

## Guest column

# Students should encourage representatives to return budget control to administrators

**B**efore signing any petition or showing up to any rallies during the next few weeks, inform yourself. People throughout UF are wasting too much effort in fruitless endeavors.

Yes, UF is facing a budget cut that will affect some departments, faculty and staff. Tuition will likely continue to increase toward the national average. Despite the great uncertainty surrounding the administration's decisions, you can still do something, though it will take more than a Facebook post or a signature on a petition. There are many things at stake in these last weeks of the semester: the quality of your education, your career prospects and the livelihood of your faculty and staff.

Half-baked attempts to mobilize the Student Body will do more harm than good for what could be (and should be) an important movement against political meddling in our university system. There is no "flagship" department at UF. There is no point in jumping the gun before proposed cuts are announced. There is no sense in putting out incomplete information that will misinform and fractionalize student support.

What we need is a coordinated effort among the students and departments, the involvement of parents and supporters of the university and the attention of the media and state representatives. We have organizations capable of such coordination. Let's put them to use and create a solid movement.

First and foremost, the faculty and the Student Body need to realize that their efforts should be directed toward Florida politicians. This budget cut has been handed down with little or no input from UF faculty, staff and administration — partisan politics is responsible for the cuts. The administra-

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Speaking Out

tion can mitigate some of the impact by "trimming the fat" in a few areas, but it cannot seize many of the daily operations or contractual obligations it has.

There is little "fat" in this university. All efforts to make it leaner will ultimately fall short of meeting the budget cut, primarily because there really is little to cut, but also because the immediate actions that can be undertaken will have little impact; some of the actions that could have greater impact will not produce effects until next year.

Administrators face the most difficult task of all: keeping the university running while trying to protect every job they can. It is not as simple as cutting back on landscaping to save a handful of staff positions. It is true that some departments have more staff and service fewer students while others teach more classes but produce less research. How does one assess the value of a department, faculty member or staff member uniformly? There are very tough choices to be made in the coming days and the faculty, staff and administrators have been deliberating for weeks, if not months, on what to cut and from where to cut it. The Student Body should give credit where credit is due and place blame where it truly belongs.

Everyone in the state of Florida needs to realize that this is not a "public" university, per se. UF receives 20 to 25 percent of its budget from the state, despite being its "flagship" university; the rest comes from private sources.

One would understand the lack of oversight if the majority of the funding came from the state, but it is ridiculous to think

partisan politics are affecting university operations under the current budget allocation. Administrators could explore the options of making the university a fully private entity to untether it from unjust political oversight, but the South needs another Harvard like Florida needs a polytechnic university.

Parents and students are the ones caught between a rock and a hard place in this scenario because privatizing the university would incur greater tuition increases despite the ability to attract better professors and attain higher national standing and prestige. The solution is to kick politics out of higher education.

On one hand, it is too late to do anything about the state budget — it has already passed. On the other, it is never too late to do the right thing. Faculty should teach the courses that are most in demand so the university can maximize the state credit it merits. Administrators should seek innovative funding strategies to wean the university off state support. Students should organize a massive letter-writing campaign targeting their local representatives and Gov. Scott to tell them that, despite party lines, you will not vote for them until they return control of the university to our administrators by restoring the budget allocation.

Remind them Florida is always a swing state and presidential elections are right around the corner. Citizens control politics by making politicians accountable for decisions through the power of the vote. Let's send them a clear message: Meddle in our future by trying to alter our education, and we will meddle in yours during the next election.

