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Wideout Frankie Hammond Jr. and the Gators have used a hurry-up offense to try to fix the problem of slow starts. Read the story on page 13.



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Obama secures re-election as Florida remains close



AP photo

President Barack Obama waves as he walks onstage with first lady Michelle Obama and daughters Malia and Sasha at his election party early Wednesday morning in Chicago.

KATHRYN VARN and MICHAEL SCOTT DAVIDSON
Alligator Writers

Once again, it looked like it would all come down to Florida.

The state was 50-50 for hours after polls closed.

Even after networks started calling the election for President Barack Obama, Florida remained persistently close.

"My stomach is in knots," said Carly Borden, a 21-year-old UF political science junior.

But then, about an hour into Wednesday morning, it didn't matter.

With Florida's electoral votes still in play, Republican nominee Mitt Romney conceded, officially securing Obama's re-election.

When the votes started rolling in Tuesday night, it became evident to supporters on both sides of the political aisle that every vote would indeed count.

"I've personally called about 5,000 Floridians," said Katy Melchiorre, a 21-year-old political science and telecommunications senior and UF College Republicans chairwoman. "So the fact it could come down to 5,000 votes is nerve-wracking."

Alachua County went to Obama

with 57.68 percent — 69,219 votes. Romney earned 40.44 percent with 48,527 votes.

The county became a blue island in a Republican sea as county votes were announced on blaring television screens in bars and homes across the city.

MSNBC called Obama's victory, then CNN and Fox.

Christina Ford, 20-year-old Gators for Obama co-chairwoman, pulled out her phone to confirm the projected win on the Obama campaign Twitter.

Someone popped a bottle of champagne and sprayed it over the crowd of teary-eyed Obama supporters. Ford, a political science and economics sophomore, and Gators for Obama co-chairwoman Rachel McGovern danced and embraced as "My Girl" by The Temptations blasted over the speakers and people joined in chants of "Four more years."

"I know that he's going to continue to look forward to greater equality for women, greater equality for the LGBT community," said McGovern, a 20-year-old political science junior. "We've been working so hard for this."

Romney supporters said they weren't surprised that Alachua County

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LOCAL

Trader Joe's Gainesville location now accepting job applications

CHRIS KIRSCHNER
Alligator Contributing Writer

Trader Joe's grocery store is accepting job applications starting today.

People can apply in person from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at 3227 SW 35th Blvd., behind Bonefish Grill and between Picture This and Acceptance Insurance, according to the job description on Trader Joe's website.

Applications can be completed on-site or printed from www.traderjoes.com.

According to the job description, employees will work the register, bag groceries, stock shelves, build displays and help customers.

"The most important role for the Crew is to deliver a great customer experience," the job application reads. "The Crew creates a fun, warm and friendly shopping experience throughout the store."

The store prefers high school graduates with the ability to work evenings and weekends, according to the job description.

For those people with tal-

ent in the kitchen, the store is also hiring chefs to create bite-sized food.

The store seeks artists to create handmade signs that promote its products.

According to Alligator archives, the store signed a 10-year lease agreement for a Butler Plaza space in May. The Gainesville location is under construction in a portion of the former Goody's, at 3728 Archer Road.

Trader Joe's is famous for its specialty items, including Two Buck Chuck wine and kosher meats, as well as a loyal customer base.

County Commission keeps Democratic majority

ALL THREE SEATS WENT TO DEMOCRATS.

CHRIS ALCANTARA and COLLEEN WRIGHT
Alligator Writers

After almost a year on the campaign trail, the fate of the Alachua County Commission rested on a set of bar graphs.

With their eyes glued to the screen, supporters from the Alachua County Democratic Party watched and waited as the votes trickled in.

In an instant, the bar jumped, and cheers echoed through the room. The

commission's Democratic majority was secured for another term.

Out of the three County Commission races, all of the seats went to Democrats: Mike Byerly, Robert "Hutch" Hutchinson and Charles "Chuck" Chestnut.

With the Democratic Party sweeping the local races, some Republican supporters said they look forward to the state and national results. Some said they were disappointed the county election was a full win for the other party.

"It's a tough county," said Stafford Jones, Alachua County Republican Ex-

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Career Resource Center holds Global Opportunities Panel
Visit the Career Resource Center today at 4 p.m. to learn from a group of experts about internship, volunteering and teaching opportunities abroad! Visit www.crc.ufl.edu for more information.

Free Documentary Screening at Downtown Library
The "Economics of Happiness" describes a world moving simultaneously in two opposing directions today from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. On the one hand, government and big business continue to promote globalization and the consolidation of corporate power. At the same time, all around the world people are resisting those policies. Communities are coming together to rebuild more human-scale, ecological economies based on a new paradigm: the economics of localization.

"Democracy Devoured by Its Children: A Hungarian Tragedy"
All people are welcome to a talk by Gyorgy Csepeli from Eötvös Loránd University today at noon in Anderson Hall, Room 216. History did not end in 1989 when the Berlin Wall was demolished. The countries of Eastern Europe unequivocally took a path to a market economy and pluralist democracy. It is 23 years later; some of the countries were successful, whereas others have lagged behind. This talk will address the Hungarian case as a failed transition. Based on empirical economic, sociological and social psychological evidence, the speaker will discuss the causes of Hungary's condition and discuss potential future scenarios.

Florida HLCF Present Gator Salsathon
The Florida Hispanic-Latino Collegiate Forum and La Casita welcome you to attend SALSathon today from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Reitz Union Rion Ballroom. Doors open at 6 p.m. Don't worry if you don't know how to dance salsa, as there will be professional salsa instructors to teach you. All pro-

FORECAST

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
				
PARTLY CLOUDY 67/42	SUNNY 69/42	SUNNY 72/46	SUNNY 75/57	PARTLY CLOUDY 78/57

ceeds go to Children Beyond Our Borders Inc. Dancers can register at www.tinyurl.com/gatorsalsathon. Tickets are \$10 a couple and \$7 for individual dancers. They will also be \$10 at the door.

Project MASCOT hosting taco dinner
Project MASCOT hosts its annual all-you-can-eat Taco Dinner Fiesta, today from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The festivities will be at the Baptist Collegiate Ministries, 1604 W. University Ave. Tickets are \$7 at the door, and all money will go toward sending at-risk, local elementary students to SeaWorld with their UF mentors in the Spring.

