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Peter Alonso and the Florida baseball team finished off a three-game sweep against LSU on Sunday. Read the story on page 12.



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## FINALLY



Jordan McPherson / Alligator Staff

Coach Billy Donovan cuts down the net following Florida's 62-52 win over Dayton on Saturday in FedExForum in Memphis, Tenn. Florida advanced to its first Final Four since 2007 and will play UConn in Arlington, Texas, on Saturday at 6:09 p.m.

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. — As Scottie Wilbekin dribbled out the final seconds remaining on the clock, Patric Young held his head in disbelief while Will Yeguete embraced him. At the same time, Casey Prather yelled a cry of joy, bolting to the floor and then chest-bumping teammate Dorian Finney-Smith.

For this group, it was an emotional moment four years in the making. At last, after three straight Elite Eight exits, Florida had finally gotten over the hump.

Behind Wilbekin's 23 points, No. 1 seed Florida (36-2) held off No. 11 seed Dayton 62-52 on Saturday to reach the Final Four for the first time since 2007 and the fourth time under coach Billy Donovan. Now, the Gators will prepare for a Final Four date next Saturday at 6:09 p.m. in Arlington, Texas, with No. 7 seed UConn, which defeated fourth-seeded Michigan State 60-54 on Sunday in Madison Square Garden.

After Saturday's win, Florida players danced at center court, hoisted the Final Four trophy and then cut down the nets as "Celebration" by Kool & the Gang blared through the FedExForum speakers. The scene was a 180-degree turn from the previous three years, when UF suffered losses to Butler (74-71 in overtime), Louisville (72-68) and Michigan (79-59) in three consecutive Elite Eight appearances.

"Tears were in my eyes again," Young said, "but it was of joy this time."

Dayton, the Cinderella of this year's tournament, hung with Florida for much of the first half. The Flyers (26-11) led 21-19 at the 6:58 mark thanks to four three-pointers, but UF closed out the half on a 19-3 run.

Wilbekin fueled the rally, scoring 11  
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### CAMPUS

## Law prof George Dawson to become interim dean after failed search

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The Levin College of Law will welcome a temporary new dean in the coming months.

UF law professor George Dawson will postpone his retirement to take over as interim dean for the college starting July 15. He will replace current dean Bob Jerry.

Dawson's appointment as interim dean comes after the controversial failed law dean search.

With \$90,000 spent on the search and three finalists to choose from, UF President Bernie Machen ended

*"I'm very invested in the law school, and I will do what I can to have it develop and progress within the next year."*

**George Dawson**  
UF law professor

the search without selecting a dean for the college.

Dawson, who has been a part of the law school for 33 years, said the position will be challenging, but he's looking forward to it.

"I'm very invested in the law school, and I will do what I can to

have it develop and progress within the next year," he said. "Hopefully at the end of the year there will be a permanent dean."

Dawson has previously served as the law school's associate dean for academic affairs from 1996 to 2000.

Jerry wrote in an email that he believes Dawson will make a great dean.

"He is an outstanding colleague who will do a splendid job of leading the school as the interim dean," he said. "I speak for many when I say President Machen made an excellent decision in proposing George."

## Gator Growl '14 leaves Swamp for Flavet Field

**EMILY COCHRANE**

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After 82 years of hosting Gator Growl in the Swamp, the production team is setting its sights on a smaller venue.

The Gator Growl committee announced Sunday that Gator Growl 2014, themed "Limitless," will be moved from Ben Hill Griffin Stadium to Flavet Field.

The pep rally will be held

Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. as the conclusion of UF's Homecoming week.

The decision to change the location came after Gator Growl producers surveyed students, alumni and Gainesville residents.

"We had an overwhelming response that people wanted a more intimate show. They want it to be more interactive," said Devin McDaniel, executive

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#### Work It, Gators!

Trying to fight off the freshman 15? Starting to go from weekly gym visits to monthly ones? Then get off of Netflix, get on your feet and come on out to Reitz Union Board Entertainment's fitness event Work It, Gators. Get moving with our Zumba session, cool down with some smoothies, relax with massages and yoga and enjoy free water bottles and gym gear. Bring your friends and kick-start that beach body. See you in the Grand Ballroom at 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

### Midnight Fun Run 2014

Join us for the eighth annual Midnight Fun Run, a 5K run or 1-mile walk around Lake Alice. The event is on the last day of Spring classes, April 23, at 11:59 p.m. Registration opens Tuesday at 10 a.m. on RSCConnect, rsconnect.recsports.ufl.edu. The first 150 registrants will receive a RecSports flashing LED light wand. Registration cost for Gator 1 Card holders (including students and staff) is \$12 and includes event shirt and breakfast after the event. Gator 1 Card holders can register guests for \$20, which includes event shirt and breakfast after the event. Participants can register on-site (cash and checks only) for \$10, which includes breakfast but does not include the event shirt. For more information, visit recsports.ufl.edu.

### Three Minute Thesis Competition Final

The UF Graduate School is holding its first Three Minute Thesis Competition Final on Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Reitz Union Auditorium. The competition challenges Ph.D. students to present their research to a nontechnical audience in three minutes or less. The top 10 finalists will compete for a chance to win cash prizes. The event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. To RSVP, please visit: [bit.ly/1pf5CjD](http://bit.ly/1pf5CjD).

### Edible book contest

All UF students, faculty and staff are invited to create an "edible book" and enter it in the George A. Smathers Libraries' contest April 9 from 11 a.m. to noon on the walkway in front of Library West. The only rules are that it must be edible and must be somehow related to a book. Judges will determine the winner in each category, and the winners will be awarded prizes. Winners will be announced at 12:15 p.m. and do not have to be present to win. Categories: People's Choice (voted by the public), Best Children's Book, Best Non-Cake Entry, Best Non-Fiction Book and Best Pun. More information: [uflib.ufl.edu/readfest/ediblebook.html](http://uflib.ufl.edu/readfest/ediblebook.html).

## FORECAST

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### UPTA's Carnival for Kids

The Undergraduate Physical Therapy Association would like to invite UF families to its kids carnival. The carnival will be April 12 from noon to 4 p.m. on Hume Field. Admission is \$5 per family. All proceeds will be donated to muscular dystrophy research and related causes. There will be a Scooby-Doo bounce house, giant bubble stations, arts and crafts, face painting, prizes, raffles and more. Please contact UPTA at [ufupta@gmail.com](mailto:ufupta@gmail.com) with any questions.

### Lavender Graduation

LGBT Affairs is hosting its annual Lavender Graduation on April 18 at 7 p.m. The ceremony acknowledges the achievements and contributions of LGBT and ally students at UF. The event is to recognize these students' leadership and community service experiences that have made a difference in improving the campus climate regarding LGBT issues. If you are graduating, please notify LGBT Affairs to be recognized and receive a Lavender Graduation certificate as well as a rainbow tassel. LGBT Affairs is also looking for candidates for Spring 2014 Community Impact Awards and Rainbow Alliance Awards for Student LGBT Service and Research.

### Velo Vixen MTB Skills Clinic

The second annual Velo Vixen MTB Skills Clinic will be held on April 19 at 9 a.m. at San Felasco Hammock Preserve State Park. Lunch will be provided by Harvest Thyme Cafe and all participants will receive a fabulous Vixen commemorative T-shirt. Reservations are not necessary, but strongly encouraged. You can register online using Paypal here: [touchstoneval.com/vixen-clinic.html](http://touchstoneval.com/vixen-clinic.html).

### Hippodrome student tickets

The Hippodrome State Theatre Cinema is now offering additional student and senior pricing for all of its regularly scheduled shows. Admission for students with a valid ID is \$5.50. In the past, the Hippodrome has offered \$5.50 pricing for students and seniors on Sundays and Wednesdays only. The Hippodrome Cinema is located inside the Hippodrome Theatre at 25 SE Second Place. For a complete listing of films, visit [thehipp.org](http://thehipp.org).

### Restoring Bambooville

A group of students is working to present a formal proposal to the Lakes, Vegetation and Landscaping Committee as well as the Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee to bring back Bambooville. To help, find the Facebook page "Restore Bambooville," or contact Elliot Larkin at [Larkin@ufl.edu](mailto:Larkin@ufl.edu) or Nick Chrone at [NChrone@ufl.edu](mailto:NChrone@ufl.edu). Also, sign the petition on Change.org.

### Global Health Case Competition at UF

The Global Health Case Competition, a student-led initiative, is seeking students from diverse graduate and undergraduate departments to serve as department representatives for a Spring case competition. This is a great opportunity to get more involved in the global health community and obtain leadership experience in international health. Find out more about the Global Health Case Competition and opportunities for involvement by emailing [arwang@ufl.edu](mailto:arwang@ufl.edu).

### Got something going on?

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# UF laboratory full of skulls offers insight into cold cases

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Skulls seem to be in vogue at the C.A. Pound Human Identification Laboratory.

The director, Michael Warren, wears a small orange-and-blue skull pin on his sport jacket lapel: an adaptation of the division's logo.

Behind his desk, a little metal skeleton plays a guitar. By his computer, there's a black box with bony, grinning faces etched into the wood.

And down the hallway, there's an entire room filled with skulls. Some are charred, broken, sliced in half. They're scattered across five long worktables, grouped into skeletons with various bones atop brown paper and white foam.

It's far from being a morbid obsession with death. The UF professor and graduate students who run this lab are professionals who have analyzed evidence in some of the most high-profile cases in the state. The clues they find through skeletal examination often unlock the stories of how people died and can ultimately provide the information necessary to solve missing persons cases.