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**Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle**

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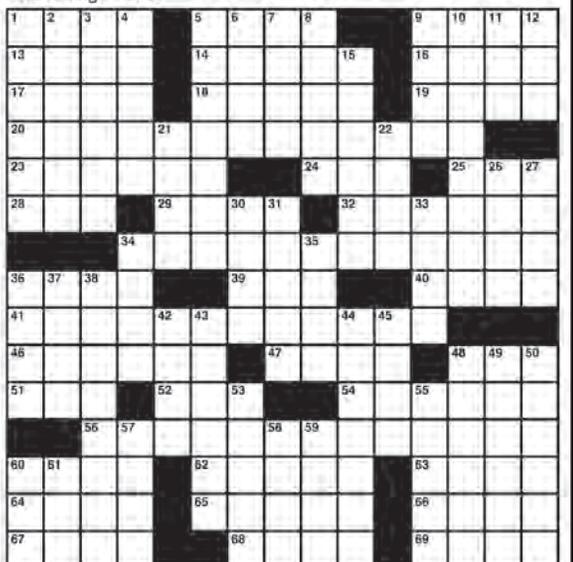
- ACROSS**  
1 Get really high  
5 Overhaul  
9 Archipelago unit  
13 Six-sided shape  
14 Captain's "Hold it!"  
16 Corrosive liquid  
17 Gillette razor brand  
18 Do a two-step, say  
19 Broadway award  
20 Providence native, for one  
23 Spectacular failure  
24 Nutritional fig.  
25 Writer LeShan  
28 Part of PST: Abbr.  
29 Saintry glow  
32 Marries in secret  
34 Skipped the saddle  
36 Cathedral niche  
39 Hot brew  
40 Wedding vows  
41 Steered the skiff beachward  
46 Tentacle  
47 Petrol station name  
48 Juan Carlos, to his subjects  
51 RR terminus  
52 Prime rib au  
54 "From the halls of Montezuma" soldier  
56 Crosby/Hope film  
60 Visibly wowed  
62 "Vacation" band, with "The"  
63 Baseball stitching  
64 Kate, to Petruccio, eventually  
65 China's Zhou  
66 "La Douce"  
67 Well-protected  
68 Desires  
69 Armchair quarterback's channel
- DOWN**  
1 Eats, with "up" or "down"  
2 Bat for a higher average than

- 3 Overseas  
4 Curls up with a book  
5 Commercial on AM or FM  
6 Actresses Gabor and Longoria  
7 Frontiersman Boone, familiarly  
8 Hollywood award  
9 "Musta been something"  
10 Scrabble sheet  
11 Surprise 2012 New York Knick standout  
12 Joseph of ice cream fame  
15 Painfully sensitive  
21 Off-the-wall effect  
22 Chip's partner  
26 Geometric art style  
27 Raises a question  
30 "Panic Room" actor Jared  
31 More than chubby  
33 Off-Broadway award  
34 Fishing line holder  
35 Sighs of relief  
36 Barking sounds
- 37 One writing verse  
38 Quit cold turkey  
42 \_vu\_: familiar feeling  
43 Plod  
44 Diffusion of fluids, as through a membrane  
45 Thunderous noise  
48 Potato presses  
49 Pitch a tent  
50 Naval petty officer
- 53 Full of rocks  
55 Riveter painted by Rockwell  
57 Architectural S-curve  
58 Eye lasciviously  
59 Sound of suffering  
60 "How cute!" sounds  
61 Italian actress Scala

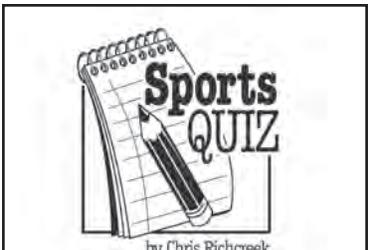
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By Bonnie L. Gentry and Victor Fleming  
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- by Chris Richcreek
- Name the first center fielder to lead the American League in home runs for three consecutive years.
  - Who played the most major-league games with only one team: Stan Musial, Cal Ripken Jr. or Carl Yastrzemski?
  - When was the last time before 2010 that San Diego State's football team won a bowl game?
  - How many head coaches have won an NBA championship in the past 25 seasons (1987-2011)?
  - Who was the last goaltender before St. Louis' Brian Elliott in the 2011-12 season to allow two or fewer goals in each of his first 12 games?
  - What team holds the Major League Soccer record for best goal differential for a season?
  - Who was the first president of the Pro Bowlers Association?

