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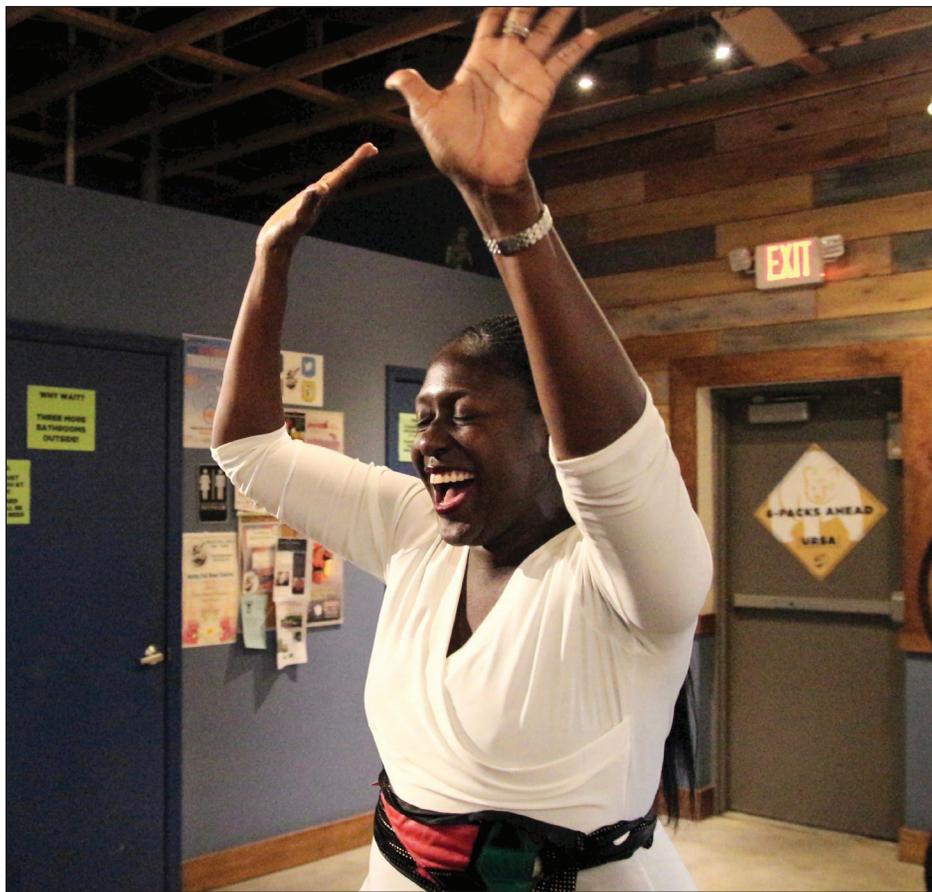


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Gail Johnson, 40, celebrates winning City Commission At-Large Seat 1 after getting off the phone with her opponent, Harvey Budd, who conceded, inside First Magnitude Brewing Company. She won with about 64 percent of the vote.

District 1 goes to runoff, Johnson wins At-Large seat

Staff Report

Gail Johnson walked into First Magnitude Brewing Company with her arms raised to silence the crowd of about 60 supporters who were still watching voter results pour in.

"My opponent just conceded," yelled Johnson, who was elected for the City Commission At-Large Seat 1 on Tuesday night. Johnson is the first black woman to be elected citywide in at least 21 years, said TJ Pyche, the director of outreach for the Supervisor of Elections office.

Johnson beat her opponent, incumbent City Commissioner Harvey Budd, by a nearly 30-point lead. However, the race was so close between District 1 candidates incumbent City Commissioner Charles Goston and challenger Gigi Simmons that a runoff will be held May 1.

In the end, Simmons led by 85 votes.

From the moment the early votes were counted, Budd said he knew he had lost.

"When I walked into the big room and saw the screen, I knew," the 70-year-old said. "I'm an accountant."

About 64 percent of voters chose Johnson over the nearly 36 percent that voted for Budd.

At about 7:30 p.m., Budd stepped outside of Heartwood Soundstage, where his watch party was hosted, and called his opponent to concede.

"He said he is going to make my transition as easy as possible, and that I'm going to make a great addition to the commission," Johnson said.

Simmons clutched her mother's hand and peered up at the screen in Cypress and Grove Brewing Company as the votes rolled in. Each time the page refreshed and she inched ahead of Goston, the room, filled with about 50 of her supporters, would swell with cheers.

"I was the underdog, so to get to this point, I feel blessed," Simmons said.

Election workers counted 11,165 votes, cast by about 13 percent of registered voters, after polls closed at 7 p.m. More than half the votes were from mail-in and early voting. Voter turnout was 2 percent higher than in 2015, when the same seats were up for election.

Despite leading Goston the entire night, Simmons didn't earn the 50 percent of votes plus one she needed to avoid a runoff. As the numbers ticked upward, the reality of the runoff began to dawn on her campaign. Simmons had

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Gators football coach demonstrates ballet, talks career

By Romy Ellenbogen

Alligator staff writer

Dan Mullen could only afford one bottle of Gatorade a week during his first coaching job.

He would add a splash of the energy drink to his cloudy New York tap water to disguise the taste. He slept on the floor and walked to his job at Wagner College in New York. In four years, he made \$16,000. Total.

As the new Florida Gators head coach, Mullen will make about \$6 million per year, according to the Florida Times-Union.

"Now, I'm fortunate," he told the crowd of about 200. "I can afford Gatorade."

Mullen, who was hired as the new head football coach in November, spoke Tuesday night in the University Auditorium for Accent Speakers Bureau's third event with the University Athletic Association. Mullen was not paid to speak, said Shelby Buchanan, the Accent chairwoman.

"We want to give students a more personal connection to the people who are coaching our teams," she said.

In head-to-toe orange and blue and wearing his visor from practice, Mullen answered questions about recruiting, his expectations for Fall and former Gators football player Tim Tebow, who he coached as the Gators' offensive coordinator.

He also discussed the importance of being well-rounded and trying different things. He demonstrated positions one through five in ballet to show his dance knowledge.

"I coach football to make a positive impact on young people's lives," Mullen said. "That is the ultimate reward you can have."

Emma Broadbent, a UF environmental science sophomore, said she's excited about what Mullen can bring to the team. Broadbent, who said she's been a Gators fan since birth, wants to see the team become National Champions again.

"The Tennessee moment made me realize we have the skill with the players, but the coaches aren't utilizing it," the 19-year-old said.

Nathan Larubio, an 18-year-old UF sports management freshman, said he's been a Gators fan his whole life. He's yelled and cried watching games.

He remembers better years, when Tebow was quarterback and Mullen was helping to coach. He hopes Mullen can bring back those days.

"The last few years have been torture for me," he said. "I'm excited for them to go away."

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UF football head coach Dan Mullen talks about his coaching career and UF's football program with moderator Ted Spiker at the Accent Speakers Bureau event Tuesday night. About 200 people attended the free event at the University Auditorium.

GATORS FACE JACKSONVILLE TONIGHT

The game was originally scheduled for Tuesday but postponed due to rain, pg. 14



Retired UF professor hiking the Appalachian Trail

He's asking for a penny donation for every mile, pg. 5

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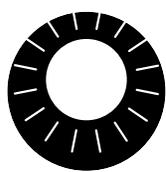


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Local Events / News in Brief

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Sikhism at UF

The UF Sikh Students Association will host a Turban Day event today from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Turlington Plaza. The event aims to make UF students aware of Sikhism and offers a chance to do something out of the ordinary by experiencing someone else's culture. As part of the event, the members of the Sikh Students Association will help tie turbans around students' heads. For more information, call 352-877-0407.

Law in the Library: Restoration of Civil Rights Workshops

The Alachua County Library District is partnering with the Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association to present "Law in the Library: Restoration of Civil Rights Workshops" from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. Thursday at Cone Park Library Branch, located at 2801 E. University Ave., and 5:30 to 7 p.m. April 5 at Tower Road Library Branch, located at 3020 SW 75th St. Attorneys from the Josiah T. Walls Bar Association and law students from the Levin College of Law will provide one-on-one assistance to those who have been convicted of a felony and are interested in applying to have their civil rights restored. These presentations are free and open to the public. Registration is not required. For more information, visit aclib.us/law or call 352-334-3900.

Libraries closed for Easter

Alachua County Library District will be closed for Easter all day April 1. All branches will be closed. Book drops at branches and online services through the Library District's eBranch aclib.us will be available. All 12 branch locations and two bookmobiles will resume their regular schedules April 2. For more information, visit aclib.us or call 352-334-3900.

Take Back the Night

Strive UF will hold a Take Back the Night March and Rally Against Sexual Violence from 5:30 to 9 p.m. April 4 on the Plaza of the Americas. Survivors are invited to speak on the nature of their sexual assault and recovery. Free T-shirts or tank tops are

available for the first 300 marchers. For more information, call 352-273-4450.

Fulbright Awareness Month

The UF International Center will hold Fulbright Awareness Month until April 12. Multiple informational sessions for students, scholars, faculty and staff will provide opportunities to learn about the Fulbright application process and hear about the experiences of past scholars and students. This year, information sessions will be led by Peter VanDerwater, the director of outreach at the Council for International Exchange for Scholars in Washington, D.C. To schedule an individual consultation with VanDerwater, email canumba@ufic.ufl.edu. For more information, visit internationalcenter.ufl.edu.

National Library Week

During National Library Week, April 8 to 14, Alachua County Library District will join libraries nationwide to celebrate the many ways libraries lead their communities with the transformative services, programs and expertise they offer. Celebrations include National Library Workers Day on April 10 and National Bookmobile Day on April 11.

Ninth Annual Peace Poetry Contest and Fourth Annual Peace Scholarship Application Period

Veterans for Peace, Gainesville Chapter 14 is accepting Peace and Social Justice Poems from all Alachua County K-12 students for the ninth annual VFP Peace Poetry Contest. VFP is also accepting applications for three Peace Scholarships that VFP awards to high school seniors entering college, or students already in college or trade school who are planning careers in pursuit of a more equitable, peaceful and just world. For more information, visit vfpgainesville.org/.

