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CAMPUS

## No water in Norman until Friday

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UF may be a wet campus, but Norman Hall has run dry.

All bathrooms, sinks and water fountains in “old” Norman Hall have been out of order since a water main pipe malfunctioned two weeks ago.

Workers are still uncertain of what happened to the pipe because it runs beneath the building. Project man-

ager Chandler Rozear said he hopes water will be restored Friday.

Employees arrived in the new Information Technology department housed in the Norman Hall basement Aug. 26 to find a 1-inch flood. After pieces of the carpet and drywall were removed, workers found water bubbling. Nearly 100 gallons a day bubbled from a 5-foot-tall leak.

The department just completed its renovation in June, and expensive-

equipment was relocated to be salvaged from potential mold. Rozear said the department will need new carpet tiles, drywall and paint, a relatively cheap fix, and will be ready in two to three weeks.

Workers tested the water and found chlorine present, which meant the water came from reclaimed irrigation water or drinking water. After turning off the water main to

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## UF ranked No. 14, looks to improve

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UF is inching toward top 10 status.

The university is up three spots to No. 14 on the U.S. News & World Report’s 2014 list of “The Top 30 Public National Universities,” which was released today.

UF tied for the 49th spot overall with Northeastern University and the University of California, Irvine. It was 54th last year.

“University faculty, staff, students and supporters helped pull UF through five difficult years of a down national economy and state budget cuts,” Provost Joseph Glover said in a news release. “UF’s national ranking is in large part due to their efforts and reflects our continued quest to increase our standing among the nation’s top public universities.”

*“This will benefit all students in Florida who deserve an opportunity to attend a top-ranked university in their home state.”*

**Bernie Machen**  
UF president

Among UF’s improvements was its percentage of classes with fewer than 20 students — which was 45, and now it’s 49.

But UF administrators know the university needs to increase its faculty resources, which are ranked 102nd.

UF is using state funds to do just that. Florida Gov. Rick Scott signed a preeminence bill into law in the Spring that provides \$15 million annually for five years to help UF achieve top 10 status. UF will match that through private fundraising.

“This will benefit all students in Florida who deserve an opportunity to attend a top-ranked university in their home state,” UF President Bernie Machen said in the release.

The University of Miami (No. 47) was the only Florida university to beat UF on the overall list. Florida State University came in at 91. The University of Central Florida and the University of South Florida tied for No. 170.



Jordan McPherson / Alligator

A women’s restroom in Norman Hall is marked off with caution tape Monday. The building has no running water, and students are being directed to Norman Hall’s new addition, the Digital Worlds Institute next door.

## Electronic cigarette usage doubles, concerns local experts

E-CIGARETTES OFTEN CONTAIN NICOTINE IN SMALLER DOSES.

ALEX HARRIS and BROOKE BAITINGER

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Electronic cigarette usage has doubled among American middle and high school students in the past year, and some local experts and young e-cigarette users are butting heads

about the consequences.

The number of adolescents in grades 6 through 12 who have used e-cigarettes at least once rose from 3.3 percent to 6.8 percent from 2011 to 2012, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

TJ Harrington, a Santa Fe College professor and the executive director of the Tobacco Prevention Network of Florida, said electronic cigarettes can function as “youth initiation products.”

About 90 percent of new smokers are be-

*“Tobacco companies are highly invested in the e-cigarette market and have been known for decades to market to a younger age group.”*

TJ Harrington

executive director of the

Tobacco Prevention Network of Florida

tween the ages 11 and 18, he said, and the e-cigarette can be a product that introduces them to smoking.

“Tobacco companies are highly invested in

the e-cigarette market and have been known for decades to market to a younger age group,” Harrington said, “and there is not enough information on the product for teenagers to know better.”

E-cigarettes often contain the addictive drug nicotine in smaller doses and are said to lack the tobacco and some of the toxins present in traditional cigarettes. The device heats a flavored liquid solution, which creates a vapor meant to simulate tobacco smoke.

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University will discuss the perceived gap between the scientific community and the general public. He will suggest that individuals understand scientific claims but still make decisions based upon their values and beliefs. The goal is to create multicultural forms of science communication. This event is organized by the UF Center for Humanities and the Public Sphere as part of the "Civil Society?" speaker series. For more information, visit [www.humanities.ufl.edu](http://www.humanities.ufl.edu).

## Yom Kippur at Hillel

This year, UF Hillel is starting off Yom Kippur the right way -- with some food. Join friends for a relaxing meal from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. on Friday before Yom Kippur services begin at 7 p.m. The pre-fast meal is subsidized for UF students and costs \$10. For community members and parents, the meal costs \$25. Please RSVP by visiting UF Hillel's website at [www.ufhillel.org/high-holy-days-schedule](http://www.ufhillel.org/high-holy-days-schedule).

## Free beginner tango class

There will be a free beginning tango class at 8 p.m. Friday at the Student Recreation Center, Room 2. No special shoes or experience is required. For more information, visit [www.facebook.com/groups/uftango](http://www.facebook.com/groups/uftango).

## Florida Museum exhibits

Don beach-wear and join the "fun for all ages" celebration of the Florida Museum of Natural History's newest exhibits, "Surfing Florida: A Photographic History" and "Surf Science: Waves and Wildlife," Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## Techno contra dance party

On Saturday, the Reitz Union Rion Ballroom will

be transformed into a techno contra dance party. Contra dancing is a form of folk dancing that is growing in popularity throughout the United States. This event is from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. It is a great way to meet new people and have some fun contra dancing with a twist! Black lights and a live DJ will be present, so be sure to wear neon clothing. Student admission is \$5 and regular admission is \$8.

## Got something going on?

Want to see it in this space? Send an email with "What's Happening" in the subject line to [sshavell@alligator.org](mailto:sshavell@alligator.org). To ensure publication in the next day's newspaper, please submit the event before 5 p.m. Please model your submissions after above events and keep them 150 words or fewer. Improperly formatted "What's Happening" submissions may not appear in the paper. Press releases will not appear in the paper.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

## Creative Writing Club

Love to write? Then come to the Creative Writing Club. Our first meeting is today at 3 p.m. in McCarthy A, Room 2196, and we meet every week. During meetings, we either complete writing exercises or workshop a club member's writing.

## HSF scholarship informational and general meeting

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF) Scholar Chapter invites new and returning members to its first Fall meeting. It will be held today in Rinker Hall, Room 210 at 7:30 p.m. Come learn about what the chapter has to offer, available leadership positions and how to apply for the HSF scholarship. Food and refreshments will be provided.

## Toastmasters

Talking Gators meets Tuesdays at 5:45 p.m. in the Entomology Building, Room 1031, at 970 Natural Area Dr., on UF campus. The club is open to everyone. The membership drive is now through October. Dues renewal is Oct. 1. For each member who renews her or his membership and for each new person who joins, the club will donate a nonperishable food item to the Bread of the Mighty Food Bank in time for Thanksgiving. For more information, go to [talkinggators.toastmastersclubs.org](http://talkinggators.toastmastersclubs.org).

## RA information sessions

Come out to an RA Information Session this week. RAs serve as advisers to residents, build a community for their residents, enforce policies and regulations, exercise good judgment in crisis situations and plan programs. Information Sessions this week are: Today at 4:30 p.m. in the Beaty Towers TV Room, Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Keys Complex Classroom and Sunday 8 p.m. in the Murphree Area Commons. Visit [www.housing.ufl.edu](http://www.housing.ufl.edu) for more information.

## Democracy and science?

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# Big yellow school buses stolen

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The Alachua County Sheriff's Office is looking for information about two county school buses stolen sometime between Sunday afternoon and early Monday morning from a Hawthorne bus yard.

The buses, both yellow with flat-top fronts, were reported missing early Monday from the lot near Hawthorne Middle/High School football field, said ASO spokesman Lt. Todd Kelly. The buses, one made in 2008 and the other 2009, were each valued at about \$90,000. They're numbered 2804 and 2703 with Florida tags 239578 and TC4561.

The buses serviced Chester Shell Elementary School, Waldo Community School, Lincoln Middle School, Bishop Middle School and Hawthorne Middle/High School. However, bus service will not be affected, said Jackie Johnson, Alachua County Schools spokeswoman.

"We always have extra buses to handle

routes," Johnson said, adding that the school system has about 225 buses for the roughly 42 schools in the county.

There are a few possible reasons why a thief would target a bus, Kelly said. Some criminals put the vehicles on shipping containers to sell overseas. Others disassemble the buses to sell for parts. He also said bus theft could be a sign of terrorist activity because school buses blend in on roads and can carry large amounts of cargo.

"Fortunately, there's been nothing to really support that at any point," he said.

A theft like this hasn't occurred recently in Alachua County. However, the Flagler County Sheriff's Office is dealing with a similar incident after two county school buses were stolen July 27, according a Flagler County Sheriff's Office press release.

Kelly said he wasn't sure if video is available for the Alachua County bus thefts or if the buses are equipped with GPS devices. However, a detective has been assigned to the case, he said.

Anyone with information about the thefts is encouraged to contact the Alachua County Sheriff's Office at 352-955-1818.

## LIFESTYLE

# As college tuition increases, so does parents' savings

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Rising college tuition and fear of thousands of dollars in student loans are prompting more parents to save for college.

A Fidelity Investments annual study showed that 69 percent of parents have started to save money for college — the highest percentage since 2007, when 58 percent of parents saved.

Most parents do not want their children to be burdened with debt because "it will set them back financially for years," said James Di Virgilio, a Gainesville financial planner.