**Answers**  
1. Ken Griffey Jr., 1997-99.  
2. Yastrzemski (3,308) tops Musial (3,026) and Ripken (3,001).  
3. It was 1969 (the Pasadena Bowl).  
4. Eight — Phil Jackson (11), Gregg Popovich (four), Pat Riley (three), Chuck Daly (two), Rudy Tomjanovich (two), Larry Brown (one), Rick Carlisle (one) and Doc Rivers (one).  
5. Boston's Frank Brimsek in 1938-39.  
6. The Los Angeles Galaxy had a plus-41 goal differential in 1998.  
7. Don Carter, in 1958.

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## UF women's tennis captures third straight SEC championship Men lose to Ole Miss in semifinals

**ELI MARGER**  
Alligator Writer

For a brief time Sunday, Georgia looked like it might actually beat Florida.

Even after the Gators won the doubles point and the first singles point, the Bulldogs took the first set on four of the remaining five singles courts. All they had to do was hold on.

*"It feels great, and in particular because of the match we just played."*

**Roland Thornqvist**  
UF women's tennis coach

They didn't, and the Gators (21-1) came up with clutch points all over the court en route to their third straight Southeastern Conference championship, defeating the No. 7 Bulldogs 4-1.

"It feels great, and in particular because of the match we just played," coach Roland Thornqvist said. "That was the SEC's finest right there, the two best teams in the league without a doubt. It was high-level tennis from start to finish. I think once again our fitness proved to perhaps make a little bit of a difference." After Joanna Mather defeated Georgia's Nadja Gilchrist 6-4, 6-4, the Gators took a 2-0 lead in the match. But four Gators dropped their first sets, including both No. 1 Allie Will and No. 10 Lauren Embree. Holding all four leads would have given the Bulldogs (21-4) the win, but the two-time defending conference champions fought back.

Especially impressive was Embree, who won her second set against No. 7 Chelsey Gullickson, a player who has given Florida fits in the past. In the decisive third set, down 4-3, Embree was able to break Gullickson twice to tie the set at five. The junior then put her foot down, winning the final two games to win the set and the match, giving Florida a 3-1 lead.



UF Communications

Florida's women's tennis team poses for a photo after winning its third straight Southeastern Conference Championship on Sunday by beating Georgia 4-1 in Oxford, Miss.

"It's a testament to our players to have the fitness to be able to compete for four hours and then continue to make good decisions and put the ball where it needs to be at the end of these three-set matches," Thornqvist said.

After that, it was up to junior Caroline Hitimana to hold her third-set lead. She did, winning 7-5, 4-6, 6-4 to clinch the match and the championship for the Gators. It was the third straight and eighth in 10 years for the most dominant program in SEC women's tennis history. The Gators have won the SEC Tournament 18

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### GYMNASTICS

## Hunter wins vault title, Florida comes up short at Super Six

**LONDON WATNICK**  
Alligator Writer

Despite the Gators' heartbreaking loss to Alabama at the Super Six, they found some redemption this weekend in Kytra Hunter.

The freshman became Florida's second consecutive NCAA Vault Champion after averaging a 9.875 on two routines at the individual event finals on Sunday in The Arena at Gwinnett Center in Duluth, Ga.

Last year, Marissa King won with the same average. Hunter's win is the fourth in UF history, as Susan Hines claimed the vault title in both 1997 and 1998.

Hunter earned a 9.95 for her more difficult Yurchenko one and a half — the vault she's competed all season — on her first routine. On her second vault (9.8), she had trouble perfecting a Yurchenko full, which requires a back handspring with a full twist onto the table.

Regardless, both scores were enough to give Hunter the vault win.