A Dream: Discussed
Hosted by the Institute of Hispanic/Latino Cultures, the second event in our Dream Act series, "A Dream: Discussed," offers a friendly, nonpartisan environment to engage in dialogue surrounding the Dream Act today at 6 p.m. at the Institute of Black Culture, 1510 W. University Ave. Whether you support or oppose, are knowledgeable or uninformed, attend for an evening of challenging preconceived norms, voicing opinions and empowerment through informed decisions. Food will be provided. Check out the Facebook event, La Casita Presents "A Dream: Discussed," at <http://www.facebook.com/events/444260165621907/>.

UF Hillel hosts discussion with film director
Join UF Hillel today at 5 p.m. to discuss religious identity in Israel with film director Amy Beth Oppenheimer. Oppenheimer is known for her film, "Faces of Israel," which captures interviews with Israelis from all walks

of life including gay, secular university students to ultra-Orthodox Jews. She will examine what it means to be a Jewish, democratic state and the difficulties that come from trying to be both. Visit www.ufhillel.org or call 352-372-2900 for more information.

Life-planning seminar
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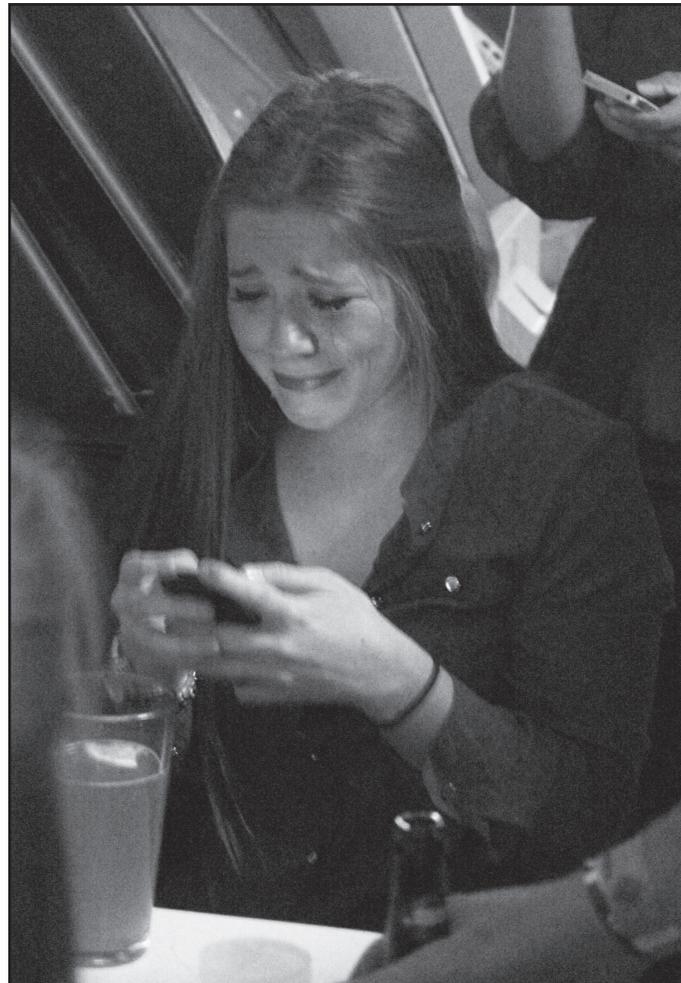


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ABOVE: Gators for Obama, among other Obama supporters, celebrate at Cellar 12 downtown Tuesday evening. The supporters yelled and cheered every time a state went Democratic.

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LEFT: Republican presidential candidate and former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney waves to supporters before conceding at his election night rally Wednesday in Boston.

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A Romney supporter, who refused to give her name, is upset about the election results Tuesday night at Salty Dog Saloon.



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ABOVE: Democratic supporters gather at Cellar 12 and cheer for a Democratic sweep in three County Commission elections.
BELOW: Mike Hickey, 58, Barb Martin, 75; and Dean Cheshire look at the county election results at Gator's Dockside on Tuesday night.



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Members of the Alachua County Democratic Party celebrate wins in three County Commission elections, electing Mike Byerly, Robert "Hutch" Hutchinson and Charles "Chuck" Chestnut.



Alex Catalano / Alligator Staff

Senate accepts blackface resolution

► A DIVERSITY ACTION PLAN WILL BE IMPLEMENTED.

SAMANTHA SHAVELL
Alligator Staff Writer

At its meeting Tuesday night, UF's Student Senate approved a resolution in response to the Oct. 24 blackface incident when two Beta Theta Pi brothers painted their bodies black at an off-campus social.

One of the bill's authors, Sen. Truman Williams, said the intent of the resolution is to educate the Student Body about the issue and give historical context. He said some of the recommendations made during a Town Hall meeting last week should be addressed, but they may not be under Student Senate's jurisdiction.

Sen. Umair Asghar said resolutions are nonbinding and therefore can include demands. Sen. Morgan Vollrath agreed with Asghar.

"This could get buried next year, and never talk about it again," Vollrath said.

During the meeting, Senate Cabinet Liaison Andrew Garcia presented a diversity initiative. The initiative includes six Town Hall forums to discuss issues regarding different groups such as black/African-American, LGBTQ, international, disability, Hispanic/Chicano/Latino and Asian-Pacific Islander.

After the forums, a Diversity Action Plan will be implemented.

Senate President Christina Bonarrigo said that as elected representatives of students, the Senate has to respond to problems that may arise. She said she hopes the action plan will be released by Spring semester.

The first Town Hall meeting, which will be about LG-BTQ issues, will be Nov. 28.

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Mike Byerly secured his fourth term

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ecutive Committee chairman. "I always hope for the best but brace for the worst."

For some students, the Alachua County Commission may seem like part of government that doesn't touch their daily lives, but the commission has a hand in road construction, transportation projects and business initiatives, such as Innovation Gainesville, that impact UF.

During the County Commission race, some candidates focused their platforms on being a fiscal conservatism voice on the commission, and some Democratic candidates focused on being discriminate about slashing county programs.

Byerly, the incumbent since he was elected in 2000, secured his fourth term on the commission with 62,169 votes — 55.62 percent. His opponent, John Martin, a UF alumnus and former Hawthorne City Commissioner, gained 44.38 percent with 49,614 votes.

