Florida's fourthranked run defense will face Missouri's No. 16 rush offense Saturday. Read the story on page 14



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**LIFESTYLE** 

# National rise in bedbugs hasn't bit UF's dorms

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Buyers, beware: Used furniture is now more likely to be harboring tiny pests.

A recent poll by the National Pest Management Association shows calls to exterminators about bedbugs have increased by 57 percent in the last five years, according to a podcast recently released by UF Health Communications.

However, the problem has not reached UF dorms.

"It has been about 10 to 15 years since bedbugs have been increasing, and they have not stopped increasing yet," said Roberto Pereira, an associate research scientist for the UF entomology and nematology department.

"Once you get them, they get in your head and plague you."

Joey Muccio

Gainesville resident

Joey Muccio, a 21-year-old Gainesville resident, ran into a bedbug problem while interning at a camp during the summer, and it still haunts him. "Once you get them, they get in your head and plague you," Muccio said. "Every time I wake up with a bump, I immediately think I have bedbugs."

Because UF has a Green Shield Certified Integrated Pest Management program, exterminators in residence halls or family housing use Styrofoam heat boxes to control bedbugs, said Wayne Walker, the senior pest control technician for the UF department of housing.

Walker and his team follows bedbug protocol for each of the 10 to 15 cases received a year, even if they don't suspect bedbugs to be the problem's origin.

"Sometimes, it's psychological and just the simple fact of doing something solves the issue," Walker said.



#### **Dance at Dusk**

A Zumba dancer guides a warm-up for walkers at The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Light the Night Walk outside Ben Hill Griffin Stadium on Thursday evening. Participants walked around the stadium carrying illuminated balloons: white for survivors, red for supporters and gold in memory of those who lost their battle with cancer.

# UF ranked 13th sexiest college

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Although the weather is starting to cool down, UF students are staying hot.

UF was ranked No. 13 in The Daily Beast's 20 sexiest colleges in the nation for 2013, behind University of Miami and Miami University, and ahead of Florida State University.

The rankings were based off of data from College Prowler, which ranked universities by the attractiveness of its men and women, as well as Trojan's annual sexual health report card for universities across the country. Each of the three factors was weighed equally.

College Prowler rated men and women on the hotness scale by the following characteristics: attractiveness, athleticism, creativity, friendliness, fun, geeky, hardworking, into partying, outgoing, smart and stuck-up. The social scene on campus as well as the ratio of males to females was also taken into account.

UF's men weighed in at 8.72 out 10, standing behind its women who ranked 9.03. Trojan ranked the university No. 12 for sexual health, based on accessibility of sexual health resources and information available to students.

Shelby Weber, a 20-year-old UF health science junior, said she feels UF's rank has a lot to do with Greek life bringing in a lot of attractive people to campus.

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# Miley Cyrus-inspired Halloween costumes trending online

**▶** SOME LOCAL STORES DON'T CARRY THEM.

#### ELIZABETH BOONE

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CLASSIFIEDS

Twerk, or treat? Miley Cyrus costumes are now Halloween-ready online.

A skin-tight leotard featuring the teddy

bear Miley wore during the recent MTV Video Music Awards performance and a black-and-white, striped suit resembling Robin Thicke's from his VMA performance is also for sale on spirithalloween.com for \$39.99 each.

A slightly different version of Miley's getup, known as "Furry Party Animal Romper," is also available for \$79.95 on yandy.com.

"It's not very tasteful," said UF marketing junior Chelsea Moran, 20. "I wouldn't wear it

"I wouldn't wear it unless I lost a bet."

Chelsea Moran

UF marketing junior

unless I lost a bet."

Miley isn't the only skimpy-celebrity suit on sale this Halloween. Costumes resembling the real-life ensembles of Lady Gaga and Nicki Minaj are also available at Simply Halloween in Butler Plaza and the Halloween Superstore in the Oaks Mall.

However, the two stores don't carry the Miley costume. Simply Halloween employee Nicole Gomez, 19, said people are asking about it, though.

Nineteen-year-old Kristi McDonough, also an employee, said she would wear the costume despite the questionable image it promotes.

"I like the uniqueness and the weirdness," she said.

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#### WHAT'S HAPPENING? Starbucks with Hillel

Come meet Melissa at Starbucks in the Hub from 1 to 3 p.m. to talk about Jewish resources Hillel has to offer. It's the perfect way to start the weekend.

Huge rummage sale

Come out to the rummage sale Friday from noon to 6 p.m. with a \$2 cover. On Saturday, it is from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the United Church of Gainesville, 1624 NW Fifth Ave.

#### Breast cancer awareness gala

SISTUHS Inc. will host a breast cancer awareness gala Oct. 29 in Ustler Hall at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10. The deadline to confirm attendance is today. There will be a raffle for movie tickets, baked goods and gift baskets. The attire is semi-formal.

A Night of Improv

Theatre Strike Force will be performing "A Night at the Împrov" today from 8 to 10 p.m. at the Gator Wesley Center, 1380 W. University Ave. Come for a night of fun and laughs at this "Whose Line" style improv event.

#### Micanopy's Family Fun in the Forest night

Today and Saturday from 7:30

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to 9:30 p.m. It is \$5 for admission and free for children ages 3 and under. Admission includes unlimited times on all activities. It will be at Micanopy Native American Heritage Preserve at 600 SE Tuscawilla Road.

#### Shabbat services

Today from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., Reb Drew, a Kirtan rabbi, will be at Hillel to lead Shabbat services that blend Jewish and Indian cultures with songs and chants.

