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# Church warms hearts by making quilts for the homeless

► **THEY'VE BEEN MAKING THE QUILTS ALL YEAR.**

**KELCEE GRIFFIS**  
 Alligator Contributing Writer

Dottie DeBruhl sat with her walker at her side, carefully smoothing the edges of a colorful tapestry featuring Cinderella- and strawberry-print fabrics and an American flag.

DeBruhl, 84, laced thread through the quilt's layers and tied it to hold the blanket together.

She said she can't see well enough to sew, but she knows she is making a difference.

"People get to stay a little warmer because of us," she said.

The members of Trinity Metropolitan Community Church of Gainesville have been sewing all year long, assembling quilts to distribute to Gainesville's homeless in the cool winter months.

They will go throughout town in November to Bo Diddley Community Plaza and other areas to distribute their handiwork.

On Tuesday, a group met to

finish the season's last batch of blankets.

Quilting group co-founder Barbara Petersen, 69, said she expects to have about 60 quilts ready to give away. When the group started three years ago, it made 30.

All of the quilts are made by volunteers with donated items, she said.

"I'm not a fine quilter, but I love this project," Petersen said.

The Rev. Jim Merritt, pastor of the church, said the club's meetings are styled after old-fashioned quilting bees.

He said the meetings remind him of the socials he attended with his grandmother, at which people gathered their chairs into a circle to sew and socialize.

"It's very typical of Southern culture," Merritt said.

Merritt said the group of 10 to 15 active members meets faithfully about every month.

Petersen said each quilt consists of a large piece of fabric, such as a bed sheet, for backing, a layer of an old blanket for insulation and a top patchwork layer.



Kelly Logan / Alligator

Wilma Smith, 78, displays a quilt stitched by members of Trinity Metropolitan Community Church of Gainesville. The group has been sewing all year with donated supplies, preparing to distribute the blankets to Gainesville's homeless.

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## Local organizations plant garden to celebrate World Food Day

► **ABOUT 20 VOLUNTEERS PLANTED SEEDS IN GAINESVILLE.**

**COLLEEN WRIGHT**  
 Alligator Contributing Writer

Monica Petrella scooped up the dark earth and stuck some carrot seeds in the small hole.

The 21-year-old UF food and resource economics junior said she hopes to study sustainable food systems, and community gardening is one way to start that path.

"I love giving back to Gainesville since I'm from here," Petrella said.

Broccoli, onions and carrots are just a few of the winter crops that will be ready to harvest from the Downtown Farmers Garden

in a few months after a Fall Planting Event Tuesday evening celebrating World Food Day.

The Alachua County Office of Sustainability, Florida Organic Growers and Citizen's Co-op were some of the local organizations that collaborated for the event.

About 20 volunteers planted seeds, seedling vegetables and seedling spices in five planting beds. Fall and spring planting events are hosted each year.

Florida Organic Growers community food project coordinator Travis Mitchell mapped out the raised gardening beds for the volunteers and gave them packets of seeds.

He said events like this help give back to the area.

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## CAMPUS

# Blue trees arrive on campus

**JENNIFER MARTINEZ PINILLO**  
 Alligator Contributing Writer

No, the Gator football season isn't coloring your vision: Trees on UF's campus are actually becoming blue.

Australian artist Konstantin Dimopoulos is painting them as part of a project to raise environmental awareness about deforestation.

He will work on campus all week and will appear at a public welcome ceremony at noon on the Reitz Union Colonnade. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask Dimopoulos questions about his work, which aims to spark conversation.

"We have to start somewhere to get the message across," he said. "One person can make a difference, but you need other people to spread the message."

Volunteer Laura Arango, a 19-year-old telecommunication sophomore,

said people frequently come up to her to ask what she's doing.

"A lot of people are concerned that the paint might damage the trees. But after I explain to them what we are doing, they think it's pretty neat," Arango said.

*"One person can make a difference, but you need other people to spread the message."*

**Konstantin Dimopoulos**  
 Australian artist

Dimopoulos uses pigment and water to create the special paint that does not harm trees. The paint naturally comes off in about six months due to weather.

The \$22,000 used to cover the installation cost, supplies and rented equipment was privately funded through the UF Foundation, said university spokesman Steve Orlando.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

## RUB Entertainment hosts UCB

## Touring Company

Hailing from the Upright Citizens Brigade Theatre, the most renowned comedy theater and school in the nation, the UCB TourCo cast is hand-picked from the best improv comedians in New York and Los Angeles to put on an hour of unscripted comedy. Come out and enjoy a comedy-filled night at 8 p.m. in the Reitz Union Ballroom. This event is free and open to the public.

## Golden Key general body meeting

UF Golden Key will host a general body meeting in Little Hall Room 109 at 7 p.m. Stop by at 6:45 p.m. for free pizza and soda. For more information, visit [www.facebook.com/uf-goldenkey](http://www.facebook.com/uf-goldenkey).

## Free Documentary Screening: "The Last Mountain"

What happens when we flip on a light switch in Gainesville? Participate in a dialogue and film screening of "The Last Mountain," which honors the extraordinary power of ordinary Americans when they fight for what they believe in. The film shines light on America's energy demand, ways those needs are supplied and the short- and long-term effects. The Mindful Movies screening will take place in Meeting Room A of the downtown library. The film will be from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. To find out more, visit [www.mindful-movies.info](http://www.mindful-movies.info).

## Phillip's Center hosts Todd Rundgren and ETHEL

Rock legend Todd Rundgren will team up with America's premier post-classical string quartet ETHEL for a special celebration of the 1970s at 7:30 p.m. at the Phillips Center for the Performing Arts. Students tickets are \$10 at the Phillips Center Box Office or at the

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University Box Office at the Reitz Union. For more information visit [www.performingarts.ufl.edu/students/](http://www.performingarts.ufl.edu/students/).

## LifeSouth Blood Drive for Free Admission to Vampires' Ball

Donate blood at Lifesouth North Regional Medical Center Tuesday through Thursday to gain free admission to Vampires' Ball. For more information, 'Like' the Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/vampiresball](http://www.facebook.com/vampiresball).

## Project MASCOT hosts silent auction

Project MASCOT will host a silent auction on the Reitz Union Colonnade Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring your money and help MASCOT raise money to send at-risk Alachua County elementary school students to SeaWorld in the spring.

## Unzere Kinder: Introduction and screening of Natan Gross' 1948 film

This is the last Yiddish film produced in Poland. It was never screened there. Find out why from Atina Grossmann, who will introduce and show the film. It's on Thursday at 3 p.m. in Dauer Hall Room 215. Grossmann is a professor of Modern European and German History and of Women's and Gender Studies at Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art in New York. The event is presented by The Center for European Studies and the

Department of English.

## Asthma study

If you are an African-American between ages 18 and 75 and have been diagnosed with asthma for more than a year, you may be eligible to be part of a research study at UF. Enroll at Eastside Community Practice through December 2012. If you're interested, please call Cheri Knecht at 352-219-7366.

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## CORRECTION

In Tuesday's edition of the Alligator Consul General of Israel to Florida and Puerto Rico, Chaim Shacham, was misquoted as saying, "Personally, I wouldn't have minded if Joseph had brought us to Canada." The Consul General referenced the religious figure Moses, not Joseph.

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## LOCAL

# County fair returns to town this weekend with new attractions

SAMANTHA BLACK

Alligator Contributing Writer

The Alachua County Fair returns Friday to kick off a week of festivities.

The fair starts at 5 p.m. Friday at the Alachua County Fairgrounds, 3100 NE 39th Ave., with a concert and will run through Oct. 27.

Stephen White, CEO of Event Marketing Corporation, said he expects about 35,000 people to attend.

"It all depends on the weather," said White,

whose company is managing the fair.

This will be the fair's second year under new management since it faced cancellation in 2010 for unpaid bills.

"All bills were paid in full by last year's fair," White said. "We still made a small profit last year."

This year's fair will have new attractions, including The Grizzly Experience Show as well as new, local performers appearing throughout the week.

*"I've gone to a lot of state and county fairs in the past."*

Daniel Jennette  
marketing sophomore

White said Kachunga and the Alligator Show is "back by popular demand," and the Talent Quest Karaoke Singing Contest will hold its prequalifications at the fair Tuesday. It will also hold the Sunburst Beauty Pageant Saturday.