Manuel Fernandez, an 18-year-old UF political science freshman, said his parents pay for all of his and his twin sister's expenses beyond what Bright Futures and Florida Prepaid covers.

Fernandez said his father is still paying off loans from medical school and that he does not want to graduate with debt that takes years to pay off.

"Coming out of college with \$100,000 in debt can take 30 years to pay off on a \$35,000 salary," Di Virgilio said.

Maureen McFarlane, associate director of financial aid at Santa Fe College, said saving for college gives students more flexibility.

"If parents are saving, then they have more opportunities and options available when the child is ready to go to college," McFarlane said.

Cara Mannion, a 21-year-old UF journalism and English senior, said she is proud to have put herself through college.

Mannion does not have Florida Prepaid and receives minimal help from her parents. Although she receives Florida Bright Futures and merit-based scholarships within her majors, she still works 32 hours a week at the UF Graduate Editorial Office, she said.

"I am way ahead of the game in life, and it won't be as much of a culture shock to pay for my expenses once I graduate," Mannion said.

Computed CAPEX and OPEX. Then learned how to cook Tex-Mex.

"One thing I've learned during my first year here is that capital expenditures and operating expenditures are only part of the EY equation.

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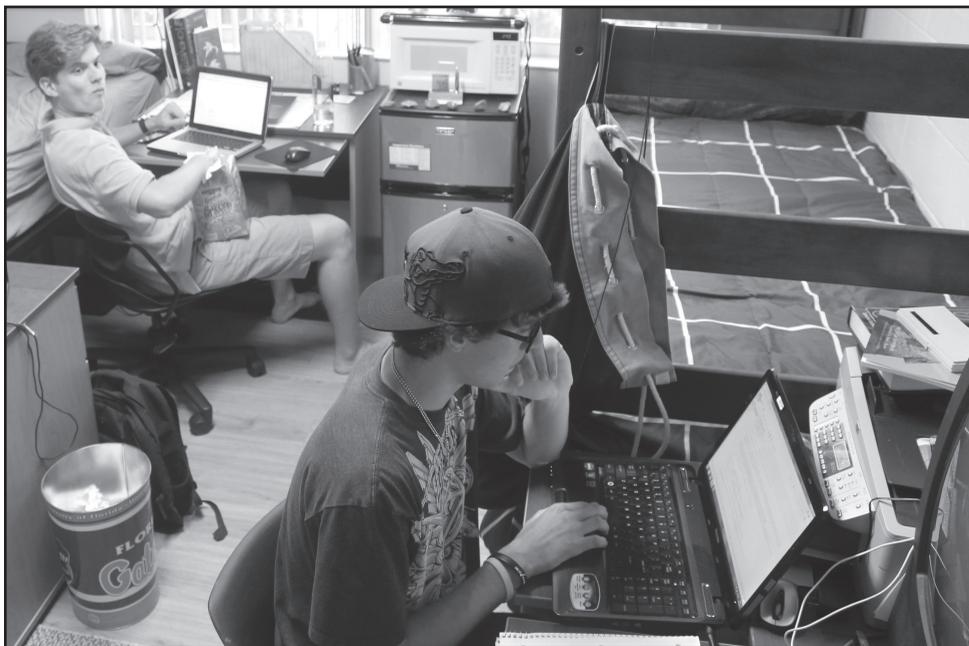
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## LIFESTYLE

## Commuting, online classes save students money — at a cost



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Animal science sophomore Justin Hanson, 19, right, and engineering freshman William Walker, 18, left, pass time in their dorm room Monday afternoon in Simpson Hall.

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Students looking to save money on a college education can consider swapping conventional classrooms and on-campus housing for an online program or a commute to campus.

Fifty percent of parents said they would consider having their child commute while living at home, according to a new study from Fidelity Investments. An even higher 54 percent said their children should take courses online.

UF might make a parent's money-saving strategy a reality. UF Online will offer a full bachelor's degree program completely online.

UF spokesman Chris Moran said with UF Online, in-state students will have a 25 percent discount on tuition. But he said the admissions standards are still the same.

"This isn't a consolation prize," he said. "This is the same UF education, the same degree, the same rigorous standards. It's just a different way of delivering it."

Another alternative way students try to save money is by living at home and commuting.

Yasmeen Shanata, a UF public relations junior, commutes about 10 minutes to campus from her home in Gainesville to save money.

Although Shanata, 20, might be earning back some cash, she said her college experience is different than a student who lives closer to campus.

"I don't feel like I'm very connected with the campus," she said. "You're more independent when you live in an apartment."

Jordan O'Connor, a UF health science junior, said she feels more independent now that she is no longer a commuter. The 20-year-old commuted to UF as a freshman from her home in Ocala as a personal preference rather than for financial reasons.

However, after deciding to live closer to campus, she said buying fuel for her gas-guzzling Jeep turned out to be the same cost as living in Gainesville.

Both O'Connor and Shanata said socializing was one of the main differences between commuting and living close to campus.

"I pretty much had no social life," O'Connor said. "I had friends while I was in classes, but outside of that I didn't really hang out with anybody."

## Excessive Facebook use can lead to self-esteem issues, study says

## PAUL MATE

Alligator Contributing Writer

Using Facebook too much can cause unhappiness.

A recent study published by the Public Library of Science examined 82 users in their late teens or early 20s and found that people who frequently used Facebook felt worse about themselves. Another study identified the most common negative emotion associated with Facebook: envy.

"The way we make sense out of the world is we compare ourselves to others," said UF Counseling & Wellness Center counselor Linda Lewis. "It's not a very productive strategy, and if somebody came in talking to me about that, I would try to look at what's really going on there."

She also said self-comparison is rampant in all forms of social media but suggested that Facebook could be "amplifying" the self-com-

paring nature of people.

Marketing junior Jessica Mabrey, 20, said she could understand how Facebook could worsen the feelings of those already upset.

"But I don't see it being something that would make someone who is otherwise happy, sad," she said.

*"The way we make sense out of the world is we compare ourselves to others."*

Linda Lewis

UF Counseling &amp; Wellness Center counselor

Lewis said the people most hurt by social networking were likely dissatisfied to begin with.

"If you're prone to low self-esteem, and your really important activity is seeing who's better, who's better looking, who's got more dates ... you're going to find what you're looking for," she said.

## Record low qualify for elections

► ONLY 42 STUDENTS QUALIFIED.

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A record-low number of students qualified on the first day for Student Government's Fall 2013 elections.

Supervisor of Elections Justin Hoover said 42 students qualified Monday — a new low compared to about 80 students in Spring, 78 in Fall 2012 and 48 in Spring 2012.

Hoover said the low turnout might be a result of the change in location because of the Reitz Union construction. This year's qualifying and slating dates also changed from Friday, Monday and Tuesday to Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

After qualifying, students could

choose to run independently or slate with one of 11 parties registered: The Students Party, The Swamp Party, Key Party, Orange and Blue Party, Gator Party, Ignite Party, Frat Party, Progress Party, Greek Party, Unite Party and Keg Party.

Thirteen students slated with the Students Party, according to Campaign Manager Helie Dharia. Last semester 19 slated on the first day and 26 slated last fall.

Swamp Party spokesman Joseph Michaels said 29 students slated with his party. Monday's turnout is a sharp decrease from about 60 students in spring and 40 students in Fall 2012.

Qualifying and slating continues through Wednesday in rooms 361, 362 and 363 in the Reitz Union from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Teenagers could form habits smoking the flavored e-cigarettes

## E-CIG, from page 1

Some UF health professionals expressed concerns about the effect electronic cigarettes may have on teenagers because they are still in the developmental stages.

Hannah Renno, who is in her last year at UF's Pediatric Residency Program, said if adults spent their lives smoking two packs of cigarettes a day, it would "still be healthier than someone in the pediatric age range smoking electronic cigarettes at all."

*"I went from girls telling me, 'Ew, you smell like cigarettes,' to girls telling me, 'That smells really good.'"*

Alberto Regalado

UF sociology junior

Alberto Regalado, a 20-year-old UF sociology junior, said he has seen the increase in popularity firsthand. When he went to buy his first e-cigarette in Miami for about \$40, he saw two veteran smokers trying out the electronic device.

"I went two or three months later to buy new liquid," he said. "It was 2 p.m. on a Monday, and it was literally packed."

Regalado added that he's a big fan of the devices. He said he gives them credit for getting his mother, who smoked for 25 years, to quit.

Regalado's favorite flavors are inspired by desserts like apple pie and biscotti, but he's also a fan of the sweet flavors' even sweeter side effects, he said.

"I went from girls telling me, 'Ew, you smell like cigarettes,' to girls telling me, 'That smells really good,'" he said. "Apparently I taste like it, too, so that's a plus."

## Signs tell students, faculty to use bathrooms in 'new' Norman Hall

## NORMAN, from page 1

Norman Hall and its addition for two days, leaking subsided, determining the source of the leak. Water to the addition was restored afterward.

That day, Renee Long was in Norman Hall for eight hours. The 25-year-old education junior had to cross SW 13th Street to find a bathroom.

"I just had to pray that I didn't have to go to the bathroom during class," she said.

The 79-year-old building's water runs through pipes located underneath the building from a water main on SW 12th Street. Instead of drilling under the building again, workers are laying a new 4-inch pipe around the building to connect to the same water main. Rozear said workers have pre-existing contracts with UF and did not know the cost of the repair.



Dana

The College of Education within Norman Hall taped off bathrooms and posted signs redirecting students to use the bathrooms in "New" Norman Hall. The signs also warn of a biological hazard, as waste could not be flushed down and posed a potential health risk.