#### 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. 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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#### **Pumpkin Buddies**

# More scenic route for annual beer run

**▶** REGISTRATION IS \$40.

**MCKENZIE COLLARD** 

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About 350 people will race to get their hands on ice-cold craft beer tonight.

The Second Annual Gainesville Beer Run 5K will be held at Tioga Town Center, beginning in front of World of Beer. The race will start at 6:15 p.m. Anyone interested can register before the race between 4 and 5:45 p.m. for \$40.

Male and female runners who finish in the top 25 will receive a 1-liter Das Boot to fill with their choice of beer. All runners ages 21 and up will receive two tickets for beer. The proceeds will benefit the Climb

for Cancer Foundation and Harriet's Helping Hand, said event director Daniel Phillips.

Phillips said there were nearly 300 registrants as of Thursday, and he said he expects the number to climb.

He said the route, which winds through the Town of Tioga subdivision, will be closed and more scenic than the year before.

Kerry Brock, general manager of World of Beer, said they were granted an extension of permit to serve outside the building and will host the post-race party.

Brock said the selection of beer for the 5K will be provided by local Swamp Head Brewery and Bold City Brewery from Jacksonville.

UF criminology freshman Deirdre Pearsall, 18, helps Gainesville resident Chris Brown, 34, decorate a pumpkin for the party hosted by Best Buddies at the Broward Hall Basement on Wednesday evening.

#### **CAMPUS**

## Fraternity promotes healthy lifestyles with fitness carnival

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UF's Sigma Chi fraternity hosted a fitness carnival Thursday at P.K. Yonge to promote exercise and healthy living.

The carnival, the first of its kind, included waterslides and field games for the after-school program, while also informing chil-

dren about healthy food choices.

Greg Dana, the community service organizer for Sigma Chi, said a brother certified in nutrition told children what and what not to eat at an interactive station at the carnival.

"We drink so much soda now and eat so much fast food now that it's a rising issue in the United States, and we're trying to tackle "The goal is to do well here and go out and educate the whole youth in Gainesville."

Greg Dana

community service organizer for Sigma Chi

it at its roots," the 20-year-old UF economics sophomore said.

Sigma Chi wants to do the car-

nival every semester at different elementary schools, preferably ones that are from different socioeconomic backgrounds, Dana said.

"We already have seeds planted for other schools in the coming semesters," Dana said. "The goal is to do well here and go out and educate the whole youth in Gainesville."

Robert Cox, the director of the Blue Wave After School Inc. program at P.K. Yonge, said he hopes the children had a good time while learning about their health.

"I think it's important for some solid young people to be around some other young people and be positive influences," Cox said. "If they can learn something along the way, that's great."

# UF students' theories: Greek life, intelligence, sun-kissed skin

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"UF gets this reputation of being a 'smart-people college,'" she said. "Honestly, when you walk around campus there are a lot of pretty people, which is nice."

However, Netanya Wynn, a 21year-old UF public relations senior and PR director for the Faces Modeling Troupe, said it's UF students' intelligence that makes them attractive

"It's a psychological thing where the people who are sexy are also the people who are smarter," she said.

On the list, University of Wis-

consin reached the climax as the sexiest college in the nation, earning a score of 9.32 and 9.12 for their men and women, respectively.

Tyler Ericson, a 19-year-old UF applied physiology and kinesiology

sophomore, said because Florida's students are always in the sunshine they show more skin.

"When it's always summer time, you care about your body more," he said.





**LOCAL** 

# New Gator paraphernalia store to join Butler Plaza lineup

CHIDIOWE

Alligator Contributing Writer

Prepare to be swamped with more Gator gear.

Butler Enterprises announced this week that Alumni Hall, an athletic store franchise, will be joining Butler Plaza at 3730 SW Archer Road. It will be in the spot formerly occupied by The Floor Trader.

"We've been wanting to get into Gainesville for a long time now," said Jeff Goodfriend, president of the chain. "My mission was to open a collegiate store that did things a little differently."

That mission evolved into creating a destination for all Florida Gators paraphernalia.

"If we don't have it, we'll get it for you," Goodfriend said.

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Jeff Goodfriend

The store will be 4,400 square feet, which is larger than the typical Alumni Hall store, he said. It will offer a 10 percent student discount.

David Lopez, a 19-year-old UF political science and economics

sophomore who works at UF RecSports, said he didn't think there are too many Gator stores in town.

"I think there should be more so the price goes down," he said.

Lopez said he thinks students will go in looking for a specific item, whereas alumni who come to town for gamedays will go to the store because it advertises good customer service.

"Alumni are not really priceconscious when it comes to Gator stuff," he said. "I think they do look for a better environment and better customer service."

Goodfriend said he thinks Gainesville residents will like what Alumni Hall has to offer.

"Ibelieve that we can bring something to Gainesville that they've never seen," he said.

# UF emergency management now its own department

ITS FUNDING HASN'T CHANGED.

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The university's emergency department has broken away from the Department of Environmental Health and Safety and become the Department of Emergency Management.

The new department will be housed with the Division of Public Safety, said Linda Stump, UF chief of police and assistant vice president of public and environmental safety. She said establishing emergency management as its own department is in step with the growth of emergency management across the country.

Kenneth Allen, emergency manager for the new department, said other universities and colleges have emergency management growing on their campuses.

Allen said his role will be to coor-

dinate the emergency management program, which includes focusing on issues and continuing initiatives.

Now that emergency management is identified as its own department, he said it can bring more attention to safety on campus.

"Our goal is always to focus on preparedness and university response," he said.

