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UF students design, build new playground at Satchel's Pizza

By Alana Wilson

Alligator Contributing Writer

Nearly two years ago, a fire burnt down Lightnin' Salvage Enterprises at Satchel's Pizza in an hour, taking the playground outside down in its flames.

A grand reopening was held Friday to celebrate the rebuilding of Lightnin' Salvage and a new playground built by UF students.

Inside, the now-concrete Lightnin' Salvage has a larger stage, air conditioning, a light system and an upstairs break room for employees. Outside, there is a playground designed and built by seven students from the School of Architecture at UF.

The students mostly used repurposed items and different types of wood to fit the restaurant's theme.

"We used slide lenses from projectors, spray painted PVC pipe and reused pieces of the playground that survived the fire," said Elizabeth Cronin, co-instructor for the Summer Design/Build Studio at UF.

A red, metal train and an orange dome were sandblasted and repainted to make a reappearance. More elements for the playground are in the works.

Owner Satchel Raye said, "They are still working on a tunnel and an interactive space where you can play some instru-

ments and things."

The students don't have a deadline for the final touches, but Raye said he will complete anything they don't.

Francisca Ordonez's daughter jumped from tree trunk to tree trunk in the playground during the reopening.

"She's been coming here since she was 3, and now she's 8," said Ordonez, a lab manager at UF. "We've been here through the whole transition."

The architecture students have worked the project since May 28 and finished it 30 minutes before the grand reopening. Cronin said much of the project was redesigned on site when they realized some things didn't work as planned.

Some students were given college credit for the project while others were volunteers. Raye treated them to pizza for their efforts.

Raye paid for the building materials. He said the students got a lot of experience out of the project.

"It is really good for the students not to just design things on paper but to get out and see how to put it together," he said. "I mean, I don't even think they knew how to use a post hole digger, and they did a lot of digging posts."



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Children play on new tree stumps next to a repurposed orange dome that survived a fire at Satchel's Pizza almost two years ago.

ACSO: Murder suspect arrested

By Jessica Curbelo

Alligator Staff Writer

An overnight search led to the arrest of a man who is allegedly involved in a child homicide investigation Monday morning.



Mathis

Carlton James Mathis, originally from Hall County, Georgia, is the suspect believed to be involved in the murder of a 6-month-old child, according to a report sent by Hall County Sheriff's Office.

Alachua County Sheriff's Office learned that Mathis, who also had a felony warrant from Georgia on unrelated burglary charges, was in Alachua County after receiving the report around 8:30 p.m. Sunday.

Deputies couldn't find Mathis at the location provided but learned he may be in the Bronson area of Levy County. After Levy County Sheriff's Department was told of Mathis' potential location, an ACSO SWAT team went to Bronson at LCSD's request.

Mathis was reportedly seen leaving a residence at Bronson Villas & Villages and getting into a red SUV at about 4:30 a.m. Monday. When SWAT personnel stopped the car, Mathis allegedly threatened the driver of the SUV with

a handgun.

An ACSO SWAT operator shot Mathis in response. Additional SWAT personnel immediately treated his wounds before taking Mathis to a hospital in the area, according to a press release. The other person in the car and another SWAT operator received minor injuries from glass and/or shrapnel.

The investigation and search for Mathis originally involved deputies and detectives from ACSO, LCSD and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Dothan Police Department from Alabama was also working on the investigation simultaneously, according to tweets from ACSO. DPD recovered the remains of the infant, which started the search for Mathis.

Mathis will be transported to Levy County Jail after being released from the hospital, according to the ACSO press release. He is charged with aggravated assault and is being held for a felony warrant for unrelated burglary charges from Georgia as well as for the outcome of the homicide investigation.

The investigation into both the child's case and the shooting is ongoing. Per ACSO policy, FDLE is looking into the shooting incident and the SWAT operator involved is on administrative leave.

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Graduate student displays sculptures for senior thesis

By Carly Rogers

Alligator Contributing Writer

Graduate students may write a 40-page paper for a thesis, but UF alumna Ariel Bowman sculpted and painted prehistoric animals for a museum exhibit.

The Florida Museum of Natural History exhibit features the creatures among 18th-century Rococo-style furniture including a bathtub and a piano. Bowman created the exhibit to complete her master's in ceramics from the UF College of the Arts.

The 18th century was just before humanity had discovered fossils that "changed our view of time and where we fit into nature as a species" during that era, Bowman said.

"I enjoy the impossibility and absurdity of extinct animals interacting with human history," she said. "The comparison points out the brevity of time that humans have occupied compared to

how long animals have been evolving."

Each sculpture was created using separated clay pieces that were reassembled using a mixture of clay and water. The seam lines were hidden and retextured before being bisque fired. After being fired, the pieces were glazed and adorned with materials to look like bubbles and feathers, according to Bowman.

All five sculptures, including their decorative pedestals, were made by Bowman and can be separated and reconstructed.

Artist renderings of prehistoric animals make it easier for visitors to visualize and connect with the prehistoric world instead of simply relying on fossils, said Tina Choe, exhibit developer at the Florida Museum.

Bowman developed the concept during her three years of graduate study in ceramics and started the project in Au-

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UF baseball plays into the night for regional

The Gators faced off against Florida Atlantic twice on Monday after several rain delays over the weekend. **pg. 14**



Tastebuds titillated at Taste of Greater Gainesville

Four charities benefited from a night of culinary art. **pg. 3**

UF Health set to open epilepsy center

The new center wants to help patients with memory loss, stress management. **pg. 4**

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WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Call for community art

The Alachua County Arts Council invites artists or artist teams to submit their proposals for public art installations planned for the Alachua County Office of the Public Defender's new building, located at 151 SW Second Ave. This permanent installation will include two potential sites located at the exterior space near the entrance to the facility or located in the public lobby. After review of all submissions, the committee will refer three to five artists or artist teams to the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners for final selection. Artists or artist teams can apply for one or both installations. The deadline for the Call to Artists submissions is June 13 at 2 p.m. The packet can be picked up at the Alachua County Division of Purchasing office, located at 12 SE First St., on the third floor.