"It's like being in the Dark Ages," said Thomas Dana, associate dean of the College of Education.

Environmental engineering freshman Padmini Persaud, 17, ignored the warning signs at first but soon realized the restrooms would be out of order for a while.

"It's annoying because I'm thirsty all the time," she said. "It's such a long walk, and when I get there, there's no water."

## LIFESTYLE

## Sororities mourn late, great White Cat

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For about a year, White Cat watched over the lawns of Kappa Delta and Delta Delta Delta, pacing between the back porches and stealing the hearts of sisters on Sorority Row.

He was the guardian of East Panhellenic Drive. Some attempted to pet him.

Last week he was found dead, lying on the sidewalk between Kappa Delta and Tri Delta. The cause of death is unknown.

To most, he died without a name, just another stray cat that calls UF home, but to 22-year-old UF alumna Hayley Plant, he was a friend known as White Cat.

"White Cat and I bonded so much last year and I've gone into serious depression [about his death]...", Plant posted on Facebook.

The news came as a shock to Plant, who said the animal was a young, spry cat.

One Kappa Delta sister described him as the John Mayer of felines because he didn't care about anything and he loved the ladies.

Last Fall, Plant loaded the cat in her car to get him neutered. After the procedure, Plant took White Cat into the Kappa Delta mailroom and nursed him back to health. After he recovered, Kappa Delta's house mother, Denby Smothers, made Plant take the cat to the wooded area near Royal Village apartments, an

area known to house a large stray cat community.

White Cat eventually found his way back to Sorority Row and began prowling for hidden scraps of food purposely left behind by students.

The cat also bonded with Anne Cappello, a 21-year-old advertising and business administration senior in Tri Delta.

"I would always come up and say hi to him and pet him, and then actually one time we shared ice cream," Cappello said.

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Anne Cappello

advertising and business administration senior

About a week ago, Cappello was one of the first to hear about White Cat's death after Sophie Gray, a 21-year-old elementary education senior, told her of a dead animal outside of their sorority house. Cappello immediately went to check and was stunned when she saw who it was.

"It's sad that I'm not going to be able to see his face in the morning before I go to class," Gray said.

"... he may have been the only cat to have ever shacked in Kappa Delta," Plant said in her Facebook post. "He might not have been a looker but damn, he was a lover."

## New player among local music shops opens

► GUITAR CENTER IS AT 3210 SW 35TH BLVD.

ROBIN ANDREWS

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Another store entered the Gainesville music scene last week.

Guitar Center, at 3210 SW 35th Blvd. off of Archer Road, held its grand opening Thursday. Store manager Jarret Kanuth said the community seemed to respond positively to the opening.

"Business has been nonstop. I don't think there's been a break in traffic, the flow of business, since we opened our doors," he said.

Kevin Lozano, a UF music education junior, said he thinks Guitar Center will find its own niche in Gainesville.

He said it doesn't have a classi-

cal sheet music collection like that of Hoggtowne Music.

Jamie Miller, a UF music and criminology junior, agreed that Guitar Center won't detract business from Hoggtowne Music.

But she said Lipham Music may face fiercer competition from the new business.

"It's like the same thing, but Guitar Center has a name. Lipham's Music has the 'mom and pop' feel," she said.

Kanuth said bringing a major music chain to Gainesville isn't about hurting competitors.

"Music is one of those things that is a universal language," he said. "That's what we're all about, spreading the musical language throughout Gainesville and the surrounding cities. That's our main focus."



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Editorial

## Blind Item: Iowa grants guns to visually impaired

There must be something in the corn: On Sunday, The Des Moines Register published an extensively researched article on a strange loophole in Iowa gun laws. Thanks to gun permit changes that took effect in Iowa in 2011, people with visual impairments can legally carry guns with them almost anywhere.

Private gun ownership for hunting isn't new for Iowans, the article stated. However, officials around the nation are confused as to how this strange loophole came to exist. Polk County officials said they issued weapons permits to at least three people who couldn't legally drive; were unable to read the application forms; or had difficulty reading the forms due to visual impairment.

The issue is straight out of a Seth-and-Amy "Saturday Night Live" segment. Clearly, it's worrisome to consider that somewhere, a person who can barely fill out the necessary paperwork is receiving a permit to carry a gun to the feed store, or wherever people hang out in corn country.

According to the article in The Register, the Gun Control Act of 1968 and other federal laws don't explicitly prohibit blind people from owning guns — so what makes Iowa different?

Many other states have enacted laws that detail specific requirements for blind persons seeking guns and gun permits.

According to The Register, for example, Nebraskan applicants who seek permits to legally carry a concealed handgun must provide "proof of vision": either a valid state driver's license or a statement by an eye doctor that the individual meets vision requirements set for a typical vehicle operator's license.

Patrick Clancy, superintendent of the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School, was ambivalent when he spoke to The Register. On one hand, he said he believed guns may be the exception to the philosophy that blind people can participate fully in life. On the other hand, he told The Register that the range of sight among people who are classified as legally blind varies significantly — and there may be situations where such applicants can safely handle a gun.

Cedar County Sheriff Warren Wethington, who happens to have a blind daughter, demonstrated for The Register how blind people could be taught to shoot guns. In addition, Jane Hudson, executive director of Disability Rights Iowa, said blocking persons with visual impairment from obtaining gun permits violates the Americans with Disabilities Act — the law prohibits different treatment based on a person's physical disabilities.

"The fact that you can't drive a car doesn't mean you can't go to a shooting range and see a target," Hudson told The Register.

Blindness and visual impairment come in many different shades. Someone who's classified as legally blind may not see only blackness, for example. However, like many other states — including our own "Gunshine State" — Iowa could stand some firearm law policy changes.

### Reader response

**Today's question:** Do you try to talk like a Kardashian — on purpose?

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### Column

## In defense of Macklemore's "Same Love"

Macklemore and Ryan Lewis are undeniably the most successful breakout artists of 2013.

The two preach messages that contrast starkly with their musical peers: choosing passion over money, reaching one's highest potential and bargain shopping for swagnificent Velcro shoes. Critics and fans alike have rewarded them for their sincere lyrics and respectable messages. That is, until "Same Love" hit the radio.

Of course, "Same Love" was applauded for its positive message advocating equal marriage rights for the gay community. Macklemore's first verse illustrates the role of stereotypes in the dynamics of homophobia. He highlights the painful and all-too-common usage of hateful slurs online and in the hip-hop genre.

However, the rapper found himself under fire for addressing an issue not his own.

How could a straight, white male produce a work that accurately depicts the issues surrounding homosexuality? It's an argument worth considering.

In a blog post about writing "Same Love," Macklemore stated he hoped the song would "advance the dialogue" surrounding rights for LGBT Americans. He had tried penning the tune from the perspective of a young gay student but realized quickly it "wasn't [his] story to tell."

All things considered, it seems unfair to condemn the man for speaking out on an issue in need of representation both in the world at large and specifically in the realm of hip-hop.

A straight man speaking out for the rights of a marginalized group he doesn't belong to is a start to breaking down the walls of exclusivity.

In an interview with NYC's Hot 97, Macklemore explained his desire to hold the hip-hop community accountable for its oppression of LGBT people.

"That's my community," he said of the music genre, one known for its intolerance of homosexuality.



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As Aimee Anderson, an English instructor at Santa Fe College, outlined in her Huffington Post blog, if the song accomplishes nothing else, at least it's able to spark a "cross-cultural conversation" between the gay and black communities.

Certainly, LGBT individuals feel there are larger fish to fry than certain hip-hop artists, but Macklemore should be commended for affecting change in his own arena. He used his newfound fame to preach positivity and acceptance in an effort to amend the genre's hateful past.

Skeptics also wonder — and rightly so — if Macklemore is just a good businessman.

Is he capitalizing on the times?

This summer has been a pivotal one, what with all the news surrounding the Defense of Marriage Act and Proposition 8. If ever the time was right for launching "Same Love," he found it.

If so, the joke is on him. He penned an anthem about one of the largest social issues of our generation that grabbed the world's attention, so regardless of intent, the product is beneficial. But due to Macklemore's involvement with the "You Can Play" project, an initiative to combat homophobia in sports, it seems unlikely he's fronting about his passion for the issue. Also, it's no secret his uncles inspired the song, making the issue seem even closer to home.

Hateful words and stereotypes have historical context in need of further unpacking, but Macklemore's influence exists only in the space of a three-minute tune, and he did what he could. How could anyone condemn him for that?

Katie McPherson is a UF English junior. Her column runs on Tuesdays.

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

## Column

## Obama continues to fumble on foreign policy

The way the Obama administration is handling the conflict in Syria can be summed up in one word: haphazardly.

Many seemed surprised that the president carried out one of the most significant foreign policy victories in recent history — the killing of Osama bin Laden. What is overlooked is the fact that President Barack Obama has fumbled continuously on the foreign policy front.

It is all too easy to start with the recent Syrian conflict.

The president famously drew a red line on chemical weapons last year and has failed to act on that threat until recently. He claimed then that no regime change would take place. Now, he demands it.

He was all too ready to strike Syria until he wanted the input of a fractured Congress.

This move puts the administration in even more of a predicament.

If Congress strikes down the intervention measure, all of the president's tough talk and line-drawing will have gotten him nowhere. If the president plans to strike without congressional support, he would successfully circumvent the dissenting people's branch.