Stump said the department will be able to give students all kinds of updates, including UFAlerts and weather updates.

"We want people to recognize Emergency Management as a resource," she said.

Funding for the department hasn't changed, Stump said.

She said a goal of emergency management is to continue outreach, to prepare for an active shooter and prepare buildings for an emergency.

"People will see more proactive, educational initiatives to make sure the community is informed," she said.



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#### **Riding the Juggle Bus**

UF classics senior Carson Firth, 20, juggles pins on the Plaza of the Americas on Thursday afternoon with Objects in Motion. The club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays to juggle, walk on a slackline and practice other activities.



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# **Opinions**

#### **Editorial**

The last wave of midterms has finally rolled on, so now it's time to focus on the important stuff: Halloween costumes and tomorrow's game against Missouri. But first, a PSA: To all you overzealous autumn-lovers wearing sweaters and scarves, cease and desist. If you keep wearing sweaters during 89-degree weather like today, you WILL get heat stroke. And die.

Here it is: Your middle-of-the-semester-mental-breakdown edition of...

# Darts & Laurels The government reopened yesterday, but don't call it

The government reopened yesterday, but don't call it a comeback. According to the Washington Post, "The bill passed late Wednesday ended a stalemate created last month, when hard-line conservatives pushed Republican leaders to use the threat of shutdown to block a landmark expansion of federally funded health coverage."

Congratulations, Republicans: You accomplished absolutely nothing — that is, other than the furlough of federal workers and a shutdown that cost the U.S. as much as NASA's budget. Thank God the panda cam is back on, at least. The biggest **DART** of all time to the **GOP** for bending to the will of party extremists, damaging the economy and diminishing the U.S.'s credibility abroad.

You'll be happy to know that in some corners of the world people are fighting for a common cause and refusing to become mired in political nonsense. This week, we give a **LAU-REL** to the **Green Sisters**, a group of Roman-Catholic nuns from a variety of orders who are as well-versed in the Gospels of Luke and John as they are in solar and geothermal technology.

According to The Atlantic: "'The Judeo-Christian tradition is so beautiful, and it has such wisdom, but it doesn't have a lot to say about fracking,' Miriam MacGillis, a Dominican sister in her mid-seventies, said."

This week, a workplace-harassment case received national attention when a woman in New York filed a lawsuit against the company she formerly interned for. The judge presiding over her case said that, because she wasn't receiving compensation, she had no right to sue because she wasn't technically an employee.

While some are criticizing the judge, professors at UF told the Alligator this week that the judge's decision wasn't wholly invalid.

"I don't think it's surprising given the statute and the legislation," Robert Emerson, a professor in the UF business school, said. "A lot of judges are reluctant to craft remedies or rights that go beyond the literal wording of a statute or regulation. They feel like that's not their role."

Given the importance of unpaid internships for gaining real-life skills and establishing industry connections and professional relationships, there's a clear need for better legislation regarding sexual-harassment suits. This week, we **DART state Human Rights Laws** for failing to extend protection to unpaid interns.

Our last **LAUREL** goes to the **Kitten Cam at Petopia** for reminding us that, despite Gainesville's finicky weather and those inevitable mid-October stress migraines, cuteness exists at just a click away.

Happy Friday!

#### Reader response

**Today's question:** Are you going to be Miley Cyrus for Halloween?

**Thursday's question:** Do you believe in magic?

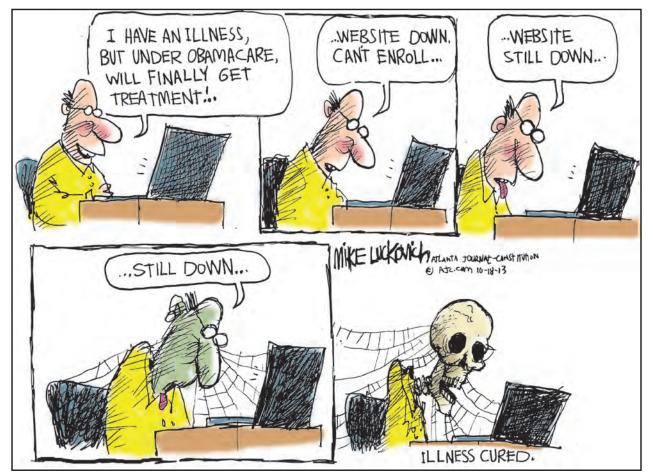
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Column

## 'Captain Phillips' paints incomplete story

s an avid movie enthusiast, I seized the opportunity last weekend to watch "Captain Phillips," the two-hour account of the 2009 hijacking of the USS Maersk Alabama by Somali Pirates.

I dare not make the audacious claim my money was wasted. On the contrary, "Captain Phillips" is a spectacular movie. Bolstered by memorable performances from Tom Hanks and Barkhad Abdi, "Captain Phillips" doesn't fail to entertain the viewer.

However, after one particular scene where a number of the pirates are murdered, a member of the audience barked a witless "Yes!" at the screen.

The viewer's cheer struck me as a reflection of the movie's biggest failure: "Captain Phillips" neglects the context in which the Somali pirates take up arms.

Thus, the audience is left with an incomplete story, where a malicious band of maritime criminals attack an innocent Bostonian Captain and his crew.

Opponents will be brisk in pointing out the movie is supposed to be strictly based upon the narrative of Richard Phillips, a narrative that according to CNN has been contested by members of the ship's crew.

What these individuals don't want viewers to know is the truth about Somali pirates, a truth that briefly surfaces in an exchange between the captain and the leader of the pirates.