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2 for kids ages 6

to 12 and \$20 for wristbands that allow unlimited rides.

"If you want to get more bang for your buck, buy a wristband in advance, and come on a Wednesday and there will be no lines," White said.

Daniel Jennette, 20-year-old UF marketing sophomore, plans to attend next week.

"I've gone to a lot of state and county fairs in the past," he said. "I'd like to see what Alachua's has to offer."

## Gator alumnus funds startup electric longboard company

► REDROCK BOARD SHOP IS HOUSED IN KING'S GARAGE.

COLLEEN WRIGHT

Alligator Contributing Writer

When Aaron King longboards through Gainesville, many people don't realize he's riding an electric board.

He stops his board in a split second, then cruises away with the touch of a button.

King, 28, is the founder of RedRock Board Shop, a Gainesville company that produces customizable electric longboards. The shop offers various boards, wheels, colors, batteries and a USB plug that lets riders program acceleration, brake intensity and longboard speed with their computers.

The motorized truck — a metal piece that connects wheels to the deck — costs \$300. The electronics and truck can be purchased and attached to an existing board for \$950. An all inclusive package — board and electronics — costs \$1,188.

King, who graduated from UF in 2007 with an engineering degree, began longboarding in 2002 to get around campus. He started buying equipment and making electric boards as a side job five years ago when he found electric longboards weren't as high-quality as he expected.

"I know what the longboard feel is supposed to feel like," King said.

"I wanted to get that electric feel."

King began RedRock Board Shop in May after his longboards started getting attention among his friends. He quit his job at LoadTest Inc. and began making boards full time out of his garage in downtown Gainesville.

But now, the startup costs keep King and his shop from full production. King took to the Web and established a Kickstarter page for his company to raise money for production runs and legal fees due to liability costs.

His goal is to raise \$99,999 by Oct. 28. As of Tuesday, the drive has raised \$4,480.

"We need to get our a-- kicked a little bit," King said. "Once it's in gear, it'll pretty much pay for itself."

King said there are a handful of other competitors that produce electric skateboards, but most of the longboards he's seen are poor quality and overpriced.

King said longboard enthusiasts ranging from 9 to 60 years old have used his boards, and high school and college students use them to get around campus.

His interest in his electric longboards has gone coast to coast since he went to California in August for a trade show. He is talking to distributors and, ultimately, wants his product to be available in skate shops.

"There's a new breed of electric boards that aren't toys and aren't junk," King said.

Most of the parts are made in Connecticut, with the exception of the motor, which is made in China. Depending on the order, assembly takes five minutes to an hour.

So far, King has made 15 electric longboards and has sold about 10.

Peter Harter, manager of Free Ride Surf & Skate Shop, said the store doesn't plan to carry electric longboards because of the high price and because it's a new market.

Nonetheless, Harter said a custom electric skateboard is an excellent idea because the board has a braking system, which would mean they'd be allowed in bike lanes rather than only on sidewalks.

"It's a form of exercise [rather] than a form of entertainment," Harter said.

Gator Longboarding president Jeffrey Dickens, 19, said he wouldn't use an electric skateboard as his primary source of transportation, but he'd try it out as a toy.

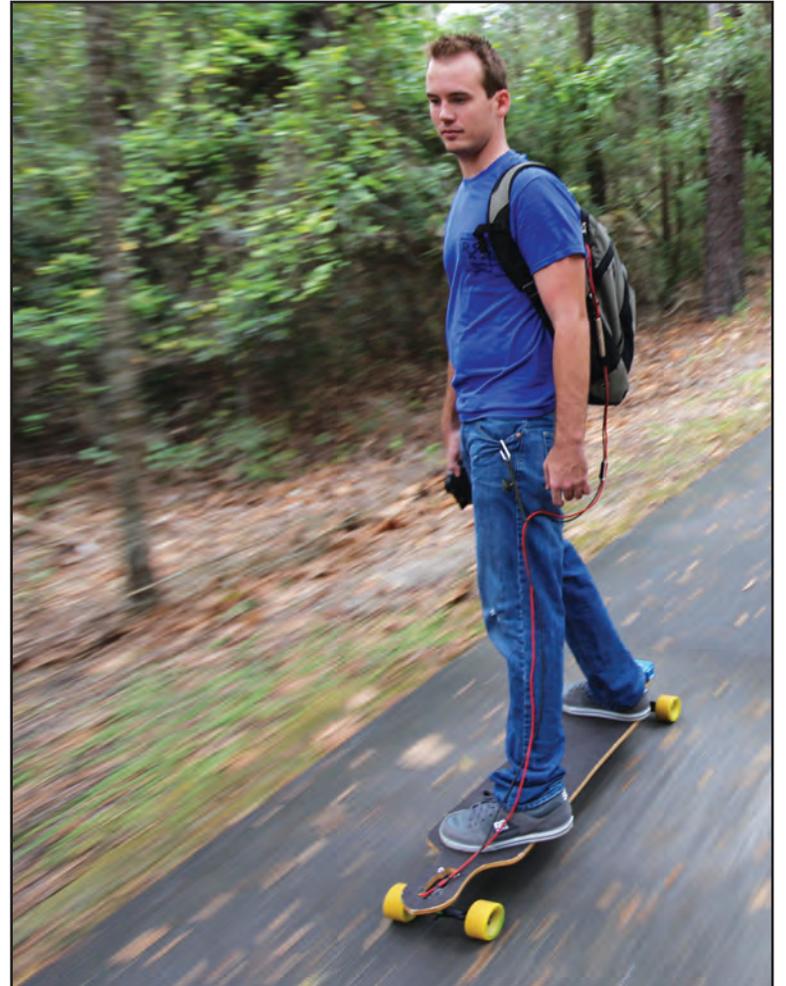
"They're a lot of fun to mess around on," the mechanical engineering sophomore said.

He said the ability to customize your own longboard is a good step, but because of the price, only serious longboarders would invest in an electric board.

"If it's your hobby," Dickens said, "people will spend."

King plans to produce about 100 boards a month once his business gets rolling.

"We just need the beginning inventory, and we're good to go."



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Aaron King, UF alumnus and founder of RedRock Board Shop, rides down the Gainesville-Hawthorne State Trail on one of his electric longboards Oct. 9. The electronics for a board cost \$300.

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## Military captain discusses DADT

**ROSA LLAMO**

Alligator Contributing Writer

"Don't ask, don't tell" was not the policy followed Tuesday night at UF Hillel.

About 70 students gathered as part of Pride Student Union's Pride History Week to hear about Captain Jill Guttman's experience as a lesbian in the U.S. Armed Forces. She served before and after the "don't ask, don't tell" military policy was implemented.

When she first joined the Army, several rules implied "being homosexual was not conducive to military life." She was prepped by a recruiter to lie about her orientation.

But Guttman said she sought refuge with fellow gay soldiers.

"We found each other. I don't know how, but we did," she told the crowd.

Guttman left the Army in 1990, because hiding her personal life was becoming too tiring,

she said, and she rejoined after "don't ask, don't tell" took effect.

This time, Guttman pretended she was married to a man, because the policy prohibited her from publicly addressing her orientation, she said. Guttman left the military in 2007.

*"We found each other. I don't know how, but we did."*

**Jill Guttman**  
Captain

Although the policy is eliminated, work needs to be done. Activists have the power to continue changing the situation, she said.

Dylen Montero, an 18-year-old biomedical engineering freshman, said Guttman's story was interesting.

"I'm happy that there are people before me that have been through so much so that I can have opportunities," he said.

## Graduate career fair today

▶ IT WILL BE HELD AT THE SANTA FE CENTER FOR INNOVATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

**COLLEEN WRIGHT**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Graduates struggling in the rough economy will be able to jump-start their job searches at a career fair Wednesday.

Career 180 will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Santa Fe Center for Innovation and Economic Development, 530 W. University Ave. The event will be hosted by the UF chapter of Enactus, formerly known as Students in Free Enterprise.

Career 180 aims to connect people looking to get back into the job market with resources to help them find a job, said Travis Wright, project manager of Career 180. The event takes place every

semester and is free and open to the public.

Employers won't hire at the career fair, she said.

"Our main goal is to find needs in the community and address them," Wright said.