Business workshop

A workshop focusing on the factors that help browsers become buyers, and buyers recommend you to others will take place June 16 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Hawthorne Branch of the Alachua County Public Library. The presenter is retired IT professional Chuck Stewart.

Make Music Day

The City of Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department has joined forces with Hoggtowne Music to host the Make Music Day Gainesville celebration on Depot Park, located at 200 SE Depot Ave., June 21 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Gainesville will join more than 800 cities in 120 countries for this event. Make Music Day is a worldwide celebration. Make Music Day Gainesville will host a large variety of instrumental jam sessions and bands throughout Depot Park. In addition to multiple stage areas, there will be drum circles, ukulele circles and microphones. For more information on the event, contact Joe Dorsey of Hoggtowne Music at hoggtownemusic@gmail.com.

UF physicians to train providers

UF Health Jacksonville physicians have received a grant to train community providers in South Florida on the best ways to recognize and treat signs of depression and suicide risk in children and teenagers. The grant was awarded by the na-

tional American Academy of Pediatrics following the shooting at Parkland High School in February. The grant was awarded to the Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics under the leadership of Madeline Joseph, M.D., a professor in the UF College of Medicine — Jacksonville's department of emergency medicine; Elise Fallucco, M.D., an associate professor in the college's department of psychiatry and Alicia Adams, executive director of the Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics Inc.

Landscaping projects to begin this week

A pair of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) projects are set to begin this week in Alachua County, weather permitting. A landscape project on Southwest Archer Road will take place between Southwest 78th Street and Southwest 16th Street. Work will primarily be contained to the medians of Southwest Archer Road as crews remove and replace existing landscaping. No lane closures are allowed from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Saturday. The project is expected to be completed this winter. The \$5.1 million resurfacing project will take place between the Columbia County line and Northwest 167th Boulevard in Alachua. A milling and paving project on U.S. Route 441 through High Springs is expected to be completed spring 2019. Most of the road work on U.S. Route 441 will be completed during the day, and motorists should expect delays while construction activities are taking place. However, lane closure restrictions are in place during peak travel times to reduce congestion.

Mosquito spraying underway in Alachua County

The City of Gainesville Mosquito Control Department has begun spraying within the city limits. Mosquito populations are being monitored daily, and some areas have populations that have increased significantly with the constant rain. Staff will be conducting treatment in the areas where a large population of adult mosquitoes is seen through surveillance methods and/or service requests. Areas within mosquito control zones 1, 13 and 15 have seen high populations of mosquitoes and were sprayed at the end of last week. Other areas will be sprayed as warranted.



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NEWS AROUND THE WORLD

Rights group says US-led coalition destroyed Syrian city

BEIRUT — An international human rights group Tuesday accused the U.S. and its allies of showing little regard for civilians' lives while attacking the Syrian city that was once the de-facto capital of the Islamic State extremist group, an allegation denied by the American military. Amnesty International said the U.S.-led coalition's 2017 assault on Raqqa killed hundreds of civilians and reduced sections of the city to rubble. Researchers for Amnesty interviewed more than 100 residents and visited 42 coalition targets in the city in a two-week period in February. They published their findings in a report titled "War of Annihilation," in a reference to the language used by U.S. Defense Secretary Jim Mattis in the lead-up to the campaign. "When so many civilians are killed in attack after attack, something is clearly wrong," said Donatella Rovera, one of the researchers who visited the city. U.S. Army Col. Sean Ryan, spokesman for the coalition, called the assertions "grossly inaccurate." He said the coalition and allied Syrian forces organized safe passages for residents to flee, but IS militants trapped them inside to use as human shields. "When you have an enemy that uses noncombatants as collateral damage, it's very difficult when you fight an enemy like that to completely avoid any casualties," Ryan said.

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Taste of Greater Gainesville dazzles with exotic food, drink

This was the ninth annual culinary-based fundraiser for charity

Photos by Davio Rodriguez
Alligator Staff



Chef Nester Espartero of Volcanic Sushi + Sake celebrates his team's Iron Chef victory at Taste of Greater Gainesville 2018.



Abby Gilkey, a member of the Stewart's Catering team, hands a prepared plate to chef Jenny Dorsey for judging.

By Sloan Savage
Alligator Staff Writer

Taste of Greater Gainesville held its ninth annual fundraising event in the Exactech Arena at the O'Connell Center on Sunday evening. Each year the event raises money for four nonprofit organizations helping children in the Gainesville area.

This year the benefiting charities were the Child Advocacy Center, PACE Center for Girls - Alachua, Ronald McDonald House Charities of North Central Florida and Tyler's Hope for a Dystonia

Cure.

Sherry Houston, executive director of Ronald McDonald House Charities of North Central Florida, said it is an honor to work with the three other charities for the event.

"Rarely do you see four charities come together, and the collaboration is much more powerful," Houston said. "Who doesn't love to eat and drink and try different restaurants? The fellowship of people in Gainesville is powerful."

The event featured tastings from 40 food vendors, an Iron Chef competition and a silent auc-

tion to benefit the four charities.

This is the first time the event was held in the O'Connell Center.

Catherine Perkinson, event coordinator for Taste of Greater Gainesville, said moving the event from its previous location at the Hilton UF Conference Center Hotel to the O'Connell Center was an improvement.

The size of the O'Connell Center allowed for more people, more vendors and the space to do live video production of the Iron Chef competition, Perkinson said.

The Iron Chef competition is a highlight of the event for most

guests, Perkinson said.

In the competition, three local chefs create an appetizer, entree and dessert plate using a secret ingredient. The winner earns the title of Gainesville Iron Chef. This year's secret ingredient was citrus.

Scott Costello, owner of Advantage Publishing Inc. and founder of Taste of Greater Gainesville, created the charity after attending many other charity events through his company.

"We attended over 200 events a year, and I started making lists of things I would do if I did an event," Costello said. "Instead of

trying to change existing organizations, I decided to create my own based on charities I cared about and the things I would enjoy doing at events the most."

Rick Staab, founder of Tyler's Hope for a Dystonia Cure, said the awareness the event creates and the money it raises helps his organization to treat kids locally.