Alive Church to host Easter event at the Phillips Center

Alive Church will be hosting its first Easter Celebration at the Phillips Center for Performing Arts located at 3201 Hull Road on April 1 with two services: 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Got something going on?

Want to see it in this space?



Have an event planned? Add it to the **alligator's** online calendar: alligator.org/calendar

Send an email with "What's Happening" in the subject line to jtavel@alligator.org. To request publication in the next day's newspaper, please submit the event before 5 p.m. Please model your submissions after the above events, and keep them to 150 words or fewer. Improperly formatted "What's Happening" submissions may not appear in the paper. Press releases will not appear in the paper.

AP NEWS AROUND THE WORLD

Emails show FEMA silent amid chaos after Hurricane Maria

WASHINGTON — As hundreds of people stood in line for food and many went hungry during the days and weeks after Hurricane Maria hit Puerto Rico, Walmart Inc. and local supermarkets threw out tons of spoiled meat, dairy and produce.

Emails and text messages made public Tuesday in a letter sent by the top Democrat on the House oversight committee describe frantic efforts by officials at Walmart and the Puerto Rican government to get fuel for generators to prevent food from going bad.

From the Federal Emergency Management Agency came only silence.

Supreme Court questions crisis pregnancy center law

WASHINGTON — A skeptical Supreme Court took aim Tuesday at a California law that forces anti-abortion crisis pregnancy centers to provide information about abortion.

A ruling striking down the law could doom similar laws in Hawaii and Illinois, and also call into question laws in other states that seek to regulate doctors' speech.

Both conservative and liberal justices raised questions about the California law, which took effect in 2016.

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Two District 1 candidates will face off in a runoff election

ELECTION, from pg. 1

about 48 percent of the vote compared to Goston's 45 percent. Tyra "Ty Loudd" Edwards' got 6 percent.

Edwards and 15 close supporters and friends watched her opponents' battle it out in the polls from her campaign party at Xclusive Night Club.

"It's not over," Edwards said. "The hard work has just begun."

When Simmons stepped forward to thank her team and announce the runoff, her campaign party erupted in applause.

"I'm charged, and I'm energized. I'm not stopping. We're going to win this thing," Simmons told her supporters.

The last time District 1 saw a runoff election was in 2015. Goston, who won the last runoff, said he will do what it takes to win this one too.

After the runoff was announced, he took shots at the Gainesville Sun, which he said

published false information about him and Gigi Simmons, who he feels has nowhere near enough experience in government to take his seat.

"If they want to play it this way, let's play it this way, OK?" he said. "I like getting down and dirty. It don't bother me."

When the runoff became official, an uproar of cheers from Goston's volunteers filled the dimly lit, wood-tiled Warehouse Lounge. One volunteer, shocked by the applause, asked "What happened?"

Debbie Martinez, a 67-year-old event coordinator for Goston's campaign, shouted a response.

"We get to work our a** for three weeks."

Staff writers Jessica Giles, David Hoffman, Christina Morales and Amanda Rosa contributed to this report. Contributing writers Jessica Curbelo and Rachel Porter also contributed to this report.



Lindsey Crown / Alligator Staff

Harvey Budd and his wife, Ilene Silverman-Budd, watch the results of the City Commission election with fellow supporters. He lost to Gail Johnson by nearly 30 points.



Kayla Turner / Alligator

Charles Goston celebrates his past years in office and a contested race for District 1 City Commissioner at The Warehouse Restaurant and Lounge, located on Main Street.

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UF law students, attorneys help felons restore voting rights

By Katherine Jones
Alligator Contributing Writer

Nakishia Sullivan has been labeled as an Alachua County felon since she was convicted for aggravated battery and assault charges in 2010.

She served about four years and was released April 4, 2014. But she still can't vote or serve on a jury, even though she now holds a full-time job caring for the elderly.

She's ready to have a voice again.

"After you go to prison, you already paid your debts to society," said Sullivan, 33. "It shouldn't be held against us no more."

Local lawyers and UF Levin College of Law students have been donating their time to help felons like Sullivan regain their rights. Both the Alachua County Library District and the Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association have hosted the "Law in the Library: Restoration of Civil Rights Workshops" over the Fall and Spring.

The next one is 4:30 to 6 p.m. Thursday at the Cone Park Branch, 2801 E. University Ave.

The program has about 45 volunteers from the law school and Josiah T. Walls Bar Association, who sit down one-on-one with felons to discuss how to restore their civil rights in Florida, said Brianna Williams, an administrative assistant director for the project.

"We tell them how to go beyond just what is required to beef up their application and hopefully show that they have turned their lives around," the 23-year-old second-year UF law student said.

About three to six participants attend each workshop, Williams said. The current process in Florida requires a felon to complete their prison sentence and have no other pending charges, Williams said.

The felon then must wait five or seven years, depending on their charge, to petition for clemency, which allows for the restora-

tion of civil rights, to the state's Office of Executive Clemency, Williams said.

They must also pay restitution, payment by an offender to the victim, before they can apply to have their rights restored, Williams said. If clemency is granted, they will regain the right to vote, can sit on a jury and run for elected public office.

This November, Floridians will vote to decide if that process should be shortened, Williams said. The amendment, if passed, will grant the right to vote back to felons after they complete their sentence, excluding those convicted of murder or sexual offenses.

Meshon T. Rawls, UF law professor and organizer of the Law in the Library series, said the program helps participants move forward in their lives to become "full-fledged citizens."

"It's a dignity issue," Rawls said. "Once they have done what the judges have asked them to do, they want to be able to have that chance."

HOW TO VOTE ON FLORIDA FELON VOTING RIGHTS:

- The Voting Restoration Amendment (Amendment Four on the ballot) aims to restore the voting rights of Floridians with felony convictions after they complete all terms of their sentence including parole or probation.
- The amendment would not apply to those convicted of murder or sexual offenses, who would continue to be permanently barred from voting unless the Governor and Cabinet vote to restore their voting rights on a case by case basis.
- Sixty percent of Florida voters would need to vote yes on the amendment to make it law.
- Voter registration date for general election: **Oct. 9**. General election date: **Nov. 6**.

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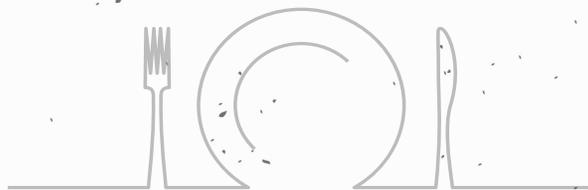
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At-Large candidates spend most on campaign, reports show

By Jessica Giles

Alligator Staff Writer

Heavy rain didn't stop candidates for City Commission from last-minute campaigning efforts to secure votes before Tuesday's election.

Registered Gainesville voters in all 36 precincts cast their ballots Tuesday for an At-Large 1 candidate, deciding between Gail Johnson and incumbent Harvey Budd. District 1 residents in nine precincts in downtown and east Gainesville had the options of voting for incumbent Charles Goston, or challengers Gigi Simmons and Tyra "Loudd" Edwards for the District 1 seat.

During early voting, 6,283 ballots were cast — 3,742 votes by mail and 2,540 at the polls, according to the Alachua County Supervisor of Elections. By Tuesday night, Johnson won the At-Large position with 64.26 percent, or 7,112 votes.

After none of the District 1 candi-

dates won at least 50 percent of the vote, a runoff race between Simmons and Goston will be held May 1.

Below is a breakdown of how much money each candidate raised and spent.

In the At-Large 1 race, Budd spent \$36,746 on his campaign for re-election, about \$8,000 more than his opponent Johnson, according to a campaign financial report compiled by the Supervisor of Elections. Most of that money went toward fliers, robocalls, campaign management, yard signs and other advertising, he said.

Budd said he raised \$30,000 from the public and contributed about \$6,000 of his own money.

"You should be able to put your own money in it to be successful," he said.

His team made calls Monday night, he said.

His opponent, Johnson, spent the weekend making phone calls and knocking on more than 1,200 doors,

she said.

"It's that last-minute push before Election Day, so we're going to be doing that all up until the polls close tomorrow," she said.

Johnson spent \$28,541 on her campaign, which included food for volunteers, campaign consultation and events, according to the finance report. She raised \$33,799 for her campaign and \$400 in non-monetary contributions.

"It takes a lot to run a campaign," she said. "There's printing costs, there's the website, there's really getting your message out to the voters in any way possible, and that takes many forms."

For District 1, incumbent Charles Goston spent \$7,701 on his campaign for items including signs, printing fees, robocalls and mail advertisements, he said.

"Finally the residents of District 1 have somebody they know won't sell them out, and that's me," he said.

Gainesville resident Doug Bernal filed a complaint against Goston with the Florida Elections Commission, according to a Gainesville Sun article. The complaint argues Goston sold himself a campaign ad in his publication Black College Monthly for a reduced price, a violation of state law. It also argues that he violated a county ordinance by giving himself a non-monetary contribution of a value greater than \$250.

Goston said he hasn't violated any laws during his campaign, and his campaign treasurer would never allow a mistake like that.

"All they wanted to do was smear me," he said. "I'm doing everything by the book."

Simmons spent the most money on her campaign out of the District 1 candidates: \$8,364. The money was used for things like postcards, campaign consultation, T-shirts and signs, according to her finance report.

Simmons, along with John-

son, received a \$100 contribution from County Commissioner Robert Hutchinson. Simmons said she didn't know he planned on contributing to her campaign.

"I have all kinds of people that like my message," she said.

Tyra "Loudd" Edwards' campaign has spent \$1,300 on advertising, including yard signs, videography and buttons, according to her finance report.

Edwards spent the final days before the election visiting the homes of District 1 residents, said campaign manager Jessica Martini. Martini believes it was the word-of-mouth among the community that helped her campaign grow.

"We know that we're probably the underdogs, but I think that her message has really resonated with people," Martini said.

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Retired UF professor hikes Appalachian Trail for Alzheimer's

HE HAS RAISED
\$1,296 SO FAR.