Hutchinson, the executive director of the Alachua Conservation Trust, won his district with 64,579 votes — 58.02 percent. His opponent Jean Calderwood earned 46,480 votes, securing 41.76 percent of the county.

Chestnut, a former state representative and former Gainesville City Commissioner, won a Com-

mission seat with 60,087 votes — 53.74 percent. His opponent, Dean Cheshire, won 42.87 percent with 47,929 votes.

Byerly said he is excited to be working with Hutchinson and Chestnut on the commission.

"I'm feeling very good about having not just their perspective, but I think we're going to have a good balance on the County Commission," he said.

However, he said, the Democratic commissioners-elect will have

Republican opposition.

"I think there is going to be some very interesting conversations, but I feel good about moving forward," Byerly said.

Cheshire said that despite the loss, he felt great about his campaign and is happy that he can now spend time with family.

"This is the single hardest county to win as a Republican," he said. "It's a Hail Mary no matter what."

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Charles "Chuck" Chestnut addresses Democratic supporters after securing a seat on the Alachua County Commission. Chestnut and two other Democratic candidates who won seats on the commission learned of their victories Tuesday night at Cellar 12 downtown.

Fewer students voted at the Reitz Union than in the 2008 election

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ty went to Obama.

"University of Florida as a whole is more liberal, and that attributes Alachua County going to Obama," said Nick Boley, a 21-year-old industrial and systems engineering senior. "I'm not surprised."

But the national vote was another story.

After Fox News called Obama the winner, a group of about 10 Gators for Romney students shared a round of Blue Moon beers as a couple of students shed tears at the Salty Dog Saloon.



Obama

As the young Republicans waited for the Florida election results to roll in, they said they couldn't help but feel dismayed.

"Just to come up short like this, to all the people that have worked on this, is disappointing," said Frank Moehrl, 21-year-old Gators for Romney chairman and political science senior.

As in the 2008 election, various groups emphasized student voting as essential in this race.

For the Reitz Union, an all-student precinct, 3,432 peo-

ple voted — fewer than 2008's 3,923 votes.

For Obama supporters, this night meant more than numbers. It meant months of hard work and support paid off.

Ford spent countless hours on the campaign because, she said, she felt this was the best use of her time — better than end-of-semester parties or even her college transcript.

"I've given up my social life, grades, everything, and it was all worth it," Ford said. "This will have an impact way past my college years."

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Editorial

Hope and Change How Obama won our hearts

Twas November the seventh, day after elections,
America was represented, all of the sections!
The votes had been cast in the system with care
In hopes that Obama soon would be there.

The children were nestled all snug in their classes,
While visions of binders scared all the lasses.
And mom in her apron, and I in my suit
Had just settled down to look at our Halloween loot.

When out on North Lawn, there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from my desk to see what was the matter.
Away to the window, I threw open the blinds
To see tons of people standing in lines!

First Sandy stole gas from the Jersey Shore,
Then people who voted found it quite a chore.
When, what to my wondering ears should appear,
Tons of Americans who gave quite a cheer!

They were led by Obama, jumpin' and jivin',
Next to him smiling sat good ol' Joe Biden.
Led by two eagles, and that cute dog Bo,
On all their shirts was a big, giant 'O.'

Away they all walked, headed north to Washington
Where they knew they wouldn't be greeted with stones.
So up to D.C., they all took a walk,
To hard work or a challenge, they did not balk.

From health care to human rights, Obama took a stand.
For that we're very grateful — give him a hand!
Sasha and Malia must both be so proud;
If he was our dad, we'd announce it aloud!

From Twitter to Facebook, the youth won the vote.
We earned it, dear reader, take a moment to gloat.
No need to be scared of the almost nightmare
Of the man who's a robot that dyes its hair.

We're saved from the possible Romney curse;
Obama is better and definitely not worse.
He'll give us better Pell grants and health care to boot,
He'll provide us with hurricane supplies, so we don't have
to loot.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to work,
And filed all the bills, then turned with a jerk.
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the White House chimney he rose!

He sprang to Air Force One, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew without even launching a missile.
But we heard him exclaim before they had left,
"Many thanks, all you young people! Especially UF!"

Reader response

Today's question: Are you happy
with the results of the election?

52.7% OBAMA

Tuesday's question: Who are
you voting for?

39.9% ROMNEY
7.4% OTHER

203 TOTAL VOTES

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SON of a GATOR

by Andre R. Frattino



Column

The day after the election with Obama

As I started to write this column on Election Day, polls were open and votes were coming in. By the time this is printed, very early Tuesday morning, we will most likely know who will be inaugurated in January as president of the United States.

The next president will face a variety of issues from day one. From dealing with automatic budget cuts and tax reform, to managing a hyper-partisan Congress, the commander in chief will have to get to work immediately to avoid fiscal crisis.

By the time I wrote this, the campaign had long reached its climax and had essentially concluded.

Disclaimer: I recognize that should I be proven wrong, this piece will be wholly irrelevant. If that is the case, do not hesitate to regard this as another "Dewey defeats Truman" moment.

Approaching Election Day, I expected President Barack Obama to remain in the White House.

Yes, I remain firm in my belief that momentum gradually shifted toward Gov. Mitt Romney since the first debate, and I would be surprised if he didn't win Florida.

However, with respect to the Electoral College, Obama has too diverse a path to victory, while Romney must win the majority of swing states, including Ohio, which no victor in several election cycles has lost. Polls in Ohio shifted toward the President Monday, according to the New York Times.

We can all agree that the Obama campaign's tremendous voter registration efforts and national organization has played a large role in his re-election. This effort has undermined the opposition's attempt to paint him as a failed incumbent in light of former President Jimmy Carter.

The fallen potential of the Romney campaign could be attributed to the bitter Republican primary process in which the GOP nominee pandered to a volatile plat-



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form for far too long. Having been under constant attack for nearly two years, both Republicans and Democrats successfully put constant doubt of Romney's political positions in the minds of voters.

As such, the president has an advantage as the incumbent.

Benefiting from an extended general election rather than being torn down by an extended nomination process, Obama seems to have been uplifted by a united Democratic party in addition to gradual progress with respect to the marginal improvements in the job market and in consumer confidence.

There is no time for celebration, however.

The President must get back to work instead of remaining the "campaigner in chief," as his opposition may label him. America has made progress, but the nation still has a long way to go to repair partisan divisions in rebuilding our economy.