"It's been really impactful on us," Staab said. "It's the largest thing that we benefit from outside of our own events."

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UF Health Jacksonville launches epilepsy center this month

By Anais Roache
Alligator Contributing Writer

UF Health Jacksonville is launching an epilepsy wellness center to help patients with issues such as memory loss, stress management and general clinical care.

Dr. Ramon Bautista, associate chair of neurology at UF Health Jacksonville, said the department started the initiative about a decade ago and has focused on researching specific issues faced by a “neglected population” over

the years.

“Starting something like this is going to help them improve their quality of life and be able to go about their daily lives knowing that someone is looking out for them,” Bautista said.

Julianne May, a 26-year-old Gainesville resident who was diagnosed with epilepsy at 16, thinks the center will be a great step in educating and providing support for people with epilepsy.

“Being that people with epilepsy are more susceptible to anxiety and depression, it be-

comes a toxic situation,” May said. “But if you’re going to a wellness center that focuses on your mental health and needs, then you can avoid that toxic situation.”

The center has a starting fund of about \$150,000 and is funded by several foundations such as Florida Blue Foundation, Jessie Ball duPont Fund, Riverside Hospital Foundation and the dean’s office at the UF College of Medicine - Jacksonville.

Bautista said he hopes the department will help with other challenges epilepsy patients

face in the future such as sleep issues and employment. He also wants to provide more resources for caretakers.

Patients will be enrolled in courses at the beginning of June.

“The plan is to grow this and not just be content with offering services for a couple of years or so,” said Bautista. “But to try to be better and streamline the services and make it more tuned to the needs of our patients.”

Bowman was invited to art galleries across the nation

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gust 2017, after researching and planning throughout the summer.

The humpback whale and Columbian mammoth for the museum’s permanent exhibits were also modeled by Bowman.

She has been invited to gallery exhibitions in Washington, Montana and Minnesota and plans to continue creating paleoart in her Dallas studio.

Paleoart is art that illustrates prehistoric life according to the scientific evidence known at the time of the work’s creation.

Bowman will propose the exhibit to art galleries and

other natural history museums when the exhibit ends in mid-September.

“The work is unique in that it can relate to viewers in both of these spaces,” Bowman said. “I use science to create my sculptures, so they are able bridge the gap between art and science, existing in both worlds.”

For pictures and information about the exhibit, visit floridamuseum.ufl.edu/exhibits/wondrous/. For more information about Bowman and her work, visit her website at arielbowman.com.



Carly Rodgers / Alligator Contributor

Haute Couture (High Fashion) includes a folding screen as a reference to changing and transformation through natural selection, according to an exhibit panel. The creature modeling the clothing is sivatherium, a prehistoric giraffe that existed in Africa and India five million years ago.

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CRIME ROUNDUP

Woman arrested on charge of aggravated battery

High Springs Police arrested a woman Friday afternoon for allegedly trying to stab a man for mowing her neighbor's lawn.

Witnesses reportedly saw Willie Rose, a 63-year-old resident of High Springs, charge at the victim with a large kitchen knife while the victim was on a lawn mower. According to the HSPD report, the victim was mowing the grass at a witness's house on Northwest 179th Place.

Rose was allegedly close enough to try and stab him, but she failed because the victim jumped off the mower to avoid being stabbed, witnesses said.

According to the report, the victim stated that if he hadn't jumped away, Rose "would have got (him), would have stabbed (him)."

HSPD received the armed disturbance call at 4:43 p.m. When officers arrived, they found Rose sitting on a lawn chair. The knife was also on the chair and was about 12 inches long.

While investigating, Rose told officers she didn't want the victim mowing the yard and came at him with a knife. She is reportedly known to have mental health complications.

According to the report, she was charged with attempted aggravated battery. Rose is being held at Alachua County Jail with her bond set at \$5,000.

- Jessica Curbelo

GPD: Man inhaled chemicals during police questioning

Gainesville Police arrested a man for inhaling a compressed gas duster and crashing into two vehicles while trying to get away from police.



Yates

David Yates, 33, was charged with inhaling harmful chemicals and attempting to elude a police officer.

A GPD officer responded to a call about a man passed out behind the wheel of his car Sunday around 8:25 a.m., according to the report.

When the officer arrived at 1627 NW 10th Terrace, she saw Yates slumped over in the driver seat with a 10-ounce can of Waxford compressed gas duster, according to the report. The car was on and still in drive.

While trying to wake Yates, the officer saw him lift his head slightly and deeply inhale from the can, according to the report. Yates then slumped forward, his head landing on the car horn making it go off until he shifted his head.

The officer went around to the other side of the car and saw the rear passenger window was cracked, according to the report. She yelled through the window for Yates to put the car in park and unlock it. Yates roused a little, so the officer kept shouting and banging on the window.

The officer went to the front passenger window and commanded him to unlock the car, according to the report. Yates allegedly looked straight at the officer, deeply inhaled from the can, put his hand on the steering wheel and sped away. As soon as he put his hand on the wheel the officer broke the window and yelled at him to stop.

Yates crossed the street and crashed into a vehicle, then drove through a yard and continued down the street before he crashed into another vehicle, according to the report. Yates' car was disabled because of the second crash and the officer was able to take him into custody.

After being read his Miranda Rights, Yates said he did see the officer and knew that she was law enforcement. He said he sped off because he "panicked."

Yates remained in the Alachua County Jail on Sunday and Monday in lieu of a \$45,000 bond.

- Devoun Cetoute

Men accused of attempting to steal \$5,000 worth of copper

Gainesville Police arrested two men accused of stealing from Morgan Brothers Supply and fleeing from police.



Jean Pierre

Elvane Jean Pierre, 23, and Jarmal Miller, 29, were charged with burglary to an unoccupied structure, grand theft and possession of burglary tools. Jean Pierre was also charged with resisting an officer without violence, and Miller was also charged with grand theft auto and aggravated fleeing from an officer.

On Saturday around 7:29 p.m., Jean Pierre and Miller allegedly entered Morgan Brothers Supply at 3310 N. Main St. by cutting a hole in a garage door, according to the report. They went inside the closed business and took about \$5,000 in copper.