The lab is tucked at the back of UF's Cancer and Genetics Research Complex. Its unassuming and nearly unmarked entrance looks like a loading dock.

Fluorescent lights stripe the ceiling. Red evidence tape rolls lay among the bones and manila files. Ten small, glass bottles filled halfway with what looks like whiskey contain 10 severed fingers.

On a side table sit two shallow dishes filled with gray sand — cremation ashes. Warren sifts through one of the dishes to reveal small, shiny pellets. That's evidence of surgical operations, he says.

In the narrow, metallic room Warren says is used for "separating the soft tissue from the bones," a 7-or-so-foot-long table takes center stage. The stainless-steel top is like a tray several inches deep. But the room isn't only used for serious casework — occasionally, the graduate students get to do educational projects there.

To demonstrate, Warren snaps on rubber gloves. He takes the lid off of a large trash can next to the dissection table and plunges his hands into the murky depths of solution. He comes up with the entire severed arm of a gorilla.

Everything is perfectly intact, including the oily black fur and 2-inch fingernails, until the upper arm. Skin and tissue are flapping where it's been sliced open and dissected to various levels. A male gorilla died at the Jacksonville Zoo, and Warren's students are using it to learn about the human body because the two systems are so similar.

A small window into the walk-in freezer shows what looks like a grocery store meat locker with squishy, brown and bloody matter stacked in plastic bags. Families, Warren explains, don't want the tissue. They want the clean bones of their loved ones to bury.

The lab incinerates the tissue,

and a biohazard truck comes once a week in the wee hours of the morning to whisk the waste away.

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Michael Warren spent 15 years as a paramedic before he started dealing with bones.

"I had seen people get injured

source" — an integral part of UF's kaleidoscope of resources.

"Having the anthropology lab here is just one chunk of that diversity, that very important diversity," he says.

Warren joined the lab as a graduate student when the 1989 disappearance of UF student Tiffany

In February, law enforcement officials announced serial killer Paul Rowles as the official suspect in the 25-year cold case. Warren was at the site for the announcement.

"She's kind of a part of the legacy of the lab because all the students, my current students, know about her," he says.

Looking toward the future, Warren wants to add a DNA analysis lab.

As of now, the lab is forced to send DNA to Texas for testing. The waiting period can be up to three months.

Funding is one roadblock: Warren says it would take about \$330,000 to get the DNA lab set up. Lack of interest is another.

Maranda Kles, a lab affiliate and a UF consulting forensic anthropologist, says adding the DNA analysis capabilities "would speed up the process" and give students another avenue to learn. It could become a place that helps state and local law enforcement officials get the genetic information they need to nail down answers.

If they can ever get the resources, Warren says the team plans to transform a little room off of the main lab floor. It used to be a darkroom.

For now, the ex-darkroom is stacked with rough wooden crates containing skeletons on loan from Thailand for the students to study.

Although his job is highly scientific and takes place in a sterile lab, Warren is warm and personable. He says he doesn't dream about his cases, but it does bother him when he works on cases that involve deceased children.

There's a rule in the lab: If a case starts bothering you, you have to tell somebody. The colleagues counsel each other and help each other move forward.

All cases, even the low-profile ones, are significant.

"They're all important to somebody," he says.

So in the name of science and the interest of the families involved, Warren will stick with bones.

That's what he's always done. He's never interviewed a criminal or chased down a suspect. Sometimes people bring clothing or other items to supplement physical evidence, but Warren turns it away.

"I don't want that. I'm not an expert in that," he says. "We just do the bones."



William A. England / Alligator Staff

**The examination room houses a 7-foot-long stainless-steel table is used for separating soft tissue from bones. The room is also used for graduate student learning exercises.**

for 15 years, so I understood the mechanisms of injury and how that occurs in living people," he says.

When he decided to go back to school, he chose anthropology. He wanted to study ancient Floridians. Instead, he found forensic anthropology, the science that spans cultures, continents and lifestyles united by something revered and respected in every culture: death and human remains.

"Anthropology was always interesting to me: the human condition and how people are different all over the world and how people are the same all over the world," Warren says.

When he entered the profession more than two decades ago, TV shows like "Bones" and "Criminal Minds" weren't around to popularize the branch of study. It was often a quiet, unnoticed discipline. But its effects are widespread.

During his time at the Pound Lab, Warren and associates have been called to help identify victims in mass disasters such as plane crashes and hurricanes.

He's worked in Bosnia and Thailand on cases that resulted from ethnic cleansing and human rights violations. He's flown to New York to testify. He examined the remains of Caylee Anthony and Haley Cummings. In the 2012 Gainesville I-75 crashes, he identified three of the bodies.

Bruce Goldberger, a UF professor and director of toxicology in the College of Medicine's pathology, immunology and laboratory medicine department, worked with the lab on the Caylee Anthony case. He calls the lab a "very valuable re-

source" — an integral part of UF's kaleidoscope of resources.

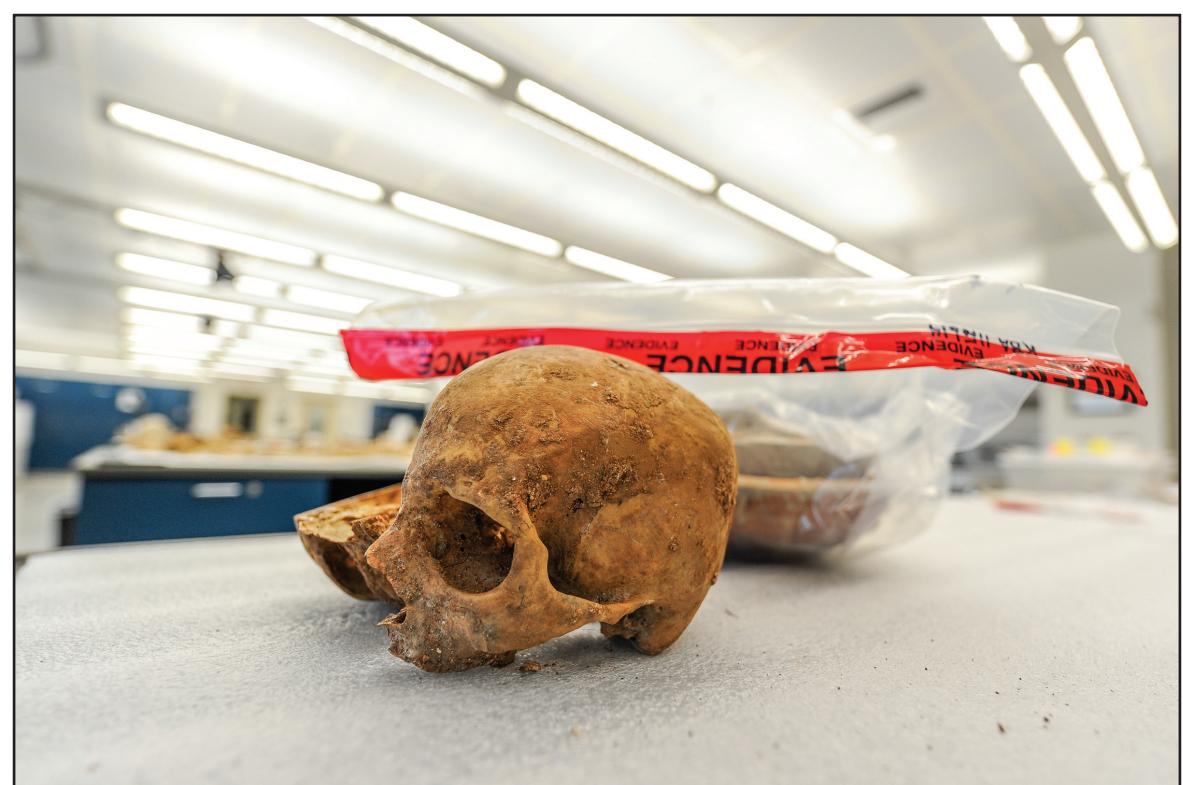
Every time a new condo would start to go up in the area, people from the lab would be summoned out to vet the area — just to make sure her body wasn't buried at the site.

Through the years, the lab has worked with agencies such as the FBI and cold-case detectives to follow up on leads that appeared relevant to the case.

Sessions' dental pattern and physical characteristics memorized.

"If I see her, I'll know it's her," Warren says.

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William A. England / Alligator Staff  
**A skull confiscated in Fort Lauderdale from travelers incoming from Cuba was suspected to have been used in voodoo ceremonies. It is part of the C.A. Pound Human Identification Laboratory's collections.**

# Maude's customers can charge devices with solar station

► THE STATION HAS NINE ELECTRICAL OUTLETS AND 14 USB PORTS.

**ERICK EDWING**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Maude's Classic Cafe is offering a new way for its customers to recharge.

A solar-powered charging station for electronic devices was installed earlier this month at the downtown Gainesville coffee shop located at 101 SE Second Place.

Matthew Wrighton, the owner of the cafe, said he was approached by Gainesville-based Pure Energy Solar to install the solar-powered station, otherwise known as RE-charge. The shop has the one station on the outdoor patio.

"The reaction has been very positive," he said. "Customers are asking a lot of questions about how it works."

The station, which is a metal table with a solar panel attached to a pole in the middle, has become the seat of choice for customers,

Wrighton said. It's equipped with nine electric outlets and 14 USB outlets.

Wayne Irwin, the director of engineering and owner of Pure Energy Solar, said the cafe was an appropriate spot because many customers use electronic devices in the outdoor patio.