I hope that Republicans will work with President Obama. I hope that President Obama will work with Republicans.

There is no denying that Republicans, like Romney, have tangible and meaningful experience to offer another Obama administration. Romney's trademark statement, "I've worked in the private sector, I know how the economy works," should not be overlooked. We can all agree that to unite the nation and solve our issues, we must compromise on legislation development.

It would be encouraging to see the Obama administration and Republicans reach out to one another to overcome our nation's challenges.

After all, that's change we really should believe in.

Matthew Schnur is an economics freshman at UF. His column appears on Wednesdays.

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Guest column

Homecoming is an annual holiday for students, staff

Have you ever heard the phrase “Let the Gator Growl?” How about “the largest student-run pep rally in the nation?”

To many people, these are simply the common phrases heard on campus each year at Homecoming time.

But for the students who attend Gator Growl annually, it means the most unique Homecoming experience in the country, and it belongs to them as Florida Gators.

We can spend hours detailing what the show has for you (skydivers, UF cheerleaders, the Dazzlers, a chance to see Tracy Morgan and Josh Turner perform live, student-produced skits and more), but the feeling can't be explained.

We have not one, but two events in the stadium in one weekend. A stage is built in a week and taken down in 12 hours. It's a time when the famous come to Gainesville, and the Gators are the stars of the show.

It's not for only our athletes. It's for the dancers, the singers, the performers — all Gators. Get ready for a show by students, for students. (OK, and for alumni, but they were students once, too).

For \$15, come check it out before you knock it.

There's no event in the country like Gator Growl, and it's directly on campus.

As a senior at UF, I've finally learned what Homecoming is about. This week is the ultimate experience for the Gator Nation. There's one reason to celebrate, and it's simply that we're the best — the orange and blue — and nothing will ever change that.

This year, we'll also have a unique opportunity to celebrate our nation's heroes for Veterans Day. With ROTC members as ushers, cameos from Gators serving overseas and Wounded Warriors in the audience,

Hannah Swerdloff
Speaking Out

we will spend the night honoring those people who serve and have served our country. If you buy a Gator Growl ticket, you will help us reach 32,500 in ticket sales. Gator Growl aims

to donate \$25,000 to the Wounded Warrior Project.

After an intense election season, we'll finally come together under one president and stand united not only for the Gator Nation, but for the United States. Get ready for the Independence Day in Gainesville twice in one year. (Who doesn't love that?)

Medal of Honor recipient and Gainesville resident Cpl. Duane E. Dewey will kick off the weekend as the grand marshal of the UF Homecoming Parade Friday at noon on University Avenue. Following Gator Growl, which is Friday at 7 p.m. in Ben Hill Griffin Stadium, join the university community for the Homecoming Alumni barbecue at 10 a.m. Saturday before the game. We'll have the entire tailgate experience plus barbecue from 4 Rivers Smokehouse for \$10. I also hope you'll celebrate Homecoming in your own way this week.

Attend an event hosted by your organization, wear red, white, orange and blue, and take the night off from studying to enjoy a movie.

It's Homecoming, it's a holiday and it's time to celebrate.

If you have any inquiries about the university's Homecoming events, visit www.gatorgrowl.org or www.facebook.com/GatorGrowlUF

Have fun this week — IT'S HOMECOMING, MY FRIENDS!

Happy Homecoming to all.

Hannah Swerdloff is the general chairwoman of UF Homecoming 2012.

UWire

Oil production brings benefits, responsibility

The Associated Press recently reported that, as a result of a four-year boom in oil production, the United States could surpass Saudi Arabia as the world's largest producer of oil. This news comes during a time when Americans are increasingly concerned about oil prices and stability in the Middle East.

Energy independence has long been a rallying cry for politicians who claim to support American national security. This phrase has become synonymous with a variety of initiatives, namely the escalation of domestic drilling as embodied by the 2008 Republican campaign slogan “drill, baby, drill,” as well as ongoing efforts to pioneer efficient and cost-effective alternative energy sources. However, through all of this, the U.S. has, out of necessity, been forced to import a large amount of its oil.

Though much has been said about the supply of oil in the Middle East, the largest exporter of oil to the U.S. is Canada, providing nearly a billion barrels of oil so far in 2012 compared to the 436 million barrels from Saudi Arabia.

Nonetheless, U.S. dependence on foreign oil still poses a major national security threat, and the news that the U.S. has experienced its fourth straight increase in annual oil production provides U.S. planners with a variety of options.

This should not be interpreted as an opening for complacency when it comes to investing in alternative energy sources.

With an increase in domestic production, about 11.4 million barrels a day, the domestic need, 18 million barrels a day, will increasingly be met by domestic production. This means that more and more money spent on oil will be pumped into the U.S. economy, with obvious benefits to the American population.

However, this also means that, as oil prices drop and the fear of dependence on oil from the Middle East recedes, there will be a decrease in public pressure on politicians and the private sector to come up with effective and cost-efficient alternative energy sources and to discover new sources of domestic petroleum.

As college students, the events that transpire today in regards to America's energy policy will have significant and long-lasting consequences in our adult years.

Whether we progress on a path toward finding alternative energy sources to, at first, coexist with petroleum and then replace it or become complacent with falling oil prices and rising independence, our choice will heavily

Alex Rubin
UWire

weigh on our ability to sustain ourselves when the world's oil production reaches its Hubbert peak. Therefore, we must be proactive to avoid the devastating

effects of this peak to the world's oil supplies.

The breathing room that will be provided by greater independence and greater domestic oil production must be converted into research into alternative energies so that this breathing room can continue into the future.

Therefore, the new flow of wealth that will be diverted from international markets to the domestic economy must be used to supplement existing funding for research into alternative energy sources. The basic rule of capitalism is that when there is a demand for a product, the supply for that product will respond accordingly.

Thus, the first step to achieving any form of true energy independence based on the short-term combination of petroleum and alternative energy sources is to continue to provide this demand on the market.

Throughout the past decade, automobile fuel efficiency has increased. Hybrid cars have become more commonplace and solar panels, windmills, hydroelectric plants and nuclear reactors have increasingly taken a larger role in satisfying America's energy needs.

To complement the increase in research and public interest in alternative energy sources, we need a massive investment in America's electric grid. The current grid is largely outdated and inefficient.