The suspects left the store in a white 2018 truck. The truck was reported as stolen, according to the report.

A GPD officer saw Miller driving the suspected vehicle out of Morgan Brothers Supply, according to the report.



Miller

Another officer attempted to stop the vehicle by turning on his lights and sirens at 3300 N. Main St., but Miller ignored them and continued down North Main Street, according to the report.

Miller continued to drive east on Northeast 28th Avenue and crashed into the yard of a home at 1018 NE 28th Ave., according to the report. It is estimated that he caused about \$200 in property damage.

Jean Pierre ran from the crash and was caught, according to the report. Law enforcement officers made contact with him on 200 NE 31st Ave. Miller was arrested around 1000 NE 28th Ave.

Jean Pierre told law enforcement officers that he did not know Miller, but he was going to get paid \$500 to load copper into the truck, according to the report.

He said his birthday was in two days and he needed the money. He considered just walking off and not getting in the truck to leave the shop but chose to stay.

Law enforcement officers found bolt cutters, pliers, power tools and a sledgehammer.

Jean Pierre and Miller remained in the Alachua County Jail on Saturday and Sunday. Jean Pierre's bail was set to \$35,000 and Miller's was set to \$50,000.

- Devoun Cetoute

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Editorial

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To paraphrase the great American poet Dorothy Parker, “I hate reporting. I love having reported.”

It’s a sentiment all journalists feel at some point in their careers. Doing legwork is hard. Getting people to comment on the record in the age of “fake news” is hard. Getting quality photos to go with your work is hard.

Reporting is hard. But it is essential to a functioning society. Whether it’s national, local or hyperlocal, the impact of the press is a great responsibility not to be wasted on trivial matters.

The Alligator published an article Thursday entitled “UF horticulture chair resigns.” Since then we’ve received plenty of feedback from all sides of the story, which included allegations of domestic abuse. Former UF students, activists and other journalists got into a heated debate in the comment section of the online story. We disabled the comment section Monday morning.

Through it all, we’ve continued to work on the story. It was updated once the morning after it ran, and it is being updated again today. Future updates are in the works.

So why do we do this? Why is The Alligator stirring the pot by reporting on such a story?

Because the truth matters. Nitpicking every single detail and angle matters to us not just as journalists, but as people. If people cannot agree on a well-defined set of facts, then how do we even begin to understand the world?

A shared set of facts helps us all identify issues infinitely better. Stories with facts have the power to sway public dialogue and enact change for the better.

There’s more to any story than just the initial 600-word article that pops up whenever you read it for the first time. Hours of transcribing interviews, missed connections and other extenuating circumstances often lead to an unfinished product being put out before a worldwide audience. It’s not an ideal system, but it’s one that the news media operates under.

Through our work, we’ve uncovered details entirely unrelated to the original point of the story. We choose now to hold off on printing anything else regarding this subject outside of the aforementioned update until two conditions are met.

The first condition is that our information has to be based on the best sources that we have at that time. The point of reporting a story is not to be first, but rather to be right. Claims on all sides of the story remain unverified, but we’re still working to either confirm or deny them based on hard documentation.

The second condition is that it has to be relevant. There are plenty of avenues The Alligator has been afforded to wander. What it ultimately comes down to is what we want to convey. Pursuing every possible lead is neither feasible nor wise and can tear a story apart before it’s complete.

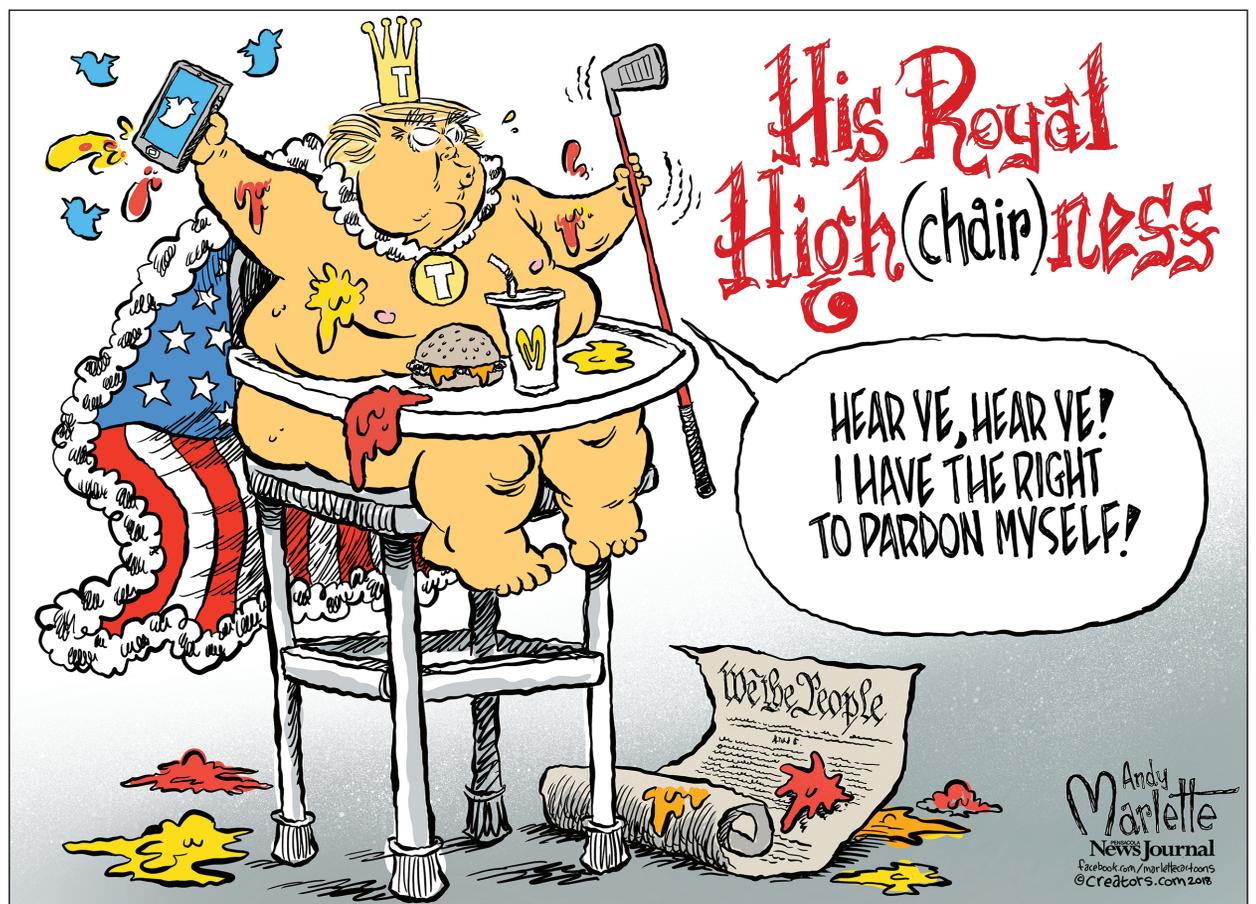
There are plenty of folks who would say The Alligator has an agenda in this or any other story we publish. We know an editorial won’t change minds on this issue, and we won’t change our reporting based on these opinions.