In an attempt to understand his captors, Phillips asks them if there's something that defines them other than being fishermen or kidnapping people.

The leader replies coldly, "maybe in America."

The leader, Muse, is expressing a sense of despair over the destruction of his livelihood.

This is an issue that often goes unnoticed, as the West has been destroying the livelihood of Somali fishermen for years.

In a Huffington Post article, Somali-Canadian activist named K'naan illustrated how European companies



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in Somalia for their approval of dumping toxic waste in the water, a \$3-per-ton expense that would be unthinkably low in Europe.

are said to have paid warlords

The article also highlights the diverse and grotesque compilation of waste being dumped

— including lead, uranium and mercury.

According to Slate, European companies aren't the only perpetrators of this environmental crime as reports have surfaced of the Italian mafia also using the waters as their dumping grounds.

When these ships, legal or illegal, fill Somali waters with their waste it destroys the livelihood of those fishermen who rely on the Indian Ocean to survive.

So why have these companies and organizations chosen Somalia?

Somalia is ideal simply because there was no authority before the pirates emerged.

According to BBC, there has not been a stable centralized government in Somalia since 1991.

The land has been disputed between warlords and Islamic militants, creating an environment ripe for illegal business.

However, "Captain Phillips" fails to capture this larger picture.

Instead it depicts drug-chewing pirates — the plant is called Khat, and coincidentally kills off the users' appetite — whose only goal is to get as much money as they can from an unarmed ship.

Hopefully, if Hanks or Abdi should receive an Oscar, they should be graceful enough to recognize the full context of the story in which they've played a role.

Richard Vieira is a UF political science senior. His column runs on Fridays.

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

#### Letter to the Editor

#### Minimum wage should be abolished

In response to the Alligator's editorial "Get your own fries with that" on Oct. 17:

In typical pseudo-progressive fashion, we see in this editorial more theory and no proof that a national minimum wage law results in a higher national standard of living.

To the contrary, it ignores how the most stable European countries have NO national minimum wage, while neighboring countries that do have the most unstable societies.

The following have NO minimum wage laws: Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, Denmark and now Italy (after learning

their lesson).

Their living standards and their government fiscal soundness is far more stable than countries with a minimum wage: Greece, Spain, France and (until recently) Italy.

Yes, the nations with no minimum wage have labor unions for some skills, but so do we.

The fact is, some people there work for about \$1 per hour doing unskilled labor, and they are citizens!

Why? Because those countries smartly decided it is far better to work for any wage to pay for universal health care, than to sit idle on welfare soaking up middle

class taxpayer sweat.

Just like we see here, in parts of Europe a national minimum wage law causes social decline on a general scale, starting with more high school dropouts, more gang and illegal drug culture, more underground labor and human trafficking, more illegal immigration — since citizens won't work when welfare is handed to them instead.

It is insane to encourage more high school dropouts, which is what a \$15 per hour wage would do.

So what if today's workers also get welfare? Isn't that what they pay taxes for, a safety net, too? And who says fast food

workers must be the sole bread earners in a household? Today, like in most of the world, there are two or more wage earners per household; it's what has distorted the shrinking middle class numbers since women entered the workforce in droves 40 years ago.

But fact is, in human history there's always been more than one worker in a family farm or family business: the father, the mother, the grandparents and even the kids all worked in the family trade to keep a roof.

Sincerely,

J.D. Knee Gainesville resident





**UWire** 

### Nintendo president's legacy

nless one was really up on tech news, you might not recognize the name Hiroshi Yamauchi on first reference. But most would instantly recognize his work.

Yamauchi was the former president of Nintendo Co., responsible for turning a trading card company into the electronics juggernaut we all know today. He was known for being heavy-handed by personally selecting which games would be published and which wouldn't, but it ultimately worked to the benefit of Nintendo. His sticking point was to not only make the best console at the best price, but one that was easy to program.

Even after stepping down from the board of directors in 2002, he still had an active role in Nintendo. His last contribution may be in your pocket the Nintendo DS. This was based on his idea when he asked his engineers, 'What if we had two screens?" While Shigeru Miyamoto and Gunpei Yokoi deserve credit for the great games and the predecessor to the DS, the heralded Game Boy, it was Yamauchi who built the company they would create for. One of the best visual examples to see what he has done with Nintendo is on the walls of Game Hounds Video Games and Gifts, located in Manhattan, Kan. In the store, you can find a stand for Sony and a stand for Microsoft. However, the walls are all Nintendo until you get to the current console games section.

Rusty Schroll, the owner, said the walls are decorated that way because of the high quality of games Nintendo keeps putting out — the standard Yamauchi insisted upon.

"I think Nintendo has some of the most iconic characters in games," Schroll said. "Names that non-players would recognize. The original Nintendo was so important in the history of those franchises as it was the console that launched most of the popular franchises that are still relevant today."

As Game Hounds sells used games, Nintendo products are one of their mainstays.

"Anything Nintendo puts out is golden, high quality," Schroll said. "We normally recommend it for families, more casual gamers and for gamers just starting out. A nice thing about some of those older 2-D games and the new HD televisions is that they still look good on them. If you put most of the 3-D games onto one of those flat screens the blocky figures become huge."

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White
UWire

To almost emphasize his point, the television in the store ran a commercial for the old game "Vagrant Story." While being informed, it was a great game by the

commercial for its PlayStation Vita release, you could plainly see what Schroll was referring to. However, Nintendo's greatness may go beyond quality of graphics.

