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Newell's innovation renovation

► THEY HELD A PUBLIC FORUM ON THE CHANGES.

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Elizabeth Fechtel sat down with friends in the UF Levin College of Law and wrote down her definition of innovation.

"When I think of innovation, I think of things that are bright, new and unheard of before," said the UF political science junior.

Fechtel, 20, and about 50 other UF students gave feedback on the

\$10 million renovations coming to Newell Hall at a public forum hosted by Student Government on Thursday. The vacant building will be renovated into a learning space with an emphasis on group study.

Aileen Strickland, a designer for the project, divided students into groups of seven and had each of them define the themes of Newell Hall's renovation: innovation, flexibility and accessibility.

Designers hope to make Newell Hall innovative with equal access to technology, including computers and TVs with video conferencing capabilities, flexible with portable

tables and walls conducive to group studying, and accessible with comfortable chairs and large tables.

"The most important part in the design process is you have to have a solid concept because it drives everything," Strickland said.

A student experience survey from 2011 revealed that students considered more study space as "the single most important thing" to improve their experiences.

"The goal is to create innovative and unique learning space that does not exist anywhere on campus," said UF Student Body President Cory Yeffet.



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UF statistics sophomore Sarah Lotspeich, 19, leads a participatory design session for a group of UF students on what it means to be innovative for the Newell Hall vision Thursday evening.

UF Student Health Care Center to start distributing free flu shots this morning

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The UF Student Health Care Center will host its third annual Free Flu Shots outreach event today.

The event will take place on the front lawn of the SHCC building from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Students will need to bring their Gator 1 Card to get vaccinated.

The first 1,000 vaccinated students will receive free "SHOTS" tank tops and other giveaways.

The SHCC plans to vaccinate as many students as possible before Thanksgiving break. Today, the center hopes to distribute about 1,500 vaccinations.

Catherine A. Seemann, communications coordinator for the SHCC, said after the event, students can still walk in and get vaccinated.

"It draws more attention to flu shot vaccinations, rather than just making an announcement that you can walk in at any time," Seemann said.

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The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend that everyone six months and older get the flu vaccine annually.

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Catherine A. Seemann
communications coordinator

UF sport management senior T.J. Endebrook, 21, said his mother and doctor remind him to get a flu shot every year.

"The one year I didn't get a shot, I got sick," Endebrook said. "I just want to stay as healthy as possible each year and prevent any illness I can."

Anthony Dennis, environmental health director for the Alachua County Health Department, said that the Fall season is when typically starts spreading.

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First case of West Nile Virus this year reported in Alachua County

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The first human case of West Nile Virus this year was confirmed in Alachua County this week.

The identity of the infected individual and the location of the infection were not released, said Anthony Dennis, environmental health director for the Florida Department of Health in Alachua County.

Dennis said he doesn't expect the virus to be a problem in Gainesville because winter is approaching but still warned residents to take precautions.

"It only takes a little bit of water to breed 100 mosquitoes."

Anthony Dennis

environmental health director

"We had a human case, so we try to raise everyone's awareness," Dennis said.

The department is urging people to drain garbage cans, gutters, flowerpots and any other places where water can collect.

"It only takes a little bit of water to breed 100 mosquitoes," Dennis said.

Roberto Pereira, an associate research scientist with the UF entomology and nematology department, said people should wear repellent and long-sleeve clothing, close doors and windows and avoid going outside at peak times — dusk and dawn.

"One can minimize the chances of getting the virus if they follow these steps," Pereira said.

The symptoms of the virus include headaches, fever, dizziness, joint pain and fatigue, Dennis said. These could last two to 14 days after the initial bite.

"With West Nile, you could get it and not even know it," Dennis said.

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Student Health's Flu Shot Kickoff and Tank Top Giveaway

Get the shot, not the flu. Drop by the Student Health Care Center today between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. for a free flu shot, free "SHOTS" tank tops and much more. Tank tops will be available to the first 1,000 UF students vaccinated. For more information, visit shcc.ufl.edu/flu. #ChompTheFlu

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For one night only, UF's bond between orange and blue is broken for a competition of epic proportions. Choose your side and compete in athletics such as capture the flag, inflatable boxing and the basketball bungee. Test your skills, and showcase your talent in trivia, dance and voice competitions. Battle to the end in giant Jenga, Twister and giant Chutes and Ladders. What will fate have in store for our competitors? You'll have to find out today from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m. in the Reitz Union. It's always Friday, always free with your Gator 1 Card.

ButterflyFest

Explore the lives of bats, bees, birds and butterflies at ButterflyFest from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Florida Museum of Natural History while celebrating wings, wildlife and biodiversity. Enjoy one of the museum's largest plant sales of the year, the Butterfly Plant Sale, with more than 150 species available Friday through Sunday. Experience butterfly releases, and come dressed in your favorite pollinator attire for the Pollinator Parade. Food and merchandise vendors will be at the event. Visit flmnh.ufl.edu/butterflyfest for more information.

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Join UF TECHO on Sunday on Plaza of the Americas from noon to 4 p.m., and enjoy the day with chips and salsa from Chuy's while painting birdhouses. After you're done, we will hang the houses in the trees for the birds and everyone to enjoy. If you're interested in finding out what UF TECHO is all about, we will also be providing information at the event.

Your Winter Yard and Garden Seminar

Keep Alachua County Beautiful will host a seminar on Oct. 25 from 10 a.m. until noon at the Gainesville Garden Club, 1350 NW 75th St. Topics include invasive plants, fruit trees and winter vegetables. Speakers will be Marc S. Frank of the Florida Department of Agriculture Consumer Services Division of Plant Industry and Wendy Wilber of the UF IFAS Alachua County Extension Service. The event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. Visit kacb.org, or call 352-371-9444 for more information.

Moth Madness in the Butterfly Rainforest

Visit the Butterfly Rainforest exhibit at the Florida Museum of Natural History for Moth Madness through Nov. 14 to discover a variety of moth species and observe their exceptional characteristics. Daily butterfly releases are held at 2 p.m., with additional weekend releases at 3 p.m. and 4 p.m., weather permitting. UF students with a valid Gator 1 Card receive free admission year-round.

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NEWS BRIEF

Police: Worker hid \$1,200 worth of meat in pants

CROTON-ON-HUDSON, N.Y. — A New York supermarket employee has been accused of leaving the store with \$1,200 worth of meat hidden in his pants.

According to state police, Gregory Rodriguez, of Ossining, is charged with fourth-degree grand larceny. Rodriguez works at the A&P in Croton-on-Hudson. Police were called Monday about the theft. Rodriguez was arrested Tuesday.

A state police spokeswoman, Trooper Melissa McMorris, said the theft occurred in one day. She did not know if it involved more than one trip. Rodriguez was arraigned Tuesday night in Cortlandt and sent to the Westchester County Jail. The court clerk says no lawyer was present and no plea was entered.

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Downtown record store to move shop, expanding in two weeks to Main St.

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Vinyl lovers can soon find Arrow's Aim Records at a new location with triple the inventory.

The indie record store, located at the corner of Northwest First Avenue, will set up shop in two weeks at 10 N. Main St., where the F.L.A. Gallery used to be.

More than 20,000 records will be on sale starting Oct. 15. The extra space will allow albums to be broken down by more specific genres, simplifying record hunting.

"Making it a more comfortable and fulfilling shopping experience is kind of the point of expanding," said Daniel Halal, the store's owner. "Once we move, everything will be out. It'll be really easy to find stuff, making it a better experience overall."

Halal, a 29-year-old Gainesville resident, said the store has been rising in popularity since it opened in September 2012.

"We just didn't really know how much of a demand there was, so we decided to start small and expand if we needed to," Halal said. "And it just really took off a lot better than we ever thought it would, so it's time to expand."

The new location will preserve the small shop's retro charm with an all-white, 20-foot ceiling lined with records, Halal said.

"I think the fact that they're expanding shows how records are definitely coming back," said Annaleigh Bonds, a 20-year-old UF public relations junior.

"We just didn't really know how much of a demand there was, so we decided to start small and expand if we needed to."

Daniel Halal
Arrow's Aim Records owner

Bonds said she has been collecting records since high school and looks forward to the new location.

"I almost think that the store's expansion is going to speed up that trend in Gainesville because the more people who go into a record store, the more they want records," she said.

Halal said he will start packing up the current shop next week.

"I think what I'm interested in is cultivating the culture and environment of record buying in Gainesville and making that better," he said. "It's going to be a whole new store."



Maria Valencia / Alligator Staff

It's a Wrap

From left, UF freshmen Shanelle Rodriguez, Angela Locarno and Ashley Mirtyl, all 18, pose for a selfie in their geles at the week-long Culture Explosion event at the Institute of Black Culture on Wednesday.

STATE

Man found guilty in Miami Heat fraud

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS, Ohio — A man who portrayed himself as a member of a wealthy Pakistani family and was often seen driving luxury cars, including a Ferrari, pleaded guilty Thursday to a multimillion-dollar investment scam involving three former Miami Heat players and the team itself.

The government alleges that Haider Zafar defrauded players Mike Miller, James Jones and Rashard Lewis in 2013 by promising to invest millions in various business opportunities. He also received a \$1 million, three-season Heat ticket package he never paid for, according to the government.

Zafar pleaded guilty in federal court in Columbus to five wire

fraud charges that each carry maximum 20-year prison sentences. That case was consolidated with another against Zafar in Columbus, where the defendant previously pleaded guilty to swindling a Washington, D.C. businessman out of \$10 million between 2008 and 2010.

Zafar, currently in Franklin County Jail, pleaded guilty to the Miami Heat allegations to accept responsibility and move forward with his life, his attorney, Sam Shamansky, said Thursday.

Testimony by an FBI agent Thursday portrayed Zafar as a man who talked big as he persuaded the Heat players to give him millions of dollars for investments that never materialized.

Zafar boasted of \$35 million in a Swiss bank account and luxury resi-

dences in New York City and Miami and was often seen being chauffeured in a yellow Ferrari, a white Bentley and a black Escalade, said FBI agent David Fine.

Zafar persuaded the Miami Heat's vice president of sales to sell him a premium three-season ticket package for \$1 million after explaining his "family history and influence," including ownership of hotels, companies and other business ventures, Fine said.

Zafar convinced Miller to give him \$2.6 million, Lewis to give him \$4 million and Jones to give him \$1.5 million, all for an investment opportunity that Zafar said would "quickly obtain a significant return." But rather than reimburse the Miami Heat and three individuals, Zafar used the money himself.

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Calif. bans plastic bags, UF moving in the same direction

► UF HOPES TO BE ZERO WASTE BY 2015.