What we will do is report on stories that matter to the students and residents of Gainesville. It’s thankless work. Good journalism rarely leaves all parties involved happy. The Alligator somehow managed to tick off all parties. And we’re not sorry.

Reporting is hard. But we love having reported.

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College is about learning to take care of yourself

College is hard. For some of us, it’s the first time we’re away from home and juggling school and duties like cooking, cleaning, going to the doctor and more. There’s no parent or guardian telling you that you’re going out too much, not sleeping enough or taking you to the doctor.

Books often come before yourself.

There’s those times of year when lecture halls are filled with a chorus of coughs and a symphony of sneezes. Are school days more important than sick days?

That’s what these lecture halls seem to show. This high-pressure society seems to tell us success is more important than health.

You can hear it in the way college students talk.

Who is running on the most caffeine? Who missed fewer classes? Who pulled the most all-nighters? Who spent the longest in the library?

These are questions you can hear in the mumbles of students waiting for class to start or chatting in the library.

And it shows in the way colleges rank things, although UF also makes strides to take care of students with de-stress events and a plethora of physical and mental health resources. But still, at any college, the focus is academia and not always the person behind an achievement. Colleges reward those with the most accolades or the highest GPAs, not the student who finds the balance between academics and practicing good care techniques.

Take me, for instance. Despite having a chronic medical condition, I put school over myself a lot.

Back in high school, I would go to school sick and exhausted until it all caught up to me, and I was hospitalized four times in one year for weeks at a time.

The same is true in college where I fear missing an important lecture or not having time to do an assignment because I’m sick. Then my health faltered again. I missed



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a month of classes and now have a new diagnosis.

Syllabi don’t make it any easier to give yourself a break. Some professors include attendance in your grades. In one of my classes, you could lose 20 points per absence. For me, it was almost like a scare tactic. Miss a class and lose part of your grade, or miss an important doctor’s appointment and lose part of your health. I felt constantly at odds between classes and appointments.

This is on top of the general work stress college students already face. There are assignments to keep up with, resumes to build and futures to plan.

Between demanding classes and college activities, taking time for yourself is important.

Let’s change the way we talk about work. Encourage friends to take a study break or schedule time to take yourself on an adventure beyond a walk to Marston Science Library or Library West.

When you’re sick, go to the doctor. Make time for sleep and relaxation. College is all about learning how to take care of yourself. Don’t sacrifice yourself, your mental and physical health or time to have fun for one class.

Going to class is important. But it shouldn’t be at the cost of your health. Sometimes, it’s something you can never get back.

Visit the UF Student Health Care Center, the Counseling & Wellness Center or UF’s gyms. Take a walk in the beautiful nature of campus. Feed yourself at a dining hall, POD market or chain across campus.

College is costly. But, imagine the cost of the damage to your health.

Sophie Feinberg is a UF journalism junior. Her column comes out Tuesday and Thursday.

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Column

Modest fashion is the next big thing

This May, H&M has released their first “modest” clothing collection, LTD. It comes just in time for the Muslim month of Ramadan, a holy time for Muslims around the world. H&M has not explicitly stated that cultural diversity is the target of the campaign, but they have said “we want to be diverse and inclusive to all the markets.”



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H&M didn't start this trend. The Modist is another store specifically focused on this style of dress. Brands that are traditionally considered non-modest have recently curated modest collections. These include Dolce & Gabbana, Tommy Hilfiger, Mango and Macy's. In 2017, London even got their first modest fashion week — sponsored by Modanisa, one of the largest brands in the modest industry. Modest fashion is a quickly growing market around the world and includes women of all ethnicities and religions. Forbes estimated that in 2015, modest fashion purchases were worth \$44 billion, approximately 18 percent of the clothing industry.

Modest-blogging influencers are popping up in great numbers all over YouTube and Instagram. Some are unimpressed with H&M's new attempt at inclusivity. Dina Torkia, a self-proclaimed modest fashion blogger, says “it looks just like regular H&M” and “whenever brands do this, it's so heavily inspired by Muslim cultures around the world...we can already get that stuff.”

As brands enter this new territory, there are many questions that need to be answered. Because modesty is

so subjective, brands are struggling with understanding what “modest” really means. Are modest customers looking for ethnic styles or modern ones? It's unclear whether modest dressers appreciate brands catering to their needs or if they prefer not to feel further excluded to a small portion of the store.

“We like what's on the high street, it just needs a few adjustments, like a slightly longer sleeve, or not see-through top” says Torkia.

A quick look at the LTD line suggests a failure on H&M's part. Many of the pieces have low necklines, are made of revealing material or are not ankle-length. Companies attempting to cater to the modest demographic must consider whether they are truly looking to serve the customer or just looking for good publicity. H&M recently had an incident with a black child model wearing an offensive slogan tee that led to public outrage. Positive and intentional representation of diversity is something they need.

Regardless of whether H&M's line was a success, there is something to be said for the attempt. Fashion is something that so many women enjoy, and they all deserve to be represented in the industry, especially if they are one of the biggest customers. Modest dressers, especially Muslim women, have demanded the attention of the biggest brands, and that is a win.