"Nintendo games have bang for your buck," said Terry Standridge, Manhattan resident. "Today, games are six to eight hours long. Some Nintendo games will take you days to weeks of playing to beat. You can have days of use from them, and they also have replay value. I beat all three 'Gears of War' in a day."

And that was not the only difference Nintendo has had over other consoles.

"My mother hated the PlayStation, but she would play Mario on the N64," Standridge said. "Nintendo is iconic and family-oriented. The whole family can play Mario together rather than you hacking zombies by yourself."

That sentiment was echoed by another, even though he doesn't play Nintendo anymore.

"Nintendo to me means nostalgia," Johnny Wilson, graduate student in grain science, said. "I grew up on the N64. After that the graphics wars started and Nintendo became largely irrelevant since it doesn't compete in that area."

When the industry started it was mostly just Atari. Then, Nintendo took over in the '80s, and Sega started to produce consoles and games as well. Sony and Microsoft came into the picture in the '90s and Sega became software only. It's called the Console Wars because the market is controlled by Nintendo, Sony and Microsoft, the three that still make the hardware for their own software. All three compete for the best graphics, lowest prices and most sales.

"Most of the games I played back then were just the big multiplayer games," Wilson said. "There was something magic about four people gathered around a television. I think it was physically being there with your friends. It was being able to punch them in the shoulder for being a jerk in game, rather than yelling homophobic slurs through a headset to random people you don't know."

Patrick White is a writer for Kansas State College's student newspaper, The Collegian. This column originally appeared on UWire.



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### **UF, SDS to discuss tuition**

**▶** UF ADMINISTRATION AGREED TO MEET NEXT WEEK.

#### **VALERIE CRUM**

Alligator Contributing Writer

UF administration agreed to meet with a group of students next week following a rally they held for opportunity outside Tigert Hall on Thursday.

The local Students for a Democratic Society organization partnered with other campus groups to ask UF to consider granting undocumented in-state students in-state tuition regardless of their immigration status.

"Undocumented students are told in high school that they can work hard and earn their way up, but that hope is shut down as soon as they graduate," said Chrisley Carpio, 21, a UF history senior and lead SDS organizer for the event.

Regardless of how long they lived in Florida, undocumented students are charged either international or out-ofstate tuition fees to attend UF. This past summer, Florida International University passed a tuition equity policy that will provide in-state tuition for students under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, which helps undocumented immigrants who came to the country as children.

"We are the flagship school in Florida, but we are falling behind," Carpio said.

She organized the event to encourage the UF Board of Trustees to consider passing a similar policy at an upcoming meeting in December.

"Historically, this has happened over and over again," said Farah Khan, a UF English and sociology sophomore. "One group of people is taking education away from others."

Khan is the vice president of external affairs for UF's Students for Justice in Palestine. The group participated in the rally along with student members of CHISPAS and La Casita.

"Undocumented students are being kept in their place with the limited job opportunities that come from having no higher education," Khan said.

#### **LIFESTYLE**

## Gainesville 34th best place to live

#### **EVAN ECHAVE**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Gainesville: No. 1 in our hearts and No. 34 in the best place to live in the country.

The city of Gainesville just clinched a spot on Livability.com's Top 100 Best Places to Live list.

The list, which was released Tuesday, was narrowed down from 700 small- to mid-sized cities across the country.

"The ranking is purely data driven," said Matt Carmichael, the 39-year-old vice president and editor of the website.

Each city was ranked on criteria including demographics, economy, education, health care and housing.

The scores were added up and compared to determine the final ranking.

Palo Alto, Calif., topped the chart in first place; Boulder, Colo., took No. 2, and Berkeley, Calif., took third.

Beside Gainesville, seven other Florida cities also placed, including Miami Beach in fifth place, Tampa in 19th and Tallahassee in 42nd.

Although this is the first national-ranking list the website has produced, it will be recreated and updated once a year, Carmichael said.

"It's inaugural but an annual list," Carmichael said. Andy Fasig, the 42-year-old manager at Chain Reaction Bike Shop, arrived in Gainesville in '91 as a UF student.

He said he wasn't surprised by Gainesville's high ranking

"It's great because Gainesville has the smalltown appeal without the small-town thinking," he said. "You get the best of both worlds."

"This is as good as it gets in the southeast United States."

Andy Fasig

Chain Reaction Bike Shop manager

Fasig said he especially likes the centralized feel of Gainesville and deemed it "the best bike community in Florida."

Rebecca Atkins, 21, is a UF wildlife ecology and conservation senior and was happy to hear Gainesville ranked so high.

Even as a Tallahassee native, Atkins said she favors her current city, which has been her home for the past four years.

"I've never had a bad experience in Gainesville," she said.

While No. 34 is a strong placement, Fasig still thinks Gainesville can do better.

"I'd like to see us in the top 20," he said. "This is as good as it gets in the southeast United States."

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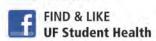


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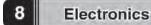
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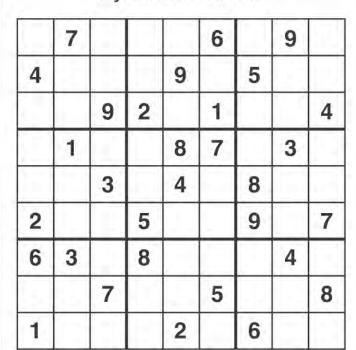
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by Linda Thistle



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# Gators to face formidable Tigers run offense

**ADAM LICHTENSTEIN** 

LSU gouged Florida for 175 yards on the ground on Saturday in Baton Rouge, La.