If America ultimately decides to attack Syria, would this set a precedent that we should attack other nations with dangerous weapons? Should we therefore attack North Korea or Iran?

The last country we directly intervened in — and consequently also had a haphazard intervention and exit strategy — was Libya. After the intervention and on the 11th anniversary of 9/11, terrorists attacked the U.S. Consulate and killed four Americans.

In 2009, then Secretary of State Hillary Clinton presented her Russian counterpart with a cartoonish "reset" button with the hopes of improving the relationship between the two countries.

However, the relationship has significantly worsened. Russia and the U.S. currently are engaged in Cold War tensions — tensions escalated by the mishandling of the NSA leaker Eric Snowden.

Snowden's leaking of America's spying policy not only hurt America's relationship with Russia, but also irked Germany, Colombia and many of our other allies.

Let's not forget our rocky relationship with China. In regard to Syria, the administration is doubling down on Rus-



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sia for backing Assad, but China is not receiving the same treatment. This double standard undermines U.S. credibility abroad.

The president is also not addressing the cyberattacks from Chinese hackers on our newspapers, government agencies and small businesses.

The president's statements about foreign terrorism is contradictory to reality. Obama stated that "al-Qaeda has been decimated" — however, we currently see the group spreading and gaining strength in African countries such as Mali and Nigeria.

The candidate who ran as the antithesis of George Bush now is expanding Bush's foreign policy.

Many remember Obama making a historical speech in Berlin. He addressed the anti-American sentiment in Europe and called for a change in perception.

"The view that America is part of what has gone wrong in our world, rather than a force to help make it right, has become all too common," he said.

The candidate of "hope and change" has fallen short of expectations.

By and large, America's standing in the world has not changed for the better, though our country sees itself becoming far too involved in it. Citizens of other countries like Barack Obama as a person but fail to relate to his grand vision of American influence in an increasingly dangerous and uncertain world.

This is where Obama's administration fails: It lacks a coherent vision of American influence in the world. The administration is failing to advance American interests abroad, lacks the ability to send a clear message to our enemies and is becoming too entangled in countries that will not directly benefit America.

In Syria, we currently see that lack of vision and comprehensive plan in action.

The administration fumbles to build an international coalition or even get the measure through Congress. Even more unfortunate for the administration, it does not have another bin Laden to kill.

Michael Beato is a UF economics sophomore. His column runs on Tuesdays.

## Guest column

Celebrate  
Nat'l Hispanic  
Heritage Month

Annually, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 to celebrate the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens who trace their ancestors from Mexico, Spain, the Caribbean, and Central and South America.

Hispanic Heritage Week began under President Lyndon Johnson in 1968 and was expanded under President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to encompass a 30-day period. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402.

Sept. 15 was chosen as the start date because of its significance as the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on Sept. 16 and Sept. 18, respectively.

Hispanic-Latinos are now the largest racial minority in the U.S., comprised of roughly 50.5 million people — about 16.3 percent of the total U.S. population. Census Bureau data projects that the Hispanic population as of July 1, 2050, will be 132.8 million, or 30 percent of the total population. According to the data, this represents a 43 percent increase from April 1, 2000 and April 1, 2010, making Hispanics the fastest growing minority group.

The Hispanic-Latino population in Florida is the third largest in the nation. Florida's Hispanic community represents 16 percent of the eligible voters. The Hispanic-Latino group is not monolithic, either — Cubans represent 32 percent of Florida's eligible Hispanic voters, whereas Puerto Ricans comprise 28 percent and Mexicans account for 9 percent. Taking a different view, the nation's Hispanic-Latino voting demographics represent 59 percent Mexican, 14 percent Puerto Rican and 5 percent Cuban, according to the Center for American Progress.

The Chamber of Hispanic Affairs in Gainesville cordially invites you to our most notable program: the annual Downtown Latino Festival, which takes place at the Downtown Community Plaza every September during National Hispanic Heritage Month. This year the 12th Annual Downtown Latino Festival will take place Sept. 28 from 12 to 8 p.m.

The festival will celebrate the positive contributions and achievements of the Latino community. It is a chance for Gainesville residents to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with the Chamber of Hispanic Affairs. We strive to connect the Hispanic population and greater community with resources such as health awareness, disease testing, non-profits, community resources and more. The festival's attendance has usually been between 1,000 to 3,000 people every year.

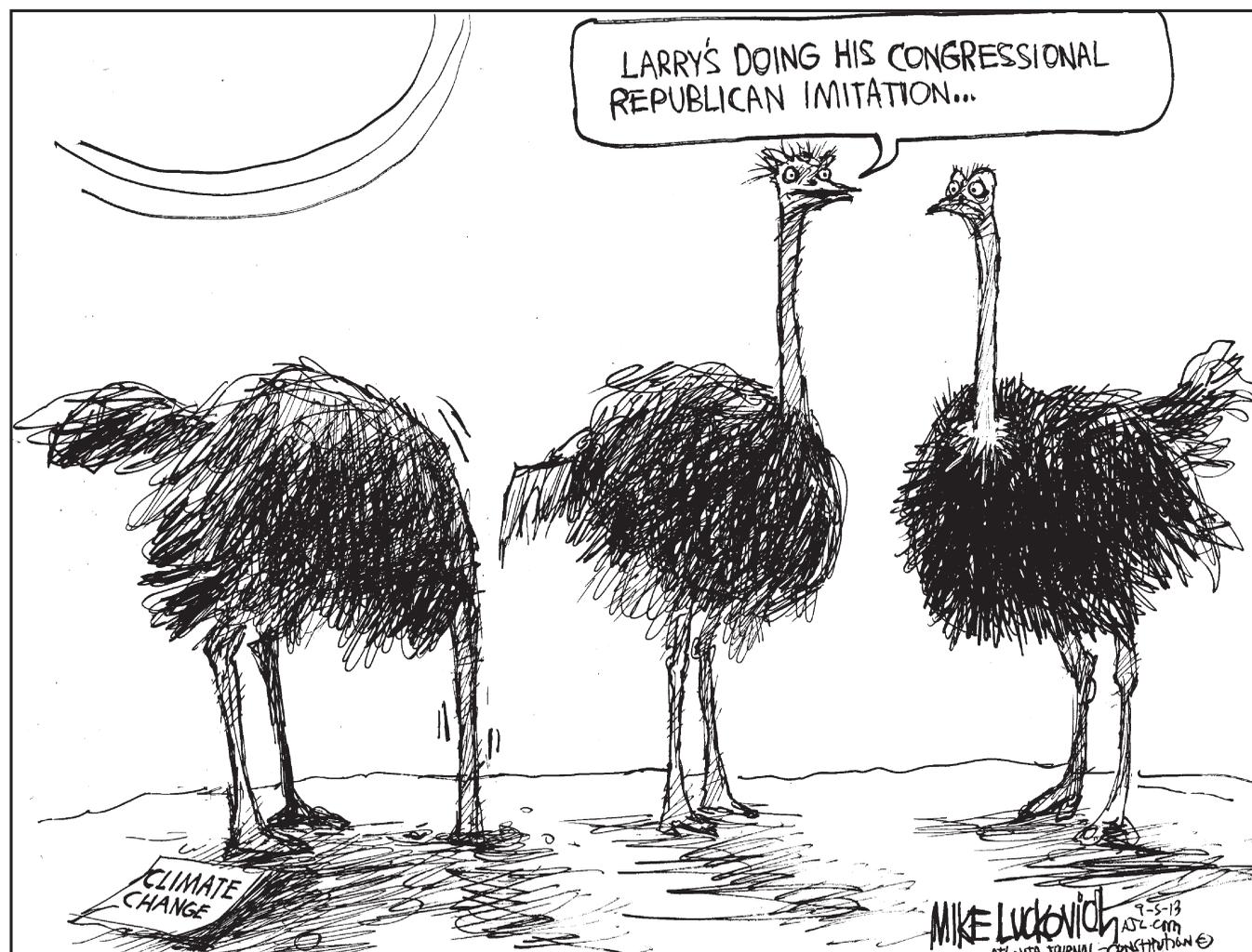
The event will include food vendors, informational booths, cultural performances and live music. The festival is free and open to the public.

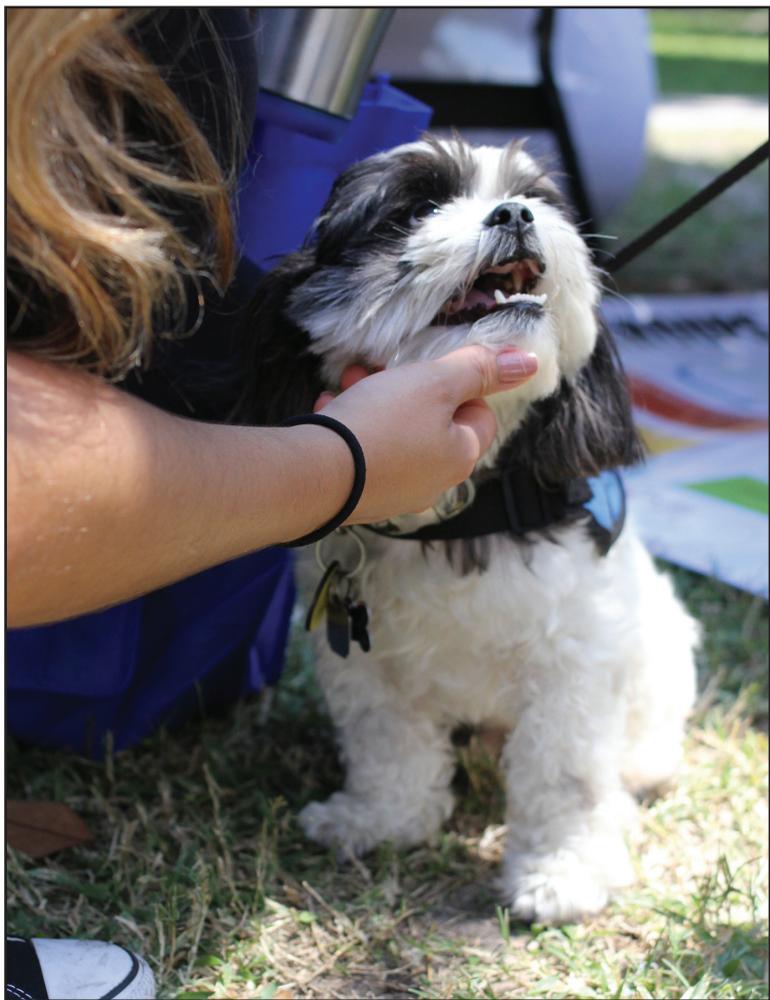
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If you would like more information on the festival, please email [chamberofhispanicaffairs@gmail.com](mailto:chamberofhispanicaffairs@gmail.com).