"I think the RE-charge station really enlightens people to the reality that solar energy is abundant and never-ending," Irwin said.

Irwin said he hopes the charging station will be jumpstart solar energy use for other local businesses.

"I'm looking to see these implemented throughout our community," Irwin said.

The baseline price to purchase one of the stations is \$3,000, he said, but the government offers a 30-percent Federal Income Tax Credit.

Shannon Nehiley, an 18-year-old UF sustainability and the built environment freshman, recently used the station to charge her iPhone. She said she thinks it's an environmentally friendly option.

# UF group to release English-Spanish magazine

► IT WILL COME OUT APRIL 18.

**JESSICA PEREDA**

Alligator Contributing Writer

The UF Hispanic Communicators Association is releasing a new, dual-language magazine called *Communicate* that will focus on communications with a broad focus of Hispanic issues.

The release date is April 18, and the magazine will be available in print and online. The online version will feature photos, videos and other multimedia work submitted by students.

The magazine was created in hopes of giving students experience publishing their work and learning more about the Hispanic community, said Stephanie Bechara, the 24-year-old graduate stu-

dent adviser of the club.

"The only thing that we have on campus that gives student that platform is *Noticias WUFT*, the radio show," she said. "We can have students report in their own language about things they love and really cater to Latinos in the community."

The magazine, funded by Student Government, has a budget of \$1,000. HCA is planning to print 500 copies to start with, Bechara said.

Andrea Rinaldi, a 21-year-old public relations senior and president of the organization, said she is optimistic for the magazine and wants to see it continue for years after she graduates.

"We all want the same thing," she said. "We all want to be heard. We all want to show people who we are and what we represent."

## Winner pretends he's police

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When John Winner noticed a car on the interstate had its taillights off, he turned on his police siren and motioned for the driver to pull over.

But he's not an officer.

Alachua County Sheriff's Office deputies arrested the 56-year-old Alabama man Thursday night on charges of impersonating a police officer, according to an arrest report.

At about 9:45 p.m., two reports came in about a white Ford Crown Victoria with a siren and strobe light driving north on State Road 93.

First, Winner activated his siren and strobe lights, motioning for the driver to pull over, a witness told police. The witness said he had to go around him after Winner got in front of his car and made him slow his speed to 5 mph.

During questioning, Winner said he was trying to signal to the witness he didn't have his tail lights on, according to the report. Police found a police radio and a center console for emergency lights inside Winner's car.

Winner was released from jail after meeting a \$5,000 bond.



Winner

## LOCAL

# At meeting, co-op members discuss store's future

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Members of Gainesville's Citizen's Co-op met Sunday to discuss the future of the store, which has been addled with conflicts among its founders, board of directors and members.

About 60 people attended the meeting held at the Civic Media Center to voice their concerns about the store's financial viability and contro-

versies surrounding the recent firing of five employees.

Now, the members are petitioning to have the board of directors send out a notice to the store's roughly 1,700 members announcing a meeting to vote on three measures on May 4. Members will vote on removing the current board of directors, electing an interim board of directors and reinstating the five workers fired on March 24.

Eleanor Sommer, a member and investor of the co-op, said the board's actions have upset a large number of members and investors, and they should step aside.

"We just want it to be run in favor of the members and investors who supported it," Sommer said.

Member Katie Conley said she agrees the board should remove itself from the equation because "they're out of touch."

# Growl ticket sales have been declining in recent years

**GROWL**, from page 1

producer of Gator Growl.

The decision was also derived from financial and logistical concerns. Flavet Field is a cheaper venue, and the committee was struggling to find someone who could perform in the Swamp.

Although the stadium can seat 90,000, attendance numbers have been dropping below 30,000 since 2008, with the exception of about 36,000 in 2009.

Ticket sales dropped to roughly 20,000 in 2012 and fell further to 15,000 in 2013, according to an email from former Florida Blue

Key President Brock Hankins.

McDaniel noted that Flavet Field's size gives the pep rally room to grow from last year's attendance of 15,000 while reducing a need for extensive stage setup.

McDaniel said that she felt the theme "Limitless" was conducive of the new venue.

"There are endless possibilities, and there's just so much we could do with this venue," she said. "When we're on Flavet Field, there are no limits to what we can and cannot do."

Despite the "Limitless" theme, there are plans in place for limitations on the venue.

The committee is discussing the construction of a large fence around the field to ensure that only ticket holders can attend the giant pep rally.

Students like Kristen Urichko, who attended a jazz festival on Flavet Field, feel a part of the appeal of the new venue is the ability to attend and leave freely.

"People were just coming and going in," said the 19-year-old UF health sciences freshman. "I loved that feeling, being outside with people, just on a blanket."

Another issue with the venue comes in the form of seating.

With the permanent bleachers of the stadium gone, the Gator Growl committee must also deal with the issue of finding seating for the alumni and attendees uncomfortable with spending three hours standing or sitting on a blanket.

"We are discussing bleacher seating and VIP tents for those who would be willing to pay more," McDaniel said.

Alligator staff writer Sean Stewart-Muniz contributed reporting.

Sister Hazel performs at Gator Growl on Nov. 8, 2013, at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium. This year's Gator Growl will be hosted on Flavet Field instead of in the Swamp.



William A. England / Alligator Staff

## • THIS WEEK in GAINESVILLE •

### March 31, 1988

More than 300 students and faculty gathered at a flat piece of land outlined with chalk for a ground-breaking ceremony on campus — a place that would one day become the first major art museum at a Florida university: the Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art. The Florida legislature added \$4 million to the Harn family's \$3 million donation to undertake the project, according to Alligator archives.

### March 31, 2003

An Alpha Epsilon Phi sister walked to her car from her sorority's house and was shocked to find a swastika drawn in condensation on her rear window. At another sorority house, a car drove by and its passengers yelled "death to the Jews," according to Alligator archives. The campus rabbi said everyone was taking the incidents seriously, and University Police was notified. He noted Gainesville as a place that is home to one of the largest campus-based Jewish communities in the nation, and the incident is the minority to the rule.

### April 1, 2010

About 40 UF professors and students worked on the world's largest particle accelerator in Switzerland — the Large Hadron Collider — as part of an international collaboration. The collider broke a small-scale energy record. It also helped scientists answer questions they'd been asking for decades, such as an explanation for dark, or invisible matter, that makes up 20 percent of the universe, said Guenakh Mitselmakher, who led the UF research team. It took \$10 billion to build the collider and 17 years to build the detector that collects its data.

— STEVEN KATONA

## Alachua County places highly in national health rankings

### ► UF CONTRIBUTES TO THE SUCCESS.

#### ALEX HART

Alligator Contributing Writer

For the second year in a row, Alachua cracked Florida's top 20 in a nationwide county health ranking.

The study, conducted by the Robert

Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, used data from national sources to illustrate trends and outline problems for counties.

Roger Dolz, quality improvement program administrator for Florida Department of Health in Alachua County, said he and other officials were proud of the county's high ranking — 17th in health outcomes and

second in health factors out of a total of 67 counties.

"We are No. 1 in access to care, as well as in clinical care," Dolz said, adding that the UF community and the three major hospitals in the area contribute to the county's success.

Despite the high overall ranking, Alachua ranked lower in some individual categories such as community safety and air-and-water

quality. The county ranked No. 34 in both.

For some students, like first-year pharmacy student Hana Cho, the county's emphasis on health was a deciding factor for attending college there. Cho said she chose UF in part due to the proximity to UF Health Shands Hospital.

"I believe that UF and the county play a role and are a pioneer in the advancement of health care," she said.

## CAMPUS

# Students donate hair at UF Relay for Life

### TAYLOR WIDOM

Alligator Contributing Writer

Aishwarya Potdar's hair never stays long.

The 21-year-old grows out her thick, dark brown locks for about three years before having them chopped to be made into wigs for cancer patients.

"It's part of my routine now," said the UF applied physiology and kinesiology junior. "I have so much hair, and so many people don't have any."

Potdar, who has donated her hair three times, was one of more than 50 girls aged 18 to 22 who left the Stephen C. O'Connell Center with significantly shorter hair after Friday's hair cutting ceremony at UF's Relay for Life.

The relay is an overnight fund-raising walk dedicated to raising awareness and fighting back against the disease.

The turnout was one of the best in the four years Beach Break Salon has been participating in the event, said 20-year-old senior stylist Caitlin Achord.

Nine stylists from the salon, located at 603 W. University Ave., helped with braiding, tying and cutting hair on stage.

"Luckily, we had the right amount of people and knowledge ... to get everyone taken care of," she said.

She said most women getting

their hair cut sign up ahead of time, but for some it's a "spur-of-the-moment thing."

Beach Break also collects ponytails throughout the year and then donates them after relay, Achord said. This year, the salon collected more than 325 ponytails.

Where the hair is donated depends on if it has been color treated. She said it is sent to either Locks of Love, which requires at least 10 inches of hair, or to Pantene Beauti-

ful Lengths, which requires a minimum of 8 inches and doesn't accept treated hair.

Potdar, whose aunt and childhood best friend's father both died from cancer, said donating every few years is one small way she can make a difference.

"If I have the resources to make someone's life better, I might as well use them," she said. "(Hair) doesn't seem like a big deal, but it's kind of like someone's identity."



Taylor Widom / Alligator

**Aishwarya Potdar**, a 21-year-old applied physiology and kinesiology junior, gets her hair cut by her 15-year-old sister, Amruta Potdar, for Relay for Life. The event was held Friday night through Saturday morning in the Stephen C. O'Connell Center.