ERIN FORD

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The UF community continued to unload its groceries from reusable bags as California announced a plastic bag ban.

As the first state in the U.S. to officially prohibit stores from handing out free plastic shopping bags, California will put the ban into effect beginning in July 2015.

Although the act has not been brought into Florida law, student consumers are already beginning to replace plastic bags with reusable ones.

In Spring 2013, Gator Dining Services implemented a program to remove plastic bags from its 45 Aramark-managed locations on campus, according to the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education.

The on-campus Subway locations and Pollo Tropical all use paper bags instead of plastic bags.

Campus-wide initiatives are well under way to increase student and faculty "green" awareness. UF students have long been reducing their plastic waste and substituting it with reusable bags that are eco-friendly.

Raquel Ruiz, a UF industrial and systems engineering

senior, said stores should begin to motivate customers to bring their own reusable bags.

"Personally, I have my own reusable bags because they are environmentally friendly, big enough so I only make one trip from my car to my house, and some of the bags are just really cute," Ruiz, 21, said.

According to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, no local or state government may enact any regulation or tax on the use of retail bags until the Legislature adopts recommendations from the department.

UF's Office of Sustainability is urging students to take the sustainability effort even further by using secondhand or repurposed bags from thrift stores or yard sales instead of purchasing them new.

Allison Vitt, outreach and communications coordinator at UF's Office of Sustainability, wrote in an email that UF has prevented more than 16,000 plastic bags from entering the landfill each week.

"Most reusable totes are inexpensive, durable and can hold more items than typical grocery store plastic bags," Vitt said.

Vitt encourages students and faculty to continue on the path of sustainability beyond banning plastic bags.



Destiny Johnson / Alligator

Southwest Scrimmage

Michael Hauer, 21, falls while playing quarterback for the Chuggernauts in a flag football scrimmage against Campus Diplomats on Thursday.

CRIME

Family fight escalates, ends in arrest

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A fight between cousins ended in an arrest, a gunshot and a broken TV early Thursday.

Gainesville Police said Khiry D. Robinson, 23, and his cousin started fighting at about 3 a.m. in their Laurels Apartments unit at 4455 SW 34th St. Robinson reportedly punched his cousin several times in the head and body with a closed fist.

Following the fight, police said Robinson grabbed his Glock 27 pistol from his room and fired a round into the wall out of anger. The bullet ripped through the wall and into the

adjoining apartment, where it struck and shattered a TV, causing about \$200 in damage.



Robinson

The neighbor was home during the incident.

Following the gunshot, police said Robinson kicked in the door to his cousin's room with a pistol in hand. His cousin jumped off of his balcony and ran away.

When GPD responded to reports of someone being shot, the apartment was empty. The man, his

cousin and their guests were both located on foot and in a vehicle exiting the complex, a report said.

Officers found a small amount of blood, a bullet hole and an empty gun holster when they searched the apartment. The pistol and the bullet, which was lodged in the TV, were recovered. No one was injured.

Robinson admitted to hitting his cousin with closed fists.

Robinson was arrested on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill, simple domestic battery, shooting into an occupied dwelling and criminal mischief.

Rutgers University professor joins UF College of Nursing

► SHE'S EXCITED TO BE A GATOR

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The newest name to know in the UF College of Nursing, Jeannie Cimiotti is proud to join The Gator Nation.

Cimiotti has been named the College of Nursing Dorothy M. Smith endowed chair and co-director of UF's Florida Blue Center for Health Care Access, Patient Safety and Quality Outcomes.

She came to UF in July from Rutgers University College of Nursing as an associate professor and the executive director of the

New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing.

"It's been very exciting," Cimiotti said. "I've worked at a couple of other universities, but there is an enthusiasm at UF that I have never seen before. It's The Gator Nation."

"Her research just falls in line with what we're trying to do at the center."

Tracy Wright

public relations director

Tracy Wright, UF's College of Nursing public relations director, said Cimiotti's background and research made her a good fit for

the position.

"Her research just falls in line with what we're trying to do at the center," Wright said.

The Florida Blue Center will create programs to address the lack of affordable health care and employment shortages in the field as well as improve the delivery of high-quality care and access for patients in underserved areas, she said.

Because of Florida's geographic and ethnic disparities and older population, Cimiotti said there are a lot of people in need.

"We have to figure out how to help those people," Cimiotti said. "So the Florida Blue Center has an obligation to do research that

will help address the health care issues of people in Florida."

Cimiotti is working with co-director Arch "Chip" Mainous of UF's College of Public Health and Health Professions to structure the center, including adding a quarterly lecture series that focuses on health care issues. The first one will be Tuesday.

Wright said the colleges of nursing and public health are excited for the center to be the leader in this research.

"With Dr. Cimiotti and Dr. Mainous in this position," Wright said, "we're confident that they can do that and really get this center to where it's making an impact with its research."

Alachua County will also have nasal vaccine starting Oct. 14

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"This is the time of year where we start to see an increase in flu illnesses," Dennis said. "Therefore, we encourage everyone to get the shot because it's been proven to prevent and minimize the illness."

The Alachua County Health Department will partner with the Alachua Medical Reserve Corps and the SHCC to

"You can be contagious for seven days."

Catherine A. Seemann

communications coordinator

distribute the FluMist vaccine on campus this month.

The vaccine, which is sprayed through the nose, will be available at the GatorWell main office on Oct. 14, 16, 28 and 30.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the flu vaccine is the best protection against the flu, as well as the H1N1 virus that emerged and became a pandemic in 2009.

"You can be contagious for seven days," Seemann said. "A couple of the days you may not even have symptoms. The flu shot not only protects you. It protects those around you."

UF Teach and STEM TIPS gives resources for faculty, students

► MORE THAN 50 STUDENTS USE THE PLATFORM SO FAR.

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The educational certification program UF Teach is participating in an initiative to promote science, technology, engineering and mathematics in public schools.

STEM TIPS, an online STEM instruction coaching platform, partnered with UF Teach over the summer.

The STEM program, which began in November 2013, received a two-year \$2 million grant from UF and the Florida Department of Education in 2012 to create a research-based STEM system for students in the College of Education.

More than 50 UF Teach students, majoring in STEM fields and minoring in UF Teach, are using the online platform.

Gloria Weber, a UF Teach mathematics teacher, said UF Teach began using the program to provide UF Teach students with STEM resources to use in their future classrooms.

"We started to incorporate it into our courses so that our students could use it for lessons and planning resources that are available there," Weber said. "They also have something that allows us to have our students videotape their lessons and do an analysis of their lessons by

watching themselves on videotape."

STEM TIPS is being shared with about 18 public school districts in Florida to better serve teachers looking to implement STEM learning in classrooms.

The program also provides support for educators to connect and socialize with other STEM teachers outside their public school districts. Jason Arnold, who worked to create the STEM website, said some teachers need help promoting STEM fields at their schools.

"In Florida, that is not uncommon," he said. "There are 67 counties, and in a majority of them, there are teachers who are completely without a support system in their content area."

Weber said UF Teach is working on incorporating the program into the curriculum.

"We haven't had as much opportunity as we would like to be able to explore things, but there is some good stuff there, and we're happy that we have access to some of the resources STEM TIPS provides," she said.

Sarah Cimino, an 18-year-old UF biology freshman, said this program is great for helping new teachers because she remembers the bad experiences she had with math teachers.

"I think math is something that needs a good teacher, and putting more time and effort into it will definitely help," said Cimino.

LOCAL

Halloween adoptions at animal shelter

LESLEY WRIGHT
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Trick or doggy treat? Alachua County Animal Services is hosting six Halloween events this month under the theme "Furry Tails Need Fairy Tale Endings."

Dory Rosati, the shelter's adoption coordinator, said Saturday's kickoff event from 3 to 5 p.m. hopes to match prospective owners with their "Prince Charming" pup.

"An adopter gets to move along, looking at dogs in a speed-dating style," she said. "It's our way of showcasing our long-term resi-

dents that just get overlooked."

On Tuesday, the shelter will celebrate the end of the Rachael Ray \$100K Challenge, a summer-long adoption competition sponsored by the ASPCA.

"An adopter gets to move along, looking at dogs in a speed-dating style."

Dory Rosati
adoption coordinator

"As of now, we're at 1,448 lives saved," Rosati said. "We think we're in second place, but we'll know officially where we stand and the final count Tuesday."

The shelter will also have an-

other adoption event Oct. 25 from 2 to 4 p.m. at EarthWise Pet Supply at 4106 NW 16th Blvd.

EarthWise owner Jeri Banta said his store partners with different shelters each month to host adoptions.

"Animal Services gets overrun sometimes with animals that they really need to try to find homes for," he said. "The goal is always to make it a no-kill area in Alachua County."

The last event of "Furry Tails Need Fairy Tale Endings" is a doggy trick or treat. Owners can stop by the agency on Halloween between 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. with their costumed pets for a treat.



Kan Li / Alligator Staff

So You Think You Can Dance?

From left, UF computer engineering sophomore Yoshiya Kushibiki, 19, and biomedical engineering senior Chris Montoya, 23, of the UF Hip-Hop Collective group, rehearse Thursday in the Welcome Center.

Peace Corps recruiter to return to UF International Center

► THE RECRUITER HASN'T BEEN CHOSEN YET.

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The Peace Corps will find a home at the UF International Center once again.

A recruiter from the volunteer program will arrive in January after a two-year hiatus.

A contract between UF and the Peace Corps expired in 2012, according to UF Grants and Contracts Coordinator Nargiza Ludgate.

The recruiter has not been chosen yet, but UFIC is in the process of filling the position.

"We're very excited and looking forward to reestablish this office," Ludgate said.

The recruiter will give presentations to students interested in making a two-year commitment to the Peace Corps.

UF is one of the top providers of Peace

Corps volunteers and wants to continue this tradition.

Gregory MacDonald directs a Master International program that blends the Peace Corps and a master's program together. A student would start a non-thesis master's degree in plant science, and while they take classes, they apply to the Peace Corps.

"It does allow the student to gain in-depth experience," MacDonald said.

"There are only a few so far, and a lot of

that has to do with students who really aren't sure of their career path, so rather than start a specialized graduate program, they opt for Peace Corps directly," he added.

Tarone Thirawatananond, 20, said it's nice for students to have the opportunity to contribute in another country.

"They're coming in for a great cause, and it's great for other people to know about it so they can come together for this great cause," the UF biochemistry junior said.

STATE

FSU booster club official accused of grand theft up to \$700K

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The comptroller of the athletic booster organization at Florida State University remained in jail Thursday, accused of misappropriating between \$500,000 and \$700,000.