"I don't train it at all," Hunter said. "But in the last week, we've been doing one or two. I'm really scared of that (Yurchenko full) vault. I just went out there and did whatever I could — just glad that I could win first place."

The vault title wasn't the only individual championship Hunter earned this weekend. At the evening session of semifinals on Friday, Hunter picked up the NCAA all-around title with a 39.725, becoming the first Gator ever to do so.



Hunter

"For her to come away with the vault title is really something special for her to add to her all-around title," coach Rhonda Faehn said. "She went out there and did exactly what she wanted to do in one vault. Her first vault was gorgeous once again and then for her to come out and do the second

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## Gators take second straight ALC title with win over 'Cats

UF WON 8-7 ON SATURDAY.

**JOSH JURNOVOY**  
Alligator Writer

It was an even more daunting task the second time around, but the Gators found a way again.

A year and a week after upsetting Northwestern to take its first American Lacrosse Conference regular season championship, Florida did it again by winning somewhere not many other teams do.

The No. 5 Gators (15-2, 5-0 ALC) defeated the top-ranked Wildcats (14-1, 4-1 ALC) 8-7 on Saturday at Lakeside Field in Evanston Ill., snapping the Wildcats' 20-game home winning streak. Northwestern's last

loss at home came during the 2010 season, when it fell 18-16 to North Carolina.

"It's a great confidence booster," coach Amanda O'Leary said. "They're a tough team to beat at home. On the road at their place it's even more difficult."

**UF Lacrosse**

It was Northwestern's first loss to an ALC opponent in Evanston since March 23, 2003, when it lost to Ohio State 14-4. Dating back to 2005, Northwestern has just three losses to conference opponents. Two of them have come against Florida.

Junior attacker Gabi Wiegand scored the game-winning goal and

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### Parsons goes off against Heat

Former Florida forward Chandler Parsons scored a team-high 23 points Sunday, but his Houston Rockets fell 97-88 to the Miami Heat.

### Gators take series with 'Dawgs

Florida needed nearly all of its bullpen and a three-run shot from Daniel Pigott to take the series over Georgia. See story, page 15.

### Every comes close to first PGA Tour win

Matt Every, a former UF golfer, finished second Sunday at the Texas Valero Open, two shots back of winner Ben Curtis (-9). Every held the first-round lead after opening with a course-record 63.

## Teams could meet again in ALC Tournament this week

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finished with a game-high four points (two goals, two assists).

"It's amazing," Wiegand said. "I've never experienced anything like that."

Junior defender Sam Farrell said it helped that the Gators had previous experience against the Wildcats.

"We're pretty familiar with them," Farrell said. "We watched a lot of film on them and we really scouted them out well."

With the game tied at seven and both teams in a 14-minute scoring drought, Wiegand was awarded a free-position shot after getting fouled on a cut to the net.

She missed the shot, but the Gators retained possession. On the ensuing play, Wiegand beat Wildcats midfielder Ali Cassera with a cut to the right and put a shot over the right shoulder of goalkeeper Brianne LoManto to put Florida up 8-7 with 5:47 remaining in the game.

"The defender was giving me a lot of space so I just took my opportunity and looked to see where the goalie was and just took my shot," Wiegand said.

The Florida defense did not surrender a shot on goal the rest of the game.

The Wildcats were limited in large part because their leading scorer, 2011 Tewaaraton Award Winner Shannon Smith, was held to just two goals on eight shots.



O'Leary

O'Leary was happy to see such a stifling defensive performance from her team in the biggest game of the season.

"Northwestern is the who's who of women's lacrosse players," O'Leary said. "Thank goodness [the Gators] played their best defensive game."

Saturday's win guaranteed Florida the top seed and a first-round bye in this year's conference tournament, which begins in Gainesville on May 3. The Gators play their first game on May 4 against the lowest-seeded team remaining.