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## Editorial

### Flavet fail: Moving Gator Growl won't solve everything

Florida Blue Key announced Sunday it's breaking with the 82-year tradition of holding Gator Growl in Ben Hill Griffin Stadium. This October, the pep rally/concert/comedy show will take place on Flavet Field.

Although organizers are spinning the move as a flashy new update, the editorial board feels it's not enough to compensate for deeper issues, including declining attendance and general disinterest.

To be fair, it does seem that organizers are aware something isn't working. They've spent the past few years adjusting Gator Growl's model — adding comedians, taking away musicians, switching up genres, playing with fireworks and trying to appeal to both student and alumni interests. But since 2010, the Swamp has seemed emptier.

In the past, high-profile comedians and music acts have attracted large crowds. The glory days brought performers like Bob Hope, Bill Cosby, Jerry Seinfeld, Ray Romano, Mitch Hedberg, Dane Cook and Dana Carvey.

In recent years, the Gator Growl acts have fallen in quality as ticket prices climbed.

We think the world's largest student-run pep rally needs more than a venue change.

It seems the Gator Growl organizers have fallen victim to a universal paradox: They're attempting to appeal to too-large a fan base, and in doing so, they're alienating their audience.

We understand that Homecoming weekend is catered toward UF alumni and supporters who want a dose of nostalgia and a chance to connect with the current generation of the Gator Nation. But in order for Gator Growl to succeed, it needs to be refocused.

Alumni will come no matter what, so Gator Growl should try attracting current students with relevant performers and cheaper tickets.

If Blue Key and the university don't change things soon, the move to Flavet Field will be the nail in the coffin demoting Gator Growl to the ranks of summer concerts. It will be just another event, and nobody wants that.

Gator Growl should be a celebration for UF students, alumni, supporters, athletes and administration. It deserves better. It deserves the Swamp. It deserves current music acts such as the Black Keys, Tom Petty or Vampire Weekend, for example. It deserves current comedy acts such as Hannibal Buress, John Mulaney or Natasha Leggero.

Not all hope is lost. We love Gator Growl, and we want to see it continue its legacy as the biggest, greatest student-run pep rally in the country.

We realize it's difficult defending the tradition year after year, and we appreciate the organizers' adventurousness in their efforts to switch things up.

We hope they'll continue to experiment and evaluate Gator Growl's direction — not just its location.

## Reader response

**Today's question:** Have you had sex on UF's campus?

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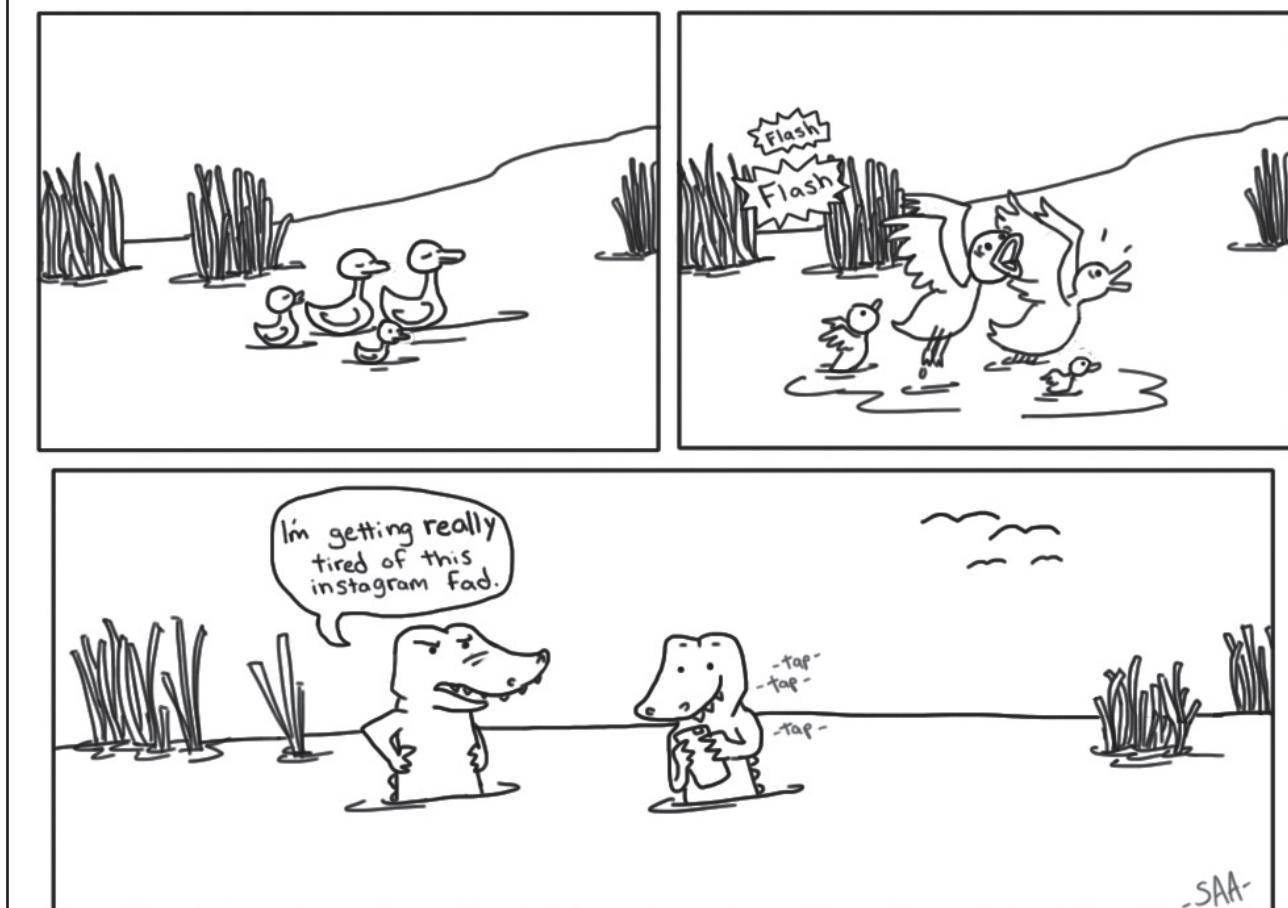
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## Column

### Sex on campus is doable, pun intended

The semester is starting to wind down, and finals week is looming. The library is getting more crowded, and students are spending more time on campus to compensate for how little they've paid attention all semester.

But studying too much can cause stress and make it hard to focus. It's important to take breaks, and what's better than a sex break?

If you're already on campus, why bother leaving just to get some afternoon — or morning or evening — delight?

Rollins College's newspaper, "The Sandspur," recently published an article talking about the wonders of public sex: "Sex in public is often frowned upon as illegal and primitive. But those two justifications are exactly what make it so exciting."

I was so inspired, I went around our own alma mater to find the best places to get down and get dirty.

The football field is probably the most cliché place to have sex on campus, which is why it should be first on your list. The thrill of having to jump over a few fences — sorry University Police and administration — and stay quiet to avoid getting caught will make the encounter much hotter.

You're not a true Gator fan unless you actually do it on Florida Field. And what's the point of making all the effort if you don't scream something like "Go Gators!" or "I love Tim Tebow!" when you orgasm?

The library is another stereotypical place to have sex on campus. However, it's a lot less realistic than the football field, if only because it's more crowded.

I'm not saying it's impossible — just be sure to wait for a time when there are fewer panicked students cramming for exams. If you're trying to do the dirty deed in the actual stacks, make sure to pick a section that isn't frequently visited — and let's be honest, isn't that all of them?

I will caution you to focus on Library West or Marston, though. Try to avoid the law library at all costs, unless you are an actual law student.



**Robyn Smith**  
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A recent guest column pointed out that law students are very territorial, so I doubt they would take kindly to undergraduates filling their quiet law library with the sounds of something a lot more fun than studying. Besides, the building is made up of glass walls, making it harder to get away with.

Perhaps easiest to accomplish, and in my opinion, the most exciting option, is a classroom. A handful of buildings on campus leave their classroom doors unlocked at night, making them perfect sexcapade locations.

Classrooms provide more privacy than other public locations but still give you the thrill of potentially getting caught. Having to stay quiet will make it even hotter; plus, getting it on in a classroom practically sets itself up for student/teacher role play.

If you are really desperate to find a place to get frisky, the campus is full of dark and secluded areas at nighttime. Take your pick of any one of them, but take care to avoid the wandering eyes of stray campus cats — as well as the occasional passers-by.

As a rule, please clean up after yourselves after your foray into public indecency. No one wants to come to class only to find desks covered in lube or other unsavory substances.

And as funny as it is to find condom wrappers all over North Lawn, Mother Nature and the janitorial staff will thank you if you make sure all prophylactics make it into the trash.

Think of having sex on campus as just another thing to do for the F Book — I mean, they call it that for a reason, don't they? It might be an unofficial tradition, but it's still a tradition nonetheless.

Robyn Smith is a UF journalism sophomore. Her column appears on Mondays.

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

UWire

# Minimum wage should be addressed

**Nick Ketterer**  
UWire

Minimum wage is often associated with high school teenagers who are working part time. However, the Economic Policy Institute did research to disprove these theories. The findings were astounding: "88 percent of workers who would be affected by raising the minimum wage are at least 20 years old, and a third of them are at least 40 years old."

Is it possible for a person working fulltime — possibly with a family — to support themselves on minimum wage? After working 40 hours a week at minimum wage, I feel qualified to say that it is nearly impossible.