David J. Ruiz is the director of the 12th Annual Downtown Latino Festival.

**David J. Ruiz**  
Speaking Out





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## Puppy Love

Valeria Ramirez, a 21-year-old microbiology and cell science junior, pets therapy shih tzu Gabe on Monday on the Plaza of the Americas.

## LIFESTYLE

# Talking like Kardashians could fry vocal cords

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Kardashian followers are hurting their, like, vocal cords.

The guttural “vocal fry” sounds could prove dangerous for those who parrot the vocal style of some celebrities.

Stars like Kim Kardashian and Britney Spears, who are known to speak with the low pitch “uhhh” sound along with words such as “like” that exemplify vocal fry, inspire many people to pick up the potentially detrimental habit.

*“Essentially what’s happening is the vocal folds are closed longer than they’re open as you speak, so you get this creaky popping sound.”*

**Judith Wingate**

UF clinical associate professor and speech-language pathologist

“If you do it enough you can create a lot of tiredness in your voice,” said Judith Wingate, clinical associate professor and speech-language pathologist at UF. “It can lead you to squeeze the muscles in the throat and cause problems.”

She continued: “Essentially what’s happening is the vocal folds are closed longer than they’re open as you speak, so you get this creaky popping sound.”

Vocal frying can cause wear on

vocal cords, and can be heard in everyday speech.

“We hear vocal fry in young ladies who are trying to sound more mature, and young men who are trying to sound more macho,” said Ronald Burrichter, professor of music at UF.

Professional football players typically end their careers by 35 due to the abuse on their bodies — and the same reasoning applies to celebrities who use vocal fry as a type of style, Burrichter said.

“In order to be a more effective communicator, you need to take the time to figure out how to properly articulate your thoughts to others,” said Danielle Espino, a 20-year-old linguistics junior at UF.

There are certain measures that can be taken to avoid the negative effects of vocal fry.

“Vary your pitch, and make sure you’re using sufficient air when you speak,” said Wingate. “To be on the safe side, I wouldn’t recommend people do (vocal fry) for more than a couple of minutes a day.”

Burrichter said celebrities who are frying their voices are more concerned about making money than they are about the health of their voices.

“The voice is a finite instrument, it is not indestructible,” Burrichter said. “Once it is injured, it is never quite the same.”

## CAMPUS

# UF Libraries working toward dissertation digitalization

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The Digital Services Department of the George A. Smathers Libraries is working toward building a digital collection of all dissertations written at UF from 1934 to 2006.

The collection will include approximately 12,000 dissertations upon completion.

Project coordinator and library assistant Christy Shorey said the Digital Services Department is about one-third of the way through with the project. She expects the project to be completed in a couple of years.

Once the library receives approval from the author to digitize the contents of a dissertation, the process takes about eight months to complete. Shorey and her team complete quality control checks before and after they outsource the material to a third party to be scanned into the system.

This process includes flipping page by page through both the original and digitized documents to make sure they are as accurate as possible, Shorey said.

“We are digitizing these dissertations partly to have more accessibility to earlier scholarship and partly to help foster new research,” she said.

Shorey said the main goal of this project is to make all the scholarship completed at the university available globally.

Barbara Hood, director of communications at the George A. Smathers Libraries, is working toward exposing this project to alumni who might not be aware of it.

According to a news release, authors who cannot be located will still have their work digitized but will have the option to “opt out” if they choose to keep their dissertations private.

Kristin Page, a doctoral student at the College of Education, said it is important to read previous dissertations to help her write her own.

Page said that these days, all research is done online and previous dissertations help serve as the framework for new knowledge or to see where research on a particular topic has gone over time.

“It is very rare that I will actually go to the library and look for a paper document,” she said.

# A different kind of sit-in: Students pay for classes, don’t receive credit

► AUDITING IS AN OPTION.

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Alligator Contributing Writer

Kristen O’Brien goes to a class knowing she won’t receive credit. The 21-year-old English senior doesn’t need the class for her major and isn’t enrolled in it.

“It sounded like stuff that I would want to know later on in life,” O’Brien said. “Things that I wanted to use.”

Although O’Brien is not paying for the extra workload, other students are paying for classes they won’t receive credit for.

Students, staff and faculty can audit classes. Although students will have to pay for the class, they won’t receive a grade or credit at the end of the semester.

*“It sounded like stuff that I would want to know later on in life.”*

**Kristen O’Brien**

21-year-old English senior

Joseph Spillane, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences associate dean for student affairs, said the university would prefer if students didn’t sit in on classes without registering.

But, Spillane said, formally applying to audit a course is simple.

If there is space, a student can fill a form out with the approval of the college and submit it.

Yumiko Hulvey, an associate professor of Japanese, has had students audit her classes before.

“I had an auditor who took all the quizzes,” Hulvey said. “But she elected not to write any of the papers. It depends on how much the auditor wants to be a part of the class.”

O’Brien said she wants to do assignments but doesn’t want to buy the course pack.

“I don’t see a reason that a student couldn’t just sit and learn,” she said. “It’s better than students skipping.”

# Local redevelopment agency leads warehouse revamp, repurpose project

► THERE ARE FOUR PROPERTIES TOTALING 40 ACRES.

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Vacant warehouses may become functional business space once again if a Gainesville Regional Utilities plan to sell surplus properties goes through.

Gainesville Community Redevelopment Agency is spearheading the project to revamp warehouses on four separate properties totaling about 40 acres. Three of the buildings are part of the downtown Power District on Southeast Fifth Avenue.

Amelia Bell, a GRU spokeswoman, wrote in an email that the buildings are for sale with the purpose of redevelopment.

Bell wrote vacant locations are a direct effect of the utility company’s consolidation into the GRU Eastside Operations Center, which opened about three years ago



Bell

on North Main Street.

“The facility enabled us to consolidate operations, which increased efficiency by improving service and providing faster response times,” she wrote. “When we moved to the EOC, several buildings downtown near our administration building were vacated.”

City Commissioner Thomas Hawkins said that while downtown Gainesville has historically acted as an industrial center, the city hopes to use these properties to develop something entirely different.

“We no longer need to use the GRU property for industrial uses,” he said. “We think it’s more important to have those outside of town than inside.”

Last February, Prioria Robotics, a technology firm developed by UF graduates, took the first step in the process when it moved into a surplus GRU warehouse along South Depot Avenue.

**LIFESTYLE**

# Cost of textbooks has doubled since 2001, report says

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Back in 2001, most textbooks cost less than half the price they do now.

Textbook prices have risen by 102 percent since December 2001, according to a report by Bloomberg published Thursday.

The overall price of consumer goods has increased only 32 percent in the same amount of time, according to the report.

Lynne Vaughan, director of the UF Bookstore, said she has noticed this trend.

She said various factors contribute to the rising prices.

"They don't keep the books out long," Vaughan said. "Three years seems like a long time for a textbook to stay relevant. Publishers are trying to stay in business. In my opinion, they push the authors for new editions."

New technologies make textbooks more expensive, whether it's the publishing rights to high-resolution photos in science

books or bundling a pre-existing book into a package with a clicker, Vaughan said.

Although the UF Bookstore offers used books as a lower-priced option, Austin Harvey, a 21-year-old biological engineering senior, said he skips the bookstores altogether.