Layla Soboh is a UF advertising junior. Her column comes out Tuesday.

Column

The First Amendment protects against tyranny better than the Second

You might know this person: he or she has a few guns, strongly supports Second Amendment rights and distrusts the government. Part of the reason they have so many guns is that the government cannot be trusted — you'll need their armed support to combat an authoritarian and tyrannical Washington one day. Two bumper stickers are neighbors on the rear of their forward-thinking, fuel-efficient Prius. One reads, “Support the Troops,” the other, “The right to bear arms is our only protection from government tyranny.” In this day and age, that job is better done by the First Amendment than the Second.



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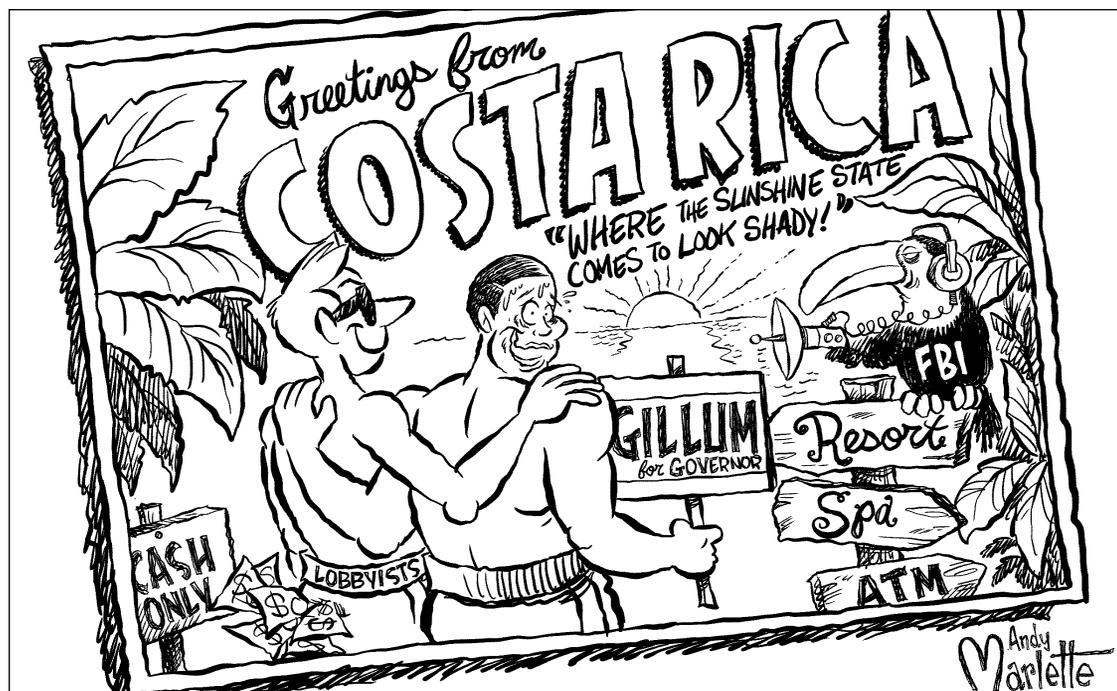
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bumper stickers make bold claims about training your average AR-15 owner. Times have changed. Weapons technology has evolved. The Second Amendment was written at a time when a militia, fewer in number but greater in spirit and conviction (and under the command of trained generals), bested the military of one of the most powerful empires.

The First Amendment is a bigger obstacle to tyranny than the Second — politics aside. Let's talk military strategy. To wage an insurgency, the force fewer in number needs lots of people on their side. For that to happen, they need the crimes, usurpations and injustices perpetrated by the government to be displayed on the front page and on television screens. Having a gun isn't as good as having 30 or 40 well-informed people voting against the government you would have been shooting at.

Before you take to the streets against a Bradley Fighting Vehicle, designed by your tax dollars to fight soft targets, like you would be, think about what you're giving up for your gun. To vote for Second Amendment rights, while ignoring the constant glaring attacks against the First in the current political environment, is to fly the flag of the tyranny we all vow to oppose.

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Chelsea Tobias, No. 42, collides with an opponent during Saturday night's roller derby between the Gainesville Roller Rebels and the Pensacola Roller Gurlz.



Ashley Chow, known as "Slam Chowder" by her Gainesville Roller Rebels teammates, cracks a joke with an opponent between rounds of Gainesville's 178-97 win.



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Right: Kyla Dalton, 21, with the Royal for a Reason organization, dances for a Reason with Z'nya Roberts, 9, and Amiria Roberts, 6, during Sunday's Summer Reader Palooza on Depot Park. This event encouraged children to continue reading through the summer while promoting upcoming activities with the Alachua County Library District.



Far Right: Gail Carr, 66, advertises for the Alachua County Library District's Summer at the Library.