To provide for the dramatically growing energy needs of the American public, and to supplant transportation inefficiencies — a major obstacle to the effective implementation of alternative energy sources such as solar, wind and hydroelectric because of their need to be at appropriate, and often remote, sites — that come from transporting electricity, the American electric grid must be updated and renovated to include the most advanced technologies so that it may efficiently distribute power throughout the country.

American oil production is increasing, and with this increase will come many benefits to the American economy, its national security and foreign policy; however, this good fortune cannot be met with complacency but instead with an increased determination to extend the benefits of energy independence and sustainability into the future.

Alex Rubin is a columnist for *The Dartmouth* at Dartmouth College.



SAFETY

UPD urges students to use bike lights

RACHEL KURLAND

Alligator Contributing Writer

In light of the recent time change, the University Police Department urges UF students to use bicycle lights for safety.

State laws require that a bicycle used between sunset and sunrise must have a front light visible from 500 feet and a lamp and red reflector on the back visible from 600 feet, said UPD spokesman Maj. Brad Barber.

"Beyond the legal requirement, it is for visibility," Barber said.

A nonmoving violation costs \$104, Sgt. Kristy Maculan said. A

moving violation, in which the bicyclist is fined for acts such as running a stop sign or operating in the wrong direction of traffic, costs \$154.

UPD swept through campus Monday night, Maculan said. During that time, police issued 52 written warnings for bike light violations. She said police also registered 26 bikes.

Typically, students who commit a bike infraction on campus initially receive a warning, Barber said. Following incidents can become citations.

Cyclists, like drivers, must follow the rules of the road, which include stopping at red lights and stop

signs.

"A lot of people don't recognize that a bicycle is considered a vehicle in the State of Florida," Barber said.

Kerrie Durham, a linguistics freshman, bought a bike light about a month into this semester. The 18-year-old said she shines a light on herself while riding at night so it is easier for others to see her.

Loren Humphrey, an 18-year-old aerospace engineering freshman, said it is important that drivers and bikers can see each other while on the road.

"You should probably have a couple of bike lights at night," she said. "And maybe don't go as fast."



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A cyclist cruises down Southeast Second Street on Wednesday night. University Police officers can fine students \$104 to \$154 for failing to have lights while riding between sunset and sunrise.

SAE fraternity house lion gets replacement

► THIS WILL BE THE FOURTH LION FOR THE HOUSE.

KATHRYN VARN

Alligator Writer

Groups of students who walked by the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house Monday afternoon weren't all talking about the Gators. Some gossiped about a different animal — the missing lion.

According to SAE President Nathan Kenney, the fraternity will replace Leo the lion statue. Leo has been outside the house for about 20 years.

"It had no nose or tail," said Kenney, a 21-year-old food science and human nutrition senior. "Parts of it were held together by the layers of paint."

He said the fraternity ordered its new brass-and-steel lion, which will be the fourth one outside of the house, from a company in China. It was supposed to arrive for Homecoming this weekend, but it was shipped through New York and was delayed due to Hurricane Sandy.

It will be a little bigger than the previous lion and will cost about \$8,500, Kenney said. SAE alumni raised most of the money, with a few of the funds

coming from active members.

Kenney said they plan to have a ceremony with alumni this weekend to honor the new lion.

He said that Leo is a mascot for the fraternity and a way to differentiate the house from others.

"It's a landmark," he said. "I tell people, 'It's the house with the lion in the front.'"

Will Simpson, a 21-year-old industrial and systems engineering junior and SAE brother, said Leo guards the fraternity house.

"Parts of it were held together by the layers of paint."

Nathan Kenney

SAE President

"It's more of something that brings us together," he said.

The brothers paint the lion for social events, football games and holidays, Kenney said. SAE plans to prime the new lion so the brotherhood can continue to paint it for events.

Leo will be back in the front yard next week for all the students who are used to its majestic glance and bright colors.

"It's our unique way of defining our chapter," Kenney said.

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Cold weather supplies donated to homeless residents this week

Blankets, scarves and socks were given away

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Tommy Scott can barely sleep when it's cold outside.

Scott, 56, was recently in the hospital for two weeks because he slept outside and didn't have enough blankets to keep him warm and keep his asthma at bay.

Whenever St. Francis House offers cold-night shelter, he makes sure to stay overnight.

Organizations keep homeless people warm and safe during the cold nights.

While the temperature drops and the crisp winter wind breezes through, the amount of supplies to assist the homeless change daily, according to local community officials.

Scott slept at the shelter during cold nights for the past two years.

"I'm always treated really good," he said.

He said that in the past when the temperature was about 20 to 35 degrees, the shelter ran out of cots to give out.

"It got so goddamn full," he said.

The room filled with men and women separated by a divider, he said.

Scott said he plans to stay at St. Francis for the next couple of nights because it's going to be cold.

Temperatures will dip into the low 40s over the next few nights.

He said he thinks many of the people who sleep on Bo Diddley Community Plaza

and in "Tent City" will follow suit.

The City of Gainesville/Alachua County Office on Homelessness replenished its supplies after running out of jackets to

give to the homeless last week.

When the office reached out to the city, people responded by helping out and donating, said Theresa Lowe, director of the City of Gainesville/Alachua County Office on Homelessness.

"This has been a community partnership," Lowe said.

The office gives away blankets, socks and scarves.

Jackets are given away daily.

In the past two weeks, the organization gave about 50 to 60 jackets, she said.

St. Francis House provides cold-night shelter for the homeless when the temperature is 45 degrees or lower.

Kent Vann, executive director at St. Francis House, said the cold-night shelter provides a person who doesn't have anywhere to stay a safe and warm place to sleep.

"This saves lives," Vann said. "A freeze warning can cost a life."

The shelter houses 35 people, but during cold-night temperatures, an additional 40 to 60 people stay the night, he said.

Guests check in by 8 p.m., and they receive a green cot, blankets and coffee.

In the morning, about 30 volunteers and six staffers provide the guests with a hot breakfast including eggs, bacon, pastries or oatmeal.

"The people are good, and they are appreciative of the services," he said.



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John Roberts, 56, left, and Daniel Walters, 53, sit on a bench on Bo Diddley Community Plaza on Friday night. Temperatures will dip into the low 40s over the next few nights.