If both UF and Northwestern win their opening games of the tournament, the two would meet in the final for the second straight season.



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Florida attacker Gabi Wiegand drives between two defenders in a game against Vanderbilt on April 14. Wiegand scored the game-winning goal in Florida's 8-7 win over Northwestern on Saturday.

## 'Bama wins second straight title by slim margin



AP Photo

Florida freshman gymnast Kytra Hunter lifts the trophy she earned for winning the NCAA vault national title Sunday.

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different vault pretty well, which is great because we just don't train it all year long."

Hunter tied for fourth on floor exercise Sunday with a 9.925 and junior Ashanee Dickerson shared sixth (9.9).

Despite a groin pull, which limited her in training after regionals, King placed fifth on vault (9.788). The first vaults the junior practiced since regionals were during Thursday's training session.

"It was a little bit tough," King said. "I landed a little bit low, but I had fun and it was great coming out here to compete."

On uneven bars, sophomore Mackenzie Caquat came in sixth (9.825), while sophomore Alaina Johnson struggled, placing eighth (9.488).

Georgia's Kat Ding won the bars (9.988) and floor titles (9.95), and Alabama's Geralen Stack-Eaton snagged the balance beam win with a 9.938. Alabama's Diandra Milliner was the vault runner-up with a 9.825.

On Saturday, No. 1 seed Florida suffered a stunning defeat to fourth-seeded Alabama in the Super Six. The Crimson Tide (197.85) rallied past the Gators (197.775) after their last beam routine to win a second-straight national championship. The Tide's .075-point margin of victory was the slimmest at the Super Six since Utah defeated Alabama by .05 in 1994.

Despite falling short, UF's runner-up finish is the team's first since 1998 and second of all time.

Florida left Duluth with a gem in Hunter, but will have to look to the future to claim the elusive national title it came so close to capturing.

"This meet went well for us. We put our heart out there and did the best we could," Hunter said. "We were so close. After a little break, when we do go back into the gym, we'll be working harder and trying new things. We have a great freshman class coming in."

"We do lose three seniors, but the majority of the team is back."

## Embree, Mather named to SEC all-tourney team

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times out of a possible 26.

After the match, Embree and Mather were named to the all-tournament team. Mather was named tournament MVP after going 3-0 and getting the first singles point in the championship on Sunday.

*"It is an honor. There are great players in the SEC, and I think a lot of girls deserve it on my team too. It's a great honor."*

Joanna Mather  
UF senior

"It is an honor. There are great players in the SEC, and I think a lot of girls deserve it on my team too. It's a great honor," she said.

"It's so nice to do this my senior year, to come out and win it. It was so close. It looked like it could go either way. Georgia played a really great match, and we're so excited we came out with the win."

The No. 10 men lost Saturday in the SEC tournament semifinal to Mississippi. The Gators lost the doubles point and never recovered, ending their run at the tournament with a 4-1 defeat. The lone victory of the afternoon was by Tripper Carleton, who in 7-6 (7-1), 6-3. Now, the Gators must wait to hear their seeding for next month's NCAA tournament.

# Pigott's homer lifts Gators over 'Dawgs

## Florida takes series 2-1

**BRYAN HOLT**  
Alligator Writer

Florida had just fallen behind 3-2 and was in need of a big sixth inning. Daniel Pigott ripped an 0-1 fastball that sent Georgia right fielder Kevin Ruiz crashing into the outfield wall and landing with an empty glove.

Pigott's fifth home run of the year plated Preston Tucker and Mike Zunino, giving the No. 5 Gators (31-9, 11-7 Southeastern Conference) a 6-3 lead, the game's eventual final score.

"We needed that," Pigott said. "The momentum had shifted their way. We really needed to get back and answer them and we did."

It was an old-fashioned, Sunday afternoon bullpen duel. Junior Hudson Randall started for the Gators for the first time in more than three weeks, and freshman Luke Crumley got his first career start for the Bulldogs (24-17, 8-10 SEC). Both were pulled after three innings with pitch counts in the 40s.