For the first time, Career 180 will feature speakers. Joe Johnson, director of business service at Florida Works, and Stephen Wycoff, owner and business developer manager of Remedy Intelligent Staffing Agency, will speak at the event.

About seven tables will be set up at Career 180, including Wells Fargo, Dress for Success, Displaced Homemakers Program and an information table for legal services. A room will be set aside for resume critiques and mock interviews.

"The more people that are employed in the community, the better off it'll be as a whole," Wright said.

## Agency focusing on grants, education to reduce homelessness

**KATHRYN VARN**

Alligator Contributing Writer

The number of homeless people in Gainesville rose to 2,094 this year.

To combat this number, the Gainesville/Alachua County Office of Homelessness will raise money through grants and organize community events to increase awareness, said Theresa Lowe, office director.

The office received awards, organized events and drafted plans for a Gainesville homeless marketplace, according to a quarterly report released by the office Monday.

*"It's a really good way for people to connect to different services ideally to get them into jobs and off the street."*

**Theresa Lowe**  
office director

The office received two Alachua County Community Agency Partnership Program awards, Lowe said. One worth \$23,000 will go toward move-in expenses, the report said. The other, worth \$2,000, will stock the pantries of people when they move into permanent housing.

The organization also applied for a TD Bank grant worth \$100,000. The money will fund the Max Wells Veterans Transitional Housing Facility Project, which will provide transitional housing for 114 home-

less veterans, the report said.

The 14th Annual Breakfast on the Plaza, sponsored by the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry, will be Oct. 25 to teach residents about services available to homeless people.

There will be breakfast for about 600 people made by volunteers from Bread of the Mighty, a Gainesville food pantry, Lowe said. There will also be 35 homeless service providers, like Meridian Behavioral Healthcare and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

"It's a really good way for people to connect to different services," Lowe said, "ideally to get them into jobs and off the street."

The report also had a letter to the Gainesville City Commission regarding the GRACE Marketplace, a homeless assistance center that will consolidate services in one place.

The marketplace, which will offer housing, food, medical and behavioral health services and job training, is not intended to be a homeless shelter, Lowe said.

"We're really trying to bring the concept of a marketplace but targeted toward those who are homeless or facing homelessness," Lowe said.

Lowe's office looked to similar facilities across the country as models for the marketplace, she said.

She hopes it will allow Gainesville's existing homeless service providers to work together, she said.

Kent Vann, executive director of

the St. Francis House, said that in this economy, there are fewer people in the community to help and more people on the streets.

Because of this, he is optimistic about how the marketplace will help the community.

"Certainly one agency can't

serve everyone," he said. "Any time you can provide more services to the community, that's probably a better thing."



Javier Edwards / Alligator

Volunteer Lavonne Smoke prepares a food tray for the hungry at St. Francis House on Tuesday. Smoke said she tries to volunteer at the soup kitchen every day.

## Toiletries are handed out, too

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Petersen said they put the quilts in handmade cloth bags and toss toiletries inside.

"When we get them done each year, we spread them out all over the church, and Rev. Jim blesses them," Petersen said. "We send them out with that."

Merritt said the most memorable quilt recipient appeared two years ago on Bo Diddley Plaza. He said a volunteer handed a quilt to a woman in her 80s. She thanked

him but declined the gift.

"I don't really need it," Merritt recalled the woman said. "Is it OK if I give it to that lady over there? Because she really does need it."

Merritt said she then stood up, walked over to the other homeless woman and gave it to her.

"It's the best of it — when you give in a way that enables others to give when they otherwise couldn't have done so," Merritt said.

## Harvested food will be donated

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"It's all about trying to build a community," Mitchell said.

Chris Cano, 24, of Gainesville Compost, volunteers a few hours a week collecting restaurant food scraps and bringing them to the garden on his bicycle.

In 2011, volunteers spent about 200 hours on the Downtown Farmers Garden and other community events.

"It's a good example of how trash can be turned into treasure," Cano said.

When the harvest is ripe around De-

ember, the food will be donated to Catholic Worker House and the St. Francis House.

Last year, \$1,000 worth of produce was donated to Sisters Helping Sisters and St. Francis House.

"It's just one cog for greater food security and economic opportunity in this community," said Sean McLendon, Alachua County sustainability program manager.

After the planting, Citizen's Co-op screened the short film "Locally Grown: The Lexington Co-op Market Story."

# Nonprofit animal rescue program finds loving homes for pit bulls

**HALEY STRACHER**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Michelle Dunlap has a soft spot for what many people consider vicious, ugly killers.

Dunlap, director and founder of Phoenix Animal Rescue, has found homes for abandoned and abused pit bulls since 2003.

"Pit bulls are like every other dog," Dunlap said. "They have their own gifts, and that's what you focus on."

Phoenix Animal Rescue, which is a volunteer-run nonprofit organization, doesn't have a storefront.

*"Pit bulls are like every other dog."*

**Michelle Dunlap**

*director and founder of Phoenix Animal Rescue*

The dogs are up for adoption at PetSmart, 3736 SW Archer Road, on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The dogs live with dog-lovers who are willing to take care of them until they're healthy enough to go into a permanent home.

Dunlap's love for pit bulls began with a dog named Chance.

She adopted Chance, a white pit bull with brown eyes, in 1999. She mistakenly thought he was a white boxer, but friends

told her the dog was a pit bull. She said she thought to herself "God no, I would never have a pit bull."

Chance was the dorkiest, silliest dog, she said. He wouldn't hurt anyone.

When Dunlap took Chance to training classes, she realized her dog was treated differently because of his breed.

She said she was frustrated with how other people looked at pit bulls.



Haley Stracher / Alligator

Sadie, a 2-year-old pit bull, salivates as people walk past cages of animals up for adoption at PetSmart Saturday.

Animal rescues often turn away pit bulls because they think they won't be able to get the dogs adopted, she said.

Chance died from a tick bite when he was 6 years old.

His death didn't stop Dunlap's mission, but fueled it instead.

Dunlap is very selective about who gets the dogs. She knows people look for a perfect match.

"No one ever walks in and just takes the dog home," said Jon Josephson, 28, a Santa Fe radiography student and a Phoenix Animal Rescue volunteer.

There are about 20 to 25 dogs in the rescue, and almost every dog is a pit bull.

She said people adopt six to eight dogs each month, and about 150 dogs are adopted every year.

The adoption fee is \$150 to \$200, and the owner gets free visits to a veterinarian in the first week.

Josephson said the adoption fee goes straight to the veterinarian bills and expenses that it took to keep the dog healthy.

The veterinarian bill is about \$1,200 a month, Dunlap said.

She said she can't imagine giving up the cause because of the emotional rewards she gets from knowing the dogs have good homes.

"I'm all for the underdog, so that's how it started," Dunlap said.

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### Fake photo ops deceive

**W**e hate entitlement. It's an icky behavior or mentality that has oozed its way from college cliques into mainstream society. It's beyond us at this point. Part of the all-encompassing nature of entitlement stems from the multitude of social networking sites at our fingertips. Dozens of websites want to know what we have to say.

That's why we think people everywhere should have to see and hear them, too. This happens so often, in fact, that celebrities or politicians stage the opportunities.

Everything we are presented by a political party has, ideally, gone through a process of public relations experts; everything is for a reason and a purpose. Except when it becomes more fake than usual.

Paul Ryan, the star vice presidential nominee, was recently seen in some interesting pictures. No, not the ones from his "beefcake photo shoot" that TIME Magazine shot.

"After greeting and thanking a handful of volunteers from St. Michael's Catholic Church in Canfield, Ohio, — who said they typically visit the St. Vincent DePaul Society every Saturday and serve food from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. — Ryan, his wife and their young children headed to the kitchen, donned white aprons and offered to clean up some dishes," according to a Washington Post article.

It continued: "Ryan stood at the sink and took some large metal pans that did not appear to be dirty, soaped them up and rinsed them."

He picked up clean dishes and then pretended to clean them some more while attempting to appear human.

In a Huffington Post article, Michael Shaw wrote that he can "imagine people looking at this story and just waving a hand, saying this kind of pretend happens every day." He also said that it is not always so obviously thrust into our faces — that most politicians at least try to hide the fact that what they're doing is for positive publicity.

Still have doubts that it was staged?