Sanford Lovinggood turned himself in to the Leon County Sheriff's Office on Wednesday. He is charged with first-degree grand theft of over \$100,000. The bond amount is listed at \$25,000.

Lovinggood told police he had been stealing money from the

organization since 2011, according to the arrest affidavit written by officer Jared Lee.

Seminole Boosters Senior Vice President Jerry Kutz said Lovinggood was a 35-year employee and once held the title of chief financial officer. The two were friends for 33 years, even before Kutz began working with the organization.

"Surprised is an understatement," Kutz said. "It just seems so out of character. We're all stunned."

Lovinggood said he had access to a Morgan Stanley account in which stock donations are made to the booster organization and then sold and turned into cash. He wrote checks from the



Lovinggood

account to the Schooner Development Co.

Lovinggood told police that he used the stolen money to pay for his own investments and personal expenses.

According to the affidavit, Lovinggood said he understood that he could not repay the money during his lifetime and thought he could repay it by willing property to the booster organization upon his death.

A Florida State spokesman said athletic director Stan Wilcox and the athletic department had no additional comment.

Editorial

Happy October, y'all! Real fall weather is right around the corner, it's finally acceptable to be eating/drinking anything pumpkin flavored, and hey, it's the Tennessee game Saturday. Here's your it's-finally-coming-up-Gators edition of...

Darts & Laurels

Gov. Rick Scott is in a tough re-election fight with Democratic nominee Charlie Crist. The incumbent governor has consistently struggled to gain significant support among female voters. The College Republican National Committee decided to try to reverse this trend by releasing what might be the most bizarre ad of the campaign season so far. The ad, a parody of TLC's reality series "Say Yes to the Dress," features a young woman choosing between two wedding dresses, the stylish "Rick Scott" and the old-fashioned "Charlie Crist." Apparently, Republicans think the best way to reach these voters is to demean them by portraying them as superficial and obsessed with fashion. An **even-more-out-of-touch-than-we-thought DART to Gov. Rick Scott and the College Republican National Committee.**

The NFL has been a hotbed of disgrace and controversy lately. The domestic violence incidents involving players Ray Rice, Greg Hardy and Jonathan Dwyer, and the league's subsequent actions have cast a dark shadow over its reputation. Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson decided to take action on this serious and troubling issue by launching the "Pass the Peace" campaign this week. The campaign is partnering with Wilson's Why Not You Foundation to promote awareness of domestic violence and raise funds for the National Domestic Violence Hotline. It's refreshing to see an NFL player on the right side of this issue for a change. We're giving a **setting-an-example LAUREL to Russell Wilson.**

The New York Post has long been known as one of the most sensationalist and least credible print publications in the U.S. In 2013, after the Boston Marathon bombings, the Post put a picture of two men on the newspaper's front page and claimed they were being sought by law enforcement in connection with the attack. That assertion was almost immediately proven to be false. The Post reached a new low this week with its headline about the birth of Chelsea Clinton's daughter, the granddaughter of Bill and Hillary. "Party Pooper," the headline read, with the subhead: "Another liberal crybaby for Dem Clintons." Insulting a baby repeatedly within a day of its birth? That's the kind of quality journalism we've come to expect from the Post. A **you're-not-even-trying-anymore DART goes to The New York Post.**

Religious scholar Reza Aslan first came to national prominence after an appearance on Fox News. Aslan demolished anchor Lauren Green's argument that, as a Muslim, he had no credibility writing about the life of Jesus in his book "Zealot: The Life and Times of Jesus of Nazareth." Now, Aslan has done it again. In an appearance on CNN, he calmly and intelligently eviscerated the media's portrayal of all Muslim countries as uniformly primitive and oppressive. "To say Muslim countries, as though Pakistan and Turkey are the same ... it's frankly, and I use this word seriously, stupid!" he said during the interview. Even if you disagree with Aslan's points about Islam, his commitment to nuanced and reasoned arguments is something the American media could use much more of. We're giving a **putting-the-media-in-its-place LAUREL to Reza Aslan.**

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Column

Secret Service needs new vision, leadership

The Secret Service has a storied history of preventing assassination attempts on the president and the First Family.

However, the once-proud agency's responses to recent White House breaches represent a massive institutional failure.

Since 2011, there have been two serious attacks on the White House. In November 2011, Oscar Ortega-Hernandez pulled up to the front gate of 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., aimed and fired a semi-automatic rifle at the White House. Then he fled the scene after striking the building seven times. The Obama's daughter Sasha and Michelle Obama's mother, Marian Robinson, were home, and Maria was on her way.

Even more troubling than the shooting attempt itself was the response of the Secret Service to the incident. After shots were fired, on-duty Secret Service agents were told by their commanding officer to stand down because the sounds were believed to be coming from a construction car backfiring. Commanding officers later concluded the shots came from gangsters shooting at each other near the property.

The Secret Service leadership never interviewed agents who were on duty during the shooting. It took a housekeeper finding a broken White House window for agents to investigate further. The Secret Service then took four more days to connect the evidence to the shooter.

On Sept. 19, Omar Gonzalez jumped the White House fence, ran across the lawn, opened the front door to the Entrance Hall and was finally apprehended in the East Room. He happened to pass by the flight of stairs leading up to the First Family's living quarters.

Thankfully, none of them were home at the time. It is alarming Gonzalez was able to enter the White House through the front door, overpower an agent and sprint through the 80-foot-long East Room, all while carrying a knife.

The failures of the Secret Service were magnified by bipartisan congressional outrage when members of Congress grilled the agency's director, Julia Pierson, at a



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hearing.

After the hearings, even more troubling information about the Gonzalez incident surfaced. The agent who tackled and apprehended Gonzalez turned out to be an off-duty agent who happened to be strolling by the entrance. There was no agent assigned to guard the front door,

and the surrounding guards were not alerted because the alarm box was muted.

To say that the Secret Service dropped the ball would be an understatement. All these astounding mistakes demonstrate the need for additional scrutiny of the agency's protocols and operations.

On Wednesday, Pierson did the right thing and offered her resignation. However, the commanding officers of the Secret Service should lose their jobs as well.

The White House is usually considered to be one of the most secure buildings in the country. There is no reason why someone should be able to fire gunshots at the presidential residence.

There is no excuse for an unauthorized person to be able to infiltrate the White House through the front door. Regardless of your political leaning, the president deserves protection, and the Secret Service is obligated to provide that security.

An assassination attempt on the president would not only be a devastating national trauma but also send a dangerous message that America is no longer even able to protect its political leaders.

Clearly, the Secret Service is in dire need of new and effective leadership. The agency's new leader must be tasked with maintaining a top-notch security team that would impress the Avengers or the Justice League. As the leader of the free world, the president requires nothing less.

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Column

Tinder: Helpful when used correctly

At the end of the fairy tale, Cinderella lives happily ever after. Why wouldn't Cinderella as well?

A column from last week detailed all the things wrong with Tinder, ultimately labeling it a lazy dating app.

The author's argument was that Tinder is "creepy, pointless and potentially trashy." She said it promotes superficial dating and the "stereotypical sleazy, college hook-up scene."

You might not use Tinder personally, or approve of casual hook ups in general, but those are some unnecessarily harsh words.

Honestly, how is picking up partners on Tinder any different from picking up partners at a bar?

Sure, you don't physically swipe left or right on someone in public, but there's still a similar inner dialogue:

"Oh, that person's hot."

"She's not my type."

"I wonder what he'd look like naked."

Like it or not, a lot of dating is based on appearances and first impressions. You find a person attractive, so you approach them and then see where it leads.

No one sits at a bar and points out someone to their friends with the comment, "Dang, that girl looks like she's got a great personality."

While I'd like to think that people swipe me to the right because of my highly entertaining four-sentence Tinder bio, that's probably not the case.

Unfortunately, you can't tell much about someone's personality until you talk to them, and in the dating world, you're most likely to talk to someone whom you find attractive.

Tinder just simplifies this.

As such, you can't criticize Tinder without criticizing dating in general.

The only big difference that I can find between the two is that Tinder users are a little more forward. No one has come up to me at a bar, or anywhere in public for that matter, and asked, "Sit on my face?"

There's nothing wrong with being a little forward, though, especially on a known hookup app. It confuses me as to why some people are scandalized by this aspect of Tinder.

Someone asked you to hook up on an app specifically designed to facilitate hookups? The shock. The horror.



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How could anyone have seen this coming?

Sure, I got a few hypersexual messages. Someone asked me, "Chipotle and f**k?" Another simply sent "Dtf?" Admittedly, these are probably things I wouldn't be asked — at least during our first conversation — in a real-life dating scenario.

But the majority of my conversations on Tinder were normal. We talked about classes, where we were going out that night and what we like to do in our free time.

Most of the time, it wasn't creepy, and it wasn't sleazy.

In many ways, it was actually a lot less creepy than meeting someone in person. There's no "unmatch" button in real life. If someone gets too forward with me, I either have to suck it up or leave the venue.

Tinder gives you full control. You pick who you swipe right on. You pick who you talk to. You pick who you meet up with, or even if you meet up at all.

The author of last week's column said Tinder "will not satisfy any user looking for quality dates or relationships."

But I don't think that's what a majority of Tinder users are looking for.

Without sharing too much, I've met up with exactly one person from Tinder, and it wasn't because I was interested in dating them.

My experience with Tinder ended up being really positive, though. I had a good time, and I got exactly what I wanted out of it. It was fun. It was easier and just as fun as meeting someone in person.

If you're one of those people who has "not looking to hook up" or "I'm just on here to talk to new people" in your about me section, then yeah, you're probably not going to get the most out of Tinder.

But if you use it for its intended purpose, Tinder can be a helpful app.

And if you yourself are a Cinderella, good luck in finding your Prince Charming — even if it's just for a night.

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UWire

Keeping an open mind can end the stigma surrounding atheism

Humans are wired to cling tenaciously to their beliefs.

Regardless of how delusional they may be, these beliefs tend to automatically make humans dismiss any conflicting evidence.

In areas like politics and religion, this tendency is especially true.

As a skeptic of organized religion, and as someone who falls closer to the atheism end of the belief spectrum, understanding the other side can be difficult for me.

At first, my own religious ignorance hindered my ability to truly explore the religious perspectives of others.

My ignorance stemmed largely from the common problem all ignorant people have: a total lack of knowledge of the history, scripture and culture of a religion.

This realization took an enormous toll on my self-perception. Up to this point, I had prided myself on just how open-minded and unbiased I thought I was.