By Jessica Giles

Alligator Staff Writer

Art Donovan's mother has wanted to hike the Appalachian Trail since 1968.

Now turning 91 this year and suffering from Alzheimer's, a progressive neurodegenerative disease that causes mental deterioration, it's a dream she will never realize.

Instead, her son has embarked on a journey to do it for her and everyone else who is living with Alzheimer's.

Donovan, 62, a retired UF professor in the College of Veterinary Medicine, began what could be an eight-month journey along the entirety of the Appalachian Trail to raise money and awareness for his mother's disease. He began his 2,190-mile trek on Feb. 28 in Georgia and will conclude in Maine, he said. Donovan is asking people to contribute one penny for every mile he walks. As of press time, he

has raised \$1,296.

"I'm doing it for her and all those people in the future who could get this disease," he said.

Despite all his preparation, like researching the trail, hiking around Gainesville and dehydrating food that his wife, Patti Gordon, mailed him along the way, nothing could prepare him for the grueling reality of the trail, he said.

Half the days are beautiful; the other half he hikes through rain or snow. Some nights when he stops to record the day in his trail journal, his hands are too frozen to write, he said. So he records the entry on his phone to later transcribe.

Armed with mementos like his wife's wedding ring and his "Art Donovan's never quit playlist," he manages to put one foot in front of the other for as many as 14 miles a day, he said.

Along the way, he sees college students, senior citizens and newlyweds, he said. The like-minded people and stunning views help him stay motivated.

"You look up and there's an un-

believable vista — just incredible," he said.

His wife has been his biggest supporter since he began, mailing him food and care packages every five days and tracking his progress through a GPS. She misses their daily conversations but knows the weight of the disease drives him.

"I've just seen it just take people's loved ones away. They're there, but they're not there. It's very sad," she said.

Sydney Modrow, 21, a UF neurobiological sciences senior, watched the disease affect her grandmother's life when she was growing up.

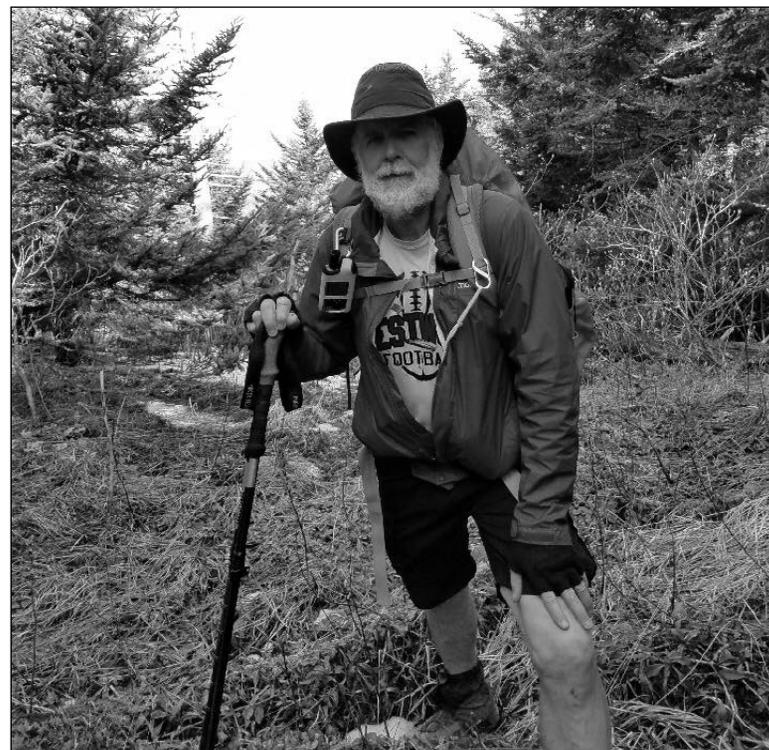
"I watched the whole progression, and it was just so sad," she said.

Modrow is thrilled to see someone going to such great lengths to raise awareness for Alzheimer's.

"I think it's like the perfect way of raising awareness by also doing something that is battling Alzheimer's," she said.

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Courtesy to The Alligator

Donovan, 62, a retired UF professor, is enduring what could be an eight-month journey along the Appalachian Trail to raise money and awareness for the neurodegenerative disease Alzheimer's.

UF's international programs recognized nationally

By Sabrina Conza

Contributing Writer

UF's international programs have been named one of the top in the nation.

UF and four other universities received the 2018 Senator Paul Simon Award for Comprehensive Internationalization on March 13, said Leonardo Villalón, dean of the UF International Center.

The award recognizes and encourages universities' efforts to increase international awareness in students and faculty, Villalón said. The other schools that got the award this year are Babson College, St. Lawrence University, Stony Brook University and Texas Tech University.

NAFSA: The Association of International

Educators, a non-profit organization for professionals in international education, has been giving out the award since 2009. A maximum of five universities receive it every year.

Villalón said the non-profit is the most prestigious organization for international awareness in the U.S. This is the first year UF has gotten the award, Villalón said.

"It's one more feather in our cap as we rise to be a top-five university," he said.

NAFSA looks at the documentation and planning of international programs, specifically innovative and creative approaches, Dorothea Antonio, deputy executive director of knowledge development for the association for NAFSA, wrote in an email.

Villalón said he believes UF's initiative created in 2014 called "Learning Without Borders" contributed to receiving the recognition.

It is a five-year quality enhancement plan designed to further internationalize the undergraduate studies.

One portion of the program allows undergraduate students to add an international aspect to their studies such as studying abroad and foreign language programs, Villalón said.

UF has about 6,500 international students, Villalón said. International education is important because students will work in an international environment after graduating, so they need to start thinking about the world on a global scale instead of just the U.S.

"We want to help students develop their understanding about the world to make them more competitive in the global market and also to make our students better global citizens," he said.

Antonio said UF won the award because

the university provides funding for study abroad and has incorporated global learning into its curriculum.

"The University of Florida was selected this year for its outstanding innovation," she said.

Yue Yu, a UF second-year pharmacy graduate student, said she sees a lot of international aspects in her pharmacy graduate program. Yu is a 24-year-old UF international student from China.

Some of these aspects include various study trips, such as an Australia trip that Yu is attending this summer. There are also joint-programs with schools in other countries where students can collaborate on research projects, she said.

"The school is a huge university, and it's being even more internationally recognized now," Yu said.

Editorial

You should be more concerned about the Facebook scandal

There's an old adage that goes, "If you're not paying for it, you are the product."

In social media, notably Facebook, this is especially true. Facebook wants your data. It wants to know what topics you post about, what type of content you click and what keeps you coming back. Who are your friends, and what do they like? What about your family? In all of these small facts they collect, it paints a picture of the person behind the profile.

But what happens when the company allows third parties to see your information? What happens when a stranger gets access to who you are, your likes and dislikes, and your strengths and weaknesses?

What happens when that information isn't secure?

This weekend, The New York Times and The Observer of London reported Cambridge Analytica, a British data analysis firm with ties to wealthy Republican donor Robert Mercer and political adviser Stephen Bannon and was hired by the Trump campaign, "harvested private information from the Facebook profiles of more than 50 million users without their permission."

This information is not new. In 2015, The Guardian revealed Cambridge Analytica had used private information from the social network. That year, Facebook put out a statement saying it would investigate how the information had gotten out. But by then it was too late. Cambridge Analytica had all it needed to build virtual profiles of American voters.

According to The New York Times and The Observer, the company used the data to target certain groups for digital ads and fundraising appeals, figure out who is likely to vote and buy \$5 million in television ads.

But only 270,000 of the 50 million users had consented to have their data collected. The information was so personal, Aleksandr Kogan, the man who had collected the data for "academic purposes" from Facebook, told Cambridge Analytica they could pinpoint a user's IQ, religion and life satisfaction.

We encourage readers to delve into the investigation. Social media users need to be aware of how information is collected through social media platforms they may be trusting. Should you be using Facebook Messenger to pay a friend or send logins or passwords to other sites? Not without knowing all of the conditions. You should know where that information is going. If Facebook was trusting enough to allow a University of Cambridge psychology professor to do whatever he wanted with the information, it's hard to imagine where the line is drawn.

Why didn't the company make sure all of the data was deleted after finding out about the leak? Who is responsible for this data leak? There are questions the company has yet to answer.

More importantly, companies like Facebook have to be transparent with the public. After the 2015 article from The Guardian, Facebook did not publicly acknowledge to users that private information had been breached. Yes, it is a private company — but it handles personal information we entrust it with. It's information users may not even be aware they're handing over.

We must demand transparency. But it starts with awareness.