"We're a faith-based organization; we are apolitical because the majority of our funding is from private donations," said Brian J. Antal, the president of the St. Vincent De Paul Society in a phone interview Monday afternoon with the Washington Post. "It's strictly in our bylaws not to do it. They showed up there, and they did not have permission. They got one of the volunteers to open up the doors."

According to NBC News, which followed up with Antal after Internet buzz indicated he voted in Democratic primaries before, "Ryan did very little work only compared to the larger context of Saturday morning, when the kitchen fed 180 homeless people breakfast. Antal conceded that Ryan did wash several dirty dishes."

Ryan might have done some actual work. But he did it under such a guise of integrity. Can you imagine a pizza shop owner picking up Ryan for a hug? Never, because it would wrinkle Ryan's oversized suit.

### Reader response

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## SON of a GATOR

by Andre R. Frattino



### Column

## Why a loving god judges the world

**I**sometimes hate that God answers my prayers.

It was years ago, as a naive young 'un at UF, when I began to think I had a decent grasp on the world. I'd finally unraveled the enigma of my parents (and adults in general) and hungered for deeper mystic revelations.

Foolishly, I asked God to let me see the world the way he saw it.

Boy, did he answer.

Toward the end of my sophomore year, I became aware of the global human trafficking industry, the systematic use of human beings as products for consumption by people with money. Sometimes human trafficking takes the form of coerced labor, but, more often, it seems that human beings are used as objects of pleasure.

Perhaps the word "trafficking" means nothing to you.

Fair enough.

I'll put it into words that may resonate a bit more with our statistically driven news stream.

There are more slaves today than there were during the entire transatlantic slave trade.

Take that in for a moment.

In light of this, I ask the question: Why would a loving God send people to hell?

Simple. He answers prayers.

I'll never forget the story about a girl who was a sex slave in an Indian brothel.

Each night, tourists and sleazy men would violate her repeatedly as her pimp's pockets fattened. In the middle of this, she somehow heard about the God who judged evildoers.

Every night, she prayed that she would be liberated from her forced misery. She petitioned God for justice. One day, he answered.

International Justice Mission found the brothel, had her pimp arrested and prosecuted and worked to change the legal infrastructure in her area. Google it if your jaw is still on the floor.

I find the massive disparity between perceptions of judgment intriguing.

If you're a postmodernist thinker earning a degree in the West, the idea of eternal damnation may make your stomach



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turn.

Evil is probably something that you experience on the occasional movie screen.

However, if your entire existence has been marred by abuse, something in you longs for divine judgment.

Personally, I'd prefer a God who was all hugs and tummy

rubs, but God is not a pansy.

He is a lawgiver.

I am speaking strictly in the Biblical sense, of course. The Bible outlines the character of God clearly. God is good at loving people, but he also loves goodness. Because he loves that which is good, he hates that which perverts it.

It pleases him to settle accounts, like the judge who hands down a sentence, knowing that justice has been served. He patiently watches as we pillage and plunder, pollute and rape, gossip and ruin, lie and steal and, ultimately, make excuses for it all.

We stand in his courtroom and audaciously hold him in contempt. We reason that it's unfair to be sentenced for one offense, as if that would hold up in an actual court — as if we've only done wrong once.

He prescribes a path that is scorned and disregarded at every turn, holding back his wrath from the people to whom he longs to be a father.

He listens as we defiantly cry "my will be done."

He is patient, but there comes a day when the judgment hits the house.

God hears the cries for justice, and he emphatically says "yes!" He is good at answering prayers.

Heaven and hell are the answers to the prayers that we have prayed our whole life.

Heaven is the response when we pray "your will be done."

Hell — well, you get it.

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Column

# Gaffes won't undermine candidates

**G**affes, in the heat of a presidential race, initially appear to have a significant impact. Reaction is generated in candidates' stump speeches, debates, commercials and the news media.

In 2012, we heard about Gov. Mitt Romney's comments about the "47 percent" of Americans who "depend" on government.

We heard President Barack Obama's words (taken out of context) that initiated the often-used line "we did built that," and Vice President Joe Biden's statement that they'll "put you all back in chains."

These critical mistakes generated a significant presence in the short run. However, in the long run, there is no question that gaffes of this nature have little to no impact. Both tickets running for the presidency make mistakes so commonly that they should be received as typical and misplaced.

The emphasis on gaffes by the opposition generally tends to contribute to the negativity of the overall campaign. We can all agree that focusing on these errors further widens the divisions in politics and does anything but unite the nation.

To see the minimal impact gaffes have in the long run, we only need to look to four years ago when then Sen. Obama said that rural voters "cling to guns or religion

or antipathy to people who aren't like them or anti-immigrant sentiment or anti-trade sentiment as a way to explain their frustration."

Do you remember this from the 2008 campaign?

When Sen. Obama made these controversial comments, he was met with much criticism.

At that moment, he was in a difficult primary season with Hillary Clinton.

Like Obama's criticism of Romney now, Sen. Clinton said that Americans "don't need a president who looks down on them."

Regardless of his ill-timed comments in rural Pennsylvania, Obama went on to win the nomination and later the presidency, with little to no detriment from this nor any other gaffe.

Like Clinton's criticisms of Obama in 2008, the Obama campaign reacts in a similar nature to Romney; "It's hard to serve as president for all Americans when you've disdainfully written off half the nation."

Both candidates, with their respective gaffes, have quickly responded, saying that they didn't say it as well as they should have or the phrasing was rather inadequate.

Following Romney's "winning" performance in the first debate, it appears we have reached the end of hearing about his "47 percent" comment.



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While the Romney/Ryan ticket was still attacked on this issue in the vice presidential debate and in a recent Obama campaign ad, the issue has mostly blown over — until an aggressive President Obama possibly reinstates it on the campaign trail.

As evidenced by Gov. Romney's recent surge in the polls, it appears the fact that he blatantly insulted almost half of the nation will be left to trivia — much like Obama's previous comments.

Romney has effectively distanced himself from his controversial comments just as President Obama did in 2008.

It is clear the majority of voters do not consider these types of critical comments when deciding what candidate to vote for. Gaffes in outlets of negative campaigning are generally not received well by voters.

When we count the final tally Nov. 6, I expect the impact of gaffes to be trivial. They will be nothing more than a single line in a history book.

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Uwire

# Romney's plan for the economy isn't impossible

**T**ax policy has been a focal point in this election, with both candidates claiming their proposals "strengthen the middle class."

Much of the presidential debate on Oct. 3 involved criticisms of the opponent's tax policy.

Who is telling the truth? Well, like most issues in politics, it depends on how you define the terms.

Let's look at President Barack Obama first. Although he claimed in the first debate that he reduced taxes on the middle class by about \$3,600, the reality is that those cuts were temporary.

The Making Work Pay tax credit saved the average family up to \$800 a year, but it expired in 2011, and Obama did not renew it. The other tax cut Obama refers to, the payroll tax cut, expires at the end of this year as well.

We can't forget the impact of Obamacare.

According to the Associated Press, nearly 6 million people will see a tax increase due to the new health insurance law. Most of these 6 million people are in the "middle class" and will see their taxes rise by an average of \$1,200 per year.

Gov. Mitt Romney's plan relies on lowering tax rates and closing loopholes to make up for the difference in revenue.

His plan has been criticized as "mathematically impossible" by the Obama campaign, which cites a study from a Princeton economist, Harvey Rosen.

Unfortunately for the president, Rosen soon spoke to the press claim-

**Danny Huizinga**  
UWire

ing Obama misrepresented his study, saying:

"I can't tell exactly how the Obama campaign reached that characterization of my work ... The main conclusion of my study is that under plausible assumptions, a proposal along the lines suggested by Gov. Romney can both be revenue neutral and keep the net tax burden on taxpayers with incomes above \$200,000 about the same. That is, an increase in the tax burden on lower- and middle-income individuals is not required in order to make the overall plan revenue neutral," he wrote.

How is this possible? How can tax rates be reduced without slashing revenue? It all depends on economic growth.

Cutting tax rates often spurs economic growth, because consumers have more money to spend and invest. As the economy grows, more people become wealthier and end up offsetting some of the revenue lost from lower rates.

Although Obama criticizes Romney's plan because it "might" burden the middle class at some point, he ignores the fact that his own plans have not been particularly helpful, to say the least.