The schedule does not get any easier for the No. 22 Gators (4-2, 3-1 Southeastern Confer-

Florida will travel to Columbia, Mo., on Saturday to face No. 14 Missouri (6-0, 2-0 SEC) in Faurot Field. When the Gators get there, they will square off against the No. 16 run offense in the country.

The Tigers, coming off a 41-

26 upset win on the road against then-No. 7 Georgia, feature three halfbacks who are averaging more than 5 yards per carry.

Redshirt juniors Henry Josey, Marcus Murphy and sophomore Russell Hansbrough have combined for 1,099 yards through six games.

"They got three outstanding backs that are all guys that make you pay if you miss a play in space," coach Will Muschamp said on the SEC weekly media teleconference on Wednesday.

Added linebacker Michael Taylor: "I expect us to stop the run against them."

"They got three outstanding backs that are all guys that make you pay if you miss a play in space."

Will Muschamp

UF coach

That will not be an easy task, but Taylor has a plan in mind.

"Hit the person with the ball and get them on the ground," he said. "That's it."

Florida's run defense has been ailing since losing senior Dominique Easley to a torn ACL. But now the defense might be down another starter.

Redshirt junior Ronald Powell suffered an ankle injury against LSU on Saturday and had not practiced as of Wednes-

day.

"We're hoping to get him on the field [Wednesday] and see how he moves around there,' Muschamp said.

Florida's rush defense is still ranked fourth in the nation, but it has had its two worst games the last two weeks, surrendering 175 yards to LSU and 111 to Arkansas on Oct. 5.

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Ronald Powell (7) attempts to block a pass at the line of scrimmage during Florida's 17-6 loss against LSU on Oct. 12 at Tiger Stadium in Baton Rouge, La. Powell is questionable for Saturday's matchup against Missouri due to an ankle injury.

#### **MEN'S BASKETBALL**

## Players cleared to return to limited practice

**LANDON WATNICK** 

@LandonWatnick

Coach Billy Donovan received some good news Thursday regarding injuries and ill-

Senior forward Will Yeguete (knee) and Rutgers transfer guard Eli Carter (leg) have been cleared by team trainers to participate in limited contact drills, UF announced.

After missing practice earlier this week, sophomore shooting guard Michael Frazier II (virus) was also cleared Thursday. The coaching staff initially feared he could have mononucleosis, but tests came back nega-

If Frazier were to have contracted mono, he could have missed up to six weeks.

"I feel pretty good," Frazier said in a release. "Much better than the other day."

The news on the injury front Thursday was not all good for the Gators. Sophomore guard Dillon Graham rolled his ankle during practice, according to the school. He was carried off the court and did not return.



Florida's lack of bodies in practice has been the biggest story of its preseason. But if the injury bug carries into the start of the 2013-14 season, senior center Patric Young is prepared for the challenge.

"First three games of the season, I might have to be playing 38 minutes because we are down to seven guys due to injuries and illnesses right now," he

Young takes shot at UK: Young has a

message for Kentucky: Hype does not mat-

Kentucky is the media's pick to win the SEC this season, while Florida was chosen

"I hope they think they can just walk on the court and they're going to beat everybody," Young, a preseason All-SEC secondteamer, said during Southeastern Conference Basketball Media Days on Thursday in Birmingham, Ala.

'As soon as they play a real top team, they're going to see it's not just a walk in the park. One-and-done is not for everybody."

The Wildcats failed to reach the NCAA Tournament last season after winning a national title in 2011-12, but John Calipari's squad has reloaded with six McDonald's

SEE HOOPS, PAGE 15

# **Picks** Column





SITE: Faurot Field (cap. 71,004) KICKOFF: 12:21 p.m., Saturday TV/RADIO: SEC Network / 850 AM

So, we here at the alligatorSports Brand Picks Column heard that the government was back in business and that they celebrated by raising the debt ceiling. Hooray!

Harry Reid was decked out in triple party hats. John Boehner played some Beethoven on a kazoo. Everyone played "Pin the tail on the Democrat" - Get it? Because donkey! — but nobody could get over all the elephants in the room — Get it? Republicans!
We like to celebrate by raising the

roof and raising the stakes - hello, Missouri!

We're sending our very own sports editor Phillip Heilman to Florida's northernmost game since the Gators played Syracuse in the Carrier Dome in 1991. Also, a little thing called the Southeastern Conference Eastern Division is sort of on the line, so grab your popcorn!

Ît's going to be a wild party in Columbia because, well, the Tigers are undefeated! And they're ranked 14th in the country — not the SEC!

If we had told you that Mizzou would be undefeated and ranked among the nation's top 15 teams by the time it hosted UF, you probably would have burned our papers in some sort of wild, fiery display.

Of course, it would have made one hell of a party. Just go ahead and do it anyway!

SOMEBODY CALL 9-1-1! SHAW-TY FIRE BURNING — sorry. We just love to party. So forgive us for channeling Sean Kingston right there, and we'll forgive you for burning our newspapers in some bonfire rager you have this weekend.

Whenever democracy triumphs, it's something worth celebrating. So may your parties be merry! And remember to raise the debt ceil — uh, roof!

This week, two kids hanging out by themselves just looking at their shoes over by the punch bowl - alligator-Sports Assistant Editor Adam Lichtenstein and alligatorSports Staff Writer Adam Pincus — debate this Saturday's contest between Florida and Mizzou.

**SEE PICKS, PAGE 15** 



Florida goes on the road to face two Southeastern Conference opponents. Read the story online at alligatorSports.org.

#### **Tweetable**

"Shift happens. I drive automatic."