Florida led 1-0 when both managers started going to the bullpen. The lone run was a Mike Zunino leadoff homer in the second. For the next three innings, things were

dicey.

Brett DeLoach hit a double off of Randall before UF's starter exited the game. Sophomore left-hander Daniel Gibson then faced three batters and gave up two RBI doubles.

The Gators bounced back thanks to Pigott, who finished the game 3 for 3 and the series 7 for 12. His RBI double in the fourth scored designated hitter Brian Johnson.

"He has days like this where he sees the ball really good," UF coach Kevin O'Sullivan said.

### UF Baseball

Greg Larson, Steven "Paco" Rodriguez and Austin "Mud Dog" Maddox saved the day once again. The trio threw a combined 11.2 innings Friday night but bounced back to kill five frames on Sunday.

Larson threw 2.1 innings of one-run and one-hit ball. Rodriguez and Maddox worked the game's final 2.2 innings, allowing no hits and striking out four. Rodriguez struck out the side in the eighth — all looking.

"After [Saturday's] loss, me and Mud were like, 'We've got to go out there and give them a show,'" Rodriguez said. "We basically did that."

Squeezed in all of this was a brief outing for sophomore Karsten Whitson, his second career relief appearance. Whitson faced five batters but was pulled after allowing two hits on 20 pitches. Rodriguez cleaned up the jam.

Georgia's bullpen struggled. Jay Swinford and Bryan Bensor followed Crumley to the mound. Florida got just one run off Swinford in two innings but feasted on Bensor. The junior right-hander faced five batters, recorded one out and surrendered four earned runs.

"Any time you get a chance to have a big inning, you've got to take advantage of it," Pigott said.

It was Florida's second consecutive SEC series win after dropping back-to-back series to Ole Miss and LSU.

Friday night's game was a 16-inning marathon that fell just four minutes shy of five hours. UF won 3-2 when Vickash Ramjit scored the game-winning run after Nolan Fontana struck out swinging on a ball in the dirt but reached first base on an errant throw by catcher Brandon Stephens.

The Bulldogs held the Gators hitless for the final five innings of Saturday's game, winning 5-3.

Florida is now two games behind Kentucky in the SEC. The Wildcats took two of three from LSU this weekend.



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Florida outfielder Daniel Pigott pumps his fist as he rounds second base following his three-run home run in the sixth inning of Sunday's win.

## THE TOM GREEN SHOW

# Stay until they turn out the lights, because you never know

Since January, when it really hit me that this was my last semester, I have stewed over what I wanted to say with my final column for the Alligator. Without a doubt, it has been the hardest assignment in five years of college.

For the last week I've stared at a blank document on my laptop, the cursor mockingly flashing at me, daring me to get this over with. Then Friday night at McKethan Stadium, inspiration struck when I least expected, during what I thought would be a pedestrian series opener for the Gators.

Florida beat Georgia 3-2 in a 16-inning marathon that started early Friday evening and lasted until just after midnight Saturday. It ended on, of all things, a walkoff strikeout.

I'm still trying to fully grasp what happened as the clock ticked past midnight at The Mac. I've witnessed plenty of walkoffs, even a few walkoff walks, but I never thought I'd see a walkoff strikeout, let alone cover one.

As Florida rushed the field and mobbed Nolan Fontana on the infield dirt, basking in the glory of a physically and mentally taxing, 16-inning epic, my attention drifted from the celebration on the field to the agony just off it, near Georgia's dugout, where catcher Brandon Stephens collapsed to his knees, his teammates picking him back up, trying to console him after he threw away what was probably the most memorable game he has ever been a part of.

That's when I realized what Friday's game really was. It was emotional. It was unpredictable. It was awesome, and it was absurd. It was everything that's great about sports, and it's why I'm glad I chose this as my career path.