If anything, I was being more unfair and biased than even the most religious zealot: I was not only dismissing conflicting evidence but also unaware of what the evidence was.

In a genuine endeavor to dispel my ignorance, I decided to make a change and educate myself.

An idea I had was to interact and initiate meaningful conversation with those who fall outside my beliefs.

This idea in practice, however, was always stymied the moment I "outed" myself as an atheist, and I frequently experienced what I can only label as a stigma against

Alee Holbrook

UWire

atheists.

What started as a constructive and insightful conversation on topics such as God, belief, spirituality or faith, quickly turned tense, austere and sometimes hostile once I uttered the word atheist.

After my irreligiosity was made known, most of those I talked to declined to continue our conversation, accused me of solely being interested in attacking their God and beliefs and treated me like I was about to drag them down to intellectual hell with me.

Others brashly laughed at my personal beliefs and blatantly accused me of acting too smart or too good for God, something I would later deeply regret, according to them.

Yet for me, the most poignant response was the "tsk-tsk" and the true pang of sorrow in someone's voice when they would tell me, "You must be so unhappy without God."

The stigma about atheists shouldn't come as a surprise to me. According to a Pew Research Center study, "How Americans Feel About Religious Groups," on a scale of one to 100 — with one being the most negative — atheists were ranked at 41.

Jews, Catholics and Evangelical Christians ranked at the top. Additionally, atheists were consistently ranked at the bottom and were overall perceived much more negatively by other reli-

gious groups in this survey.

Surprisingly, while 59 percent of those polled said they knew someone who was atheist, only two percent identified as such.

This figure is illustrative of how real the stigma is.

It seems that on a personal level, such as casual conversations with friends and family, people are comfortable identifying as atheists.

However, it seems clear that atheists resist identifying themselves on a quantitative and large-scale level.

Somewhere between the micro and macro presence of atheism, this overwhelming stigma shrouds atheists and prevents accurate representation, in turn, fueling the stigma.

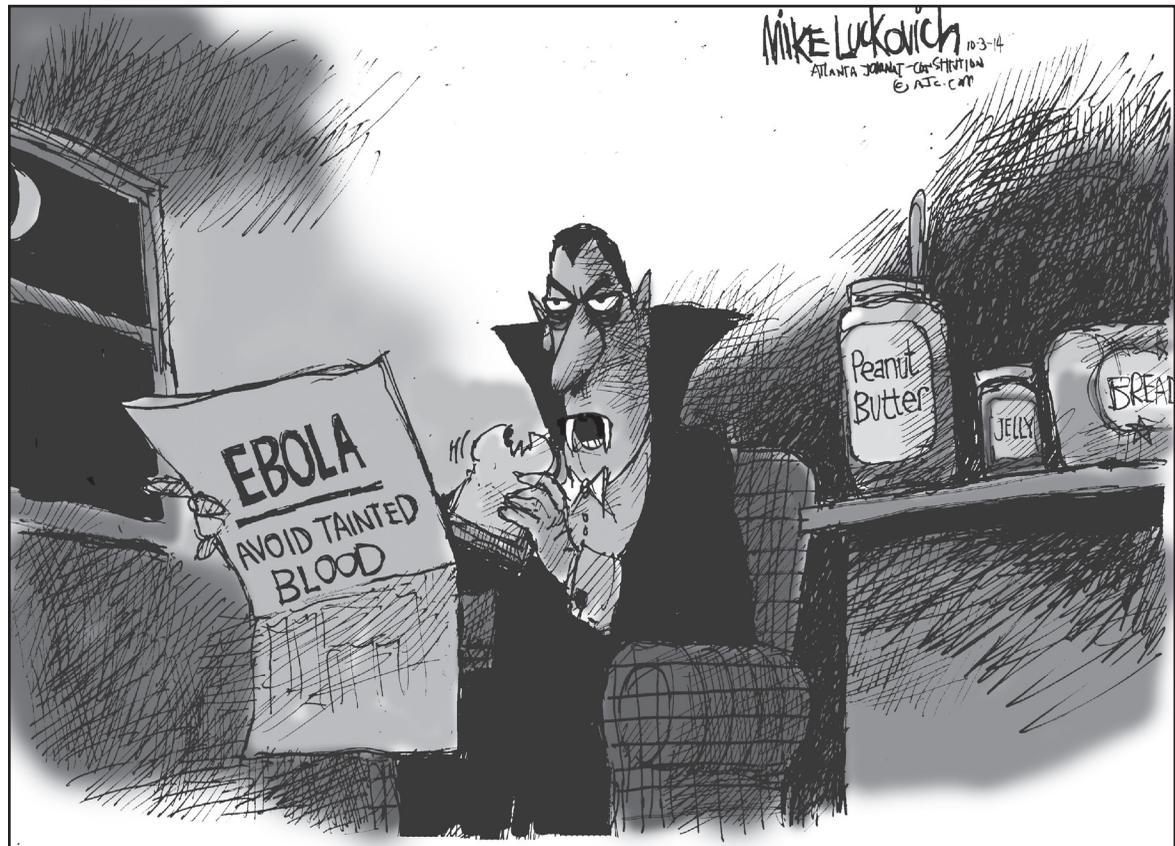
It is impossible to create and sustain meaningful religious coexistence and intellectual freedom when only popular interests — in this case, the interests of the most dominant beliefs — are represented in society.

Something incredible happens to us when we allow our psyche to soften. We become permeable to another's experience in the world.

This allows people to create a space where differences are explored and questioned.

More importantly, stigmas can be thoroughly absolved and corrected in this space, which creates a profound understanding of the universe and our place in it.

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STUDENT APPS

Sexual consent? There's an app for that: Good2Go debuts

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The new sexual consent app Good2Go has been gaining popularity at a rapid speed, but UF students and staff are skeptical.

The free app allows users to create accounts with a phone number and password. It then sends a text to the person's phone. When the person confirms the text, they're asked whether or not they're "Good2Go" for sex.

Users are then reminded that "yes" can be changed to "no" at

any time.

Rita Lawrence, the GatorWell interpersonal violence prevention coordinator, said there are many problems with the app, but the main issue is that it replaces spoken communication.

She said students should have "face-to-face, in the moment, ongoing, respectful, honest, sober communication."

People should constantly be acknowledging their partner's comfort levels, Lawrence said.

She said another problem with the app is that it could potentially

be used in court for a sexual assault case.

Stacy Scott, public defender for the Eighth Judicial Circuit, including Alachua County, said the app would be like any other technology-related evidence in court.

It would be similar to how they treat Facebook posts in court, she said.

The court would establish what the person said and get proof, like a phone number, and leave it to the jury to determine whether the evidence is authentic or not.

"If she changes her mind, the

jury can hear that, too," she said.

Julissa Nunez, the program assistant for UF materials science and engineering, said she thought the app was a good idea but that no one would use it.

"If you were 'good to go,' I don't think people in the moment would use it," the 26-year-old said.

Though the creator of the app, Lee Ann Allman, compared using the app to putting on a condom on her website, Nunez said she disagreed.

Alex Bottone, a UF criminology senior, said he would use the app

and thinks it's still beneficial despite its setbacks.

"I'd definitely use it," Bottone, 21, said. "Any kind of step in that direction is a good one."

"Now whether that's to be developed, there are still going to be people who abuse it, who don't use it honestly, but it's at least a step," he added. "It's a statement, and it's a step in the right direction."

Rather than using the app, Lawrence suggested students that should look at GatorWell's online resources or attend a presentation on consent.

'Real Housewives' couple gets jail time

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEWARK, N.J. — The married stars of "The Real Housewives of New Jersey" are trading the drama of reality TV for prison.

Teresa Giudice was sentenced Thursday in U.S. District Court to 15 months in prison on conspiracy and bankruptcy fraud charges while her husband, Giuseppe "Joe" Giudice, was sentenced to 41 months by a judge who castigated them for failing to disclose all their assets yet gave both a measure of leniency.

In a nod to the couple's four young daughters, Judge Esther Salas staggered the sentences so that Teresa will serve her sentence first. She is scheduled

to report to prison in January.

Teresa Giudice, 42, cried as she apologized in court before her sentencing.

"I fully take responsibility for my actions," she said. "I need to learn to take responsibility for myself."

Joe Giudice, 42, also apologized and said he had disgraced many people. He faces an immigration hearing when he completes his sentence and will likely be deported. His attorney said he came to the U.S. as an infant and didn't know he wasn't an American citizen until he was an adult.

A spokeswoman for NBCUniversal, which produces "The Real Housewives," declined to comment on the Giudices' position with the show.



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Time's Up

From left, UF students Sam Dumbauld, 18; Danielle Kleinberg, 19; Hope Basile, 18; and Allie Band, 17, remove the goal post after UF Women's Lacrosse Club practice at Lake Alice field on Thursday night.

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When Roger Catchpole tried to book a scuba-diving excursion for his honeymoon two years ago, the process was frustrating.

The UF alumnus went through the routine letdowns: unanswered emails, contact information that was no longer in service and user reviews that seemed so overwhelmingly positive they couldn't be real.

"I realized there could be a better way of doing this," he said. "I wanted to build a platform where

information could be easily shared so people knew where to go and enjoy sports."

Catchpole created Sportody in November. The local startup, housed in Sun Center West in Gainesville, provides a platform for adventurers to efficiently interact with local sports providers.

Adventurers are free to use the platform to search, review and book services from nearly 70,000 businesses in 100 countries, covering more than 120 outdoor sports activities.

"There are places in Gainesville that I didn't even know existed that we have on the website," said Matthew Edwards, Sportody's 22-year-

old director of human resources and marketing intern.

"Their profiles are just currently run by us right now and not the providers," said Edwards, a fifth-year UF marketing senior. "The idea is that businesses are eventually going to claim their profiles and go on to add content themselves."

Although Sportody's services are free, businesses can pay a monthly subscription to supplement current services and boost advertisements.

"The majority of these providers aren't necessarily larger businesses," Catchpole said. "They may be medium-sized businesses that perhaps don't have marketing teams."

Catchpole said the site offers

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director of human resources and marketing intern

sports providers an innovative and cost-effective way to reach a wider market. The goal of the site is to streamline the customer experience by offering a third-party tool to book reservations, enabling providers to reduce administrative costs.

The original website offered basic functionality, but Catchpole and

Sportody's team members will unveil a new site on Oct. 14.

Colby Cashion, a UF economics junior, said he believes Sportody could be a great resource for people who are trying to be more active.

"I really like the concept," said Cashion, 20. "I can't think of any other service that provides a hub of local outdoor sports like that."