Nick Washington (@NickWashingtonn) UF defensive back

#### Captains announced

Will Muschamp announced via Twitter that Jarrad Davis, Dante Fowler Jr., Jon Halapio and Jon Harrison would be Florida's captains against Missouri on Saturday

### PICKS, from page 14

The Tigers (+3) will get one step closer to earning an invitation to Atlanta because...

The Gators are on the brink of collapse with their season headed into a black hole — kind of what happens at each successive bar on Bourbon Street. Florida needs this game in the worst way, but Maty Mauk will lead Mizzou to victory. Pour one out for UF's season.

- Adam Pincus

The Gators (-3) are going to dance the night — er, afternoon — away because...

The Tigers will get to tango with Florida's defense. UF has the No. 4 rush defense in the nation, perfect to stop UM's potent run game. Unlike the above member of our staff, the Gators are over what happened in Louisiana and are ready to take on the Tigers. Y'ALL READY FOR THIS?

-Adam Lichtenstein

Now onto the picks!

Leading the pack at 34-19-3 is alligatorSports editor Phillip "Winnie the Tattoo" Heilman, who stopped a stranger at a gas station in Alabama last weekend to admire the man's bear tattoo. Listen, we know you were more interested in the bear's honey. We get it. You're lonely. Just please stop talking up the manliness of the tattoo already.

In second with a record of 32-21-3 is alligatorSports Staff Writer Joe "CALEB STURGIS" Morgan, who joined Florida coach Will Muschamp as the only two men on Earth to yell out the Miami Dolphins kicker's name in their sleep. We know why Will misses Caleb, Joe, but your longing for him is a little weird. Oh, and Josh Scobee called. He said you told him there was room for only one kicker in your heart.

Sitting in third at 31-22-3 is alligatorSports Assistant Editor Adam "Chivalry is dead" Lichtenstein, who decided to send one of our female photographers out alone in the rain at night to fetch the car af-

ter the LSU game. Never mind that our parking spot was a mile away — just as long as you don't get a little bit wet. Hard to believe you have a girlfriend, bud.

Ranked fourth at 30-23-3 is FightinGators.com's Cody "Fall training" Jones, who has been busy tweeting about Gators baseball scrimmages while there is perfectly good football being played. Karsten Whitson may be throwing 95 mph, but grown men are hitting each other! Get your priorities right, man!

Worst among the alligatorSports crew and in fifth at 28-25-3 is Staff Writer Adam "Oops" Pincus, who could neither stand at attention nor contain his, uh, excitement in an old war story he told in the car on the road to LSU last weekend. Here's hoping he enjoys stronger and longer-lasting relationships with his future clients.

In sixth at 27-26-3 is 247Sports. com's Thomas "Heisenberg" Gold-kamp, who daydreamed about how much money he could make on the side as an entrepreneur in a certain shady business. Just stick with the

game film analysis, bud. Of course, we could see you getting all Walter White-crazy if a fly found its way into your film room.

Barely below .500 at 26-27-3 is the Orlando Sentinel's Edgar "Tardy Pass" Thompson, who apologized to Florida offensive coordinator Brent Pease after showing up late to a press conference last week. Thankfully, Pease gave him a pass—just that one time, though. You can't really blame Edgar. Back when he was in grade school, the nuns beat him with a ruler when he showed up late.

And in dead-ass last with a piss-poor record of 24-29-3 is InsideThe-Gators.com's Bryan "Beef Baby" Holt, who recounted how his mother used to work at Arby's. It all makes sense now. We've always thought you were made entirely of Beef 'N Cheddar sandwiches — onion bun and all. Your little anecdote confirms our suspicions.

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# Kentucky named SEC preseason favorite at media day

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All-Americans – including forward Julius Randle, the media's preseason selection for SEC Player of the Year.

"I am not surprised, coming out of high school, there is all the hype and what-not. It doesn't really mean too much," Young said. "The one that really counts is the one at the end of the year. This guy (Randle) has not gone through any adversity or played a single minute yet, so we will see how things turn out."

Florida's new motto: Young revealed Thursday that the team's mantra for the 2013-14 season is "S.W.A.G." – an acronym for "Strengthen When Adversity Grows."

"We need to strengthen as adversity gets more and more in our face," Young said. "We need to stay together and be connected."

Added Donovan: "Those guys came up with it themselves. It's kind of what they wanted to do."

**Gators at No. 8 in poll:** The first released poll of the 2013-14 season, the ESPN/USA

Today coaches preseason poll, has Florida sitting at No. 8.

Kentucky, Michigan State, Louisville, Duke and Arizona round out the top five.

No. 6 Kansas, No. 13 Memphis, No. 19 Connecticut and No. 21 Wisconsin are on UF's non-conference slate this season.

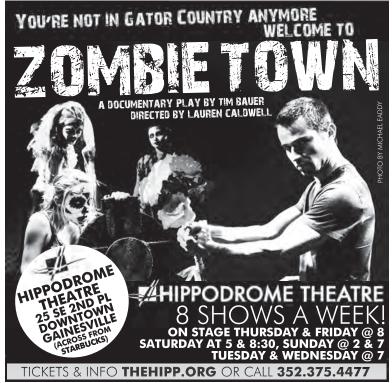
"Those kind of games is where you learn a lot about yourself from," Donovan said.











## Breast cancer awareness marks Gators matchup with Wildcats

The Gators will see pink when they take the field at James G. Pressly Stadium to-

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and coach Becky Burleigh believes it is important to host a "Kicking for the Cure" match yearly.