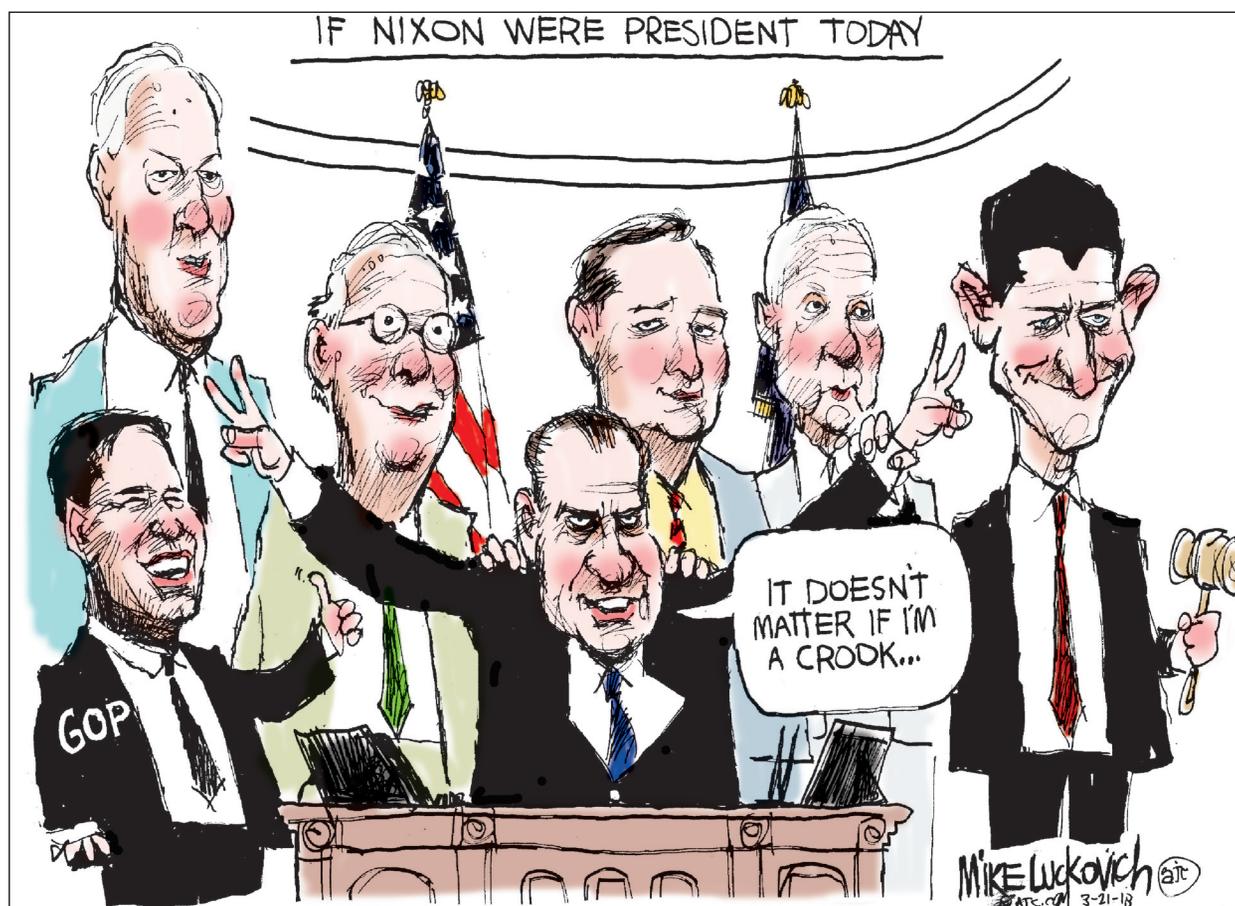
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Column

Let's embrace the power of romantic comedies

Romantic comedies: We all know them, but not everyone loves them.

Whether you've watched one or 500 of these perfectly imperfect, expertly curated love stories, you could probably recite the narrative structure in your sleep.

Movies with the rom-com label typically follow a specific formula. They feature two strangers who are bound to fall in love but are stopped by some sort of obstacle. Against all odds, they find a way to be together. The ensemble cast typically includes the best friend, the parental figure who offers advice, a side character who provides comic relief and lots of coincidental situations that seem way too good to be true.

Critics of rom-coms tend to argue against shallow, one-sided characters, scenarios that would never happen in real life and the stereotypical happy endings, themes and narratives that aren't exactly the most groundbreaking.

Each genre of film, whether it be comedy, horror or anything in between, tends to conjure up stereotypes of its viewers. Because rom-coms are often generalized as meaningless fluff, it seems as though some people try to hide the fact that they've watched a romance film and will go to extreme lengths to deny the fact they might have actually enjoyed it.

In my film analysis class, when my professor asked if anyone watched romantic comedies, only a few raised hands, and the room was filled with blank stares. It wasn't until the online discussion board posts that students owned up to their rom-com-watching habits as if they were confessing to illegal activity.

The reality is that our film genre preferences reflect societal values of the time. Romantic comedies hit their peak era in the late '80s through the mid-2000s — and since then, there's been a decline in the number of rom-coms being produced. Think about it: When was the last time you heard of a new movie that fit the rom-com mold?

What's caused this rom-com drought, and what does this say about society and how people's values have shifted? Are we fed up with love stories and happy endings?

One reason for the recent pause in rom-com film produc-



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tion is because the post-9/11 era has led audiences to crave hero figures who can save the world and restore order in a land of confusion and destruction. Eight out of the top 10 highest-grossing films of 2017 were action and adventure films centered around a hero character, according to IMDb.

Aside from the superhero movie boom, I think the slump in romantic comedy production stems from changing views about love, relationships and gender norms.

Despite the genre's stigma of being exclusively fun and frilly, it has (and has always had) the ability to make commentary about society and culture.

For example, in the 1988 film "Working Girl," Melanie Griffith's character, Tess McGill, paints a portrait of urban, corporate women at the time. In the 2008 movie "Baby Mama," with Tina Fey and Amy Poehler, humor is used to tell a story of surrogacy, showing not every relationship nor romantic situation is cookie-cutter.

Today, screenwriters, producers and directors who dare to create a story about modern love must consider a plethora of societal and technological factors that were unimaginable in the '80s, let alone a decade ago. We now have things like Snapchat, Tinder and the legalization of same-sex marriage in the U.S. These all came long after the peak period of rom-com production but have the power to be heavy influencers on today's society.

Are today's filmmakers wary of delving into the waters of rom-com production for a modern, socially conscious audience who may not buy the boy-meets-girl storyline? Or is Hollywood just too afraid to veer from the action-packed films that create box office booms and fulfill people's longing for a hero?

As societal norms continue to mold the film industry and our perceptions toward love stories, I hope audiences will recognize and embrace the storytelling power of romantic comedies.

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Column

Stop telling women feminism and reality television are mutually exclusive

It's 2018, and for some reason, men are still dictating what constitutes good taste. This is a well-kept secret, but it's evident in the way we as a society talk about entertainment. Work produced by women, or with women in mind, is cast away — categorized — as less valuable.

Books that reflect women's lives, quests for love and pursuits of happiness? They're referred to as "chick lit," and you can find them in a special, possibly pink section of bookstores or corners of the internet. Books that represent the deep feelings of men? They're called books. Movies that star female characters and depict experiences many women can relate to, while entertaining millions, are given a cute, rhyming name: "rom-com." You can't say the same for most movies starring men.

That brings me to reality television. There's much to be said about the flaws of this genre, including the valid argument that it often doesn't represent reality at all. It has the tendency to be cliché, and some of it is poorly pro-

duced. But none of these low points change the fact that it is highly entertaining. It draws in millions of people, most of whom are women, and spoiler alert: It's considered by society to be trash. We're told it's a waste of time, and if we spend time watching it anyway, we're tasteless.

Women aren't innocent in enabling this phenomenon. In fact, many of us rush to apologize for our enjoyment of reality television using coded language. "It's my guilty pleasure," we'll laugh when we bring up our shows, sometimes accidentally, in conversation. "I just hate-watch it!" we too often exclaim.

Our aversion to admitting we watch reality shows because we find them entertaining isn't completely our fault. We live in a society that tells us our opinions of what is and isn't interesting are invalid. We're told if something appeals to women, it's less important than something that appeals to men.



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All of this has led us to think that if we're smart, successful and feminist, we can't also be enthralled with the lives depicted on "The Real Housewives" and other reality shows. We think we have to pick a side because we're told these two ideas are mutually exclusive. We've internalized what our patriarchal society states clearly: Women's interests are frivolous.

But if money talks, how can that be true? Bethenny Frankel, of "The Real Housewives of New York," made \$8.5 million in 2016, according to Forbes. The website also said Kim Kardashian West raked in \$45.5 million last year.

And what about the money the shows bring to the networks that create them? The most recent three-hour finale of "The Bachelor" earned a 2.2 rating in adults between the ages of 18 and 49 and 7.8 million viewers, according to Variety. For many women,

"The Bachelor" is a lens for us to view the bad relationships we've all had and the questionable choices we've all made. At the same time, it's a way for feminists to come together, both online and in person, to call out the show's outdated gender roles, the egregious lack of diversity and the ways that reality television pits women against each other. We're allowed to condemn parts of it and campaign for the show to do better while also investing time in it. The NFL is extremely problematic, and men are allowed to condemn those problems while still watching and playing football.

Let's call this divide of trivial women's entertainment and profound entertainment for what it is: sexism. In the words of Kylie Jenner, it's time to start "realizing stuff," and calling out this belittling rhetoric when we see it, hear it and even say it is a good play to start.

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Column

We loved Stephen Hawking as a person, even without understanding his science

On March 14, Stephen Hawking passed away. He received a lot of attention on social media, complete with lots of praise for what he accomplished. Hawking was a theoretical physicist who studied black holes and time. He was famous for applying Einstein's theory of relativity and quantum mechanics to the beginnings of time, which he predicted was a singularity that exploded (in other words: the Big Bang). He was also famous for his work on the nature of black holes.

When I saw Hawking died, I had to research what his scientific field was to know what he had accomplished. I knew he had written "A Brief History of Time," though I've never read it. Science does not come naturally to me. Although it sounds fascinating, when I begin to read it, my mind becomes foggy.

However, from what I can tell, Hawking's theoretical physics and his celebrity status didn't seem to be the most natural pairing. Hawking struggled with ALS for most of his life and was confined to a wheelchair. In

that respect, he became a symbol of triumph — of overcoming one's limitations. This I can understand. He somehow was able to continue his work, have a family and keep a devilish sense of humor while at the same time fighting ALS. Hawking was an inspiration to us all.

I was wondering, as I read some of my Facebook friends' posts and saw some of the tributes, if people generally were familiar with what Hawking did — with his work on time and black holes. If they were, why was it of celebrity caliber? If they weren't, why was Hawking a celebrity?

Maybe Hawking was a cultural icon because of his personality. He was very funny and had been on a few episodes of "The Simpsons" and "The Big Bang Theory." His life was a compelling story, as "The Theory of Everything" demonstrated. Maybe Hawking as a person was more important to us than his work.

I think most of my friends who grieved



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him were in the same position as I was: They were part of the scientific lay people who can only digest science through entertaining videos and shows, like "Planet Earth" or "Cosmos."

I doubt most people outside of the scientific community understood what Hawking did and the significance of his work; even after some research, I still don't understand it.