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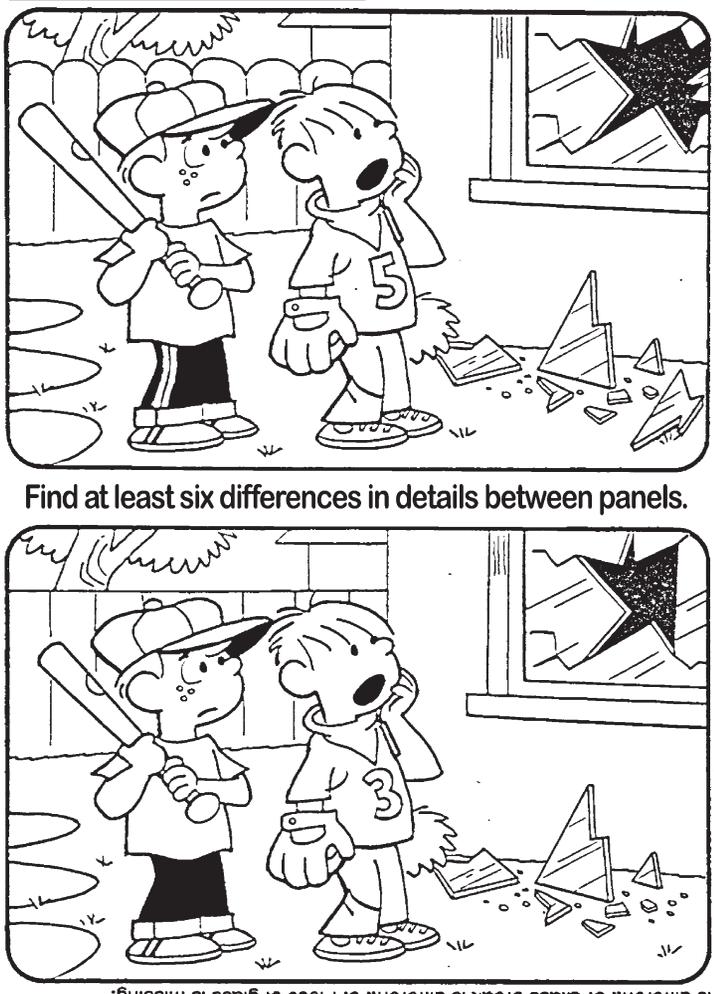
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| 16 Short flight | 10 Ex-U.N. head Boutros- | 40 5-Down or 7-Down | 56 Certain prof.'s designation |
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| 19 In days of yore | 12 Hobbyist's glue | 45 Penn's silent partner | 60 ___ Paulo, Brazil |
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| 32 Genie's offering | 28 Casual denials | | |
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| 36 Judicial fact finder | 32 "Rushmore" director Anderson | | |
| 41 Mo. port on the Miss. | | | |
| 42 Mark Harmon TV series | | | |
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| 48 What a crossword clue typically starts with | | | |
| 52 "I didn't expect to see you here" | | | |
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| 62 "Live ___": Taco Bell slogan | | | |
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CLUE: This galaxy was named after a mythical princess.

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Sports QUIZ
 by Chris Richcreek

- In 2016, the Dodgers' Julio Urias became the youngest postseason starting pitcher (20 years, 68 days old) in major-league history. Who had been the youngest one?
- David Cone, Pedro Martinez and David Wells all tossed a perfect nine innings in a major-league game. Who of the three had the most career regular-season victories?
- Donnel Pumphrey of San Diego State set a new record in 2016 for most career rushing yards (6,405 yards). Whose record did he break?
- Who was the first athlete from the Dominican Republic to play in the NBA?
- The Vegas Knights set a record in 2017-18 for most regular-season road wins by an NHL expansion team (22). Which team had held the mark?
- Which Major League Soccer teams have won back-to-back MLS Cup championships?
- In 2018, Germany's Kristina Vogel won her 11th women's world cycling title. Who else has won 11 times?

Answers

- Bret Saberhagen was 20 years, 175 days old when he started in 1984.
- Wells had 239 victories, Martinez 219 and Cone 194.
- Wisconsin's Ron Dayne, who rushed for 6,397 yards (1996-99, when bowl statistics were not included).
- Tito Horford, with the Milwaukee Bucks in 1988.
- The Mighty Ducks of Anaheim, with 19 road victories in the 1993-94 season.
- D.C. United (1996-97), Houston (2006-07) and the Los Angeles Galaxy (2011-12).
- Australia's Anna Meares.

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BASEBALL

Gators drop Game 1, play second for Super Regionals



Marcelo Rondon / Alligator Staff

UF third baseman Jonathan India was drafted fifth overall by the Cincinnati Reds in the 2018 MLB Draft. Pitchers Brady Singer and Jackson Kowar were drafted in the first round as well, both by the Kansas City Royals. The Gators blah blah blah blah blah.

By Chris O'Brien, Sports Writer

The Florida Gators played two games against the Florida Atlantic Owls Monday night. Perhaps Florida was distracted by the MLB draft Monday night, as it had three players go in the first round with third baseman Jonathan India and pitchers Brady Singer and Jackson Kowar. After it dropped the first matchup, UF played FAU for a spot in the Super Regionals:

Game 1

Errors and misplayed balls marred the third inning for the Gators as they went on to give up five runs to the Owls in a 7-4 loss at Alfred A. McKethan Stadium in the Gainesville Regional.

In what was just a bizarre day, Florida was forced to be the visiting team on its own field because of a rule that stipulates a team cannot be on the away side for three-consecutive games. FAU had been the away team for the two games previous to the one with the Gators.

To add to the weirdness of the day, there was a lengthy weather delay prior to the start of the game. The game was supposed to begin at 1 p.m. but didn't officially start until 5:45 p.m. The skies, however, didn't rain or show signs of lightning until roughly 4 p.m.

Once the action finally started, UF starting pitcher and Jackson Kowar allowed two singles to begin the third inning before an error from right fielder Wil Dalton, where he misplayed a routine fly ball, loaded the bases.

FAU followed the error with back-to-back singles to plate two runs.

A walk loaded the bases once again and another single notched two more RBIs for the Owls and the route was on at 5-0.

Interestingly, four of five singles in the inning were to the left side of the field between the shortstop and the third-base line. All five runs followed the same principle.

Oddly enough, Kowar struck out the next three batters to end the inning.

Florida stole a couple runs back in the next half-inning though, when second baseman Blake Reese launched a two-run home run past the right field fence to cut the FAU lead to three.

The Owls got those two runs back in the bottom of the inning, however. A single and a fielding error by UF shortstop Deacon Liput on an easy double-play ball put men on first and second before another single eventually loaded the bases.

A sacrifice fly scored a run, and a wild pitch moved the runners over to second and third. A single to left field scored a run

Huang Story Short

The 76ers Twitter drama is really stupid and unnecessary

First Kevin Durant, now Bryan Colangelo?

If you haven't heard, Philadelphia 76ers President of Basketball Operations Bryan Colangelo (and possibly his wife, Barbara Bottini) are the alleged operators of up to five different burner accounts on Twitter that have posted things that are detrimental to the Sixers' organization.

We already saw this from Durant in September 2017. I wasn't surprised to hear the story about his burner accounts. I knew after watching the second-best player in the world put in a basketball cheat code

and join the NBA's best team in the Golden State Warriors that



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he was willing to reveal to the world how weak he is and not care. So yes, it's pathetic and petty that Durant felt the need to argue with critics on social media, but it's an even worse look for Col-

angelo.