Even if Romney did need to eventually close some loopholes that benefit the middle class, the tax cuts would first and foremost give relief to middle-class Americans.

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**POLITICS**

# Libertarian candidate speaks

**RACHEL JONES**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Drones survey the country, the government instills fear in its citizens and people wage war based on ideas in the United States right now.

Libertarian vice presidential candidate Jim Gray addressed these topics and others in a speech to about 30 people at the Reitz Union on Tuesday. Gray, whose running mate is Gary Johnson, said he believes in bringing back prosperity, equal opportunities and freedom.

"We have an obese federal government today," Gray said. "We have a government that is intruding into every part of our lives."

Anyone could be labeled as a terrorist and legally held indefinitely, he said.

"If you lose your civil liberties to the government, you never get them back,"

Gray said.

His administration would repeal the Patriot Act, the National Defense Authorization Act and close Guantanamo Bay, which he called "an open sore on the soul of the United States of America."



Gray

He also said the nation's drug policy does not work, naming it the biggest failed policy — second only to slavery.

Political science freshman Josue Rivera, 18, said he wished more people knew about Gray's speech.

"I think a lot of people are focused on the idea that they only have one of two choices," Rivera said. "But there may be a third, more practical choice that people didn't consider, because they didn't know about it."

# Free martial arts class Sunday

► MALE AND FEMALE STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

**LAURA HOGAN**

Alligator Contributing Writer

UF students can learn to avoid and break up potentially violent situations in a personal protection workshop this weekend.

The free seminar, The Art of Escape, will be from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday in Southwest Recreation Center Activity Room 3, said Richard Serota, 30-year-old industrial engineering graduate student and vice president of Gator Karate.

Michael Kinney, a martial arts instructor who has taught around the world for about 50 years, will teach attendees tech-

niques like how to watch and scan in dangerous situations and control breathing so they don't hyperventilate.

"I will teach them how to use their brain and their mouth and their body to diffuse a situation that might become violent," Kinney said.

Serota hopes about 60 students will participate in the seminar. All UF students, regardless of gender, are welcome to attend, he said.

"Men are just as likely to get attacked," Serota said.

Health science freshman Kelli Ahles, 18, said she would be interested in attending the workshop, because this is her first year living on her own.

"It could change my life if you think about it — like if I was ever in a situation where I needed it," she said.

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# UF student chosen as book character

► TIA MCDONALD WILL BE ON THE COVER OF AN AUSTRALIAN TEEN NOVEL.

**ALEXA VOLLAND**  
Alligator Contributing Writer

UF student and Miss Teen Florida 2011 is the face of Adora Niles. Tia McDonald, a 19-year-old public relations junior, was chosen

from thousands of women to portray Niles, a character in the newly released teen fantasy novel "Fairy Tale — Once Upon A Time, Act 1."

McDonald was photographed earlier this year as Niles for the cover of the novel, which was uploaded to self-publishing website, Lulu.com, by Australian author Somsay Toumngun and formally released Sept. 15.

McDonald said she found her-

self relating to Niles as she read the book.

"The character has a lot of qualities that I represent," she said. "I feel like it was a part of me as well."

"Fairy Tale — Once Upon A Time, Act 1" is Toumngun's first novel. He said he plans to publish a trilogy, which includes two acts per part. The second act of book one doesn't have an official release date yet, but it should be out soon, he wrote in an email.

He said he envisioned Niles as a confident girl "who lived by virtuous and unwavering principles."

Books like the "Twilight" and "Hunger Games" series have spurred a pop culture phenomenon around teen fantasy fiction, but Toumngun said his 585-page book is unique.

"What sets 'Fairy Tale' apart from the other teen novels is the focus of the story," he said. "Despite all the magic, the monsters and the adventures, it is essentially about friendship and growing up."

McDonald heard about the search for the book's cover model through an international modeling agency. After the applicants were narrowed down by physical criteria, Toumngun interviewed the hopefuls.

"It sealed the deal," McDonald said. "I was so excited when he called and told me the news."

She bought a \$2,000 plane ticket to Australia for the four-hour photo shoot.

Toumngun said McDonald lived up to his expectations of Niles' character.

"Upon meeting Tia, it became apparent that she was that person, and possessed all the qualities I was after and more," he said. "She is perfect for the part, and I feel there is no one else more suitable."

Although she's traveled the world gracing magazine pages and runways, McDonald said she's proud of her appearance on the novel's cover.

"With magazines, people will read them and then a new one comes out," she said. "But I will always get to be the face of this fictional character."



Courtesy to the Alligator

UF public relations junior Tia McDonald, 19, is on the cover of recently released teen fantasy novel "Fairy Tale — Once Upon A Time, Act 1."

# Senate reserve money to fund veteran center

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Alligator Staff Writer

UF's Student Senate passed a bill Tuesday transferring \$32,000 to the Student Government Administration to construct a collegiate veterans success center and refurbish water fountains on campus.

The money, which comes from SG reserves, allocates \$25,000 to the center and \$7,000 to the water fountains project.

The center will be in Yon Hall and will serve as a gathering place for student veterans. The center will be set up within the next few months by the Department of Housing and Residence Education, Senate President Christina Bonarrigo said after the meeting.

The \$25,000 ensures five exterior doors, three interior doors and two bathrooms compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act standards. A sink and ice maker will also be installed, according to the bill.

"[It's] to give back to veterans who have done so much for us," said Budget Committee Chairman Joey Michaels.

The \$7,000 will be used to refit existing water fountains to promote sustainability on campus. In the next few weeks, gooseneck faucets will be added to 16 existing fountains to accommodate water bottle refills: three fountains in Matherly Hall, two in the Hub, three in Turlington Hall, two in Norman Hall, three in

Weimer Hall and three in the Levin College of Law, Bonarrigo said.

The Senate also passed a resolution honoring Christian Aguilar, a UF student who went missing Sept. 20.

The Senate did not pass a resolution asking UF administration to halt the removal of independently owned newspaper racks.

During the SG elections earlier this month, about 60 percent of students who voted on the referendum voted that they did not want the university to remove the racks.



Bonarrigo

Sen. Cory Yeffet spoke against the resolution, saying the Alligator, which is mentioned in the resolu-

tion, is not a student organization and should not be treated differently than other publications.

After the meeting, Sen. Umair Asghar, who wrote the resolution, said the Senate didn't represent student opinion.

"An injustice was done to the Student Body who voted to keep the racks," he said.

Representatives from Nightlife Navigators also spoke about a new handicap-accessible Student Nighttime Auxiliary Patrol vehicle that would become available near the end of the semester.

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2. GEOGRAPHY: Where are the Maltese Islands located?  
3. FAMOUS QUOTES: What American writer once said, "Analyzing humor is like dissecting a frog. Few people are interested and the frog dies of it?"  
4. SCIENCE: What is a less-than-average tide occurring at the first and third quarters of the moon?  
5. PHOBIAS: Hemophobia is an irrational fear of what?  
6. GAMES: What kind of game has variations that include "Cincinnati" and "Omaha"?  
7. HUMAN ANATOMY: What are the crescent-shaped white spots on fingernails called?  
8. MYTHOLOGY: According to Greek mythology, what was the name of the prophetic god who could change his form at will?  
9. LANGUAGE: What is the Gaelic equivalent of James?  
10. MATH: What is the lowest whole number (in English) that includes the letter "a" when it is spelled out?

**Answers**  
1. Mounds and Almond Joy  
2. Mediterranean Sea  
3. E.B. White  
4. Neap tide  
5. Blood  
6. Poker  
7. Lunula  
8. Proteus  
9. Seamus or Shamus  
10. 1,000 (thousand)  
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**ACROSS**  
1 Hip-hop fan  
5 Les \_\_\_-Unis  
10 Olympian's goal  
14 Smidgen  
15 Chevy Blazer, now  
16 Orchestral wind  
17 "One to four inches per day, for bamboo  
19 Endorse, in a way  
20 Rice\_\_\_  
21 Toga party costume  
23 Take part in a 1920s fad  
26 Like a prof. emeritus  
27 Big pitcher  
28 "Noted scythe bearer  
33 Lowly laborer  
34 Goody two shoes  
35 "1973 Thomas Pynchon novel  
41 Concerning the ears  
42 Japanese noodle  
43 "Wrestling style that forbids holds below the waist  
46 First responders, briefly  
50 Cyclotron input  
51 Meeting  
53 Eleanor Rigby, for one  
57 Snorer's problem, perhaps  
58 Hops drier  
59 "Pearl Jam genre  
62 Attend to, as a job opening  
63 Come out with  
64 Wrath, in a hymn title  
65 "South Park" co-creator Parker  
66 Nonlethal weapon  
67 Recipe arnts.