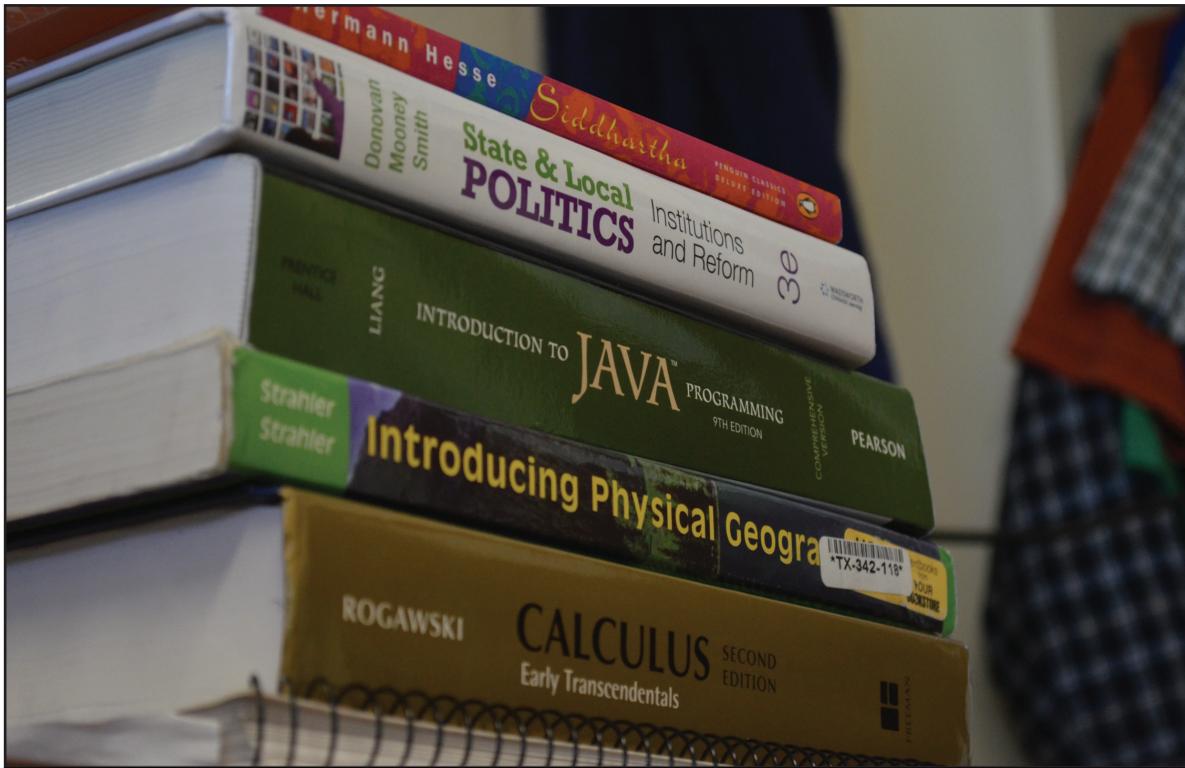
"If it is something that pertains directly to my major, and I can use it again in the future, I buy it off of Amazon," he said. "But for the majority of books, I rent them from Chegg."

Harvey said the online textbook vendor [www.Chegg.com](http://www.Chegg.com) has offered him the best prices.

But he said he skips buying the textbook if a professor lets him know that it isn't entirely crucial to passing the course.

"I'm a cost-efficient college student," he said.

As a side note, Vaughan said professors at UF who write their own textbooks do not receive royalties from the sales they make to UF students.



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Textbook prices have increased 102 percent since 2001. Greater availability of digital options for textbooks, as well as a wider market for used books, may help ease cost pressures, according to a report. Some students skip buying the books altogether, though, to save money.

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Starting as low as \$20.00  
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●UF Surplus On-Line Auctions●  
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Will repair any make/model. Close to UF!  
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Factory Trained/Certified Techs  
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CARS, TRUCKS, SUVs, & VANS!  
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00 CHEVY CAVALIER \$3999  
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Flexible schedule.  
Training and liability insurance provided.  
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St. Francis House is a homeless shelter and soup kitchen located in downtown Gainesville, and we are looking for help from volunteers like you.  
St. Francis House depends on monetary support from individual donors and community businesses in order to help feed the homeless and the hungry.  
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P.O. Box 12491  
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ANY CONDITION-RUNNING OR NOT!!!  
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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
I AM BLIND & WOULD LIKE HELP WITH:  
●Rides to church: Mass at Queen of Peace.  
●Learning to rake knit hats to send to Haiti & other places. Call 352-219-6948  
9-20-13-71-13

**Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle**  
Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

**ACROSS**  
1 Uniformed figure in the National Toy Hall of Fame  
6 Corp. fiscal execs  
10 Kiss from 10-Down  
14 Epps and Sharif  
15 Sow's squeal  
16 43,560 square feet  
17 Oenophile  
20 Indianapolis-to-Fort Wayne dir.  
21 Sleepover wear, briefly  
22 Shiny finish  
23 Lone Ranger's pal  
26 iPhone's voice-activated personal assistant  
27 Response to snake oil, perhaps  
31 Steering system component  
32 Caresses  
33 GM labor gp.  
35 Redding of soul  
36 FG's three  
37 Hockey great Phil, familiarly  
38 Tails and tongues do it  
39 Feng \_\_: decorating philosophy  
41 Redeem  
43 Privacy protector of a sort  
46 Close to  
47 "Incorrect!"  
48 Ready to mate, animal-wise  
51 Pouch  
52 Just minted  
55 Has a big track payday (and a hint to hidden words that begin 17-, 27- and 43-Across)  
59 Against  
60 Dutch cheese  
61 A driver who forgets something might make one  
62 Info  
63 Toupees  
64 Evaluated

**DOWN**  
1 Graduation wear  
2 Poker declaration  
3 "Psycho" Oscar nominee  
4 Prospector's quest  
5 "Never mind" PC key  
6 Gritter's game  
7 Swimming aids  
8 Artist who lives across from Central Park's Strawberry Fields  
9 Way up the slope  
10 Heroic TV dog  
11 Rapper-turned-actor  
12 "Mötley" group  
13 Actress Deborah  
18 Went (for)  
19 Pokes around on the Internet  
24 Some regatta equipment  
25 Cpl., for one  
26 Takes in, as a movie  
27 Greek deli stockpile  
28 Vision-related  
29 Pillow-shaped diamond style  
30 Golfer's gimme  
31 \_\_ truck

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**

B	A	M	A	S	T	U	C	K	B	R	A	G		
I	R	O	N	U	R	S	A	E	R	E	I	N		
S	O	N	G	M	O	U	R	N	E	C	R	U		
Q	U	I	E	T	S	T	R	E	N	G	T	H		
U	N	C	L	E	P	R	E	P	A	R	C			
E	D	A	S	N	E	R	L	A	B	R	E	A		
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S	O	H	O	E	T	H	E	R	S	O	L	E		
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Y	O	D	A	S	O	C	K	S	P	E	N	T		

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**MOST WANTED**

**Jonathan Lebron**  
White Male  
(DOB 03/04/85); 5'07",  
135 lbs, Black Hair,  
Brown Eyes  
**Wanted for:**  
DUI and driving while  
license suspended or  
revoked

**ALACHUA COUNTY**  
**CRIME STOPPERS**  
Call (352) 372-STOP

**13 Wanted**

**OPERATION CATNIP**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

- ★ caring for cats
- ★ assisting with surgery days
- ★ working in the office

**SUPPLIES NEEDED**

- ★ paper towels
- ★ postage stamps
- ★ cat food
- ★ cat litter
- ★ rubbing alcohol
- ★ super glue gel

**TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS**

Each cat receives care that costs apporimately \$40. Every little bit helps!

**UPCOMING SPAY DAYS:**

- ★ September 8th
- ★ October 27th
- ★ December 8th

Call 352-376-6647 or Visit [www.nmhp.net](http://www.nmhp.net), or Email [ocgainesville@gmail.com](mailto:ocgainesville@gmail.com)

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**14 Help Wanted**

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Mon-Fri 9am-8pm  
392 2908 ext. 105

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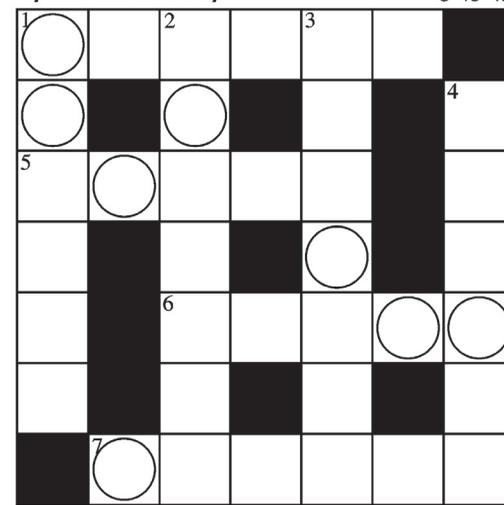
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## Gators defend Driskel after loss

► JUNIOR THREW FOR A CAREER-HIGH 291 YARDS.

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Jeff Driskel suffered a "slight sprain to the knee" against Miami, UF announced Monday. The injury was part of a forgettable, muggy Saturday in Sun Life Stadium. He is expected to return to face Tennessee on Sept. 21, aiming to

build on the good — a career-high 291 passing yards — and improve on the bad — his three turnovers against the Hurricanes.

His productive day resulted in Solomon Patton's 118 receiving yards, which marked the most productive game for a wide receiver in Driskel's 14 games as a starter.

Eight pass plays of 15-plus yards do not matter. Leading an offense to 413 total yards does not

matter. A fumble and two interceptions do.

"You can't beat him down," center Jon Harrison said. "You can't attack him. You can't criticize him about everything, because it's not all on him. There's no 'I' in team. Football definitely isn't a singular sport. It's a team sport, and we can't pass all the blame on Driskel."

Down 14-6 at the onset of the

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## Early loss prepares Florida for rigors of postseason play

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In the finale of the Campus USA Invite last week, Florida rebounded to defeat Duke after showing some signs of weakness against LIU-Brooklyn the previous night.

Madison Monserez addressed the media following the victory over the Blue Devils and commended the Gators' ability to make corrections within 24 hours of a match.

But No. 5 Florida took a step in the wrong direction Sunday by dropping three straight sets to then-No. 1 Penn State just a day after coach Mary Wise's squad knocked off then-No. 2 Stanford.