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10 Altoids alternative
15 Fan favorite
16 Earthing
17 Absorbed the loss
18 Tropical headgear
20 Passover ritual
21 Dix halved
22 Calendar abbr.
24 Prior to, in verse
25 Low-tech note taker
27 Deal-closing aids
30 Unblemished
31 Line winder
32 Baking-by-products
33 Creative enterprise
34 On the fence
35 Six-stringed instrument, usually
36 Urbana-Champaign NCAA team
41 Two pages
42 "Zip-_-Doo-Dah"
43 Tram car filler
45 Totally absorbed
48 Hon
49 Pontiac muscle cars
50 Powerful pin cushion?
52 "It__ hit me yet"
53 Mao follower?
54 Scientology's __ Hubbard
55 Sushi bar soup
56 Cook-off potfl
58 False
63 Mixer for a mixologist
64 Boyfriends
65 Couple in a rowboat
66 Run through a reader, as a debit card
67 Footlocker
68 Sandstorm residue

DOWN

1 Split
2 Org. concerned with crowns
3 Mozart works
4 Pal of Jerry Seinfeld
5 Retired seven-foot NBAer
6 "Say that again?"
7 "I__ Rock"
8 Fisher-Price parent company
9 Follow logically
10 Potluck staple
11 Summer on the Seine
12 Turn in for cash
13 Spain's __ de Campos
14 Underline, say
19 Trio on a phone keypad
23 Online shopkeeper
25 Place for pampering
26 Area of expertise
27 Calligrapher's flourish
28 Question of time, to Telemann
29 __ me tangere
31 Barbecue spit, e.g.
34 "Every Breath You Take" band
35 "Myra Breckinridge" author
37 Ticked pink
38 Scottish Celt
39 "As of yet, no"
40 Pressing need?
44 Inexact fig.
45 Throws out
46 Reservation waster
47 Spiral pasta
48 One of Dancer's partners
49 Far-from-efficient vehicle
51 Reservations
52 Best-seller
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- Answers**
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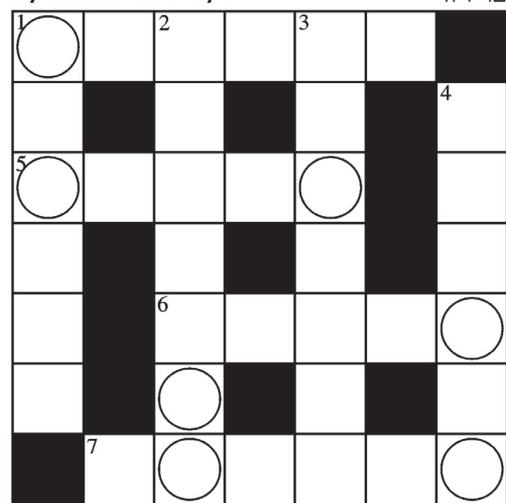
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Florida taking up-tempo approach to cure slow starts



David Carr / Alligator Staff

Quarterback Jeff Driskel signals to the Gators' offense in Florida's 14-7 win against Missouri on Saturday at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium. UF went to a hurry-up attack on its first two possessions.

► **OPPONENTS HAVE OUTGAINED THE GATORS IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF EVERY GAME THIS SEASON.**

GREG LUCA
Alligator Staff Writer

In response to a streak of slow starts, the Gators are picking up the pace.

On Saturday's first play from scrimmage, quarterback Jeff Driskel found Trey Burton in the flat to his left for a 6-yard gain.

Immediately after the play ended, Driskel began shouting directions and signaling with his hands.

Without huddling, Florida lined up in an empty set, and Driskel found Frankie Hammond Jr. on a slant route for an 8-yard gain.

Using an increased tempo, UF opened the game with an eight-play, 28-yard drive — its best opening possession since Sept. 8, when Florida drove 75 yards in 13 plays against Texas A&M.

Given the early success on Saturday, offensive coordinator Brent Pease said the Gators will likely employ the strategy again.

"We've always worked on it, and we've always had it," Pease said.

"It loosened them up and got some energy in our kids."

Florida revisited the hurry-up on its second possession.

After Driskel hit Jordan Reed on a curl route for a 4-yard gain to start the possession, the Gators rushed back to the line.

But Driskel was tackled for no gain on a scramble attempt, and a Missouri defensive lineman batted down his third-down pass to an open Reed.

"I wish we would have been a little more consistent with [the no-huddle offense]," Pease said. "I wish we would have had a couple more completions. It was effective for what we wanted."

The change in tempo was meant to spur a fast start. Florida has been outgained in the first quarter of every game this season.

On average, the Gators have gained only 47.1 yards in the first quarter, compared to 85 yards for their opponents.

"We do have to start better," Driskel said.

"The offense has to be more productive. ... We went no-huddle this week to kind of get our tempo going, because we kind of move the ball better when we have a good tempo."

Driskel said the shift to a hurry-up can make it easier to read defenses.

With limited time to prepare before the snap, defenders have a difficult time making checks and usually end up playing more vanilla concepts.

SEE UP-TEMPO, PAGE 15

JURNY DUTY

Gators should air it out

Will Muschamp is not changing anything.

It's OK if he tells the media that, but it shouldn't actually be the case.

He'll publicly respect Florida's next two opponents — Louisiana and Jacksonville State — but it should not go any further than that.

"It's all the same to me," Muschamp said of preparation for this weekend's game against Louisiana. "This is a good football team coming in here. Having recruited in the state of Louisiana, where most of their players are from, and south Mississippi, they've got really good skilled people who can run and play. The offense that they have cre-



Josh Jurnovoy
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ates issues for us defensively."

But Florida won't have any issues defensively.

Yes, the Ragin' Cajuns have the 44th-ranked offense in the country, but they put up those numbers playing in the Sun Belt Conference. The UF defense ranks fifth nationally after completing its Southeastern Conference slate.

The defense alone can win this game for the Gators.

Saturday could be a repeat of

SEE JOSH, PAGE 15

Pease noncommittal on UK opening

JOE MORGAN
Alligator Staff Writer

Florida offensive coordinator Brent Pease is a candidate to take the head coaching job at Kentucky next season, but don't hold your breath for a quick decision.

"I'm not going to approach it in-season at all," Pease said. "If the opportunity comes up afterward, I'd do whatever's appropriate at that time."

Pease, a career assistant, said he would listen if any head coaching offers come his way. He has worked as an offensive coordinator at four FBS schools: Kentucky, Baylor, Boise State and Florida.