Minimum wage is \$7.25. There are proposals to raise the minimum wage to \$10.10 by 2015. Those working 40 hours a week at our current minimum wage make a little more than \$1,000 a month. With the proposed increase, monthly income goes up to \$1,600. That \$600 can be the difference between missing a rent payment and having a little extra for groceries.

Although minimum wage affects everyone, women and minorities are especially impacted. Chron.

com recently wrote an article on minimum wage and looked closely at minorities, stating, "Some experts suggest that minimum wages harm the very minority populations they were designed to support."

It's ironic that minimum wage, which is designed to help the U.S. population receive their just pay, is in fact harming the public.

There are plenty of legitimate arguments about why a raise in minimum wage would not fix any of our current problems.

The Cato Institute claims that, "As government raises the minimum wage, it prices people out of the market."

This is a very realistic view and is a possible consequence of raising minimum wage. Some think that a 40 percent increase in minimum wage would cause more problems. These facts unfortunately put me in a position where I cannot say that raising minimum wage would solve many of our problems. However, I do feel that it is an important conversation to have.

*Nick Ketterer is a writer for the Daily Utah Chronicle. A version of this column originally appeared on UWIRE.*



Column

# College athletes shouldn't get paid

Last week, the National Labor Relations Board ruled in favor of a group of Northwestern University football players who are attempting to unionize. It was a major victory for student athletes in their fight against the money juggernaut that is the NCAA. The ruling sets up a potential big fight between student athletes and the NCAA regarding the debate on whether college athletes deserve payment for their services that could wind up in the Supreme Court.

Sports fans are divided over whether college athletes should get paid; they shouldn't, and here's why.

Despite enormous revenues via football and men's basketball for the NCAA and a select group of universities — including UF — most college sports are not particularly profitable, and in fact, many operate at a loss. According to a recent study, just 22 schools profited from football during the 2009-2010 academic year. College football is hardly the cash cow that some believe the sport to be.

The general consensus seems to be that football players generate enormous revenues, but in the end, it's only a few select schools that benefit. Many schools spend an upward of \$90,000 a year on some athletes.

If college football and basketball players obtain the right to be paid, what do we do about the thousands of athletes — who also work incredibly hard on the field and in the classroom — who participate in athletics that don't rack up massive profits?

Do they get paid, too?

It's unfair and wrong to pay football and men's basketball players because they participate in a sport that generates millions of dollars in revenue, but not pay the thousands upon thousands of student athletes competing for their schools in other sports. Additionally, what sum of money is appropriate for the players? Is it right for a star football player to receive a sizable salary because football makes buckets of money while a women's lacrosse player with a 3.9 GPA gets minimum wage?

Not in the least.

For the privilege of being a student athlete, students get full scholarships to some of the country's best public and private universities and are able to achieve a level of education they otherwise may not be able to attain without the scholarship.

Is it wrong that the NCAA, conferences and schools profit on the backs of these athletes? Perhaps it is, but the scholarships and opportunities presented to the students cannot be discounted.

Instead of giving college athletes a salary, we need to do a better job of encouraging them to finish their degrees and utilize the educational opportunities in front of them.

This seems fairly naïve until you consider the story of former Gators football player Matt Elam. Despite earning a seven-figure salary in the NFL, Elam returned to Gainesville during the offseason to continue his degree. He even took a low-paying job at a sporting goods store to get a better grasp on the business he wants to pursue following his NFL career.

Why?

Elam seems to understand that his football career could be very short, and to succeed in the business world, he needs a college education.

If you need another great example at UF, take a look at our men's basketball team. Four seniors — a rarity in today's day — start for the team, and senior center Patric Young is a two-time Academic All-American. For those players, success both on the court and in the classroom is of the utmost importance. Will they get paid one day? I'm sure many of them will, but right now, they understand that they're student athletes — not professionals.

Athletic careers make up what amounts to a small portion of the lives of players. If we aim to produce more Matt Elams, UF basketball players and thousands of other student athletes need to stay in school and receive their degrees so they'll have the tools to succeed both on and off the field.

Money is only temporary, but an education is for a lifetime.

*Joel Mendelson is a UF graduate student in political campaigning. His columns appear on Mondays.*



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**STATE**

# Fla. student goes from homeless to Carnegie Hall

**THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

PENSACOLA — A once-homeless Florida college student is now realizing his dreams after placing in a piano competition that will allow him to perform at Carnegie Hall.

James Matthews, 24, sometimes slept in his instructor's piano studio for shelter while he was a student at Florida Southern College. The professor found Matthews a temporary home and helped him enroll at Chipola College, where Matthews could afford to stay in a dorm.

After earning his associate degree, Matthews transferred to the University of West Florida.

In January, one of his instructors there suggested he submit a video of himself performing Sergei Prokofiev's "Piano Sonata No. 7" for the 2014 American Protege

International Piano and Strings Competition.

The Pensacola News Journal reported Matthews was given an honorable mention. As a prize, he will play the Weill Recital Hall at the world-renowned New York City concert venue on April 20.

Matthews' father started teaching him jazz and blues music when he was just 3 years old. In middle school, he started with a professional piano teacher and started accompanying the school choir.

Matthews was homeless for nearly a year and a half after high school, but he continued with his piano studies.

"I always had my piano, and it's always been my escape," he said. "I decided if I never gave up it would get me through life, and it has. I don't know where I'd be if it wasn't for music."

# BugFest welcomes insect lovers to UF

► PIZZA WILL BE SERVED, TOO.

**SILVIA RUEDA**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Edible bugs and racing cockroaches are heading to UF on Tuesday.

The UF Entomology Club will host its annual BugFest open house, inviting students and families to learn more about insects and the university's entomology and nematology program.

The event, which will take place from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Steinmetz Hall, has a Pokémon theme with the slogan "Gotta Collect 'Em All," said Kristen Donovan, event coordinator.

New this year will be the "insect Iron Chef" station, challenging curious taste buds to try a variety of insect recipes, she said.

But for those who aren't too enthusiastic about savoring the flavor of crispy bugs, BugFest will also be serving pizza to the first 400 guests — bug-free.

Donovan, a 21-year-old UF entomology and nematology junior, said that the event is not just about trying new things but also learning about the insects themselves.

Attendees can learn more about the program and insects at exhibits and information areas, as well as get to encounter the bugs firsthand with activities and games.

One of the games will be a race of Madagascar hissing cockroaches on a four-lane track. The roaches are raised at UF, she said.

There will also be a "maggot art" station where maggots are dipped in paint and allowed to create a masterpiece.

"They're artists, believe it or not," Donovan said.

But bugs aren't the only thing visitors can expect at the open house. The arthropod petting zoo allows visitors to interact with critters such as the emperor scorpion and the giant African millipede.

Morgan Weldon, a 19-year-old UF entomology and nematology junior, will be volunteering at the event.

She said she is excited to educate people and clarify any misconceptions they might have about insects.

"It's important to learn about bugs because they are virtually everywhere, and people interact and are affected by them every day and don't realize it," she said.

# Chili cook-off celebrates conservation

► APRIL IS ONE OF THE DRIEST MONTHS.

**DOMINIC UTTER**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Rain showers didn't stop a chili cook-off celebrating the beginning of Water Conservation Month at a O'Leno State Park this weekend.

Despite the weather, both chili and environment lovers gathered at the O'Leno Ole' Chili Cook-Off and Springs Celebration on Saturday to ring in the month with music, booths and a chili competition.

The cook-off, now in its sixth year, was a fundraiser for upgrades to the nature center at the park, located at 410 SE O'Leno Park Road in High Springs, said Ed Bisch, president of Friends of O'Leno.

Judges awarded points to qualify members to attend an international chili championship in Texas, said Candi

Arevalo, the "Great Pepper," or president, of the Sunshine State Chili Pod.

Stacie Greco, water conservation coordinator at the Alachua County Environmental Protection Department, said local government and state agencies decided on April for Water Conservation Month because it is one of the driest months of the year.

Greco said the quickest way to reduce residential water consumption is to lower irrigation usage and switch to Florida-friendly landscaping.

"Within the home, you can switch to a low-flow toilet or challenge yourself to take a shower in under five minutes," she said.

Sam Cole, a park services specialist at Ichetucknee Springs State Park, held a yellow rat snake named Sarabi while teaching attendees about the environment and wildlife. He said there are more than 700 springs in Florida, "and they are the first to show signs of water quality damage."

# Gainesville, on-campus Starbucks stores won't add beer, wine to menu

**ALEXIA FERNANDEZ**

Alligator Contributing Writer

Starbucks is adding beer and wine to its menu, but the UF and Gainesville locations will not apply the changes.

The menu additions, called Starbucks Evenings, were introduced in Seattle in 2010.

It's been incorporated into locations across the country for a trial run.

They expect to have 40 locations by the end of the year and more over the next several years, wrote Starbucks spokeswoman Alisha Damodaran in an email.

But the changes won't take effect locally.

Marketing Program Manager for Gator Dining Services Jill Rodriguez wrote in an email that the company has no intention of "adding this component to the Starbucks program."

If the change ever were to hap-

pen, it could lead to increased competition for local coffee shops.

Matthew Wrighton, owner and manager of Maude's Classic Cafe in downtown Gainesville,

*"There is a desire in coffee-shop culture to have beer and wine."*

**Matthew Wrighton**  
owner and manager  
of Maude's Cafe

said Starbucks is adding alcohol to the menu to encroach on smaller businesses.

"When Starbucks originally moved next to us in 2000, they said it would support local businesses. They wanted to make it a downtown coffee-shop culture," he said. "Whatever the local take on their new menu is, they're doing it to increase their sales."