Catchpole said Sportody plans to expand its services by creating applications for iOS and Android devices by the end of the year. The platform will enable adventurers to use their phones to locate immediate resources.

"It's an exciting time for our business," he said.



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Not Pumpkin Spice

From left, UF students Rimza Afzal, 20, and Rana Alnahhas, 19, sample wizard-themed drinks at the Reitz Union Starbucks.

STUDENT APP

ClusterFlunk gains popularity at UF, will launch iPhone app soon

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Students scanned Turlington Plaza for hidden cash as part of a ClusterFlunk event Thursday.

The company hosted two events this week to promote its upcoming app release.

ClusterFlunk, an online platform where students can connect with classmates and share notes, will soon launch its iPhone app.

Students can sign up to ClusterFlunk using their university email address, add their classes to be connected to peers and have access to shared class materials.

Aaron Schwartz, a UF finance junior, is the campus manager for the academic social media platform.

Schwartz, 20, said ClusterFlunk is gaining speed at UF.

Last week, the website gained 214 users, and membership at UF stands at 3,009.

"We've been really booming," Schwartz said. "It's really, really picking up traction fast. I'm really excited."

ClusterFlunk was created by AJ Nelson, 22, who dropped out of the University of Iowa to focus on the website's development.

He founded the company in the winter of 2011 and launched the website in January 2013.

Nelson is now the CEO and co-founder of ClusterFlunk, which has about 52,000 users at 15 universities, he said.

Jack Bryant, a 20-year-old UF mechanical engineering junior, said the network is a useful tool for his classes, but he has not met any classmates through ClusterFlunk yet.

He mainly uses shared review material for exams.

If students don't share their notes, then the idea fails, Schwartz said.

ClusterFlunk covers mainly entry-level classes.

The popularity of the website in Gainesville is only a small portion of the platform's success, Schwartz said.

In ClusterFlunk's semester-closing polls, 65 percent of users said the company improved their grades, and 38 percent said they met at least one friend through the network.

Lightbank, an organization that specializes in investment in technology companies, announced in July that it would invest \$1 million in ClusterFlunk. Groupon also contributed to the first funding round, Schwartz said.

The website is usually funded by advertisements, Nelson said.

Nelson said he and co-founder Joe Dallago care about mainly two things: getting students better grades and creating a social experience they would otherwise not have had access to.

"If we can keep doing those two things, giving kids a chance to learn more, learn better and get better grades and make friends in real life," Nelson said, "you know, those are two pretty powerful things."

Supreme Court to hear cases over employment, housing bias

► IT ANNOUNCED 11 CASES.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Did retailer Abercrombie & Fitch discriminate against a Muslim woman who was denied a job because her headscarf clashed with the company's dress code?

That's the question in one of the 11 cases the Supreme Court said Thursday it will take on in its new term.

The justices took no action on the

highly anticipated issue of same-sex marriage, though a decision on the marriage equality cases could come later this month.

Among the new cases, the court will consider the scope of housing discrimination laws, the First Amendment rights of judicial candidates to raise campaign money and a challenge from Arizona Republicans over who can draw the state's congressional districts.

In the Abercrombie & Fitch dispute, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission sued the retailer

after it refused to hire Samantha Elauf at a Tulsa, Oklahoma, store in 2008 because her Muslim hijab conflicted with the company's "look policy." The policy was described at the time as a "classic East Coast collegiate style."

A federal judge initially sided with the EEOC, but the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed, saying Elauf never directly informed her interviewer she needed a religious accommodation, even though she was wearing the headscarf during her interview.

Government lawyers say the appeals court ruling undercuts legal protections for religious practices because it unfairly places the entire burden to raise the issue with job applicants who often aren't aware of a potential conflict.

Abercrombie & Fitch, which has faced slumping sales and could face negative publicity in the case, has pressed on with its defense, saying it was Elauf's obligation to explain any special needs based on her religion.

Abercrombie & Fitch has settled two other EEOC discrimination

lawsuits over the same issue, and it changed its "look policy" four years ago to allow its workers to wear hijabs. The company did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

The housing discrimination case is the third time in recent years that the Supreme Court has considered a challenge to the legal theory known as disparate impact. The strategy uses statistics to show that certain policies can harm racial minorities, even when there is no intent to discriminate.

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\$775/mo 1103 NW 4th St. 32601. Available Now. Near UF. 352-278-4461 or 352-359-1644 10-31-14-25-2

3 Subleases

Don't get stuck with an extra rent payment. Advertise your subleases in the Alligator Classifieds and save yourself some cash. Call 373-FIND.

1/1 In 3/3 The Crossings. \$399/Mo + utils. Across from Santa Fe College. D/W, W/D in unit. Full kitchen. Available now. Call 904-782-3477 10-8-14-5-3

4 Roommates

I'VE HAD IT WITH YOUR LOUD MUSIC! Is your roommate driving you crazy? Find a replacement in the Alligator Classifieds!

Room For Rent - Private bath, screened porch, end unit (Rockwood Villas) \$350/m, close to UF, I-75, shopping and bus; furnished, W/D, 904.874.5774 10-9-14-10-4

4 Roommates

ROOMMATE NEEDED \$500/mo ALL INCLUSIVE (rent, cable, elec & meals) Call Bobby 519-5976 10-14-10-4

5 Real Estate

Sell your house, condo, acreage, mobile home and much more in the ALLIGATOR CLASSIFIEDS! Reach thousands of possible buyers! Mastercard and Visa accepted over the phone, by fax, email or **CHECK OUT PLACING YOUR AD THRU OUR ONLINE AT www.alligator.org.** or please call 373-Find (373-3463)

NEW CONDOS-WALK TO UF

For Info on ALL Condos for Sale, Visit www.UFCONDOS.COM or Matt Price, University Realty, 352-281-3551 12-10-73-5

NC Mtns near Asheville. Owner must sell new log cabin on 1.5ac. Huge porches, vaulted ceiling, 1200sf ready to finish. \$74,900, add'l acreage avail. 828-286-2981 10-3-1-5

Previous BANK FORECLOSURE, 5 Acres, up to 30 Acres, FROM 14,900 NEW Community, Mountain Views 40,000 Acre Lake Minutes away, Trout Streams, Creeks Adjoins State Lands, Excellent Financing Call 877-520-6719 or Remax 423-756-5700 10-3-1-5

ABSOLUTE AUCTION Florala AL 12,000+/- Sq ft home near Lake Jackson, 23527 Goldenrod Av,October 15, 1:00 pm. Gtauctions.com. 205.326.0833. Granger,Thagard &Associates, Inc Jack F Granger,#873 10-3-1-5

6 Furnishings

Got a new couch?. Sell your old one in the Alligator Classifieds. Call 373-FIND (3463) to place your ad today.

BED - QUEEN - \$120 ORTHOPEDIC Pillow-top, mattress & box. Name brand, new, still in plastic. Call 352-372-7490 can deliver. 12-10-73-6

6 Furnishings

BED - FULL SIZE - \$100 ORTHOPEDIC Pillow-top mattress & box. New, unused, still in plastic w/warranty. Can deliver. Call 352-377-9846 12-10-73-6

9 Bicycles

MICROFIBER SOFA & LOVESEAT - \$400 Brand new still packaged w/warranty. Must sell. Can deliver. Retail \$1600. 352-372-7490 12-10-73-6

7 Computers

BED - KING - \$200 PILLOWTOP mattress & box springs. Orthopedic rated. Name brand, new, never been used, in plastic with warranty. Call 352-372-8588. Can deliver. 12-10-73-6

8 Electronics

BEDROOM SET- \$300 BRAND NEW Still in boxes! 5 pieces include: Headboard, Nightstand, Dresser, Mirror, Chest. Must sell, can deliver. 352-377-9846. 12-10-73-6

9 Bicycles

COMPUTER & LAPTOP REPAIRS Network specialists We buy computers and laptops Working and Non-working 378-4009, 607 NW 13th Street 12-10-68-7

8 Electronics

Sell your old stereo, cell phone, and more in the Electronics Section of the Alligator Classifieds. 373-FIND

9 Bicycles

In the market for a new set of wheels or just looking to add a second to that collection? Want personalized handlebars or a fitted seat? Check in the Alligator Classifieds

Another Saturday night without a date? Read The Alligator.

9 Bicycles

NEED CASH? We'll buy or lend money on your bike. Best Jewelry and Loan Pawn Store 523 NW 3rd Ave 371-4367. www.BestJewelryandLoan.com FAST CASH FOR FAST TIMES! 10-31-23-9

10 For Sale

●UF Surplus On-Line Auctions● are underway...bikes, computers, furniture, vehicles & more. All individuals interested in bidding go to: SURPLUS.UFL.EDU 392-0370 12-10-14-72-10

Goats for Sale & Horse Boarding - 7 miles to UF

Charlie - 352-278-1925 12-10-73-10



New 2014 Homes for Sale For qualifying we need:

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11 Motorcycles, Mopeds

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12-10-14-73-11

★★★★NEW SCOOTERS 4 LESS★★★★ Great Scooters, Service & Prices! 118 NW 14th Ave, Ste D, 336-1271 Vespa, Genuine, GMW, & More! NS4L.com facebook.com/newscooters4less 12-10-14-73-11

How To Place A Classified Ad:

Online: w/ Visa or MasterCard at www.alligator.org/classified

In Person:
Cash, Check, MC, or Visa
The Alligator Office
1105 W. University Ave.
M-F, 8am - 4pm

By E-mail: classifieds@alligator.org
By Fax: (352) 376-3015

By Mail:
Call 352-373-FIND for information.
Sorry, no cash by mail.
MasterCard, Visa or checks only.

By Phone: (352) 373-FIND
Payment by Visa or MasterCard ONLY.
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Ads placed by 4 pm will appear two publication days later. Ads may run for any length of time and be cancelled at any time. Sorry, but there can be no refunds or credits for cancelled ads.

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Customer error or changes: Changes must be made BEFORE NOON for the next day's paper. There will be a \$2.00 charge for minor changes.