As trivial as sports are, they represent everything that's great about human nature. Friday's game illustrated that to me more than ever.

I've witnessed the highs, like watching as a team rallies for a Southeastern Conference



**Tom Green**  
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title. The lows, like listening intently as a Major Leaguer openly contemplates retirement while toiling away in the minors at age 25. And plenty in between, like the spectrum of Friday's

game showed.

As my two and a half years at the Alligator end this week and I move on to hopefully bigger (though I can't imagine they will be better) things, I look back on all of that in-between — those games, those interviews, those stories — and realize this is what I want to do for the rest of my life.

In two weeks that life will take me away from Gainesville, where I've spent the last five years, and away from the Alligator, where I've poured in countless hours and created even more memories during the latter half of my

college career.

The people I met while working here are some of my closest friends and they made these last two and a half years worth it.

Bobby and Mike: Thanks for believing in me and giving me my first opportunity.

Chiang, Adam, Holt, Greg, Joe, Tyler, Corey, Watts and Boothe: Thanks for making this job seem like anything but that.

Thanks to my parents for their unrelenting support, especially my mom, who never hesitated to look over one of my stories before I filed it.

And to you, the readers, thanks for picking up and reading the paper that I tried to put so much of myself into. I hope that at some point during the last two and a half years I made you think. And I hope you go to a game like Friday's and stick it out, even in the 16th inning.

Because with sports, you never know.

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# McCumber, Vogel help lead UF to third-place finish at SECs

## ► WOMEN'S GOLF TEAM FINISHED IN FOURTH.

**KATIE AGOSTIN**  
Alligator Writer

After both the men's and women's golf teams entered the final day of their Southeastern Conference tournament in fourth place, only the men were able to improve their finish.

The men finished the tournament with a weekend total of 841 (+1), putting them in third place. Juniors Tyler McCumber and T.J. Vogel shot in the red, moving them both to a tie for third individually.

"I'm proud of my team," coach Buddy Alexander said.

"We battled hard all week and were pretty competitive all weekend. I feel that we have improved immensely from where we were at in the fall."



McCumber

McCumber had the more impressive round for the Gators on Sunday with a team-high six birdies against a team-low three bogeys. McCumber also had the second-biggest jump on the leaderboard for the Gators, moving up five spots from a tie for eighth.

"I'm really proud of T.J. and Tyler," Alexander said. "They did what All-Americans do, turn things around when they aren't playing their best and post good numbers for their team."

The difference in bogeys between first-place Alabama and Florida was a main factor in UF finishing 13 strokes behind. The Gators had seven more bogeys during the three days than the Crimson Tide, in addition to only having five rounds under par in comparison to Alabama's seven.

"Our improvement has been slow but steady," Alexander said. "We're getting better and I still think that our best golf is ahead of us."

Florida's women's team was led by freshman Camilla Hedberg, who was able to hold onto a sixth-place finish despite shooting her worst round of the tournament on Sunday.

UF's women's team finished in fourth overall.

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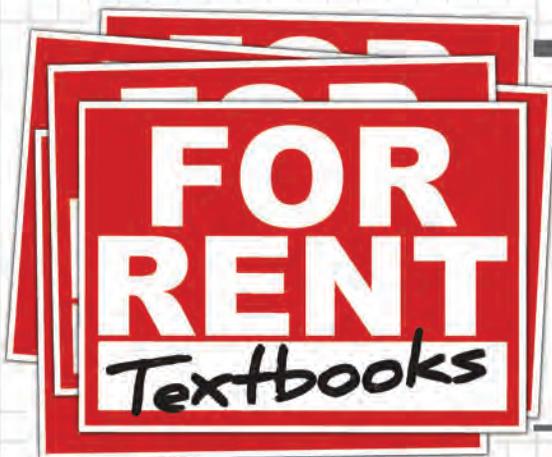


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