**DOWN**  
1 Oaf  
2 Take for a time  
3 "Becket" star  
4 No page-turner  
5 Ordinal suffix

6 Roofer's goo  
7 Obsessed fictional captain  
8 For the full nine months  
9 Garden apparatus  
10 Dad-blasted  
11 Drama award  
12 Theater section  
13 It might be pounded out  
18 "True dat," quaintly  
22 Do more than listen  
24 "\_\_\_ Around": Beach Boys hit  
25 "Iliad" setting  
29 "Recapping ..."  
30 Pint seller  
31 Old Japanese capital  
32 Remote button  
33 Test showings  
35 Silence  
36 Robot play  
37 "Now We \_\_\_ Six": Milne  
38 Thoughtless way to stare  
39 Nutritional figs.  
40 First-class

44 Lousy liquor  
45 Mobster's code of silence  
46 Lively wit  
47 They may have fake IDs  
48 Work boot feature  
49 Treacherous types  
52 Freelancer's encl.

53 Like fuzzy slippers  
54 Poker holding  
55 Cruise destination  
56 Wearing routines  
60 Once known as  
61 Canine warning that the answers to starred clues have in common, initially

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**

OCTAD VOILAMA  
TURBOONTAPERR  
BRAINFREEZEREL  
DETATERMINE  
EWESTEAMANON  
LOSSXCUSENOTE  
SOUPS TSARS  
ESPOUSE STIMULI  
OCHRE EASES  
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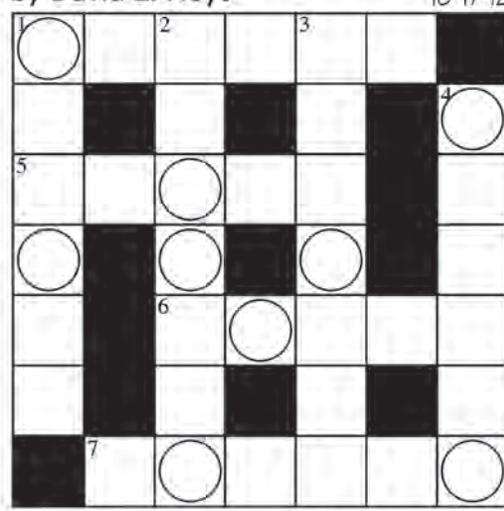
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## Gators content with run-heavy approach

**GREG LUCA**  
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If Jeff Driskel were a defensive coordinator, he knows how he would try to slow down Florida's offense.

"I would load the box," Driskel said. "That's what teams are going to start doing. ... Obviously, we haven't made that many plays in the passing game."

Through six games, Florida has the least productive passing offense in the Southeastern Conference, throwing for only 145 yards per contest.

While UF's rushing attack is second in the SEC with 233.3 yards per game, Driskel has thrown only four touchdown passes, failing to eclipse 100 yards in either of the past two weeks.

But Driskel and offensive coordinator Brent Pease are concerned about only one stat: six wins, zero losses.

"That's all that matters," Driskel said. "If you're winning, everything's all right. Obviously we've got to get better in the passing game, but we're winning games."

Said Pease: "I don't really care how it gets done, as long

as we're productive with what we do and score points."

Pease added that he would prefer Florida be more balanced offensively so opponents can't load the box on every play, but not at the expense of the game plan the Gators have drawn up to exploit the opposition's weaknesses.

Counting sacks as pass attempts, Florida has run the ball on 65.2 percent of its offensive plays this season.

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That imbalance is a far cry from Pease's offense at Boise State last season, which attempted 485 passes and 484 rushes.

Still, the coordinator isn't tempted to get back to his roots. He just wants to stick with what's working.

"Let's not get greedy here as a coach and say, 'I don't like that. I'm throwing the ball because that's what we all love to do,'" Pease said. "If Jeff Driskel can carry the ball 70 yards and outrun everybody, he's getting the ball. If Mike Gillislee can get the ball and outrun everybody, he's

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## Powerful backs to face off on Saturday

► UF'S MIKE GILLISLEE AND SOUTH CAROLINA'S MARCUS LATTIMORE LEAD OFFENSES.

**JOE MORGAN**  
Alligator Staff Writer

On Nov. 13, 2010, a trip to Atlanta was at stake.

South Carolina and Florida played in The Swamp with the Southeastern Conference East title on the line. The winner would face Auburn in the Georgia Dome.

During the next 60 minutes of football, Marcus Lattimore outmuscled and overpowered the Gators. The freshman carried the ball 40 times for 212 yards and three touchdowns in a 36-14 Gamecocks win.

Nearly two years later, Lattimore is a changed man.

He suffered an ACL tear in his left knee against Mississippi State last October and missed South Carolina's final six games.

Florida safety Josh Evans was on the field during Lattimore's last trip to Ben Hill Griffin Stadium. Evans sees a different Lattimore than before.

"He's a good back, physical guy," Evans said. "I think he lost a step a little bit from what we've seen before. ... I think that's due to the injury."

There was no easing back into the lineup for Lattimore this season. Not even one year removed from knee surgery, Lattimore reassumed his workhorse role in the Gamecocks' offense. He leads the SEC with 129 carries through seven games.

Gators coach Will Muschamp is convinced Lattimore is back to normal.

"He's gotten his strength back

and he's a one-cut runner," Muschamp said. "He's an outstanding runner."

Florida has a north-south runner of its own in senior Mike Gillislee. While last season's Gators relied more on jet sweeps and end-arounds with speedsters Jeff Demps and Chris Rainey, UF has a more

traditional approach in the ground game this year.

Perhaps his most impressive game to date was Florida's 14-6 win against LSU on Oct. 6. Gillislee racked up 146 yards and two touchdowns on 34 carries against the

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Senior running back Mike Gillislee leaps over Vanderbilt's Chase Garnham during UF's 31-17 win on Saturday at Vanderbilt Stadium.

## ADAM BOMB

# No. 2 BCS ranking means Florida is back in the spotlight

This season has been one of tests for Florida. UF visited Texas A&M and the 12th Man, traveled to Knoxville to face pass-happy Tennessee and hosted a top-five team that dominated them just a year ago in LSU.

So far, the Gators have passed.

It doesn't get any easier for Florida when No. 9 South Carolina and freakish defensive end Jadeveon Clowney come to Gainesville.

The Gators are facing more challenges than those on the field.

How the team responds after reaching its highest ranking since Tim Tebow was quarterback will go a long way in proving

Florida's worth among the nation's elite.

Will Muschamp refused to acknowledge the significance of rising to No. 2 in the first BCS rankings.

He said on Monday that nothing matters besides playing South Carolina this Saturday in The Swamp.

Muschamp has a point: Championships aren't won in the middle of October. But for a team that spent the last two years trapped in mediocrity, being No. 2 in the nation means something.

It means the second-year coach has changed the team's identity to the physical, no-excuses approach.

It means the Gators are firmly in the



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national championship discussion after two years of futility.

It means Florida football is back.

In 12 of the 14 years that the BCS ranking system has been in place, at least one of the teams in the top two of the initial poll made an appearance in the BCS Championship Game.

With Alabama in the top spot and Florida right behind, the Gators are on track to reach their third BCS title game in seven years.

Florida hosts South Carolina in a game that will be won in the trenches, as UF's victory against LSU was.

Both Florida and South Carolina have elite running backs that carry the football close to 20 times per game.

Both teams have athletic quarterbacks that can win games with their feet if need be.

The UF community is abuzz about a football game that the Gators, on paper, should win.

"You walk through the campus and there's people telling you good job and keep it up," fullback Hunter Joyer said.

**SEE ADAM BOMB, PAGE 15**



After missing time last season with facial fractures, McKenzie Barney is one of the Gators' top scorers this season. See story, page 14.