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11 Motorcycles, Mopeds

★★SCOOTER REPAIR★★
New Scooters 4 Less has LOW repair rates!
Will repair any make/model. Close to UF!
Pick-ups avail. Cheap oil changes!! 336-1271
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Largest Scooter Store in Town! Run by Gator Grads! New scooters starting at \$999. 1-2yr warranties with roadside assistance included. 376-6275 RoadRatMotors.com 12-10-14-73-11

Road Rat Motors offers FREE pickup service for any paid scooter repair. LOWEST labor rate, quickest turnaround in town! Will repair ANY brand scooter. Free estimates. 376-6275. RoadRatMotors.com 12-10-14-73-11

★★SCOOTER RENTALS★★
Rent for a day, week, month or semester. Now renting Buddy scooters too! 352-336-1271 www.gainesvillescooterrentals.com 12-10-14-73-11

Campus Scooters Mobile Sales and Scooter Service. We offer free estimates on all repairs and we come to you. We also have new scooters starting at \$799.00 Call us today at 352-263-0425 12-10-14-73-11

11 Motorcycles, Mopeds

★★★ WWW.SWAMPCYCLES.COM ★★★
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ccmotorcycletraining.com
2 days \$150 weekdays or weekends G-w/Starke/Palokka 352-331-0131 train on motorcycles or scooters State certified Co & Trainers 12-10-14-73-11

12 Autos

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●●● We Buy Junk Cars ●●●
●Trucks, Vans - Titled only●
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NO CREDIT CHECK!!!
6 MONTHS TO PAY
DOWN PAYMENT!!!
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12 Autos

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ALL VEHICLES 2014
3630 N MAIN ST
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GET INTO A VEHICLE \$100 & UP
PAYMENTS YOU CAN AFFORD
6 MONTHS TO PAY TAX, TITLE,
& REGISTRATION FEES
352-338-1999 12-10-73-12

WE BUY CARS!1
DOES NOT HAVE TO RUN
ANY CONDITION!!
\$300 & UP!!
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SUN CITY AUTO SALES
ALL VEHICLES \$0 DOWN!
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352-338-1999 12-10-73-12

CASH PAID \$300 AND UP!!!
ANY CONDITION-RUNNING OR NOT!!!
FREE TOWING & SAME DAY PICK-UP
NO TITLE NEEDED. Call 352-259-2020 12-10-14-73-12

12 Autos

97 FORD CONTOUR \$1000
91 CHEVY CAPRICE \$1300
02 DODGE INTREPID \$1999
96 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE \$1500
352-338-1999 12-10-73-12

94 FORD EXPLORER \$1500
95 TOYOTA CAMRY \$1500
94 CHEVY S10 \$1500
05 CHEVY CAVALIER \$2999
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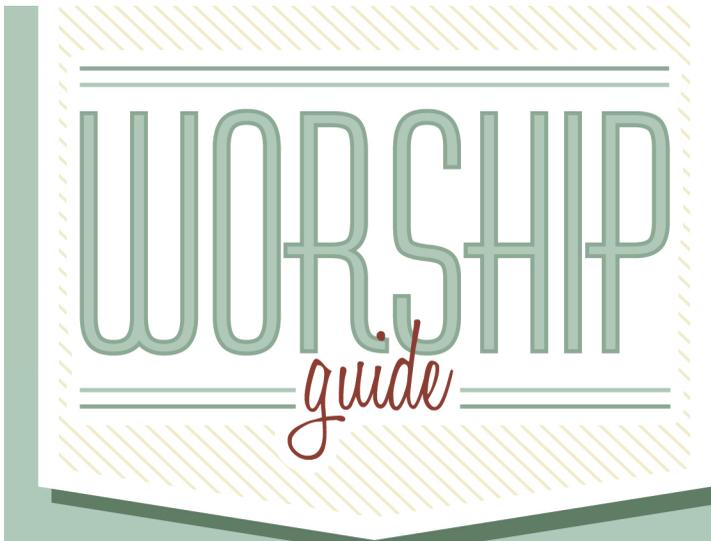
UF GRAD PAYS MORE
for gold jewelry, scrap gold, Rolex, diamonds, guitars, etc. Top \$\$\$\$. Get my offer before you sell! Call Jim 376-8090 or 222-8090 12-10-73-13

13 Wanted

The American Cancer Society
Road to Recovery Volunteers Needed!
VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED
to transport cancer patients to treatment.
Flexible schedule.
Training and liability insurance provided.
Please call
352-240-5062 if interested.



St. Francis House is a homeless shelter and soup kitchen located in downtown Gainesville, and we are looking for help from volunteers like you. St. Francis House depends on monetary support from individual donors and community businesses in order to help feed the homeless and the hungry. **If you are interested in volunteering**, please contact Candice Jones at (352) 378-9079 or sfhcoor@stfrancis.cfcoxmail.com **To make a donation by mail**, please send checks payable to St. Francis House P.O. Box 12491 Gainesville, FL 32604



NON-DENOMINATIONAL
University City Church of Christ
Gators for Christ campus ministry college group meets at University City Church on Sundays at 9am and Wednesdays at 7pm Practical application from God's word, plus service projects, large group events, free meals, and much more... (directions and events calendar at www.gatorsforchrist.org) For rides please call: 352-514-8261

BAPTIST
First Baptist Church
Sunday: Worship 8:30 + 11:00 Bible Study 9:30 Wednesday: Dinner 5:30 Bible Study + Activities 6:30 14105 NW 39th Ave. 3 miles West of I-75 www.fbcgainesville.net
Monteocha Baptist Church
Reformed & Evangelical Sunday Worship 11am + 6pm 9420 North County Road 225 15 minutes from UF campus find out more on facebook

MADNESS & MAYHEM 3
EVIL RESIDENCE
HAUNTED HOUSE
Oct. 24, 25 & 31st
The Old School House (behind City Hall in High Springs)
120 NW 2nd Ave High Springs, FL.
MadnessandMayhem.org

JEWISH
Chabad Lubavitch Jewish Student Center
Your home away from home Friday Night Live! Services & Shabbat Dinner: 7:30pm Spring/Fall, 8:30pm Summer 352-336-5877 2021 NW 5th Ave (5 blocks north of the stadium) www.JewishGator.com
UF Hillel
Every Friday services 7:30 Dinner 8:30pm 2020 W. University Ave. ufhillel.org FB & Instagram: UfHillel

PENTECOSTAL
Pentecostals of Gainesville
Pentecostals of Gainesville La Casa de Restauración Invite you to come worship the Lord with us. English services are Sunday @ 10am & 6pm Spanish Service on Sunday @ 2 8105 NW 23rd Ave. Gainesville www.gainesvilleupc.net Tel. 352-376-6320 (english) Tel. 352-262-5562 (spanish)

PRESBYTERIAN
First Presbyterian Church
Trajectory College Bible Study Wednesday 7:30 at Firsterian Church Gainesville College Café Free Food After 10:50am Worship 106 SW 3rd St. Contact Scott Stuart college@lstpc.org
Faith Presbyterian Church (PCA)
New Pastor Steve Lammers (Former RUF Campus Minister) Join us Sundays at 10am 5916 NW 39th Ave. 377-5482 fpc-gnv.org

METHODIST
Trinity United Methodist Church
Contemporary: Sunday at 9:40 am and Wednesday at 6:35 pm Small group: Wednesday, 7:35 pm Add'l. Worship at 8:15 & 11am 376.6615 | Trinity-GNV.org
Gator Wesley Center
United Methodist Campus Min. www.gatorwesley.com
Worship: Sundays @ 11:00am Bible Study: Wednesday @ 7:00pm 1350 W. University Ave.

EPISCOPAL
Chapel of the Incarnation
The EpiscoGators Welcome You! Communion: 5:30pm Sun. followed by a free home cooked meal for students 1552 W University Ave across from Library West.

LUTHERAN
Zion Ev. Lutheran Church
1700 NW 34th St. Gainesville, FL 32653 Phone: 352-376-9940 Worship: Sunday, 10:30 a.m. You are always welcome! P.b.wrobel3@gmail.com

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For information on advertising in the Worship Guide, contact Kristin Mumma. Alligator Advertising 352.376.4482

thrift 5
NEW THRIFT STORE NOW OPEN!
"Quality Merchandise For Less"
Located in the Winn Dixie Shopping Plaza 2418 N Main St (352) 359-5821
- CLOTHING -
- FURNITURE -
- HOUSEHOLD ITEMS -
- ANTIQUES -
- KIDS TOYS -
- SHOES -
& MORE

13 **Wanted**

CASH PAID \$300 AND UP!!!
 ANY CONDITION-RUNNING OR NOT!!!
 FREE TOWING & SAME DAY PICK-UP
 NO TITLE NEEDED CALL 352-259-2020
 12-10-14-73-12

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 I AM BLIND & WOULD LIKE HELP WITH:
 ●Rides to church: Mass at Queen of Peace.
 ●Learning to rake knit hats to send to Haiti &
 other places. Call 352-219-6948
 10-17-14-73-13

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Daytime Advertising Production

The Independent Florida Alligator Advertising Production Department is accepting student applications. Duties include graphic design and organizational layout.

Will train, but experience with Adobe InDesign, Photoshop and Illustrator is preferred. Friendly work environment, flexible schedule, with hours between 9 am - 5 pm M-F.

Must be enrolled in classes. A one-year commitment is expected. Fill out an application at the front desk of The Alligator,

1105 W University Ave, M-F 9 am - 5 pm. No phone calls, please.

Include available work schedule and references. Previous applicants are welcome to reapply with current schedule. EOE

Students in Accounting, Aviation, Business/Sales and computer science needed for various positions. Flexible schedules and competitive pay. Join our team! Learn more at www.gleim.com/employment 12-10-14-73-14

Smoking Causes Immediate Damage to Your Body.
You Can Quit. For Free Help Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW.



#CDCTips

14 **Help Wanted**

SBSG is a financial transcription company offering part-time work.
 - Create your own schedule
 - Competitive Production-Based Pay
 - Close to campus!
 - Must be able to touch-type 65wpm
 Apply Online: www.sbsgnv.com 12-3-14-151-14

Programmer wanted.

Join our small team in downtown Gainesville. More info at: pathwaysystems.com/gator 10-7-30-14

Opus Coffee
 We are searching for fun and active students to work 12 to 30 hours per week at a fast paced coffee bar near campus.

Starting wage plus tips = \$11.00/hr.

To apply, go to our website, www.opuscoffee.com, click on the employment tab on the bottom right, and follow the directions. 10-3-14-10-14

Distributor of pet products looking for someone to help set up Amazon account (FBA). MUST be experienced in FBA. Send email to info@essentienterprises.com 10-6-7-14

Need PR grad student to help w/ social media, phone pitches, etc. Must be organized & a good communicator. Part-time position Resumes: annas@clearpassage.com 10-6-14-5-14

14 **Help Wanted**

Admin Asst Needed:10-15 hrs/week. Must have reliable transportation, be honest, organized, intelligent, and a team player. Computer skills required. Email resume to info@fratmgmt.com \$8/hr start pay 10-10-14-7-14

Looking for bright, outgoing, male, college student. Good driver. To work with 9th grade male student. Must be excellent in math, science, writing, etc. Athletic exp helpful. \$10/hr. Call 352-231-2807 10-9-14-5-14

Need a psych major to do part-time office work at a mental health clinic. Research experience preferred. \$10 - \$12 per hour. Send resumes to info@ehsfamily.com. 10-9-14-5-14

Experienced OTR Flatbed Drivers earn 50 up to 55 cpm loaded. \$1000 sign on to Qualified drivers. Home most weekends. Call: 843-266-3731 / www.bulldoghighway.com. EOE 10-3-1-14

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.