What our culture admires is often strange to me. We love science; we're an empirical era who won't believe something unless there's facts and figures to back it up, so we say. But if we had sat down before Hawking sadly died and asked him to explain (without dressing it up) some of what he did, a lot of us would have fallen asleep or been utterly lost. What we love is not science per se but popular science, which can be a very helpful thing in its own right. Neil deGrasse Tyson, the host of "Cosmos," has dedicated himself to making science capable of being digested by the

public. That is an admirable thing to me.

Our love of science, though, is different to me than our love of sports or entertainment. We can understand the basics of basketball or what an actor does without straining our minds. Science is not like that. It is its own academic discipline with its own method and language that most of us do not understand or speak. What we think is science is only a popular, digestible expression of what science truly is.

This is fascinating to me. We revere something we struggle to comprehend. We revered Hawking, though his work can only be truly understood by fellow theoretical physicists and scientists. Maybe we revered him not for his work but for him as a person. There's plenty to celebrate on both sides.

Regardless, our love of science seems to not be so scientific.

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Behind The Business: First Magnitude Brewing Company *Built with craft beer, conservation and charity in mind*

By **Gabriella Paul**
Avenue Writer

Christine Denny's orange-and-blue flannel stuck to the edges of her forearms, soaked from Gainesville's afternoon Monday shower.

She nudged up the center of her horn-rimmed glasses and said with a smile, "We are Gator-owned, Gator-brewed."

Denny, a UF alumna and full-time president of First Magnitude Brewing Company, said she and her husband, John, the head brewer, always had one dream.

"We'd always said 'One day we want to open a brewery,'" she said. "And then our good friends Wells and Meg said if you guys are serious, let's do this together."

So, they did.

Three and a half years ago in 2014, the two married couples came together and opened the doors to First Magnitude, a family-friendly, 15-barrel production brewery with a tap room and an outdoor beer garden in the town they call home.

This venture did not come without sacrifice.

Denny said at the time the four co-founders had professional careers and small kids, but they knew together they would make a really great team.

"So, getting into that was a big jump, but it was one that we were really confident, in our skill sets, that we would be able to do," she said.

Denny said she left her job as the vice president of Normandeau Associates Inc., an environmental science consulting firm, and John retired from his role as the assistant director of the Honors Program at UF while their kids Ella and Tyson were still 9 and 5 years old.

"That's what we did," she said. "We came together as four friends and opened the brewery, and it's been fun."

Coming up on its 10th anniversary, Swamp Head Brewery, the first production brewery in Gainesville, ended up laying a nice path for First Magnitude to follow while getting off the ground, she said.

"They basically opened the

door for people to really be excited about other Gainesville breweries," she said.

In fact, she added, she believes it's this collaborative spirit that keeps the love for craft beer alive everywhere.

"It's one of those industries where we understand that everybody rises together," she said. "So you really want to support each other and encourage each other because the more high-quality craft beer is out there, the better for everybody."

First Magnitude currently offers five core beers year-round, with several seasonal brews distributed to local restaurants, and a constantly changing 'pilot batch' — a home-brewed batch of various beers that usually fill about 18 taps at the brewery.

Therefore, she said the beer list is bound to change even several times during the week.

"Beer is a bit like blues music," the website says.

John does a lot of the brewing, Denny said. Even so, all of the co-founders share a great love for the art and the science behind craft beer.

Even though beer is always made from the same four ingredients: water, malt, hops and yeast; the combinations are endless, she said.

"It's a creative process, but it's also very precise to make good beer," she said.

At First Magnitude, she said they can create anything from her favorite brew, a hoppy Ursa India Pale Ale, named after the brightest stars in the sky, to something as unique as the banana-flavored Wakulla German-Style Hefeweizen, named after Florida's largest first magnitude spring.

Reflective of their mission, Denny said the brewery's motifs, from the names of the beers to even the artwork on the walls, draws attention to the beauty and conservation of Florida's outdoors.

"The name First Magnitude comes from the fact that this area of Florida has the highest concentration of fresh water springs anywhere on the planet," she said. "If you look up at the sky at night, the

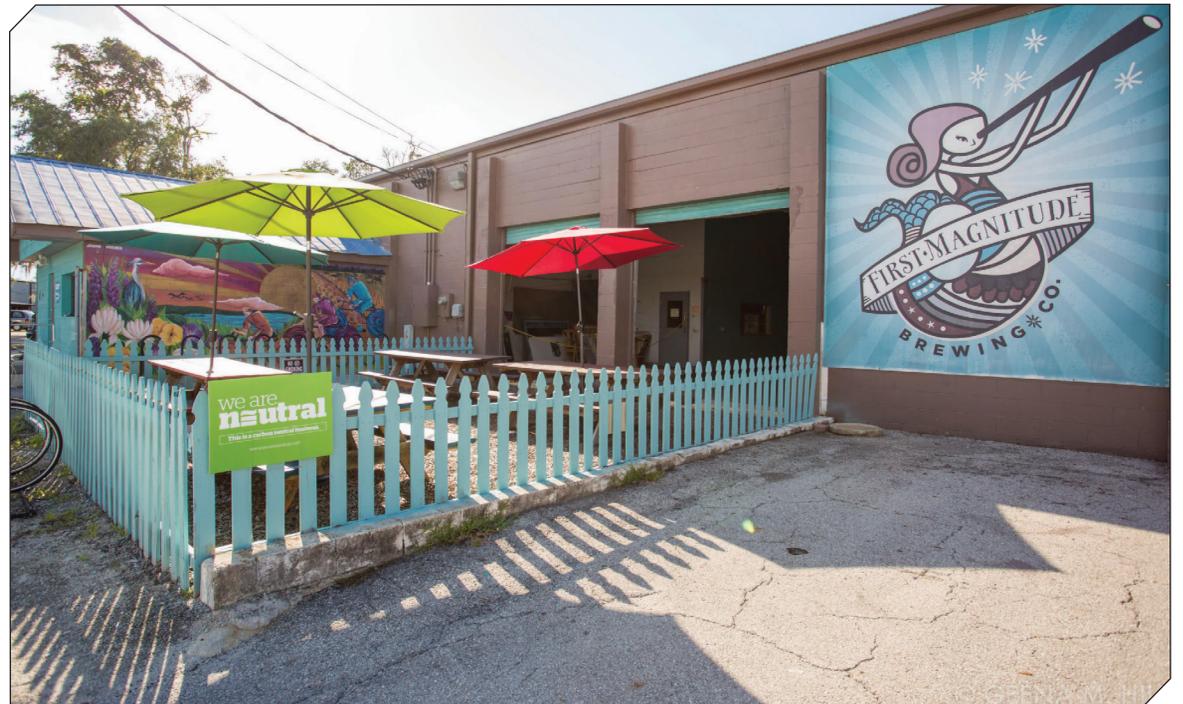


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Located just south of Depot Park at 1220 SE Veitch St., First Magnitude Brewing Company creates delicious beer while giving back to the community.

brightest star you see with your eyes is a first magnitude star."

Denny said when opening, they imagined the brewery as not only a gathering place for the community, but a platform for any charity across Gainesville to promote their cause while they promote theirs.

She scrolled through her candy-color spotted Google calendar, booked tight with events Tuesday through Sunday from all sorts of groups across Gainesville.

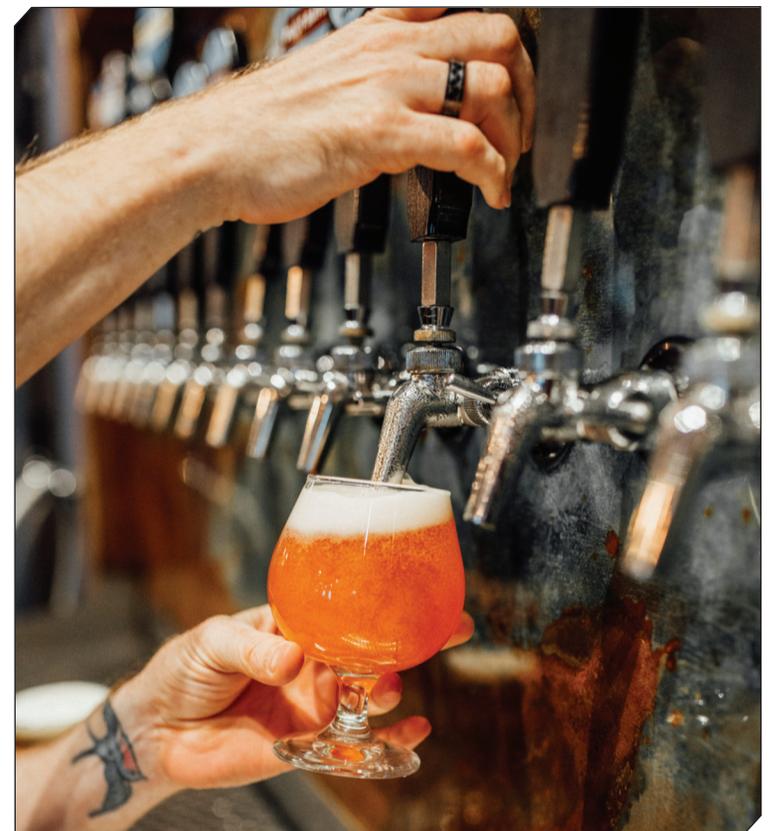
One of her favorite events happened last Saturday, she said.

The fourth anniversary of the Clean Creek Revival had 100 volunteers spend their Saturday morning picking up 6,590 pounds of trash out from creeks in the local neighborhood.

"That's what's sitting in that dumpster out front," she said.

The group then came back to First Magnitude for an afternoon of celebration and continued to raise funds for other local causes.

"That's core to what we want to be doing; we want to be engaging people in community initiatives and also connecting people with the springs," she said.



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With five main beers, multiple seasonal brews and a consistently changing 'pilot batch,' First Magnitude always switches things up.