### Quotable

"I was about ready to get up and go to the bathroom. As soon as I saw [Solomon Patton] go in motion, I thought, 'Oh goodness.'"

**Brent Pease, UF offensive coordinator**

On if he knew the Gators were going to attempt Saturday's fake punt

### Reed Up For NCAA Honor

Jordan Reed was one of 25 players named to the midseason watch list for the John Mackey Award, given to the NCAA's best tight end.

# Healthy senior looking for scoring touch as tournament nears



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Forward McKenzie Barney (4) battles for the ball against Mississippi State's Shannen Jainudeen (17) in Florida's 4-1 win on Sunday at James G. Pressly Stadium. Barney has scored five goals this season.

## ► BARNEY HAS FIVE GOALS.

### ADAM LICHTENSTEIN

Alligator Writer

McKenzie Barney has scored many goals in her career at Florida, but after suffering season-ending facial fractures in 2011, one goal overshadowed the rest: staying healthy.

"That was kind of one of my biggest goals" she said. "Making sure that I have enough time to get treatment, get rest, stay hydrated ... so I can be at my best for this team."

Barney has achieved that goal for most of this season. She missed the Gators' 3-1 victory against Ole Miss with a knee injury but has played in the rest of Florida's 16 games.

Being healthy isn't enough for the redshirt senior. As a forward, she needs to score.

"That's kind of my job," she said.

For the past four seasons, Barney has done her job.

So far in 2012, she is tied with Havana Solaun and Jo Dragotta for the UF lead in goals with five.

Despite being one of the team leaders in scoring, Barney's season still falls short of matching her previous campaigns. In 2009, her first year of action with the team after suffering an ACL tear her freshman year, she scored eight goals. In 2010, she led the Southeastern Conference champions with 14 goals.

In total, Barney has scored 31 goals, which is good for seventh in Florida's record books, behind players like FIFA Women's World

Cup Champion Danielle Fotopoulos and Olympic gold medal winner Abby Wambach.

"It is an absolute honor to be on that list with them," Barney said.

As good as Barney has been on the field, coach Becky Burleigh said she thinks Barney's biggest impact has been off the field.

"Her legacy is going to be a lot more than just goals scored," Burleigh said. "She's been the epitome of work ethic. She's been a terrific leader. She always gets this team fired up when we need it to be. ... Her ability to recognize what the team needs and provide that is really important."

Senior Erika Tymrak has played with Barney in the attacking third for the past four years, and the two have combined for 11 goals.

"[Barney] is probably one of the easiest players to play with because she affects the play, no matter what she does," Tymrak said. "She'll make a run knowing she's not going to get the ball just to create space for the person dribbling."

Said Barney: "I love playing with Erika."

Barney was a key player on the 2010 SEC championship team, scoring two goals in the conference tournament. With only three games remaining before this year's tournament and the Gators on a nine-game winning streak, Barney is looking to get hot at the right time.

Although Barney already has an SEC title under her belt, the senior still has one thing she is looking to accomplish during the final stretch of her college career: an NCAA championship.

"It's the goal," she said.

## GOLF

# Gators squander seven-stroke advantage in final round

### CHARLES KINGSBURY

Alligator Writer

Florida entered the final round of the Jerry Pate National Intercollegiate with a seven-stroke lead but could not secure the win in Vestavia Hills, Ala.

After shooting a 282 (+2) in the first round and a 286 (+6) in the second, UF closed the tournament with a 293 (+13) to finish four strokes behind host and Southeastern Conference rival Alabama on Tuesday.

Florida finished the tournament at 861

(+21).

"We have to work on closing," coach Buddy Alexander said. "We have to make our guys tougher when it matters most."

Alabama finished with an 857 (+17), including a tournament-low 282 (+6) in the final round to secure a team victory.

Throughout the fall season, seniors T.J. Vogel and Tyler McCumber have anchored the Gators lineup.

Tuesday was no different.

After a fog delay led to a suspension of play on Monday, McCumber and Vogel concluded the tournament in 214 strokes

(+4), earning a tie for sixth place.

Vogel was the only Gator to finish the third round at even par. The bounceback followed a second round in which he struggled, hitting five bogeys.



Vogel

Tuesday marked Vogel's third straight top-10 finish to open the season and McCumber's second top-10 finish since earning a tie for second at The Invitational at The Ocean Course in Kiawah Island, S.C., on Sept. 11.

"T.J. Vogel played well early," Alexander said.

Tommy Mou rounded out the seniors, shooting 219 (+9) following his tournament-low first round 68 (-2) on Monday. Mou was competing in his first tournament since last year's Gator Invitational.

Freshman A.J. Crouch carded a 225 (+15), while J.D. Tomlinson shot a 218 (+8).

The Gators look to finish in the top two for the fourth time this season when they travel to Windermere for the Isleworth Invitational hosted by Texas Tech and UCF.

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De'Ante Saunders (26) leads Florida's players as they prepare to run out onto the field prior to Saturday's game at Vanderbilt Stadium in Nashville, Tenn. The Gators won 31-17.

## ADAM BOMB,

from page 13

"Saying they're really excited for this weekend, so it's a pretty good vibe."

Joyer said he received the same treatment before last season's matchup against Alabama, but unfortunately for Florida, the good vibes were limited for the remainder of 2011.

The Gators couldn't generate a consistent running or passing attack, they couldn't defend late in games, and they couldn't field a healthy team. Basically, they stunk.

Fans have seen the transformation from a barely bowl-eligible team to an SEC heavyweight.

"It helps a lot," senior safety Josh Evans said about home-field advantage. "That little bit of edge and motivation you hear from our fans cheering us on, the good luck that they're giving us, it definitely helps us a lot."

Redshirt senior wide receiver Frankie Hammond Jr. said he had not played in a Ben Hill Griffin Stadium atmosphere like the one he experienced against LSU on Oct. 6 for a long time.

"Having the stadium packed, especially the LSU game, it got pretty

loud," Hammond said.

"It definitely brought back memories of my freshman and sophomore year here, so it's getting back. But, like I said, we've got to take it a game at a time and just move forward from there."

Hammond isn't the only player not looking at the rankings.

*"Having the stadium packed, especially the LSU game, it got pretty loud. It definitely brought back memories of my freshman and sophomore year here, so it's getting back."*

**Frankie Hammond Jr.**

*UF wide receiver*

The entire team has scoffed at the notion that being No. 2 holds any significance.

Sure, championships aren't won in October. But they can be lost in this month.

Florida found that out the hard way last season.

On Saturday, the Gators play their first game as a BCS top-five team in three seasons. To say that doesn't mean anything is selling the program short.

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# Elite sophomore end headlines potent South Carolina defense

**NOTES**, from page 13

getting the ball. And if our O-line blocks like they block, we're giving them the ball. I'm not going to be stubborn."

**Clowney to challenge UF:** No player on the talented South Carolina defense commands more attention than defensive end Jade-

veon Clowney.

"You need to account for him," coach Will Muschamp said. "He can ruin your day."

Clowney, a sophomore, has racked up 6.5 sacks this season. At 6 feet, 6 inches and 256 pounds, Clowney has the size, athleticism and quickness to be a nightmare for opposing quarterbacks.

Clowney enrolled at South Car-



Clowney

olina as the top-ranked player in the 2011 class, according to Rivals.com. Although Clowney won't be eligible to turn pro until 2014, some scouts have projected him as an eventual top-five pick in the NFL

Draft.

"He's what you're looking for," Muschamp said.

Muschamp and Frankie Hammond Jr. said the Gators will likely try to slow Clowney by chipping him with a back or tight end.

Pease said cut blocking Clowney won't work because he has the ability to jump over the block. The key, Pease said, is to be

physical and run at him. At least that way, Clowney won't be able to chase the Gators down from behind.

"He's a talented guy," Hammond said. "He's going to get his plays. ... We'll look at film, break things down and find ways just to slow him down."

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## Gators running tougher in 2012

**GILLISLEE**, from page 13

NCAA's No. 2 defense.

Gillislee leads all SEC running backs with 100.5 yards per game and is on pace to become the first Gator to eclipse the 1,000-yard mark since Ciatrick Fason did in 2004.

"[Gillislee is] just an all-purpose back," wideout Frankie Hammond Jr. said. "He can run between the tackles when he wants to, and then when it's time to get outside and break away and use his speed he does that as well."