15 **Services**

Want to be a CNA, phlebotomist or pharm tech? Express Training offers courses, days, eve, weekend. All classes live, no videos. Call 352-338-1193 or expresstrainingservices.com 12-10-14-73-15

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SiddiquiLegal.com
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- ECONOMICAL

Reach over 50,000 readers each publication day.

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Want to be a CNA? Don't want to wait? Express Training Services now offers a CNA class which can be completed in one weekend. Perfect for busy college students. www.expresstrainingservices.com/ww 12-10-14-73-15

Board your horse \$375/mo.. From GV/UF 10 minutes. Dressage, stadium, x-country, daytime stall, nighttime turnout. Rider housing available. Barn Family Program to mitigate board and rent. Lessons, schooling opportunities. For further information, contact Dibble at Gator Slide Farm, 352-466-3538 or grslfrm@aol.com. Visitors always welcome. 10-31-14-63-15

AIRLINE CAREERS Start Here - Get FAA certified with hands on training in Aviation Maintenance. Financial aid for qualified students. Job placement assistance. Call AIM 866-314-3769 10-3-1-15

DISH TV Retailer. Starting \$19.99/month (for 12 mos.) Find Out How to SAVE Up to 50% Today! Ask About SAME DAY Installation! CALL 1-800-605-0984 10-3-1-15

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Health Services

ILLNESS & INJURY CARE
 Call 352-392-1161 for same-day appt availability or schedule/cancel online at <https://my.shcc.ufl.edu>

NUTRITION SERVICES
 Infirmary Bldg, 280 Fletcher Dr
By Appt Only - Call 352-294-7465
 Help with Weight Gain/Loss, Eating Disorders, Vegan/Vegetarian, Diabetes, High Cholesterol & More!

GOT VACCINATIONS?
 HPV, MMR, allergy, flu, travel & more @ SHCC Special Clinics, Infirmary Bldg
 Call 352-294-7472 for more info

Health Services

SHCC SPORTS MED CLINIC
 "★★★★★"
 CALL 352-294-7345

ST/STD TESTING & TREATMENT
 ♥ Info online @ shcc.ufl.edu/SEX ♥

SHCC PHARMACY & DRUG STORE
 352-392-1760 or 866-941-1760
 Rx refills, aspirin, pet meds, more!

UF Student Health can help!
 Infirmary Bldg @ 280 Fletcher Dr
 M-F 8am-5pm, Sun 12-4pm
352-392-1161 shcc.ufl.edu

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Jones leads Florida running game into Tennessee *UF won last nine in the series*

JORDAN MCPHERSON

Alligator Staff Writer

@J_McPherson1126

Matt Jones remembers his first trip to Knoxville, Tenn., to take on the Volunteers in 2012. It was his first career start and his second trip on the road with the Gators.

He probably wants to forget his first play, though.

"It was great, but for the first play I pitched the ball to (Andre) Debose — we had ran a reverse and he fumbled the ball," Jones said. "And then it was like crazy, and then it got louder as it went."

Despite Jones getting the start, Florida chose to ride Mike Gillislee and Trey Burton in the run game. The duo combined for 206 yards on the ground, 80 of which came from Burton's third-quarter touchdown run that tied the game at 20-20 with a little more than 18 minutes to play.

Jones finished with five rush attempts against Tennessee, gaining just 9 yards on five rushing attempts.

But heading into Saturday's contest between Florida (2-1, 1-1 Southeastern Conference) and Tennessee (2-2, 0-1 SEC), Jones looks to be a bigger factor for the Gators.

"I've definitely matured a lot from that moment," said Jones, now a junior. "When I was a freshman I didn't read the holes right. I've definitely matured running the ball, pass protections and catching the ball. So I kind of grew up now."

What was once a great rivalry has been extremely one-sided as of late. Florida is on a nine-game win streak against Tennessee, winning by an average margin of 15.3 points.

And while Florida is coming off a 21-point loss to Alabama, coach Will Muschamp said UF is ready for its second road game of the season.

"I think we're confident," Muschamp said. "I think that we've had good prep in the open week and I think we've had good preparation through this week and your preparation builds confidence in what you do. ... It's obvious a lot of negativity surrounds us here. I think our guys have seen that and understand the type of football team we can have when we put it together and that's what we're looking forward to."

Muschamp said on Monday that he wants to incorporate more of the run game into the offense, and that will start with Jones. The junior is pacing Florida's running backs with 258 yards.

"He's just the best leader in the running back position," center Max Garcia said. "You know, just with how hard he works now and him making good decisions when he decides to hit the hole and things like that... I feel like he's been doing a really good job. He's been a leader out there."

With Jones beginning to separate himself in the backfield as Florida's go-to back, sophomore Kelvin Taylor has been used sparingly since SEC play began.

After rushing for 68 yards and two touchdowns in Florida's season opener against Eastern Michigan, Taylor has been limited to 19 rush attempts in UF's past two games — less than half of the workload Jones has.

"Kelvin is still coming along. He's a great back," Jones said. "I mean, we're just working together. You've got to do what you've got to do with your opportunities when you get the ball."

Florida is ready to right the ship this week.

And having an extra week to prepare helped, Jones said.

"Everybody's minds kind of got scattered all over the place," Jones said. "We had to pull back together mentally and on and off the field, we've gotten better as a team. I mean, it's going to be tough because people throw stuff at us that we don't want to hear, but we're going to pull together and get these Ws."

Picks Column



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Welcome to the "Rocky Top" edition of the alligatorSports Brand Picks Column.

That's right. The alligatorSports road crew is heading down to the Tennessee hills — the place where there ain't no smoggy smoke on top and their ain't no telephone bills — to watch the Gators and the Volunteers face off.

The song will be drilled into our heads if the game is as close as the two-and-a-half point line predicts it will be (Once there was a girl on rocky top/Half there was the other half cat.)

The 100,000-plus fans that are going to fill Neyland Stadium will scream it at the top of their lungs (Wild as a mink, sweet as soda pop/I still dream about that.)

The chants have the potential to be nonstop. (Rocky top, you'll always be/Home sweet home to me/Good ole rocky top/Rocky top Tennessee, rocky top Tennessee)

OK. I think we've already heard enough.

Now onto the Picks!

In first place with a 23-15 record is the Orlando Sentinel's Edgar "Sweet Lou" Thompson, who continually used the nickname in reference to former Florida cornerback Loucheiz Purifoy during media availability this week. Man, Edgar. You missed out on the chance to call him (un)Purifoy.

Boasting a 21-17 record in second place is Jonathan "Big-brown spider fearing" Czupryn, who rambled off a 20-minute story about a brown recluse spider making its way into his car and how it forced him to buy a bug bomb at Lowe's and set it off inside his car. Really, Zoop? What's the worst that could have happened to you? Necrosis? That's not too bad. It could've been Ebola.

Also in second place is Landon "skippin' out" Watnick, who chose to stay at home on Wednesday while the

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Kan Li / Alligator Staff

Matt Jones rushes during Florida's 42-21 loss to Alabama on Sept. 20 at Bryant-Denny Stadium. Jones has become Florida's go-to running back this season, leading the Gators with 258 rushing yards through UF's first three games.



Christen Westphal and the UF soccer team take to the road for a match against Texas A&M. *Read the story on Page 16.*

Team Captains

Coach Will Muschamp announced via Twitter that Chaz Green, Neiron Ball, Antonio Morrison and Valdez Showers will be Florida's team captains against Tennessee on Saturday.

Gilroy nominated for Player of the Year

Junior Shannon Gilroy is nominated for the Division I Lacrosse Women's Player of the Year award, InsideLacrosse.com announced Thursday.

UF volleyball faces LSU in SEC matchup

► MIDDLE BLOCKERS
HIGHLIGHT THE MATCH.

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Florida and LSU meet tonight in very different circumstances.

The No. 9 Gators (8-3, 2-0 Southeastern Conference) are riding a three game winning streak, while the unranked Tigers (5-6, 0-2) are trying to halt a two-match skid.

The former outscored their last three opponents 9-1. The latter are trying to climb out from an 8-5 disadvantage.

Despite the differences between the two SEC foes, LSU boasts one similarity with UF that few other SEC teams can: a dominant middle blocker.

LSU's star middle is 6-foot-1 sophomore Briana Holman, the SEC's leader in blocks (73) and second in points (219.5).

Holman will go head-to-head against UF's 6-foot-4 freshman Rhamat Alhassan, just as she did last year against Florida's Chloe Mann, the NCAA's all-time leader in hitting percentage.

In last year's matchup between LSU and UF in Baton Rouge, La., Mann bested Holman by two kills with 14, but was out-blocked 6 to 2. Ultimately, Florida defeated LSU 3-1.

Coach Mary Wise is looking forward to the matchup.

"(LSU) has one of the best middle's in the country. She's a dynamic hitter and blocker who's just so fast off the floor and hits at angles," she said.

"Last year it was quite the experience to watch her and Chloe (Mann) against each other.

Despite LSU's 0-2 SEC record and Florida's 34-5 record against the Tigers all time under Wise, the coach expects a closely contested match.

"LSU is a team that ... you can see every match their score is (close). They've won a whole bunch of them and have been right there in the others," Wise said on Monday. "So what we hope to do is to be back here a week from today and say that we are a better Gator team than we were a week ago."