Wise said it is more difficult for her team to adapt to the playing style of schools outside the Southeastern Conference because the Gators don't always get much time to learn about non-conference opponents.

"We approached this weekend like all of our preseason tournaments where you learn about players you don't play on a regular basis," she said. "The turnaround in this tournament is so fast. It's something we don't have to face in the SEC because the teams are so familiar with each other."

The challenge of a quick turnaround is made even more difficult when facing the some of the top teams in the nation.

This year's Nike Big Four Classic marked the second time in UF history it faced the No. 1 and No. 2 teams in one weekend. In 2003, No. 3 Florida defeated No. 2 Hawaii in the NCAA Final Four before falling to No. 1 USC in the national championship match.

Wise said the stiff competition in the regular season allows the Gators to get a feel for the playoff atmosphere they will see in December if they make the NCAA Tournament.

"All four non-conference weekends really do prepare us for postseason when you're learning about players for the first time," Wise said.

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Ryan Jones / Alligator

Jeff Driskel runs the ball during Florida's 21-16 loss to Miami on Saturday in Sun Life Stadium. The junior quarterback threw two interceptions and fumbled once in defeat.

## FIRE JOE MORGAN

# Stop blindly linking Tebow to downtrodden Jaguars

The Jacksonville Jaguars do not want Tim Tebow. Get over it.

I know the connection is convenient. Talking heads on ESPN have force-fed us the narrative for years. Even those of us who avoid First Take like the plague can't completely block out the nonsense.

"He's a hometown hero!"

"He'll sell tickets!"

"He's a winner!"

Stop it. Just stop.

New Jaguars general manager David Caldwell made the franchise's approach to Tebow rumors clear during his introductory press conference on Jan. 10.

"I can't imagine a scenario where he'd be a Jaguar," Caldwell



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said of the 2007 Heisman Trophy winner. "Even if he's released."

Two NFL teams have released Tebow since then, and as far as we know, nobody from the Jaguars has contacted the guy. I doubt any NFL team has made him an offer to play quarterback since the Patriots cut the former Gator on Aug. 31.

But after the rebuilding Jaguars suffered an ugly 28-2 loss to the Kansas City Chiefs on Sunday, the Tebow trolls re-emerged, chirping their flawed and baseless rhetoric.

Tebow will not fix this team. The only remedy is a mix of time and smart draft picks. There is not an overnight cure.

For instance, Jacksonville's interior offensive line is atrocious, and it's not getting better anytime soon.

Slam Blaine Gabbert's pocket presence all you want, but not even Peyton Manning could consistently stand strong behind that offensive line and produce.

But don't misconstrue this column as a defense of Gabbert.

As bad as the former Missouri Tiger has played, at least he doesn't generate a messy media storm every time he gets out of bed in the morning. His failures are quiet and under the radar, only briefly mentioned in weekly NFL power rankings.

Meanwhile, ESPN treated Tebow's 25th birthday like a national holiday.

Did SportsCenter anchor Kevin Negandhi read birthday

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Caleb Sturgis was one of 27 former Gators active on NFL rosters last weekend. Read the story on page 16.

## Poll Results

Should Florida play Miami every year?

51% YES  
49% NO

140 total votes

## Florida-Tennessee game time announced

Florida's matchup against Tennessee on Sept. 21 in Ben Hill Griffin Stadium will air on CBS at 3:30 p.m., the network announced Monday.



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Annie Speese attempts a shot during Florida's 2-0 win against Oklahoma State on Sunday at James G. Pressly Stadium.

## Junior midfielders sparking UF

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Midfielders Havana Solaun and Annie Speese's chemistry bodes well for Florida's offense.

With a season-opening weekend that turned the spotlight on freshman Savannah Jordan and her record-breaking five goals, the traditional Florida soccer style over the past two years seemed like a thing of the past.

However, the juniors showed their tenacity and experience when they took the field against Oklahoma State on Sunday, grabbing two goals and two assists in a 2-0 victory.

Solaun and Speese are not strangers to the give-and-go play they demonstrated Sunday — the two have found each other to complete three goals in the past two years.

Two of those goals came during their freshman year, one against Southeastern Conference opponent Kentucky and the other a cushion goal to help the Gators to a 7-2 victory against Kansas.

"Those two always pair up when you're doing any type of small group exercises," coach Becky Burleigh said.

"They have great chemistry together because they not only play together in the 11 v. 11 games, but they're always play-

ing together in practice."

Solaun and Speese's bond off the field plays a role in their ability to find each other in the right place at the right time.

Sunday's pair of goals came because of consistent communication between the two.

*"They have great chemistry together because they not only play together in the 11 v. 11 games, but they're always playing together in practice."*

**Becky Burleigh**  
UF coach

"I always know [Solaun] is going to be looking for the ball, so I just laid it off to her right foot and she put it away," Speese said.

Burleigh added: "[Speese and Solaun] do a terrific job of reading each other.

"They both have great soccer minds so they understand what's going to happen before it happens."

Sunday's matchup was just a sample of what the two have been doing for the team for three years.

Solaun was tied with then-senior Jo Dragotta as the second-leading goal scorer in 2012. She has 16 career goals and 15 career

assists to her name.

Speese has been a dual threat as a goal scorer and playmaker, scoring 14 goals and notching 17 assists in her college career.

Even with the upperclassmen making strides for the Gators, Speese said there are still improvements to be made on offense this season.

In Sunday's game, the Gators took 17 shots on goal despite scoring only twice.

"We need to be more dynamic in the attacking third," Speese said.

"We're still not getting too many runs beyond the ball, and I think that's something we'll see more in practice. But we're starting to pick up a little bit of rhythm, so hopefully that'll continue in the next couple weeks."

**Freshman wins award:** Freshman Pamela Begic won the SEC Freshman of the Week award Monday.

Begic scored her second goal of the season against Oklahoma on Friday and provided a secondary assist to Solaun's first goal against Oklahoma State on Sunday.

"I think Pam is finally realizing that she can be a little more of a threat offensively," Burleigh said Friday. "That's really good to see because it's hard to defend height."

## McGee nearing return to Gators

► SHE RAN AT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS.

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Cory McGee is trying to catch her breath.

This summer, McGee ran for the Gators track and field team, participated at the USA Outdoor Track and Field Championships and represented the United States at the 2013 IAAF World Championships held in Moscow.

And she was taking online classes.

"I took my classes in Belgium, Austria and Russia," McGee said.

Although her summer was busy, the experiences McGee brings back to Gainesville should prove valuable this season.

She advanced to the finals at nationals and competed among the best at the world championships.

"When I got to USAs this summer, I felt completely comfortable and relaxed," McGee said. "I wasn't out of my element. Going into this summer my priority was to make the final (at nationals)."

She was successful in her attempt.

Although McGee ran at youth world championships in the past, she said there was a drastic difference between the youth and adult worlds.

"They're not interested in anything you've done before, because this is the first time that you really are facing off against the greatest in the world," McGee said of her experience.

After sustaining an ankle injury last season, McGee redshirted her junior year during the women's Southeastern Conference title run.

"I was injured two summers ago, the day

after my trials, with an ankle," McGee said. "I took a huge break, nearly two months off."

This summer, her schedule was anything but slow.

"This year was the opposite end of the spectrum," she said. "I took a week off."

Now, her focus returns to cross country for the first time since her sophomore season.

### UF Cross Country

After missing the first meet of the season at Western Carolina, McGee will sit out the 2013 Mountain Dew Invitational in Gainesville this coming Saturday. McGee is set to debut at the Wisconsin Adidas Invitational on October 19.

"I'm just not really ready to go yet," she said. "I would not have made that decision had SECs not been here in Gainesville. Knowing that I'll still get to run in Gainesville this year is what made it OK for me to miss the home meet."

McGee's return will be important for the Gators. With the departures of seniors Callie Cooper and Florence Ngetich, McGee will be leaned on by her teammates.

"Callie was always a constant person with attitude and work ethic," McGee said.

"She was always there for moral support and keeping everyone motivated. Florence, on the other hand, was someone who came out and worked hard every day and did her thing. She set a tone."

The women hope to repeat last year's success. With McGee back in the fold, 2013 looks promising.

"I just hope to bring back some of the things I learned this summer," she said. "I'm just trying to keep it fun more than anything."

### WOMEN'S GOLF

## Florida in fifth place at Cougar Classic

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The second round of the Cougar Classic at Yeamans Hall Club on Monday saw a shakeup on the leaderboard.

Florida (+2) moved up three spots to fifth place after a 1-under-par performance. But UF is 11 strokes behind leader Clemson (-9).

The Tiger's attack was spearheaded by Sloan Shanahan and Ashlan Ramsey, who each shot 3-under par. Sunday's leader, Mississippi State (-3), dropped to second due to a 3-over-par outing. South Carolina (+7) fell from second to seventh.

Five of the eight Southeastern Conference teams remain in the top 10 after Monday's round. Mississippi State is the only SEC team ranked higher than No. 5 Florida. After the Bulldogs' stumble during the second day, another solid performance by the Gators during the final round could vault them ahead.

UF took advantage of other teams' struggles on the 72-par course by minimizing mistakes.

Maria Torres (-3) and Anna Young (E) finished at 1-under par,

while Katie Mitchell (+4) shot par.

At the end of the second round, individual play has a tie for the lead. Mississippi State's Ally McDonald was even on the day to remain at 6-under par and holds a share of the lead for the second straight day.

Shanahan duplicated her score from the first round by putting in a 69 on Day Two, bringing her to 6-under par while sharing the top spot on the leaderboard.