Saturday's game will feature two of the top five running backs in the SEC. The last time Lattimore was in Gainesville, he outrushed Florida by 177 yards.

This time around, the Gators are much more confident in their chances in the ground game. Like Lattimore and South Carolina, Gillislee and Florida are tough running the football.

"You need to be able to have a hardness to your program, a physicality to your program, running the football and being able to stop the run," Muschamp said. "There's going to come a time when you're trying to end the game. You better be able to run it."

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# HEISMAN WATCH

**1. ◀▶ Geno Smith**, West Virginia quarterback (20 points): 180.8 passer rating, 2,271 yards, 75.3 completion percentage, 25 touchdowns, 0 interceptions; 71 rushing yards, 2.5 yards per carry, 1 touchdown.



Smith holds onto his position as the Heisman frontrunner despite having his worst game of the season. After throwing for at least three touchdowns and a passer rating of at least 158 in every game of the Mountaineers' 5-0 start. Smith was held to just one touchdown and a passer rating of 100.7 in West Virginia's loss to Texas Tech on Saturday. Smith leads the country in completion percentage, touchdowns and passer rating.

**4. ▲ Johnny Manziel**, Texas A&M quarterback (9): 162.8 passer rating, 1,680 yards, 67.4 completion percentage, 14 touchdowns, three interceptions; 676 rushing yards, 7.4 yards per carry, 10 touchdowns.



Manziel makes his first appearance in the rankings this season following Texas A&M's 59-57 win against Louisiana Tech in which he completed 24 of 40 passes for 395 yards and three touchdowns. He also ran the ball 19 times for 181 yards and three touchdowns, including one from 72 yards out. Manziel currently leads the SEC in rushing.

**2. ◀▶ Braxton Miller**, Ohio State quarterback (14): 145.3 passer rating, 1,271 yards, 60.4 completion percentage, 11 touchdowns, four interceptions; 912 rushing yards, 7.1 yards per carry, 9 touchdowns.



Miller maintains the second spot in the rankings after rushing for 149 yards on 23 carries — including a 67-yard touchdown run — in a 52-49 win against Indiana. He also threw for 211 yards and two touchdowns. He is sixth in the country in rushing yards.

**5. ▲ Manti Te'o**, Notre Dame linebacker (5): 59 tackles (27 solo), 2 tackles for loss, 3 interceptions, 3 quarterback hurries, 3 pass breakups, 1 fumble recovery.



Te'o is a new arrival at No. 5 this week. He made a team-high 11 tackles in Notre Dame's 20-13 overtime victory against Stanford on Saturday. Te'o anchored a Fighting Irish defense that forced two turnovers and held the Cardinal nearly 100 yards below its season average. After defeating Stanford, Notre Dame coach Brian Kelly described Te'o as the "best leader" he has ever coached.

**3. ◀▶ Collin Klein**, Kansas State quarterback (10): 159.6 passer rating, 1,074 yards, 66.9 completion percentage, seven touchdowns, two interceptions; 510 rushing yards, 5.2 yards per carry, 10 touchdowns.



Klein holds steady in the No. 3 spot after a solid performance as Kansas State remained unbeaten with a 27-21 win at Iowa State. He completed 16 of 24 passes for 187 yards while running the ball 25 times for 105 yards and three touchdowns. In his past two games, Klein has five rushing touchdowns and ranks 16th nationally in passer rating.

## OUR RANKINGS

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2. Braxton Miller
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4. Collin Klein
5. Kenjon Barner, Oregon

# Senior looking to take on new role

**KATIE AGOSTIN**

Alligator Staff Writer

Last season, Kenny Boynton had an opportunity to advance the Gators to the Final Four.

After Bradley Beal missed a three-pointer with 11 seconds left on the clock, he grabbed his own rebound and sent it back out to Boynton, who was waiting behind the arc. Boynton missed, Beal fouled and Louisville increased its lead as UF's season ended in a 72-68 loss.

It wasn't how the Gators wanted to end their season, and it wasn't the way Boynton hoped to finish his career at Florida.

"I definitely want to go out as a winner, and that's one reason I came back," Boynton said. "When you have one more shot at it, it's only one way. You're only thinking championship. I'm going to try my best personally and to push this team to get deep in the tournament again this year."

Entering his final season, Boynton is only 501 points shy of Ronnie Williams' school record of 2,090. Boynton has averaged 529.7 points per season during his first three years.

Boynton also hopes that returning for his final season will increase his chances of making it to the NBA.

"Playing point guard will help my chances in getting to the next level," Boynton said. "I think last year was a strong draft, and I would have a better chance in going this year."

Boynton will be changing roles this season. Coach Billy Donovan would like to see Boynton be UF's new vocal leader after the team lost point guard Erving Walker to graduation.

"With Erving not being here, hopefully [Boynton] can step up into more of a leadership role for us," Donovan said. "Kenny has been one

of those kind of quiet leaders where he doesn't say a whole lot. I think a lot of times it's done through how he performs and how hard he plays."

Although he wants Boynton to be

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more vocal on the court, Donovan is cautious about putting the senior in an uncomfortable situation. Last season, Donovan pushed the quiet Walker into a leadership role — a process that was more difficult than expected.

However, Boynton has enjoyed his new role so far. He said he's good at breaking down plays for the freshmen.

In addition to replacing Walker as a leader, Florida will need Boynton to fill his shoes at point guard. Walker left Florida as its all-time assists leader, racking up 547 in four years.

Boynton also plans to focus on being more consistent in his final season.

Boynton made 45.8 percent of his threes in the first half of last season before hitting only 34.9 percent after playing South Carolina on Jan. 14. Boynton shot only 5 of 24 from beyond the arc in the NCAA Tournament.

"I'm going to try to stay in the gym as much as possible this year," Boynton said. "Just get a lot of repetition. Basically prepare my body for the middle of the season when my body gets tired."

Boynton hopes that spending his summer in Las Vegas working on his conditioning and playing five-on-five games with professionals such as Dion Waiters, Maalik Wayns, Tu Holloway and Hollis Thompson will help him excel in his new role this season.

"I pretty much tried to play point guard no matter what team I was on," Boynton said. "The way they play is more physical. It helped me coming in every day and working with guys like that."

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Senior Kenny Boynton poses during media day on Oct. 10. Boynton wants to help his NBA chances by playing point guard in 2012.

# Back after ACL tear, guard ready to lead

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Carlie Needles expected to contribute heavily last season.

The redshirt freshman from Highlands Ranch, Colo., anticipated joining a Gators backcourt full of veteran talent she could learn from and play alongside. On Nov. 6, everything changed.

Five days before Florida's women's basketball team opened its season against Michigan, Needles' year ended. She suffered ACL and meniscus tears in her left knee during a scrimmage.

When trainers gave her the news days later, she felt a range of emotions.

"I cried for about 15 seconds," she said. "Then I thought about what I had to do next to get back."

She spent the offseason walking through Ben Hill Griffin Stadium to strengthen her knee before beginning therapy sessions. Eleven months after the injury, she is back.

With much of last season's backcourt gone, Needles will step into a prominent role. Jatterra Bonds is the lone returning guard who averaged more than 20 minutes per game in 2011-12.

Gators coach Amanda Butler said she sees similarities between Bonds and Needles.

"I compare [Needles] to Jatterra in the way that she leads and the way that she is so ag-

gressive in how she controls the floor," Butler said. "[Needles] is not hesitant at all to address a teammate in a positive way and certainly sometimes when it's got to be in an enforcing way."

Needles said there were facets of the game she better understands after spending a season watching from the bench.

Most notably, she said the team has to improve its ability to finish games. Of UF's 13 losses last season, 10 were decided by six points or fewer —



Needles

including two in overtime.

"It's the little things that you don't think about that make a difference," she said, identifying the team's poor percentage from the free-throw line late in games as a specific example.

Butler agreed, saying the Gators have to learn to close out games in the final four minutes, a point when UF often let games slip away last season.

That begins with the focus Needles can bring in her return to the court.

"Carlie has taken full advantage of the year that she did have to sit and wait," Butler said. "She was already a kid whose fire burned pretty bright, and it was almost like pouring a bunch of gasoline on that passion that was already inside of her."

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