In four-to-eight weeks, Maude's will add on a tap room with a wider selection of wines

and beers than it currently stocks, Wrighton said.

"There is a desire in coffee-shop culture to have beer and wine," he said.

Wrighton said he won't be worried about the competition unless a Starbucks Evenings location comes to downtown Gainesville.

Students such as Antony Darce, a 23-year-old UF architecture and French senior, reacted negatively to the company's menu addition.

"I'm not really sold on the idea of alcohol at Starbucks," he said. "They've advertised themselves more as a coffee shop, and even then they were receiving criticism for not being true to that."

UF biology junior Dianmarie De Jesus said she felt similarly.

"It's not their market," the 20-year-old said. "You think of Starbucks, and you think of college kids. It's a different atmosphere."



Starbucks plans to add alcoholic drinks such as beer and wine to its menu. The additions will be part of Starbucks Evenings, but the changes won't affect campus locations.

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<b>FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN</b>					

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**13 Wanted**

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— transitions to end homelessness

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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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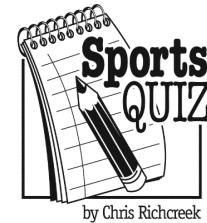
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1. In 2013, Yasiel Puig set a Los Angeles Dodgers record for most hits by a rookie in a month (44). Who had held the mark?

2. Who was the last pitcher before Arizona's Patrick Corbin in 2013 to begin a year with nine starts of six innings pitched and two or fewer runs allowed?

3. Name the kicker who holds the record for most 50-yard field goals in an NFL season.

4. How many Final Fours did Ben Howland guide the UCLA men's basketball team to in 10 seasons as head coach?

5. In 2013, Los Angeles Kings goaltender Martin Jones set a record for most consecutive victories to start an NHL career. How many?

6. Richard Petty holds the record for most consecutive seasons with at least one NASCAR Cup victory (18). Who's the runner-up for the mark?

7. In 2014, Serena Williams became the winningest woman at the Australian Open when she notched her 61st singles victory. Who had held the record?

**Answers**

1. Steve Sax had 43 hits in August 1982.

2. Colorado's Ubaldo Jimenez, in 2010.

3. Minnesota's Blair Walsh hit 10 field goals of 50-plus yards in 2012.

4. Three times (2006, '07, '08).

5. Eight victories.

6. David Pearson, with 17 consecutive seasons of at least one Cup victory.

7. Margaret Court.

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**14 Help Wanted**

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**15 Services**

Do you have a business that provides a service? Place your ad in the Services Section of the Alligator Classifieds for as little as **\$2.50 per day**. Call us at 373-FIND.

**18 Personals**

**HIV ANTIBODY TESTING**  
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**19 Connections**

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**20 Event Notices**

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**21 Entertainment**

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**23 Rides**

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**24 Pets**

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**25 Lost & Found**

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 1 Insect stage  
 6 Sink down in the middle  
 9 Heavy haulers  
 14 Not quite spherical  
 15 Single  
 16 Mild-mannered reporter Kent  
 17 Tennis court official  
 19 Overzealous type  
 20 Point after deuce  
 21 More narcissistic  
 23 Asian New Year  
 24 Harbor long-term resentment  
 27 Portuguese explorer Vasco  
 30 Open court hearing, in law  
 31 News org.  
 32 Construction zone cones  
 36 Earth-orbiting Gagarin  
 39 Birds that symbolize peace  
 41 Right, vis-à-vis left: Abbr.  
 42 Early PC interface  
 43 Glasses, in ads  
 44 More than mono  
 46 Workout facility  
 47 Water, in Juárez  
 49 Amazingly enough  
 51 Creamy confection  
 56 End of a prof's URL  
 57 Type of vegetable oil  
 58 Yucky muck  
 62 Soup scoop  
 64 "Stay put!"  
 66 Partner of vim  
 67 Seventh Greek letter  
 68 Love, to Luciano  
 69 Length-times-width calculations  
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## Wilbekin provides leadership to Final-Four bound Gators

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. — All eyes were on Scottie Wilbekin as the clock ticked.

Nine, eight, seven.

"He's been doing this all season, not just the tournament," Kasey Hill said. "He's our leader. We go where he goes."

Six, five, four.

"[Wilbekin] is tougher than a three-dollar steak,"

Brad Evans

Yahoo! Sports writer

"He made some tougher shots than the ones I thought he would normally make when he went in there," coach Billy Donovan said.

Three, two, one.

"That guy is tougher than a three-dollar steak," Brad Evans of Yahoo! Sports said.

The buzzer rang, the crowd cheered and Wilbekin — the man who can do no wrong — stole the spotlight once again.

With Florida up 35-24 with 36 seconds left in the first half, Wilbekin found a wide-open Michael Frazier II at the top of the arc, but Frazier's shot clanged off the rim. So when Dorian Finney-Smith grabbed the offensive rebound and gave the ball right back to Wilbekin, the senior point guard wasn't going to let anyone else take the final shot.

For the next 25 seconds, the 6-foot-2 point guard stood on the NCAA logo at halfcourt and simply waited for an opportunity. He eyed down Dayton's Vee Sanford — the unfortunate player forced to guard Wilbekin — and then he glanced back to Donovan for play call.

Sanford to Donovan. Sanford to Donovan. Sanford to Donovan.

But when the clock hit eight seconds, it was time to make a move.

Wilbekin inched forward to about 25 feet out from the basket. It was clear to everyone in FedExForum — even Sanford — that he was going to take the shot.

"Obviously, like any play, sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't," Donovan said. "I think he liked the matchup, and he said, 'Coach, can we go flat?' which is (when) we put

four along the baseline and offensive rebound. I trust Scottie enough to put him in those situations."

And why not?

Wilbekin has shown time and

time again that an expiring clock doesn't faze him. In Florida's Southeastern Conference Tournament

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Scottie Wilbekin calls out a play to his teammates during Florida's 62-52 win against Dayton on Saturday in FedExForum. Wilbekin was named the Most Outstanding Player of the South Region of the NCAA Tournament after the Gators defeated the Flyers.

## UF completes sweep of LSU

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When Florida visited LSU in May 2013, the Tigers greeted the Gators with a dominating three-game sweep.

This weekend, UF returned the favor.

Florida (19-9, 6-3 Southeastern Conference) beat No. 8 LSU (20-8-1, 3-5-1 SEC) 11-7 after falling behind Sunday afternoon at McKethan Stadium, completing a three-game sweep — the first UF

sweep of LSU since 2011 — and claiming their fifth victory against a top-10 team in 11 days.

UF Baseball

"I'm not quite sure if three weeks ago this team would have had it in them to fight back," coach Kevin O'Sullivan said. "I think we're in a different place right now."

The Gators took the first two games in a doubleheader sweep Saturday but

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Florida defense key in victory

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. — No. 1 seed Florida's defense looked as stout as ever heading into halftime against No. 11 seed Dayton on Saturday.

In the six minutes before intermission in FedExForum, the Gators limited the Flyers to three points on a 1-of-7 clip from the field. In that same time period, UF scored 17 points on 6-of-10 shooting, with nine coming from senior Scottie Wilbekin.

"I think our defensive mindset is the foundation of our team," center Patric Young said.



Donovan

shooting.

Senior forward Dyshawn Pierre was a catalyst for the Flyers in the final minutes.

"I didn't think that we really guarded

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Kelsey Stewart and the UF softball team were swept in their series. Read the story online at [alligatorSports.org](http://alligatorSports.org).

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"Gators in the Final Four in Dallas next weekend!?? I'll be there!"

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Former UF forward

## Gators in the MLB

Former UF reliever Steven "Paco" Rodriguez pitched two-thirds of an inning and struck out two batters in the Dodgers' 3-1 loss to the Padres on Sunday.

# Senior hitting buzzer beaters

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matchup with Tennessee on March 15, the Gainesville native knocked down a buzzer-beating three to help the Gators chip away at the Volunteers' lead.

One week later in the third round of the NCAA Tournament against Pitt, Wilbekin sunk a nearly identical shot to pad Florida's lead heading into the break.

But on Saturday, Wilbekin's 25-footer was more than just a three. It was more than just a cushion to the Gators' lead.

With the buzzer-beater, the senior reminded the country that he and the rest of the Gators aren't ever satisfied. Florida's four-man senior class has suffered for the past three years, but now that they are poised for a national championship run, there is no letting off the gas pedal.

"I mean, Coach D said before the game that it feels like you're destined, like things happen for a reason," Wilbekin said. "He felt like we were all brought together on this team for a reason. I think that couldn't be more true."

The four-year point guard, who has endured everything from playing off the bench to sitting out eight games because of suspensions, will play in his first and last Final Four when Florida travels to Arlington, Texas, to face UConn on Saturday at 6:09 p.m.

So even though Wilbekin has racked up a laundry list of awards this season — including most recently the Most Outstanding Player of the South Region honor — he couldn't care less about the individual recognition.

His team is in the Final Four, and he is not taking it for granted.

"I'm happy about the award, but it's nothing compared to winning," Wilbekin said. "I'm just so happy right now that we were able to achieve what we did so far with this group of guys."

# Alonso plays role in two rallies against Tigers

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trailed early in the final contest.

The Tigers jumped out to a 1-0 lead when catcher Kade Scivicque drove in shortstop Alex Bregman, but the Gators tied the game minutes later on a solo home run to left-center field from center fielder Harrison Bader.

Bader's homer was the fourth for the Gators during the weekend — an impressive power surge from a team that had only six home runs entering the series.