"You always visit with people," Pease said. "That's what we're in the profession for."

Should Pease entertain job offers this offseason, he would have the support of Gators coach Will

Muschamp, who has already lost one offensive coordinator to a head coaching job during his tenure at Florida. Charlie Weis accepted an offer to take the helm at Kansas after calling plays in Gainesville last season.

"If the opportunity comes up afterward, I'd do whatever's appropriate at that time."

Brent Pease

UF offensive coordinator

"Brent certainly is an outstanding football coach," Muschamp said. "Any opportunity he has as a head coach, I know that I will fully endorse that."

The Wildcats announced the firing of coach Joker Phillips on Monday. Phillips is 12-23 with a 4-19

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Ziva Recek was named SEC Freshman of the Week for the third time, adding to an impressive list of accolades. See story, page 14.

Senior midfielder Dragotta to miss Friday's game

Jo Dragotta will miss UF's NCAA Tournament match against FGCU on Friday due to a concussion, coach Becky Burleigh said Tuesday. Dragotta was named to the All-SEC first team after scoring seven goals this season.

Junior safety Elam earns national award

Matt Elam was named the Chuck Bednarik Award Player of the Week on Tuesday after notching six tackles, two tackles for a loss and an interception on Saturday.

VOLLEYBALL

Freshman outside hitter continues to rack up SEC accolades

JONATHAN CZUPRYN
Alligator Writer

Thanks to Ziva Recek, the Gators have to make more room on their mantel.

The Southeastern Conference named Recek its Freshman of the Week for the third time this year and the second straight week on Monday after her career weekend against Georgia and Tennessee.

Florida's leader in kills tallied 38 in the past two matches to bring her total on the season to 317. Recek, who is one of only three Gators to play in each of the team's 81 sets, has averaged 3.91 kills per set. That mark is the fourth-highest average in the SEC.

Most of her production last weekend came in the Gators' loss to the Volunteers on Sunday, when she recorded a career-high 26 kills and 20 digs.

Coach Mary Wise said she hasn't seen a performance like Recek's in a while.

"We haven't had a player record 26 kills since 2005," Wise said. "Ziva has been more than solid for us all season. Great players have that ability to go to another gear."

Recek became the first UF player to record at least 26 kills in a match since Jane Collymore had 30 on Sept. 10, 2005. She also was the first Gator to have at least 20 kills and 20 digs in a single match since Kisyia Killingsworth registered

23 kills and 20 digs against South Carolina on Sept. 17, 2006.

Recek's record-setting weekend puts her in the same conversation as former Gators great and All-American Kelly Murphy.



Recek

Recek has three SEC Freshman of the Week awards as well as an SEC Offensive Player of the Week award, which mirrors Murphy's accomplishments during her freshman year in 2008. Murphy went on to win SEC Freshman of the Year and was the consensus National Freshman of the Year.

Before Recek, the 6-foot outside hitter, earned her latest award, Murphy and former All-American Elyse Cusack were the only Gators to have accumulated four conference honors in one season.

As a team, Florida has racked up six weekly honors so far this season. Two weeks ago, Chloe Mann was the SEC Offensive Player of the Week and Taylor Unroe was the conference's Defensive Player of the Week.

The Gators have already eclipsed last year's squad, which earned just four weekly awards.

The last time Florida had an offensive player, defensive player and freshman of the week was 2010.

Wise said she credits the play of the veterans that lead the team through the day-to-day grind.

"What we do is rely on the leadership of the older players," Wise said. "They want to get back in the gym right away."

Behind the leadership of Betsy Smith and Tangerine Wiggs, the Gators have racked up six weekly awards and the top spot in the SEC standings.

Wise said Florida is close to where it wants to be at this point in the year.

"Our goal every year is to be playing our best volleyball at the end of the season," she said. "I think we have a chance to do that."

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Wideout Frankie Hammond Jr. hauls in a 43-yard touchdown during UF's 14-7 win against Missouri on Saturday. The play was called back due to a holding call on Jon Halapio.

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UF's win against South Carolina, with a few forced turnovers giving Florida the edge from the get-go.

For that reason, the offense needs to get out of its comfort zone the next two weeks and throw the ball at least half of the time.

The Gators have run the ball on 68 percent of their offensive plays this season. If the coaches feel that imbalance will serve them best against No. 8 Florida State on Nov. 24, then that is what they should do the next two weeks. However, that is not likely the case.

The Seminoles boast the nation's top-ranked overall defense, which is third against the run. FSU has consistently taken away the opposition's ground game more than any other team Florida has faced this season.

Not developing a better passing game will only make it easier for the Seminoles, who won't hesitate to move their safeties close to the line of scrimmage.

"The thing it really does is make it tough on your receivers, because they have to block those guys that are so much lower," offensive coordinator Brent Pease said of safeties in the box. "Or it makes it easier on them that we're going over the top of them like we did on the

one to Frankie (Hammond Jr.)."

Pease was referring to Hammond's negated 43-yard touchdown reception in the fourth quarter of Saturday's 14-7 win against Missouri. The completion shows that even though the Gators struggle to pass block and their talent at receiver is average at best, they can still make plays in the air. The unit just hasn't done so often.

Unless the situation dictates that a run is the only logical option, Pease should focus on getting quarterback Jeff Driskel and the receivers as many downfield passing plays as possible.

Even though the end-of-season showdown with the rival Seminoles is more important than these two games, the Gators probably don't have many cards left to put on the table. If there are a few plays that haven't been used, then by all means save them. But everything else needs to be refined.

Florida has the 118th-ranked passing offense in the country.

Conversely, Louisiana ranks 118th in pass defense.

If there was ever a week for the Gators to go all-in and work through their passing struggles, this is it.

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Gators reserves getting time in hurry-up attack

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"We like it a lot," Driskel said.

"It's nice to see what they're doing and that they're going to stay in their base coverages."

The up-tempo approach also gives UF an opportunity to get a few of its little-used offensive weapons more involved.

Running back Matt Jones played three snaps and gained 5 yards on two carries during Florida's opening drive. Pease said the freshman's hands have made him a valuable option in the team's backfield rotation.

The Gators also rotate receivers in the hurry-up offense.

Rather than asking a player who ran a fly route to sprint back to the line of scrimmage and be ready for the next play, the coaches can sub him out for a fresher option.