Torres is currently leading the Gators. She's in a tie for third at 3-under par after shooting a 71 on Monday, including three birdies on the last four holes. Her next closest teammate is Young, who has drawn to par for the tournament after matching Torres' score in the second round by notching an eagle at the 18th hole. Young is now tied for 16th overall.

Freshman Karolina Vlckova repeated Sunday's performance with another 73, but Mitchell managed to recover from a 76 on Sunday with a 72 on Monday.

Camilla Hedberg (+8) struggled again.

She recorded bogeys on her last two holes for a 5-over-par day.

# Jaguars averaged 64,984 fans per home game in 2012

**JOE**, from page 13

tweets to Aaron Rodgers and Tom Brady on air on those quarterbacks' birthdays? Nope.

Insane popularity does not breed success. It usually sets you up for failure.

Even if Tebow did miraculously get something out of the Jaguars' offense, he wouldn't do much to help a defense with a subpar pass rush and a secondary greener than grass.

During Tebow's lone season as a starter, Matt Prater and a stout Broncos defense repeatedly bailed out a punchless offense. Expecting a similar formula with the Jaguars this season is ludicrous.

But hey, he might sell a few more tickets, so go ahead and bring in a quarterback no better than Gabbert or Chad Henne but much more polarizing.

Speaking of tickets, Jacksonville's 96.8 percent average home capacity in 2012 bested both Green Bay and Pittsburgh.

Maybe they should sign overrated lo-

cal favorites with little to offer.

If Tebow really does offer a potential attendance boost, why shouldn't the former Gator join the Tampa Bay Buccaneers or the Miami Dolphins?

Both franchises failed to outdraw a 2-14 Jaguars squad last season.

A bad team in one of the NFL's smallest media markets averaged 64,984 fans per game. The Fins averaged 57,379, and the Bucs averaged 55,102.

And Jacksonville is the NFL team in Florida with an attendance problem? Give me a break.

Adding a quarterback who cannot possibly live up to the hype that accompanies him is simply a bad investment.

The only way to fix the Jaguars is to build a strong, consistent winner.

Signing Tebow would only hamper the rebuilding process. Thankfully, Caldwell and owner Shad Khan know that.

Tebow will not be a Jaguar. Stop perpetuating an overblown and ridiculous myth. Just stop.



AP Photo

Tim Tebow throws a pass during warm-ups before a preseason game against the Detroit Lions on Aug. 27. The New England Patriots released Tebow on Aug. 31.

# Gators not focusing on win-loss record

**VOLLEY**, from page 13

However, Wise added that the team needs the beginning of the year to continue learning about itself as well as its opponents.

The Gators were served a tough offensive lesson Sunday against the Nittany Lions.

Gabby Mallette landed more attack errors than kills, which gave her a game-low .053 hitting clip.

Simone Antwi, who was instrumental in leading her team past Stanford, couldn't repeat her success Sunday as her hitting percent-

age dropped from .706 to .133.

Wise said going back-to-back days playing elite teams is a tall order this early in the season because of how much homework goes into preparing for just one opponent.

"We are asking our players to learn this information (and) process this information without the practice time," Wise said. "All of that makes them have to work harder, but it makes us a better team."

Since Florida began competing in the Nike Big Four Classic, the Gators have made three straight

Sweet 16 appearances and one Elite Eight appearance.

Although Wise would have preferred a pair of wins over the top-ranked teams in the country, she said she does not focus on the win-loss record in a tournament this early in the season.

"The win on Saturday does not define the weekend nor does the loss on Sunday define the weekend," Wise said.

"What defines the weekend is what we learned from it and how much better we are moving from this point forward."



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Gabby Mallette squats to bump the ball during Florida's 3-0 win against Duke on Aug. 31 in the O'Connell Center. No. 5 Florida beat then-No. 2 Stanford on Saturday before losing to then-No. 1 Penn State on Sunday.

# Driskel fumbled once, threw two interceptions in loss to Hurricanes

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second quarter, Driskel had the Gators in the red zone. He evaded the pass rush, stepped up in the pocket and threw late over the middle for his first interception.

"It was a dumb play," Driskel said. "I should have just taken what the defense gave me. Instead, I tried to make the bigger play. That's what I've got to move on from."

Down 14-9 with 6:57 left in the fourth, Driskel took the shotgun snap, rolled out and fired a pass into the hands of Miami cornerback Tracy Howard.

Trey Burton said he ran the wrong route and clogged the field, which caused the interception. Driskel said he never should have thrown the pass.

As for the fumble — the quarterback did not stand a chance.

Disaster struck on a third-and-7 from Florida's own 17. Defensive lineman Tyriq McCord stripped Driskel and recovered his own forced fumble.

Two plays later, "Seven Nation Army" by the White Stripes blared on the sound system, and Miami had a first-and-goal at the 2-yard line.

Three plays later, Duke Johnson Jr., ran off left tackle, headed into the end zone untouched and stuck the dagger into Florida's backs.

"[Driskel] hit some balls down the field. I thought he did some nice things in the run game, but you can't have the turnovers, especially in the red zone," coach Will Muschamp said. "You can't make those decisions. You can't. We can't afford to take points off the board in those situations. That's such an emotional lift for the other team. That just can't happen."

Three turnovers stained a 22-for-33 day for Driskel, who established a connection with his two top wideouts. He showed an ability to throw the ball down the field with his 46-yard completion to Patton in the first quarter.

The Gators are still behind their quarterback.

Driskel did not immediately address the team after the game. He showered, spoke with the media, and boarded the bus.

Like his teammates, Driskel wants to move on from a disappointing Saturday.

"Jeff is going to be all right. He made some tremendous throws out there," receiver Quinton Dunbar said. "He just has to watch the film and get better."

## GATORS IN THE NFL

## Florida alumni start NFL season

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With Week 1 of the 2013 NFL season finished, here are a few former Gators who are making the most tangible impact for their respective teams.

**Caleb Sturgis, kicker:** Caleb Sturgis' performance against the Cleveland Browns on Sunday reaffirmed the Miami Dolphins' decision to release veteran Dan Carpenter in favor of the rookie. Sturgis was perfect at FirstEnergy Stadium, going 3 for 3 and connecting from

36, 45 and 49 yards. Sturgis is one of seven NFL kickers to make three or more field goal attempts in Week 1. His 49-yard field goal stands as the third-longest after a week of play.

**Ray McDonald, defensive end:** Ray McDonald's contract extension in 2011 continues to pay dividends for the San Francisco 49ers — one of the league's deepest teams.

In Sunday's 34-28 victory, McDonald combined for four tackles and split a sack with teammate Aldon Smith as the 49ers' defensive front manhandled the Packers, holding Mike McCarthy's team to just 63 yards on the ground and forcing two costly turnovers.

McDonald has been a stout five-technique left defensive end in the 49ers base 3-4 defense for more than two seasons. He is a huge, long-armed run-stuffer, and much of that was evident on Sunday as the Packers failed to gain any push or leverage in their run game.

**Maurkice Pouncey, center:** In a division of outstanding interior defensive lineman, the Pittsburgh Steelers lost All-Pro center Maurkice Pouncey — one of the team's most valuable performers — after one week of play.

Pouncey suffered tears to both his ACL and MCL against the Tennessee Titans on Sunday and will miss the remainder of the 2013 season. The success and failure of the Steelers in the last few seasons has been spoiled by its inability to protect Ben Roethlisberger and its lack of a formidable run game.

The Steelers managed just 32 yards versus the Titans on Sunday — third fewest in an opener since World War II.

In four seasons with the Steelers, Pouncey has started in all but three games.

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Caleb Sturgis kicks a 45-yard field goal against the Cleveland Browns in the first quarter of Miami's 23-10 victory on Sunday.

## Freshmen critical to Gators' success in '13

UF HAS THREE FRESHMEN.

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Coach Roland Thornqvist's women's tennis team brought in three freshmen during the offseason.

Thornqvist was clear when he spoke about their roles on Monday.

"We're going to take all three of them this weekend to Duke to see what we can do up there," he said.

The newcomers — Kourtney Keegan of Roswell, Ga., and Australians Stefani Stojic and Belinda Woolcock — will begin their college careers on Friday at the Duke Invitational in Durham, N.C.

Woolcock is the No. 7 freshman in the nation, according to the Intercollegiate Tennis Association.

The three make up more than one-third of the Gators' roster.

"That [created] a little bit of uncertainty over the summer," Thornqvist said.

But during Saturday and Sunday's first preseason practices of the year, Thornqvist's worries were quieted.

"All three freshman are doing everything we ask," Thornqvist said. "We've conditioned OK. We're getting used to the heat, which is not easy."

By bringing the freshman to Durham for the three-day singles and doubles invitational, Thornqvist hopes to see his inexperienced group continue to improve.

"It's hard for us to have any goals as far as performance is concerned," he said. "I know we can hit the ball and I know we have the talent, but I'm not so sure we can put it all together just yet."

Thornqvist will be looking to his three returning seniors to help make that happen.

"We lost obviously a great leader from last year's team in Lauren Embree," he said, "but the three seniors we have in this year's team have been part of probably the best three-year run in this program's history."

"So we're going to rely obviously on Olivia (Janowicz), Alex (Cercione) and Sofie (Oyen) for their leadership."

Florida's three new faces won't be the only change on display at Duke. Thornqvist noted the move towards more offensive strength compared to past squad's defensive patience.

"We're a hitting team this year," he said.

"We actually prefer to hit the ball and we may be the kind of team this year who will push the action on our opponents."

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