"It's kind of like the law of averages," first baseman Peter Alonso said. "We didn't really have that many at the beginning of the year, but as the season progresses, everyone's starting to get a bit more comfortable at the plate."

But LSU took the lead back quickly, scoring three runs in the next two innings to go ahead 4-2 heading to the bottom of the third. However, patience prevailed for Florida.

Second baseman Casey Turgeon walked on four straight pitches to lead off the inning and advanced to third on a ground out and a stolen base. Catcher Taylor Gushue drove him in with a single, and Tigers hurler Zac Person walked three straight batters to score the tying run.

Alonso capped off the rally with a single to left, giving the Gators a 6-4 lead they never relinquished.

"I was just sitting fastball because the kid couldn't really spin the breaking ball for a strike," Alonso said. "It's been a while since I've gotten into one like that."

Starting pitcher Justin Shafer, fresh off a 4-inning scoreless start against FSU, did not have the same success as the offense.

O'Sullivan relieved the junior

pitcher in the third inning after he gave up four runs on six hits.

Freshman left-hander Kirby Snead replaced Shafer. O'Sullivan had previously used Snead in short stints out of the pen, allowing him to pitch to one or two batters — primarily left-handers — before revisiting the mound.

But Snead had a chance to air his arm out Sunday.

Snead tossed 4.2 innings — only two outs shy of his entire inning total entering the game — of scoreless relief and picked up his first career win.

At one point, Snead retired nine straight. He showed his command of the plate, throwing 34 of his 47 pitches for strikes.

"That's Sully's main thing," Snead said. "When we come out

of the pen, just get ahead and get outs quick."

While Snead was working the Tigers at the plate, the Gators were extending their lead in the fifth inning.

Again, walks proved key to Florida's rally. Right fielder Braden Mattson and Shafer walked to begin the inning and advanced a base on a sacrifice bunt by third baseman John Sterngel.

Alonso drew an intentional walk — the Gators' eighth of 11 free passes during the game — and O'Sullivan had catcher Mike Fahrman pinch-hit for left fielder Ryan Larson, who was hitless.

Fahrman knocked a single down the left-field line, scoring two more Gators.

"It takes some focus,"

Fahrman said of pinch-hitting. "You got to always have an idea of who's coming in ... Always making sure that, hey, this could be the shot, you might get the at-bat here."

Shortstop Richie Martin capped the fifth-inning rally with a two-run double, giving Florida an 11-4 lead.

LSU attempted to stage a comeback in the bottom of the ninth, scoring three runs — including two on the Tigers' second home run of the game — but fell short of the difficult task in front of them.

"It was kind of like the swag that Sully talks about," Alonso said. "It's more confidence than anything. ... I feel like we have that now, and the world's our oyster."



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Peter Alonso bats during Florida's 4-0 win against Maryland on Feb. 14 at McKethan Stadium. Alonso drove in two runs in the Gators' 11-7 win against the Tigers on Sunday.

# Young returns to form after subpar performance in Sweet 16

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Pierre very well today in and around the basket," coach Billy Donovan said. "I thought he really, really hurt [Will] Yeguete, and we hurt [Casey] Prather a lot. ... There were some pick-and-roll coverages that I did not think were very good, were blown today. We need to get better there."

Florida's saving grace in its 62-52 win against Dayton came in the battle of the boards. UF out-rebounded UD 19-11 in the final half while also winning the offensive rebound battle 8-0 in the final 20 minutes.

"I thought the game was won by the offensive rebounds," Donovan said. "I thought we had a couple of good looks."

**Young rebounds in Elite Eight:** In UF's 79-68 win against No. 4 seed UCLA on Thursday, Patric Young was a non-factor.

The senior center scored only

four points and grabbed three rebounds while racking up four personal fouls in 20 minutes of play.

"It was frustrating because I do as much as I can to try to prepare to put myself in a position to have a good game," Young said Friday at Florida's Elite Eight media day. "I've just got to flush it, learn from it, move forward."

But Young rebounded in UF's 62-52 Elite Eight victory against No. 11 seed Dayton, logging 12 points, six defensive rebounds, four blocks and two steals in 31 minutes.

"Whatever advantage we saw we had, [we] just keep sticking to that. Early, that was me inside," Young said.

"Late, us rebounding on the glass helped us to solidify our win tonight. I was just glad that I could have an impact, especially down low."

The Flyers knew they were going to have to make adjustments to their gameplan against the 6-foot-9 center.

"Once he drove, you had to think pass because you've got Patric Young with his big old body there, and you had to just pass the ball," Dayton senior forward Dyshawn Pierre said. "He altered shots very well, a lot of their players."

**Notes:** The Gators committed only 10 personal fouls against the Flyers on Saturday, its second-lowest total of the season (7, Pittsburgh).

No UF player committed more than two fouls in the contest. ... Florida's 14-point lead heading into halftime was its largest margin since being up by 21 in the regular season finale against Kentucky on March 8. It was UF's largest lead after 20 minutes in a game away from the O'Connell Center since being ahead by 19 against Jacksonville on Nov. 25. ... Senior point guard Scottie Wilbekin recorded double-digit point totals in eight straight games, dating back to the Gators' March 8 matchup with the

Wildcats. Since the start of the SEC tournament, the senior point guard

has logged 107 points, 21 assists, 16 steals and just 7 turnovers.



Jordan McPherson / Alligator Staff  
Patric Young prepares to shoot during Florida's 62-52 win against Dayton on Saturday in FedExForum in Memphis, Tenn.

**LACROSSE**

# Junior midfielder leads Gators in win against Nittany Lions

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For three years, Nora Barry has played the supporting role of the unsung hero.

She makes stops when they're needed most. She scores when momentum isn't there. She can even stand in front of an anxious defense and hold the ball until there are only 20 seconds left on the clock before scoring the winning point of the game.

Nora Barry is Florida's go-to player.

In No. 4 Florida's 13-9 win over No. 11 Penn State (7-4, 2-1 American Lacrosse Conference), Barry did what needed to be done.

While Barry's numbers weren't any better than usual, it was her presence on the field that changed the game.

Barry is known for her assists on goals and ability to pull defenders off of other players so they can get open to make a shot. She did just that against the Nittany Lions on Sunday.

"I don't think you can actually define what she means to our program, just in terms of doing the dirty work," coach Amanda O'Leary said. "(She's) getting the ground balls, getting the draw controls and creating opportunities offensively for not only herself but also her teammates. ... She's a critical piece to our puzzle here."

Barry had only one assist for the day.

It came on a goal late in the first half by freshman teammate Mollie Stevens — who scored a career-high four points — but Barry's presence was noted on the field throughout the game.

As Penn State became more aggressive, so did Barry. She was one of four Florida players who

received a yellow card and was forced to sit out while Penn State played with a man-up advantage.

"It's really about getting the draw, getting the caused turnovers on defense," Barry said.

"If I can do that for my team, then I'm happy to get the ball up

the field and I know that our attackers can put it away."

Barry had three draw controls and one assist against Penn State, but her defining moment for the 2014 season so far was against Loyola on March 4 when she took the final shot of the game to put Florida up 14-13.



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**Nora Barry drives toward the ball during Florida's 21-5 win against Jacksonville on Feb. 12 at Donald R. Dizney Stadium. Barry had one assist in Florida's 13-9 win against Penn State on Sunday.**

As Florida moves into its final games of the season, Barry's skills on the draw and on ground balls will be essential in Florida's bid for the ALC championship at the conference's tournament in May.

Florida faces No. 9 Johns Hopkins on Saturday.

The two schools have played each other every season since Florida's lacrosse program started competition in 2010. Florida is 3-1 in the series against Johns Hopkins.

While the Gators haven't checked film for Saturday's game yet, O'Leary said Barry is key in the offense's ability to continue winning the draw control and ground balls.

O'Leary was disappointed with the slow second half that nearly cost Florida a victory, but Barry and junior Shannon Gilroy's tough mentality and work on changing the spread of the offense saved Florida from a potential loss.

O'Leary is now looking to work with the team on adapting to other teams during the game before heading to Johns Hopkins.

"We needed to adjust and I think it took us too long to adjust to what they were doing offensively and what they were doing defensively," O'Leary said.

"We need to be able to recognize that and make changes on the field. I don't think we had a very good second half to be quite honest."

## Hedberg finishes third as Florida ends tourney in ninth

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Junior Camilla Hedberg's second consecutive top-five placing while braving both sleet and wind led the Gators to a ninth-place finish Sunday.

No. 18 Florida finished the three-round Bryan National Collegiate tournament in the middle of the leaderboard with a score of 915 (+51).

"The conditions today were some of the toughest I've ever seen in my career, both as a player and as a coach," coach Emily Glaser said in a release.

Hedberg, the only Gator who had played the Bryan Park Champions Course in Greensboro, N.C., previously, had a shaky start, recording two bogeys and a double bogey during the first round of play.

However, after consistently shooting one-over, one-under, and par during the second and third rounds, Hedberg shot up the leaderboard on Sunday and finished tied for third with three other players.

Her score of 220 (+4) put her at least 11 shots and 30 places ahead of the rest of the team.

"Camilla's round was outstanding, and she was very patient and smart — the two main factors you needed to play well [Sunday]. The rest of our team struggled immensely and it was disappointing that no one stepped up to fight through the elements."

**Emily Glaser**  
UF coach

Freshman Maria Torres and redshirt sophomore Katie Mitchell started out the tournament strong, finishing Round 1 fewer than five strokes over par, but increasingly struggled as the tournament progressed. Mitchell failed to score a single birdie in the third round while Torres's two birdies in the two rounds were canceled out by 10 bogeys and two double bogeys.