Pease said the mechanics of running the hurry-up are relatively simple, especially given the time the Gators devote to it in practice.

"It's something that we've worked on a lot," Driskel said. "We feel really comfortable with it."

But the up-tempo approach comes with a possible downside.

If Florida's offense rushes through a three-and-out, its defense will have to return to the field before it has an opportunity to catch its breath.

This prevents Pease from running a hurry-up offense if the opponent's offense just sustained a long drive.

"If you go no-huddle and go three-and-out, they're right back on the field," Driskel said. "You kind of have to get into a groove."

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Coordinator has experience with Kentucky

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Southeastern Conference clip since taking over in 2010.

Pease's history in Lexington, Ky., has fueled speculation that he might replace Phillips. Pease served as UK's offensive coordinator from 2001-02.

"It's a good program," Pease said of Kentucky. "They've got great people. They've got a great program, and the facilities are good. They're committed to winning, and they have won. They won when we were there, when I was there on staff. They won when Rich Brooks was there. You can get good kids there."

Sandy's effect on Gators: The lights will not come on at Josh Evans' house. More than a week after Hurricane Sandy hit New Jersey, Evans' family is without power.

"It was very scary," he said.

Evans had the storm on his mind during Florida's 14-7 win against Missouri on Saturday at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium. Evans led the Gators with 12 tackles and grabbed a fourth-quarter interception that ended the Tigers' last-ditch effort to tie the game.

"I kind of had a chip on my shoulder this weekend ... to go out there and play harder for my family and the struggle they're going through," Evans said. "The lives we lost back in New Jersey, New York (and) Connecticut had me a little emotional over this weekend to go out there and just play my heart out. It's been tough."

Also affected by the storm were the families of Dominique Easley of Staten Island, N.Y., and Jordan Reed of New London, Conn.

Buck linebacker Lerentee McCray said he and Easley talked about the junior defensive end's family and the condition of Staten Island in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy.

"They went a couple days without power," McCray said. "The city's flooded, the streets (are) flooded and everything like that. Stuff that we went through a couple years ago when the hurricanes came through."

Sturgis may be limited: Caleb Sturgis (right ankle) is probable for Saturday's game against Louisiana, but the extent of his role remains uncertain.

Due to swelling on Sturgis' kicking ankle that popped up during practice last week, the Gators may reduce the Lou Groza Award semifinalist's field-goal range against the Ragin' Cajuns. Usually, Sturgis attempts field goals as long as 52 yards.

"It's something that [special teams coordinator D.J. Durkin] always lets us know," Pease said. "There's communication on the headphones on where we need to get to. So, it varies. We know what Caleb's range is consistently, but if there's wind, there's wind. If it's a different kicker, it's probably not as far as Caleb's."

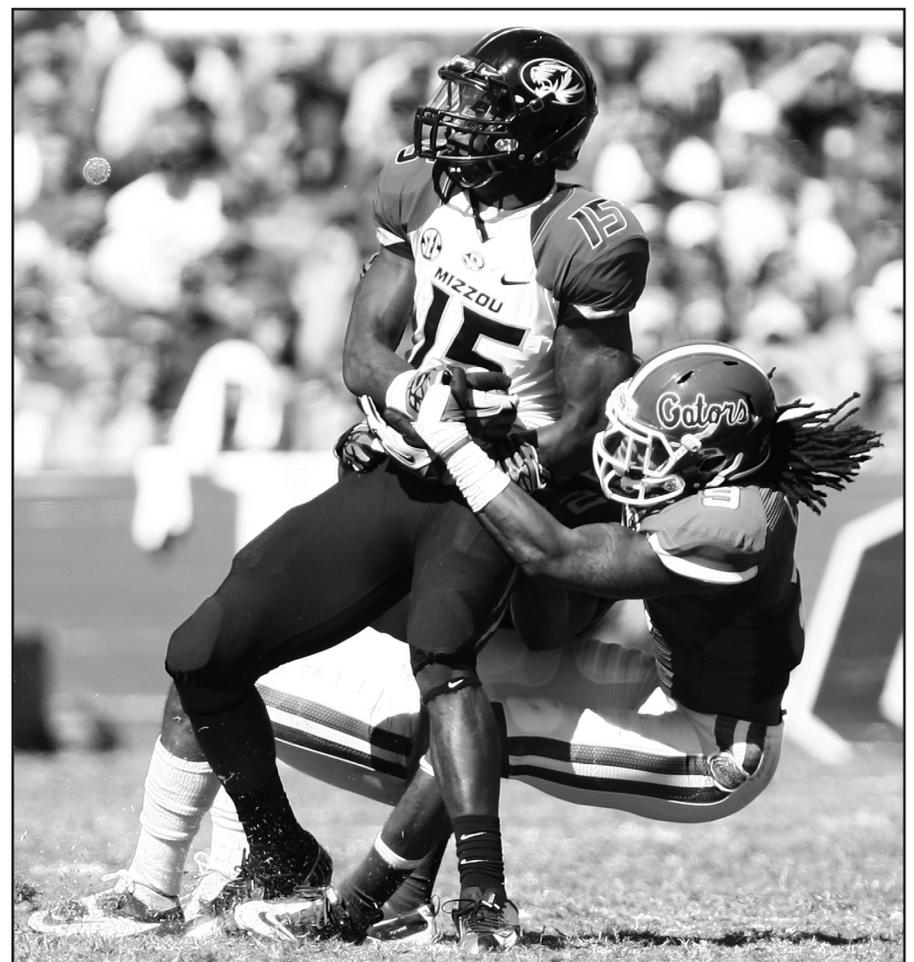
Sturgis attempted just one field goal — a blocked 47-yard attempt — against Missouri. Brad Phillips handled kickoffs and

missed a 24-yard field goal attempt in the fourth quarter.

Headset jargon: When asked about his Saturday headset conversations with Muschamp, Pease laughed. Muschamp tones down his sideline demeanor when talking with coaches during games, according to Pease.

"He's good," Pease said. "He listens, and he might say things here and there and give us some clues on what we're seeing. Some coaches chat a lot, but he doesn't do that. Sometimes I don't even know he's there."

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Safety Josh Evans (9) tackles wideout Dorial Green-Beckham (15) during Florida's 14-7 win against Missouri on Saturday at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium.