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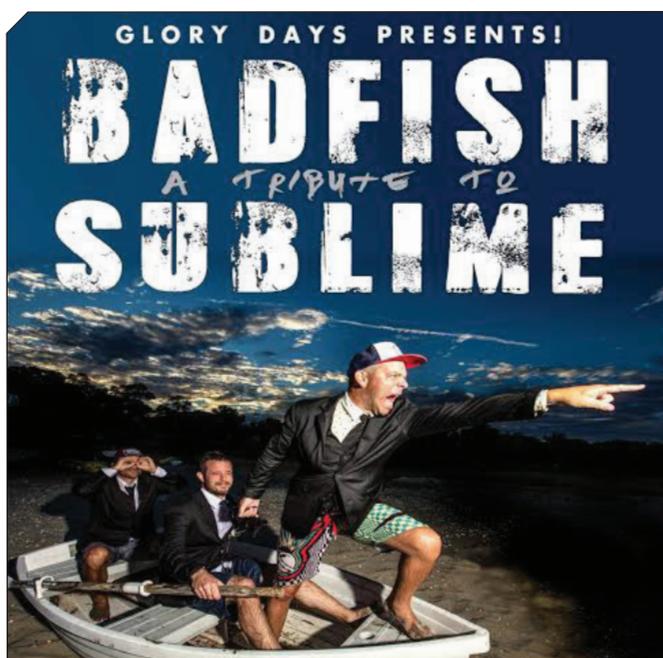
A Q&A with Brandon Hardesty before Badfish Sublime tribute show (pg. 9)

SuicideGirls:

The raunchy burlesque show comes to Gainesville (pg. 9)

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Q&A: Bumpin Uglies to open for Sublime tribute band



By Taylor McLamb
Avenue Writer

Fans of the band Sublime can belt out the lyrics to their favorite songs Monday as famous Sublime tribute band Badfish performs at High Dive.

Emma Moscardini, a 21-year-old UF psychology graduate student, said she is looking forward to seeing Badfish live for the first time and was inspired to go due to her love of Sublime's long-lasting music.

"I think Sublime resonates with the angsty teen in all of us without being as intense as bands like Bullet for My Valentine," Moscardini said.

Whether your favorite song is "Wrong Way," "Santeria" or "What I Got," there's no doubting that Sublime's music has a way to resonate with fans even decades after the songs have been released.

Brandon Hardesty plays guitar and sings vocals in the band Bumpin Uglies and credits the late Bradley Nowell, the founder of Sublime, as the reason behind the band's classic sound.

"Bradley wrote really relatable lyrics about being in his early twenties. Not everyone can relate to the SoCal setting, but most people can relate to that period of wildness and curiosity. It's timeless in my opinion," Hardesty said. "Also, hip-hop beats will forever make people's butt move. You can count on death, taxes and that."

Bumpin Uglies, which consists of Hardesty, Dave Wolf on bass, TJ Haslett on drums and Chad Wright on keyboard, is a popular Maryland-based band that uniquely blends ska, reggae

and punk to create its own electrifying sound. Bumpin Uglies will be playing alongside Badfish at the High Dive this Monday.

I was able to talk to Hardesty about the upcoming show and the band's music. Read on for more.

Q: How would you best describe your band's sound? Who are your influences and how do they make an impact on your music?

Hardesty: We're lyrically driven ska, punk and reggae, seasoned with elements of dub, folk and hip-hop. I can't speak for the other guys, but I've been super influenced by Sublime, Scientist, Joe Pug and Jason Isbell.

Q: Can you describe the meaning behind the name Bumpin Uglies and how it came about?

H: Me and a buddy came up with it when we were 21 because we thought it was funny. If I'd known I was gonna be doing this more than 10 years later, I would have put more thought into it.

Q: How would you best describe your song writing process? Is it collaborative? Is there a certain theme your songs usually have?

H: I write all the lyrics myself. I tend to write a lot about love and depression. The vibe changes based on my perspective at the time, but those are two of the things that tend to get my creative juices flowing.

Q: Are you excited to perform with Badfish? Are you a fan of their band? What song by Sublime are you most excited to see them cover?

H: I am! Sublime is the whole reason I got into this genre of music, and Badfish murders their catalog. I really like

"Seed" and "Garden Grove."

Q: How have you been preparing for the concert? Any songs you're most excited to play for your fans? Are you nervous?

H: I don't really get nervous anymore. I'm more comfortable performing than I am doing pretty much anything else. We've got a new album coming out on April 6 called "Beast From the East," so we'll be playing a lot of the new material from that.

Q: Your band is from Annapolis. Have you been to Gainesville before? Is there anything in Gainesville you want to see/do while you're here?

H: We have! We've played the High Dive a handful of times now. Can't wait to hang out with our friends in Morning Fatty. They are all very handsome and let us stay at their house when we're in town.

Q: What do you hope the future holds for your band? Any dream tours or collaborators you'd love to work with?

H: I'd love to do a summer amphitheater tour with Slightly Stoopid and Rebelution. It would be super dope to link up with The Movement or The Skints as well. I write a lot of folk music as well, and I'm in the process of recording some of those songs. I'd love to get Jason Isbell to produce a session for that.

The 18-and-over Badfish concert, which will also feature Bumpin Uglies and Skunkape, starts at 7 p.m. with tickets \$16 in advance and \$18 at the door. Tickets can be purchased at ticketfly.com, Hear Again Records, High Dive box office or High Tides.

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This will be one of multiple Florida shows for Badfish in March.

SuicideGirls Burlesque show to hit Gainesville Thursday

By Emma Witmer
Avenue Writer

The SuicideGirls Blackheart Burlesque touring group will bring their sexually charged, cult-classic show to the High Dive stage Thursday night.

Doors for the late-night show open at 9 p.m., with the show beginning at 10 p.m. Tickets for the performance are available at Ticketfly.com, but they are going fast. Advance purchase standing tickets are already sold out. Standard seating tickets are available for \$38, and seating in the first two rows will set you back \$65 a ticket.

Attendees may also purchase a VIP package for an additional \$60, allowing them to spend an hour with the SuicideGirls in advance of the show, take pictures and have an item signed.

The SuicideGirls Blackheart Burlesque show incorporates comedy, music and dancing with pop culture and a bit of nudity. Some themes within the show include "Star Wars," "Rick and Morty," "Game of Thrones," "Westworld" and more.

"(Burlesque) is a celebration of the art of tease.... You're not just naked, you're not just taking your clothes off. You're doing it through a parody of sorts. There's a character you're playing," performer Sunny Suicide said.

Burlesque dancing is nothing new; the idea of a comical strip-tease show has been a popular niche art form for decades. Sunny said during the economic crisis of the Great Depression, it was the light-hearted burlesque shows that



saved Broadway theatre from going under.

The SuicideGirls have taken that tradition and thrust it into the modern age for a new audience, while still nodding at the past in various ways.

"It's sexy. It's silly. It's beautiful. It's highly choreographed and highly entertaining. It's a form of entertainment you aren't likely to see

many places," said SuicideGirls founder Missy Suicide.

The burlesque touring group has performed around the world on and off since 2003 as a branch of the SuicideGirls website.

SuicideGirls describes itself as an online community devoted to the celebration of alternative beauty standards. The nearly 17-year-

old site's content features thousands of "models" and "hopefuls" sharing sexually charged photos with their members-only community.

"SuicideGirls features nude, pinup style photos of women with piercings and tattoos, crazy colored hair, girls of all body types really.... It was a way that we could come together and be appreciated and appreciate other women for their own unique style and beauty," Missy said.

Through traveling with the Blackheart Burlesque tour, Sunny said she is constantly reminded of the impact of the SuicideGirls online community by the fans that she meets.

"Not only do we get feedback online, but daily we meet women and men alike who are like, 'Thank you. Thank you for being a real woman. Thank you for celebrating real women.' I get emails from women personally saying, 'Oh my gosh! Thank you so much for being on a stage with cellulite and shaking it like that, because I didn't like my butt, and now I do, and I want to celebrate it,'" Sunny said.

Missy is dedicated to nurturing a community that is open, empowering and respectful for all members. With more than 3,000 official SuicideGirls coming from every continent, including Antarctica, Missy said any girl logging in is likely to find a woman who looks like her.

"That's an infectious, contagious sort of sentiment. Women, they feel empowered and they feel beautiful because they see women who look like them, feel beautiful and empowered and comfortable and confident," Missy said.

LOCAL

The best events to spend your weekend at in Gainesville

Between concerts, nature and TEDxUF, there's plenty to do

By Natalie Rao
 Avenue Editor

With Spring Break a thing of the past and finals on the horizon, just six weeks remain until another semester comes to a close. Luckily for students and locals alike, there's still plenty to do in Gainesville before we head home for the summer. In addition to the other events we've covered this week, here's where to spend your weekend.

Sprang Break @ The Atlantic – March 23

Spring Break may be over, but Sprang Break is just beginning at The Atlantic. Hosted by Tonight's The Night GNV, this tropical-themed event will bring Florida bands Pearl & The Oysters, Cabo Boing and Dirt-Bike to perform at 9 p.m. Channeling breezy yet experimental sounds that don't take themselves too seriously, each of these bands will bring their own flare to the show. Entry is \$5.

TEDxUF @ Hippodrome State Theatre – March 24

In a move downtown, TEDxUF will be held from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Hippodrome. The theme is expectations, and each speaker will explore how our expectations influence everything around us. For those that didn't get tickets, there will be a live stream at Bryan Hall, located at 1384 Union Road. After the event concludes, head over to High Dive for the official after party from 8 p.m. to midnight where local performers will bring their talents to the venue. Tickets are \$8 and available at High-DiveGville.com.

Spring Garden Festival @ Kanapaha Botanical Gardens – March 24 and 25

From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Kanapaha Botanical Gardens will host its Spring Garden Festival. The event features around 150 vendors "offering plants, landscape displays, garden accessories, arts and crafts, educational exhibits and, of course, foods," according to the Facebook event page. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children ages 3-13, with a \$2 discount for Kanapaha members.