Freshman Karolina Vlckova rounded

out the team's standings tied for 73rd after shooting only two birdies during the entire tournament.

"The key was to not beat yourself up by making big numbers," Glaser said. "And

that is what we did."

The Gators' first tournament of the postseason will be the Southeastern Conference Championships in Birmingham, Ala., on April 18.



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**Camilla Hedberg puts the ball during the SunTrust Gator Invitational on March 15. Hedberg tied for third during the Bryan National Collegiate in Greensboro, N.C., this weekend.**

# Gators sweep Tigers in home match

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With four matches left in the season and the Southeastern Conference Tournament drawing closer, the Gators will soon try to capture their third national title in four years.

No. 4 Florida (15-4, 7-2 SEC) moved one step closer to the post-season when it defeated No. 49 LSU

(9-10, 2-8 SEC) 4-0 on Sunday.

But coach Roland Thornqvist is hardly thinking past this week.

"Oh, good heavens," Thornqvist said. "Yeah, we've got two more weekends, so the SEC Tournament is [close]. But we're still in the hunt for the regular season."

It was hard to find fault with anything the Gators did yesterday, as each player won in straight sets after UF grabbed the doubles point.

Olivia Janowicz and Kourtney Keegan won 8-2 in the first match as they continued their dominance in

doubles. The duo played at the No. 1 position for the first time this year and improved to 11-2 on the season.

"Well they're playing at the highest level now, and you could see that today," Thornqvist said of the Janowicz-Keegan tandem. "They have a tremendous amount of confidence and they can play three-strike tennis in doubles."

The No. 20 doubles team of Sofie Oyen and Belinda Woolcock captured the doubles point with an 8-4 victory. The duo lost its last three doubles matches but believed today was a sign of improvement.

"[Belinda and I] had some tough matches the past few matches, some tough losses and close ones," Oyen said. "But overall, we have great chemistry."

The Gators rode their momentum through singles action en route to the team's second straight sweep.

Brianna Morgan was leading 4-3 on Court 1 when LSU's Joana Vale Costa retired with a knee injury, giving the Gators a 2-0 lead. Soon after, Janowicz won 6-2, 6-1, and Cercone earned her 20th singles win with a 6-2, 6-1 match-clinching victory.

"I feel that I played pretty well," Cercone said. "In doubles, I started out a little slow. Once we figured out what we needed to do and we got some momentum, it was much better."

"In singles I had a few things in my mind that I wanted to work on, and I think I did those things fairly well."

Cercone, like her coach, is intent on focusing on the season's remaining matches. But she still wants to improve before she begins her final postseason as a Gator.

"Every day we're looking to get better. That's our goal," the senior said. "I think that being more disciplined on key points is something that we can all do a lot better job at and that can lead to more efficient matches. It makes it easier on our bodies, which is going to be important come post-season."

Florida will travel to face Mississippi State on Friday as the SEC Tournament looms in the background.

But you wouldn't know it from talking to Thornqvist.

"The tournament is too far away to worry about that," he said.



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Alexandra Cercone swings during Florida's 7-0 victory against Baylor on Feb. 2, 2013, at the Ring Tennis Complex.

## SWIMMING AND DIVING

# Florida men have best showing at NCAA Championships in 23 years

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There just wasn't enough left in the tank for the Gators to make a push down the stretch at the NCAA Men's Swimming and Diving Championships, which ended Saturday.

Florida was in third after Day 1 and only trailed by nine points with some of its best events to come.

Despite making the podium five times over the next two days, the Gators couldn't improve and ended nationals with a bronze medal and a little disappointment.

"It's always a little bittersweet, you fall short of some of your goals," coach Gregg Troy said in a release. "But undefeated season, I can't tell you how many school

records we broke, tremendous four years for some seniors that were All-Americans year in and year out and third place at the NCAA meet — well that's a little shy of what we thought we could do."



Cieslak

Florida broke seven school records, and senior Marcin Cieslak led the way with two gold medals in the 200-yard individual medley (1:40.58) and a school record in the 100-yard butterfly (44.87 seconds) — the only individual titles for the Gators — in what was the best finish for the program in nearly a quarter of a century.

"Ah, 23 years, it's the best we could do

this year," Troy said.

"It's just a tremendous group of guys. I told a couple of them tonight that are seniors that I'd go to war with those guys any time."

Cieslak came into NCAAs with four second-place finishes in three years. After breaking out with two gold medals through the first two days, he was within 0.86 seconds of sweeping his events after a silver-medal swim in the 200-yard fly finals on Saturday touching in at 1:40.19 seconds and earning him the high-point award for the meet.

Junior Dan Wallace made an impact for Florida as well. He won two silver medals in the 500-yard free (4:11.62) and 400-yard IM (3:38.18) and picked up some of the slack left by redshirt senior Sebastien

Rousseau.

Rousseau was seeded sixth in the 200-yard IM but finished more than two seconds behind his seed time in 21st, ended up four spots behind his seeding in ninth for the 400-yard IM and made his only final of the meet in the 200-yard fly, in which he placed eighth despite being the No. 2 seed.

It might not have been just a poor performance from Rousseau.

Troy alluded to some illness affecting the two-time South African Olympian as well as other swimmers in a post-meet interview.

"A little unfortunate," Troy said. "We had to deal with a little bit of illness here this semester that hurt us a little bit performance-wise."

# UF rides doubles victory to shutout win against LSU

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After losing to Arkansas in Fayetteville, Ark., on Friday, Florida (10-7, 5-3 Southeastern Conference) didn't waste any time getting back on track in its 4-0 victory over LSU (11-10, 2-7 SEC) in Baton Rouge, La., on Sunday.

Bryan Shelton and his team had a hard time against the Tigers last season, dropping the match 4-2. Entering Sunday's contest, LSU led the all-time series with UF 27-24-1. The team didn't expect any breaks against LSU. Its gameplan was to hit the ground running and have no mercy.

"We don't take anyone lightly," assistant coach Mark Merklein said in a release Thursday. "It's nice to go into the LSU match and know that this team beat us last year. Now we have to prove something."

Mark Merklein

UF assistant coach

On the singles court, Florida gave up no points, winning in three straight matches. First to finish was freshman Orkin in straight sets, 6-1, 6-2, against Trinh, giving the Gators a 2-0 lead.

Next to win was 108th-ranked Diep, who also won in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3, over Justin Butsch.

Diep's win gave the Gators a commanding 3-0 lead over the Tigers.

Lipman closed out the match for Florida. Despite a tough first set, he managed to regain focus and defeat Arias, 7-5, 6-2.

"I'm very proud of how our guys dealt with the disappointment of losing at Arkansas," coach Bryan Shelton said in a release. "Our guys were ready and executed. We learned some good lessons this weekend."

# Wilbekin named South Regional's Most Outstanding Player

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points during the span and capping it off with an improvisational buzzer-beating three. With 15,443 fans watching — the majority supporting Dayton — he wasted the final 33 seconds of the clock, pulled up for a three at the top of the key and drained it over Dayton's Vee Sanford as the buzzer sounded.

After sinking the shot, the senior point guard jogged to the locker room with his arms held high.

"When he shot it, I just knew it was going in," Prather said. "Everybody has confidence in him, and he has confidence to take those shots."

Florida led by as many as 17 points about midway through the second half, but Dayton soon made a charge. Behind seven straight points from forward Dylshawn Pierre, the Flyers cut their deficit to 58-50 with 3:55 left.

"I give them all the credit," said Wilbekin, who was named the Most Outstanding Player of the South Regional. "They fought through the whole 40 minutes, but we did the same."

During UD's run, the Gators appeared worn down to Donovan. Then, their rebounding prowess and free-throw shooting ultimately made the difference.

The Gators outrebounded the Flyers 7-0 on the offensive glass in the game's final 6:08 and went 4 of 7 at the line to seal the win.

"The game was won by our

offensive rebounding, by our free-throw shooting," Donovan said. "That was really, I think, the story of the game."

Florida held a high-octane Dayton team to 39.6 percent shooting and its lowest-scoring contest this year. The Gators shot only 37.5 percent from the floor but made 21 of 28 free throws compared to Dayton's 8-of-18 clip from the charity stripe.

Wilbekin's 23 points on 6-of-14 shooting tie a career high. Young chipped in 12 points and six boards, while Frazier added 10 points on 4-of-8 shooting.

Next up for the Gators are the Huskies — the last group to hand Donovan's squad a loss.

Since UConn guard Shabazz Napier sunk UF's hopes on a buzzer-beater to win 65-64 in Storrs, Conn., on Dec. 2, Florida has won 30 straight games.

No. 2 seed Wisconsin, the only other team to hand UF a loss this season, and No. 8 seed Kentucky, which UF beat three times this year, are set to join No. 1 seed Florida and No. 7 seed UConn in Arlington.

The Gators will travel to Cowboys Stadium joyful after overcoming a daunting obstacle but still hungry to avenge a loss to UConn and achieve their final goal.

"I don't think any team wants to go to the Final Four and be like, 'All right, we made it. That's it,'" Young said.

"We're going to go ... into the game fearless."



Jordan McPherson / Alligator Staff

Florida players hoist the NCAA South Regional Championship trophy following Florida's 62-52 win against Dayton on Saturday in the FedExForum in Memphis, Tenn. The Gators ended a streak of three straight Elite Eight losses and will play UConn in the Final Four in Arlington, Texas, on Saturday at 6:09 p.m.

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