Her mother, Nancy, is not only a breast cancer survivor, but she has survived three other forms of the disease. She attends every game she can to support her daughter.

She sits in the same spot and wears a pin with a picture of me when I was 10," Burleigh said.

Burleigh also said the disease has impacted several players on the team.

is just something that we're proud to do," Burleigh said.

"To play 101 ... o is just really inspiring."

When No. 8 Florida

1.2 Southeast-"To play for a group of people like that

**UF Soccer** 

(10-3-1, 4-2 Southeastern Conference) takes on No. 23 Kentucky (11-

2-1, 5-1 SEC) at 6:30 p.m., the Gators will be playing with the cause in mind.

Kentucky comes to Gainesville tied for the second-best record in the league with South Carolina and Texas A&M.

"They always seem to get really up on our game," Burleigh said of the Wildcats.

They're trying to defend their place in the lineup of the SEC teams, so it's up to us to dictate to them and make sure we bring

In 2012, Florida lost to Kentucky 2-1 in Lexington, Ky. UK defender Arin Gilliland sank a penalty kick past goalkeeper Taylor Burke en route to the 2-1 win.

This season, Gilliland is still a threat.

She is the reigning SEC Offensive Player of the Week after she scored a hat trick on Oct. 11 in a 4-1 win against Tennessee.

But Kentucky won't be Florida's only challenge this weekend. LSU, the SEC leader, comes to Gainesville on Sunday.

The Tigers hold the top spot with a 5-0-1 record in the SEC, and Burleigh said it is up to the Gators to change that.

"We need to get better at the stats that reflect toughness," Burleigh said.

Florida's defense has been on point with developing that toughness, but the key to outside backs in offensive roles.

Junior outside back Lauren Silver said using the width of the field and helping the team score early is what will make the difference this weekend.

"We like to score goals, and we like to show other teams that we can score goals," Silver said.

"Getting that early goal in will help us get on a roll of scoring goals."

Although wins are important, Burleigh is intent on honoring her mother this week-

"I tell my mom all the time that she's like a cat because she has nine lives," Burleigh said. "I really am inspired by her ability to just deal with whatever limitations she has on a daily basis."

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

## Redshirt junior returning to competition at adidas Invitational

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With the cross country season approaching its final stretch, the Gators are hoping to have another strong outing as they head to Madison, Wis., for the Wisconsin adidas Invitational.

Coach Paul Spangler plans to use the races on Saturday — an 8K for the men and a 6K for the women - to see if any last-minute adjustments need to be made to either team before the Southeastern Conference Championships on Nov. 1.

"Obviously we want to do well,"

pete 100 percent and use this as really a final tune-up and a confidence builder for the SECs."



The men's team, which has won all three of its competitions this season, hopes to keep up its momentum at the meet.

"I'm looking forward to go-

ing up there as a team and seeing how we stack up with the rest of the

teams in the nation," junior Eddie Garcia said. "It's going to be a big test for us before SECs, so we're really excited."

The women, who have finished in the top three in each of their meets this season, will be receiving a boost heading into Wisconsin — redshirt junior Cory McGee and senior Shelby Hayes will return to the lineup.

McGee has yet to compete for the Gators after running at the 2013 IAAF World Championships in Moscow over the summer.

"She will obviously come in and help us out, not only from a leadership standpoint, but also as a team scorer," Spangler said of McGee. "So it's good to have her in the mix as we head into the big meet."

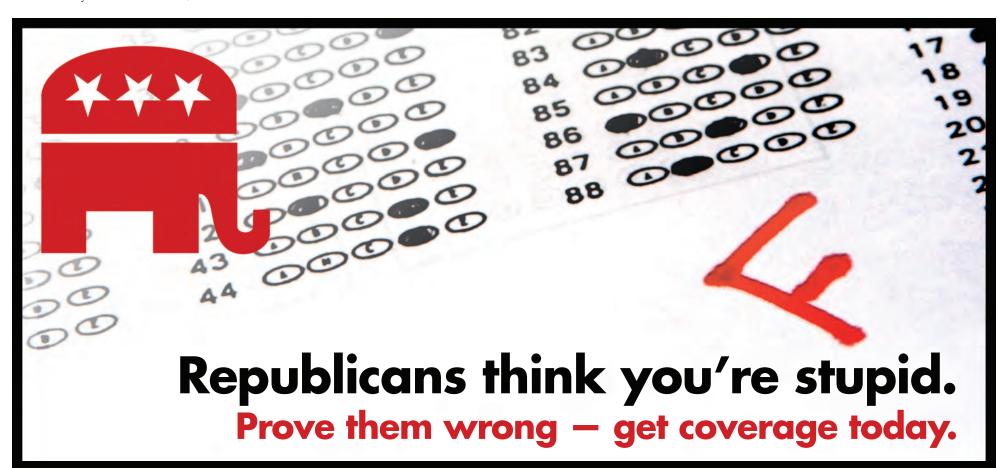
With McGee missing the first three meets of the season and Hayes not running since the season-opening Western Carolina Invitational on Aug. 30, Agata Strausa has paved the way for the team. She led the women at both meets she ran at — the Western Carolina Invitational and the Mountain Dew Invitational.

"I really like the leadership position I have," the Latvia native said. back ... and it's going to be the both of us leading on the team, so I'm really excited for that."

As a whole, the teams feel prepared.

"We're all excited to transform what we have done at practice into a race," Strausa said.

"It's, in a way, kind of scary because practicing and racing are so different and that they are two different worlds, but since we've shown that we're fit and we're ready to race, we're going into this really positive."



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