Sofar Sounds Gainesville – March Show @ Secret Location – March 27

Although not this weekend, this event is absolutely worth attending. Sofar Sounds, a new concept for Gainesville, will host its second show March 27. With a secret lineup and location announced on the day of the show, those who want to attend can apply for a ticket lottery on sofar-sounds.com/gainesville. If selected, attendees can purchase one or two tickets and will be informed of where to go that day. Once there, concert-goers experience performances from three artists in a no-phone, no-talking environment. Last month's performers included talented locals flipturn, Sooz and Ricky Kendall. Make sure to sign up soon; the lottery closes five days before the event.

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BASEBALL

UF reschedules Jacksonville game for tonight following rain out

By **Justin Ahlum**
Sports Writer

Bright rays of sunshine, a nice breeze and a partly cloudy sky engulfed Gainesville on Tuesday evening, right around the time Florida's baseball team was supposed to have its first pitch. But a horrendous forecast earlier in the day forced UF to postpone its game against the Jacksonville Dolphins.

Now, the two teams will hit the diamond tonight at 6 on the grounds of McKethan Stadium. Freshman Hunter McMullen (0-0, 1.86 ERA) will get his first start of the season for UF while the Dolphins will throw out senior Spencer Stockton (1-2, 3.12 ERA).

Florida (18-4) and Jacksonville (13-8) split the season series in 2017, with each team winning at its own stadium.

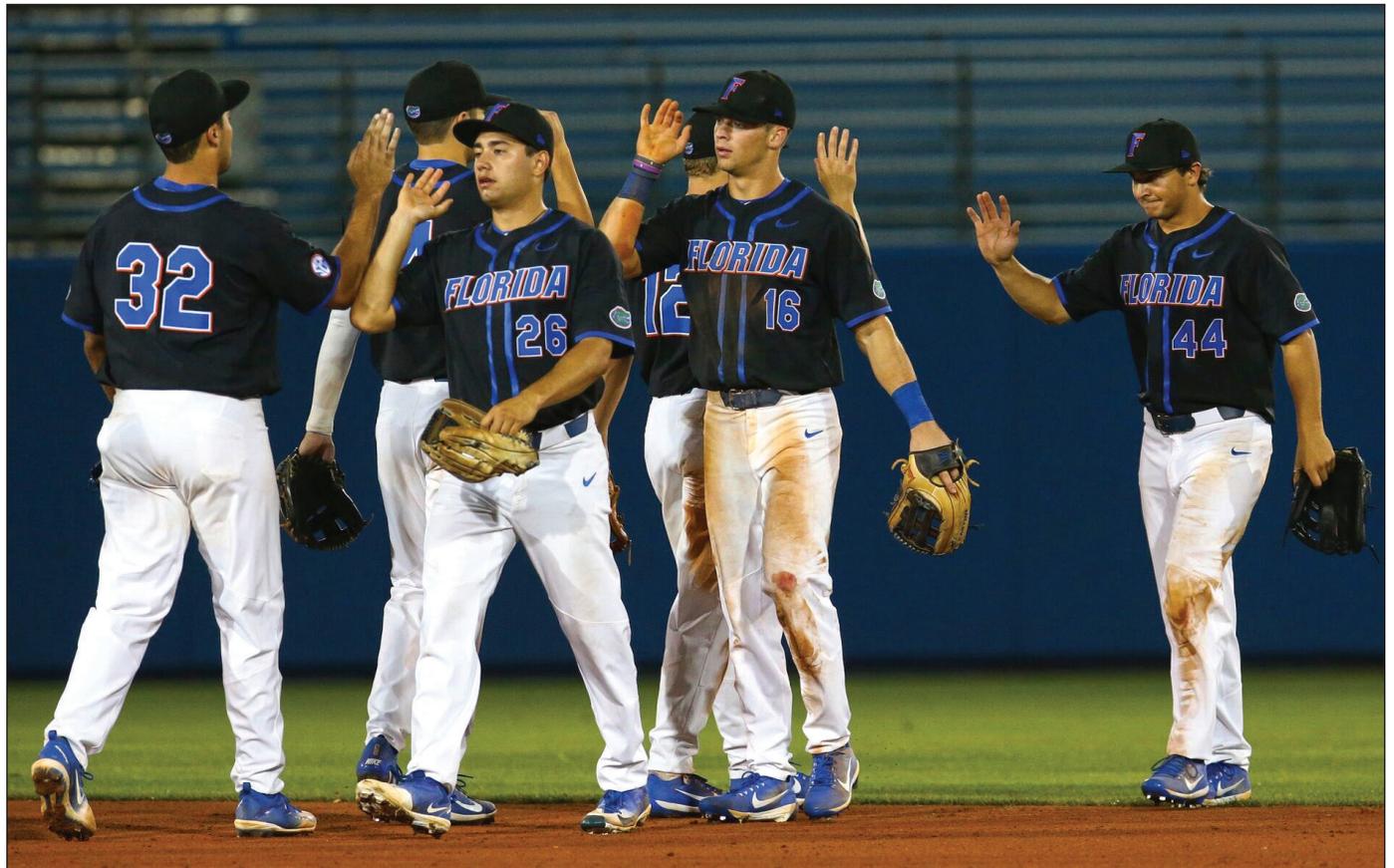
Last year in Jacksonville, UF watched its bullpen implode in the bottom of the ninth inning, giving up all three of the Dolphins' runs in the final frame for a walk-off loss.

This year, Florida's bullpen is trending up, but it is still struggling to find consistency from its relievers.

UF closer Michael Byrne has a perfect 0.00 ERA in 11 appearances this season, and McMullen — who is making his first career start tonight — has looked stout coming out of the pen this season with his aforementioned sub-2.00 ERA.

But other relievers are still trying to find their swagger.

Sophomores Nick Long and Andrew Baker have been up and down in their outings this season. They both have ERAs above 4.00, combining for seven
SEE **BASEBALL**, PAGE 16



Courtesy of UAA Communications

Florida's baseball team will host Jacksonville tonight at 6 after the game was postponed Tuesday due to rain. Freshman Hunter McMullen will start for the Gators, while senior Spencer Stockton gets the nod for the Dolphins.

SOFTBALL

Gators hoping to bounce back from Georgia series tonight against USF Bulls

By **Mari Faiello**
Sports Writer

After dropping two games against Georgia over the weekend, Florida's softball team (23-3) will take the field at Katie Seashole Pressly Stadium tonight at 6 against South Florida (22-12).

Coming off its lowest point so far this season — losing to Georgia by 10 runs on Saturday for the program's worst defeat since 2011 — UF is hoping to bounce back against the Bulls.

Florida previously beat USF 11-1 earlier this season at the USF-Wilson DeMarini Tourna-

ment in Tampa, but after a tough weekend against Georgia in Athens, the Gators will need to focus on these three things if they want to beat the Bulls again tonight:

Improved defensive play

A lack of communication in the outfield against Georgia showcased Florida's defensive efforts at their worst. Plays were mishandled and moments of chaos ensued on the diamond as Florida recorded its most errors over a three-game span since mid-February.

The team's downfalls showed

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Huang Story Short / Opinion

Memorable storylines from UF men's hoops season

As cliché as it sounds, it was an up-and-down season for the Florida men's basketball team. There were peaks and valleys. Highs and lows. There's plenty of ways to say it, but it really is that simple.

But today is not a day to dwell on things that went wrong. Today I'm focusing on the bright side. Good vibes, stuff like that. Anyway, let's look at the four most memorable storylines of the Gators' 2017-18 season.

New arrivals adjust quickly

When you think of new players having instant success on an SEC men's basketball team, Kentucky coach John Calipari's one-and-done system comes to mind.

For Florida, it was a little different. Redshirt junior guard Jalen Hudson led the team in scoring during his first season in Gainesville. The Virginia Tech transfer averaged 15.5 points per game and could declare for the 2018 NBA draft after having a breakout year, should he wish to do so.

Then there was Egor Koulechov, a graduate transfer from Rice who earned the nickname "3Gor" for his knockdown-tendencies from long range. He burst onto



Andrew Huang
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the scene in UF's season opener, scoring 34 points vs. Gardner-Webb. Overshadowed by his shooting abilities was his prowess on the boards. At 6-foot-5, Koulechov led the team with 6.4 rebounds per game this year.

Chiozza sets UF assist record

For a guy generously listed as 6-foot on Florida's roster, Chris Chiozza had a remarkably productive career in a sport filled with the tallest athletes around.

Chiozza will always be remembered for his buzzer-beater against Wisconsin in the 2017 Sweet 16, but more impressive in my eyes is Chiozza's sole ownership of UF's all-time career assist record. It came during an 80-67 win over Kentucky on Senior Day when forward Keith Stone nailed a three from the left wing in the first half. The crowd was already raucous — the triple put the Gators up 28-17 over the rival Wildcats — but the standing ovation that came immediately after was for Florida's newly crowned assist king. Chiozza finished his college career with 571 dimes, good for seventh all time in the SEC record book.

SEE **COLUMN**, PAGE 16



Former Heisman winner **Danny Wuerffel** and several other former Gators are set to compete in the American Flag Football League U.S. Open Championship starting this April.

Gators in the NBA Roundup

Three former UF men's basketball players saw time on the court in NBA games on Tuesday. Oklahoma City Thunder guard **Corey Brewer** scored 11 points, Boston Celtics forward **Al Horford** scored five points and Dallas Mavericks forward **Dorian Finney-Smith** scored five points.

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LACROSSE

Florida taking break from conference play to face Towson



Steph Strickland / Alligator Staff

UF goalkeeper Haley Hicklen is fifth in the country with 11.75 saves per game. Hicklen and the Gators are hosting Towson today at 6:30 p.m.

By Tyler Nettuno

Sports Writer

After opening Big East play with an 11-10 road victory over Vanderbilt on Sunday, the No. 6 Florida lacrosse team will take on Towson in a non-conference match today at 6:30 p.m. at Donald R. Dizney Stadium.

Florida's offense was lackadaisical in its victory over the Commodores, recording a season-low in goals, but UF's stifling defense held off a late push from Vanderbilt to come away with the win.