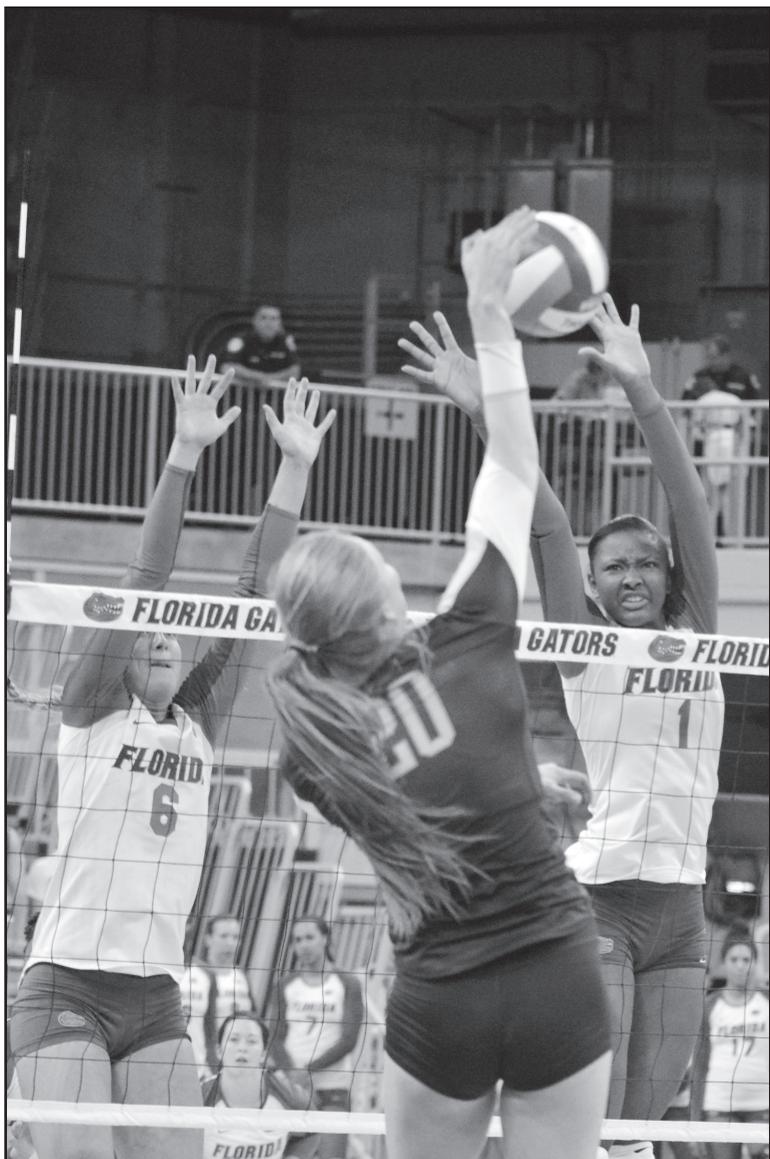
Another matchup of importance will be between senior libero Holly Pole and LSU's defensive specialist Haley Smith. Smith is 6th in the SEC with 180 digs while Pole is 12th with 137.

The senior libero's main focus is getting better after each match, the same theme Wise has drilled into her players since before the season began.

"There's nothing that's really glaring that we need to work on, but it's a lot of little things that we're trying to get better at right now," Pole said. "So a couple things with our defense, finding rhythm with our offense, always working on our serving, stuff like that."

Florida is averaging 1.41 service aces per set, good for second in the SEC. LSU is close behind at No. 6 with 1.18 per set.

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Rhamat Alhassan (1) attempts to block a kill attempt from Ole Miss' Melanie Crow (20) during the Gators' 3-0 win against the Rebels.

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rest of us listened to the wise words of D.J. Durkin. Seriously? You're so high and mighty now that you have a full-time job that you choose to skip out on Durkin. At least you'll be at the game this weekend. Oh wait.

In fourth place with a 19-19 record is Morgan "Reptile House" Moriarty, who entertained listeners on the alligatorSports podcast about her vast knowledge of living, breathing alligators. You better watch out, Morgan. We've seen those gators eat bigger things than you.

Tied with Morgan with a .500 record is Jordan "I like markers" McPherson, who's highlight of the week was purchasing a four pack of dry-erase markers. Seriously Jordan? Are you that much of a workaholic that buying markers for the office is the most exciting experience

for you? Dude, it's not that great, they weren't even scented.

In sixth place and two games below .500 Richard "good Samaritan" Johnson, who came to Czupryn's rescue after receiving the following text: "Can I ask a big favor from one of you guys. I'm stranded at the CVS on Archer and was wondering if I could get a ride to and from the Alligator?" Good for you, Richard. And how does he follow that up? By helping a random guy push his truck across Archer and 34th. Most of us probably would have left Zoop on the side of the road, but you did the right thing.

Tied with Richard for sixth at 18-20 is Thomas "Movin' on up" Goldkamp, who finally moved out of dead-ass-last after being stuck there since this season's Picks column began. Maybe the New Orleans Saints should follow your path if they want to break out from the dweller of the

NFC South. But then again, I guess there's nothing wrong with being tied with the Bucs, right?

And in dead-ass-last with a piss-poor record of 17-21 is Nick "Swipe

CROSS COUNTRY

VanDeGrift still running despite numerous injuries

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Coach Paul Spangler knows the importance of seizing every opportunity to improve.

He has emphasized capitalizing on opportunities often to the women's cross country team, and now they have changed the schedule in an attempt to progress by competing against some of the elite teams in the country.

Instead of racing at the Walt Disney Invitational on Oct. 11, they'll instead race Saturday in the Paul Short Run at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Penn.

The race, a 6k for the women, will be run by more than 100 teams, including 55 Division I teams. Florida has a chance to compete against schools from across the country, including Alabama, Miami and South Carolina.

The race also gives the Gators a chance to compete against many schools in the northeast that it wouldn't normally have a chance to race against.

"It's a great meet," Spangler said. "It's going to be a great opportunity for the women to earn some at-large points towards the National Championships, and I know they're really looking forward to the meet this weekend."

While the entire roster is comprised of Gators craving the competition, maybe none are craving it more than red-shirt junior Grace VanDeGrift. A Southeastern Conference All-Freshman Selection in 2011, VanDeGrift has been sidelined from the cross country team

due to numerous injuries, including a meniscus tear, stress fractures in her leg and multiple back injuries.

She began doubting if she would ever return to the sport she has devoted her entire life to.

"It's discouraging," VanDeGrift said. "It's especially tough when you train to get back in shape, and you're faced with another injury."

"It's really mentally and emotionally straining, getting hurt again when you feel like you're so close to getting back."

Despite the odds against her, VanDeGrift returned to the team this year and competed in the Mountain Dew Invitational on Sept. 20.

While most would have been happy to just be back, VanDeGrift had other plans in mind. She has to show she is better than anyone had seen.

She did just that in finishing the 5k in 17:51.11, the best time she had ever competitively run in that distance.

For someone like Spangler, who has seen her practice and battle back for years, the career-best finish was no surprise.

"My hat goes off to her," Spangler said. "A lot of athletes haven't gone through what she's gone through with injuries, and most probably would have given up the sport."

"Every year she's fought back and every season she's fought back, and to see her come out in her first cross country race in 3 years, to run a lifetime best, utmost respect for Grace and everything."

Right, Ask Questions Later" de la Torre, who debated the pros of the dating app Tinder during media availability this week. Really, man? If you put as much time into your

picks as you do to swiping away on your phone, you might actually be doing well. But I'm pretty sure your Tinder sightings will totally give you the bigger victory in the end.

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UF SPORTS IN ACTION THIS WEEKEND

Friday

Swimming and Diving:

Pinch A Penny Invitational Day 1 — O'Connell Center
10 a.m. (Preliminary Heats); 7 p.m. (Finals)

Volleyball: @LSU — Baton Rouge, La.
7 p.m. — SEC Network

Soccer: @Texas A&M — College Station, Texas
8 p.m. — SEC Network+

Saturday

Swimming and Diving:

Pinch A Penny Invitational Day 2 — O'Connell Center
9 a.m. (Preliminary Heats); 4 p.m. (Finals)

Cross Country: Paul Short Run — Bethlehem, Penn
Not Televised

Football: @Tennessee — Knoxville, Tenn.
Noon — SEC Network

Sunday

Swimming and Diving:

Pinch A Penny Invitational Day 3 — O'Connell Center
9 a.m. (Preliminary Heats); 4 p.m. (Finals)

Soccer: @Arkansas — Fayetteville, Ark.
Noon — SEC Network+

Volleyball: @Mississippi State — Starkville, Miss.
2 p.m. — SEC Network

SOCCER

Florida heads to College Station, faces Texas A&M tonight

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Florida takes its show on the road tonight in a highly anticipated top-10 matchup against Texas A&M, but if you believe the players, the only number they are concerned about is the final score.

Fresh off a weekend sweep of conference foes Georgia and Missouri, Southeastern Conference offensive player of the week Savannah Jordan leads the No. 9 Gators (8-2, 3-0 SEC) into College Station, Texas, to take on the sixth-ranked Aggies (9-1-1, 3-0 SEC) at 8 p.m.

But Florida is not putting stock into what the voters think about either team.

"We don't know anybody's ranking, I don't even know our ranking," junior Christen Westphal said. "I think they're kind of pointless, honestly."

While those rankings will have little influence on tonight's outcome, they do speak volumes about the quality season each team is having.

The Gators enter College Station on a four-game win streak, outscoring opponents 11-3 during that stretch. They're undefeated in SEC play and haven't lost a game in regulation since August 29.

But both of Florida's losses this season came on the road, and Texas A&M boasts

one of the toughest home-field advantages in the country.

The Aggies are 7-0 at home this season, outscoring opponents 20-5 when playing

at Ellis Field, the last time being a 3-0 victory on September 18 against Tennessee.

Texas A&M is an offensive minded team that will look to attack early and of-

ten. Florida coach Becky Burleigh knows that defending them will be a big challenge.

"We respect their players," she said. "They're a lot like us. They're a senior-laden group, they're older, they're experienced, and I think that part of it is what makes them special."

"I think the biggest thing for us is possession. When we keep the ball a lot, the other team doesn't have it. Nothing can happen when they don't have it."

Westphal, who plays primarily as a defender, agreed with Burleigh.

"For our team, our offense is our defense," she said. "As long as we keep the ball and we play how we wanna play, we shouldn't be pressured that bad."

Playing a weekend on the road means the team has limited practice time during the week, and because of that, Burleigh said she does not worry about the opponent.

Instead, she has the players work on themselves, focusing on the details of their own games.

"It's more about sort of refining some of the things that we do, and making sure that we focus on the details that we need to — to prevent them from scoring, and to create scoring opportunities for ourselves," Burleigh said.



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Christen Westphal dribbles the ball during UF's 2-1 win against UGA on Friday at James G. Pressly Stadium. Florida faces Texas A&M tonight at 8 in College Station, Texas.

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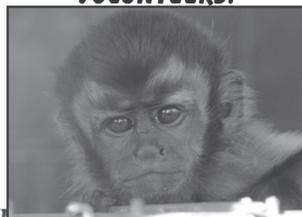
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