When the Gators (6-2) take on the No. 14 Tigers (5-2) tonight, they could be without some of their key contributors. Senior defender Aniya Flanagan has missed Florida's last two games, while junior attacker Lindsey Ronbeck suffered a knee injury against Navy on March 13, forcing her to miss UF's matchup with Vanderbilt.

Sophomore Madisyn Kittell and junior Caroline May started in place of Ronbeck and Flanagan, respectively, against the Commodores. Kittell has five goals on the year, while May — a former midfielder — recently switched to defense after missing most of last season with a torn meniscus.

But without Ronbeck, the Gators' second-leading scorer, it will likely be another defensive showdown.

UF goalkeeper Haley Hicklen ranks fifth in the nation with 11.75 saves per game, while Tigers goalkeeper Kiley Keating boasts a save percentage of .456.

Towson's defense is also tied for 12th in the NCAA in goals allowed, giving up only 9.29 goals per game.

"(Towson is) disruptive on the defensive end of the field," Gators coach Amanda O'Leary said in a release, "so we have to make sure to value ball control."

So far this season, Florida has struggled in the draw circle. The Gators were dominated on draws by Navy, losing the battle 26-11, forcing them to go on a late offensive surge to win the game.

O'Leary said after the victory that draw controls would be a big focus for the team moving forward, and it performed much better in the circle against Vanderbilt, winning 13 draw controls to the Commodores' 10.

Towson has not been strong on draws this year either. It is tied for 79th in the country through seven games, giving Florida a likely advantage heading into tonight's action.

On offense, the Tigers are led by senior midfielder Emily Gillingham, who has 21 goals this season. The Kitchener, Ontario, native played the best game of her career earlier this season on Feb. 18, notching seven goals in a victory over Georgetown.

Towson will be the sixth ranked opponent Florida has faced this season, as well as its final non-conference opponent before the team hits the meat of its Big East schedule.

"Focusing on all the little things will be crucial for us to beat a very talented Towson team," O'Leary said. "We're excited for the opportunity to play in a night game at home in front of our fans."

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WOMEN'S GOLF

UF's win streak comes to a close at Evans Derby Invitational

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After finishing first in its previous two events, the Florida women's golf team capped off a lackluster outing at the Evans Derby Invitational in Auburn, Alabama, on Tuesday afternoon.

The Gators ended the tournament tied for sixth place in the 12-team field, going 3 under in the event's final round to improve its final score to 2 over.

Sophomore transfer Sierra Brooks helped the cause by shooting 2 under in her final 18 holes, a performance led by three birdies and only one bogey.

She finished with an overall score of 6 under, good enough for a tie of fifth place on the individual leaderboard. This marks Brooks' third straight tournament with a top-five finish.

Five slots below Brooks was sophomore Marta Perez, who tied for 12th place. Perez improved her score in each of the three rounds, shooting

even par on Sunday, 1 under on Monday and 2 under on Tuesday.

Freshman Addie Baggarly finished below Perez. Baggarly carded an even par on Tuesday, putting her in a tie for 35th place with a final score of 4 over.

Senior Taylor Tomlinson followed Baggarly with a final score of 7 over after shooting 1 over on Tuesday. Tomlinson finished tied for 41st.

Florida's final golfer in its lineup, sophomore Carlotta Ricolfi, is probably happy to see the tournament come to a close. Ricolfi struggled throughout the event, shooting a woeful 21 over on Tuesday to bring her final score up to 50 over.

She finished in last place out of the 74 golfers who competed in the tournament, ending the final round 22 strokes behind 73rd-place finisher Sandra Salonen of Florida State.

Also competing for the Gators individually was freshman Lauren Waidner, who shot 4 over on Tuesday. This was a vast improvement for

Waidner, who went a combined 20 over on Sunday and Monday. She finished with a final score of 24 over for 72nd place in the field.

Florida's final team score of 2 over was 30 strokes behind first-place Arkansas, which shot 28 under. Duke came in second at 19 under, while Alabama ended the day in third at 14 under.

"Happy to see us improve today, but (we) certainly have some work to do over the next few months," UF coach Emily Glaser said in a release. "Arkansas set a high bar this week."

Florida entered the Evans Derby Invitational having won its previous two events — the Sun-Trust Gator Invitational on March 11 and the All-State Sugar Bowl on Feb. 20. UF's next tournament is the Liz Murphy Collegiate Classic, which starts on April 13 in Athens, Georgia.

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Gators Final Scores

- T-5th Sierra Brooks (-6)
- T-12th Marta Perez (-3)
- T-35th Addison Baggarly (+4)
- T-41st Taylor Tomlinson (+7)
- 72nd Lauren Waidner (+24)
- 74th Carlotta Ricolfi (+50)

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

SEC champion Gators look to carry momentum into NCAAs

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The Florida men's swimming and diving team's senior class, with 51 All-American honors among it, has one more chance at NCAA glory.

The No. 4 Gators are in Minneapolis this week for the NCAA Championships, which begins today at 11 a.m. and concludes Satur-

day night.

UF, fresh off its sixth straight SEC title, has finished third in the NCAAs in three of the last four years. Coach Gregg Troy has also led the program to a top-10 finish in the meet every year since he was hired in 1999.

However, the Gators have never won a national championship over that span.

Senior Caeleb Dressel has a chance to become the most decorated men's swimmer in

Florida history. Dressel has amassed six individual NCAA titles during his career, second only to Ryan Lochte's program record of seven. The 21-time All-American will look to defend his titles in the 50 free, 100 free and 100 fly in Minnesota.

Dressel can also make NCAA history this week. If he wins the 50 free, he will become the first male to win a national title in the event four times.

Fellow senior Mark Szaranek is the only other defending NCAA champion competing in the meet for Florida. The 14-time All-American will look to defend his title in the 200 IM.

In all, 17 Gators will compete this week, including six seniors.

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Frontcourt development

The Gators men's basketball team would never use this as an excuse, but half of its frontcourt rotation basically missed the entire season. Center John Egbunu and forward Isaiah Stokes sat out every game with ACL injuries, while forward Chase Johnson only suited up four times due to lingering concussion symptoms.

Enter center Kevarrus Hayes and Stone, who were thrown into the fire but gained valuable experience.

Hayes stands two inches shorter and 40 pounds lighter than would-be starter Egbunu. Still, Hayes set career highs in rebounds per game (5.0) and minutes per game (23.2) while recording a career-high 2.1 blocks

per game, good for the fifth-best mark in the SEC.

Stone also had a career season as he took on a bigger role. The sophomore tripled the number of double-figure scoring games he had from one year ago, including a career-best 23 points against Ole Miss on Jan. 13. He finished the season strong, averaging 12.7 points and 7.7 rebounds in the postseason.

Sweeping Kentucky

The last time Florida swept Kentucky in the teams' regular-season series was 2014. During that year, the Gators romped through the SEC and marched to the Final Four with little difficulty. While they lost to eventual champion Connecticut in the Final Four, they did handle the Wildcats two times that season.

Fast forward to 2018 and

Florida did it again. No, not the Final Four — UF's most recent postseason seems like it never quite got started.

But the team did beat Kentucky. Twice.

The first time wasn't easy. A two-point halftime lead proved to be the difference in Florida's 66-64 win at Rupp Arena.

The second win was equally exciting for different reasons. As mentioned above, Chiozza set UF's assist record on Senior Day, which happened to be against the Wildcats. Aside from the milestone for its starting point guard, Florida also built up a 15-point advantage at the break, setting up an eventual 80-67 victory.

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Chris Chiozza (11) setting the record for most career assists in Florida history was one of the top moments for UF's men's basketball team this season.

UF faces JU twice this year

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earned runs in 13.2 innings pitched.

The same talk of triumph and head-hanging also goes for a duo of Florida freshmen. Jack Leftwich and Jordan Butler have all had their share of solid outings, but have hit a few bumps as well.

Leftwich has been the definition of hot and cold, tossing three hitless innings and striking out six against the Miami Hurricanes on Feb. 24. But just two appearances later, Leftwich was rocked for five hits, four walks and six runs against UCF during a mid-week start.

The same goes for Butler. The freshman threw a combined eight scoreless innings in wins against North Florida on Feb. 27 and Stony

Brook on March 3.

However, in his next two appearances, Butler was tagged for six earned runs in 7.2 total innings pitched against UCF on March 7 and Florida State on March 13.

As of now, Florida has been carried by its offense in the early stretch of SEC play. Going into tonight's game, it could be more of the same as the bullpen tries to find its groove.

Florida will host both games against the Dolphins this season, with the second matchup scheduled for April 17 at 6 p.m. The Dolphins (13-8) come into Gainesville on a three-game winning streak after sweeping Fairfield last weekend.

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Barnhill, Ocasio have 21 wins combined

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as their national ranking dropped from No. 2 to No. 6 going into tonight's matchup against South Florida. While the ugly performances against Georgia this weekend don't define their season thus far, the Gators will need to be better defensively against the Bulls.

More opportunities for Chronister

Few teams in the country have as talented a pitching rotation as Florida.

Its top three pitchers — junior Kelly Barnhill, senior Aleshia Ocasio and sophomore Katie Chronister — have all

proven to be an asset to the team so far this season.

However, Barnhill and Ocasio have carried most of the workload, totaling a combined 21-3 record over the course of 26 games. They've also tossed 137 of the Gators' 160.2 innings pitched this season.

While Barnhill and Ocasio have two of the best ERAs in the country at 0.56 and 1.01, respectively, they struggled in this weekend's losses against Georgia, allowing a combined six earned runs in 8.1 innings pitched.

Chronister has been solid this season, notching a 1.47 ERA, but has only been in the circle for 14.1 total innings.

Chronister could contribute more if given the opportunity by Florida coach Tim Walton.

Consistency at the plate

Despite Florida's offense getting off to a strong start this season, it struggled against Georgia, averaging 3.3 runs.

Junior outfielder Amanda Lorenz tops the roster with a batting average of .438, followed by senior third baseman Nicole DeWitt, who is hitting .343. The California natives are tied at five home runs apiece so far this season and could have a big impact tonight against USF.

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