Most notably, there were nega-

tive comments about Joel Embiid, a rising superstar and arguably the best player on the team. Two of the accounts allegedly linked to Colangelo said the 24-year-old center was "playng like a toddler having tantrums" and "acting like a tool."

One of the account users also claimed to know Colangelo personally and referred to him as a

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On Monday, UF named Anthony Nesty as the program's men's swimming and diving coach. Jeff Poppell was named head coach of the women's team.

FAEDO'S PLAY IN FLORIDA STATE LEAGUE

Former Gators pitcher Alex Faedo has pitched in 10 games for the Lakeland Flying Tigers in the Florida State League. He's 1-4 but holds a decent 3.47 ERA in A play.

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SOFTBALL

2018 Gators have a historic season despite falling short

By Mark Stine
Sports Writer

Nothing said at Saturday night's press conference indicated that the UF softball team was disappointed in how its season ended, but it was evident.

You saw it in the tears welling up in the eyes of the players, and you heard it in the cracks of their voices and in the deep, unplanned breaths taken between phrases.

However, despite being eliminated by Oklahoma at the Women's College World Series for the second-straight season, the Florida Gators should have no shame in how they played in 2018.

They won the SEC regular-season and tournament titles, exhibited one of the nation's most dominant bullpens and sent off one of the program's all-time great senior classes. And losing to a tough Oklahoma team during a lights-out performance by senior pitcher Paige Parker is not a variable that UF could control.

"I told my team after the game there's not a whole lot you can do when you got a pitcher (throwing) strike one all day long," coach Tim Walton said after the game. "I give her (Parker) all the credit. She did a wonderful job."

Although it came up short in Oklahoma City, UF eased through its regular season with a 47-8 record and a 20-4 record in conference play. The closest SEC competitor was Georgia, who finished four games back at 16-8.

The effort lifted Florida to the first-overall seed in the conference tournament, where it navigated past powerhouse programs Alabama, Tennessee and South Carolina. It was the first time that seniors on the Gators' roster - pitcher Aleshia Ocasio, catcher Janell Wheaton, third baseman Nicole DeWitt and first baseman Kayli



Mark Stine / Alligator Staff

The entire Florida team celebrates after punching its ticket to the Women's College World Series for the second-consecutive season. The Gators also won the SEC regular-season and tournament titles.

Kvistad - conquered both the regular-season and tournament SEC championships.

However, the stand-out players for the Gators were juniors Amanda Lorenz and Kelly Barnhill.

Both were named as finalists for the USA Softball Player of the Year award, while Lorenz won SEC Player of the Year honors, and Barnhill took the conference's Pitcher of the Year award for the second-straight year.

Lorenz finished the campaign with a team-leading .416 batting average and a .582 on-base percentage. She reached base safely in all 67 contests and led a team that set the NCAA single-season record for walks with 70.

Barnhill had a 29-3 record with

a microscopic 1.08 ERA. Opponents only hit .119 against the right-hander in 2018 and didn't hit at all in seven games. She strung together complete-game no-hitters against Iowa State on Feb. 24, Georgia Southern on Feb. 25, Kentucky on March 9 and South Florida on March 21, including her first-career perfect game in the Gators' 9-0 win over North Florida on Feb. 14.

She and Ocasio combined for no-hitters against Baylor on March 3 and again at the Gainesville Regional against Bethune-Cookman on May 18.

Yet, the senior pitcher had two hitless games of her own, which came against Florida International on March 28 and in regional play

against Ohio State on May 20. She also combined with freshman Natalie Lugo to no-hit Hampton on March 30.

Wheaton and pitching coach Jennifer Rocha were the only two Gators to have a hand in all of the hitless performances. In her first season promoted to associate head coach, Rocha marshalled the Florida bullpen to 10 hitless performances and a 1.43 ERA as a team.

With Rocha calling the games pitch by pitch, and Lorenz and Barnhill returning for the Gators, the future is bright. Yet, the importance of their exiting senior class cannot be overlooked.

Ocasio, Wheaton, DeWitt and Kvistad were the last Florida players remaining from the 2015 Na-

tional Championship roster. The experience they brought to the team goes beyond the wins and losses.

Ocasio was a utility player with almost unlimited versatility. She was comfortable at every position aside from catcher and played in the circle and in the outfield in 2018. She also possessed an electric bat that knocked in 36 runs last season.

"I'll never play with an athlete like that ever again," Lorenz said of Ocasio in Saturday's press conference. "She's just a once-in-a-lifetime kid that I've been around."

Wheaton caught nearly every game for Florida this season. Her experience behind the plate and ability to frame pitches helped Barnhill strike out 300 batters two years in a row.

DeWitt and Kvistad were arguably the biggest keys to the Florida offense. They were the heart of the lineup and batted directly after Lorenz. Next to each other in the 2018 lineup, they combined for 20 home runs and 101 RBIs.

Both DeWitt and Ocasio will play professional ball in the National Pro Fastpitch League next season after being drafted on April 23. The Chicago Bandits took Ocasio 10th overall, and the USSSA Pride selected DeWitt with the 17th pick.

"It's definitely been a journey," Ocasio said. "To play with this senior class and some of the greatest athletes - we have Amanda Lorenz and Kelly Barnhill, Player of the Year - it's been amazing to learn from everybody and to just play alongside some of the people who are going to go down as some of the greatest players."

"I'm going to remember it forever, wearing this Gators uniform."

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TRACK & FIELD

UF heads to Eugene for Outdoor National Championships

By Alanis Thames
Sports Writer

History lies within the lanes of Hayward Field.

Constructed nearly a century ago, the site of this year's NCAA Outdoor Championships boasts a legacy built in world records, national titles and some of the most memorable races in the history of track and field.

After almost 3,000 miles of travel, Florida track and field finds itself in the same historic stadium in Eugene, Oregon, where its men hoisted the National Championship trophy a year ago.

The men's team won the previous two NCAA Outdoor titles, and from June 6-9, they will attempt a three-peat at the renowned track venue.

The UF women will look to earn their first NCAA Outdoors podium finish since taking fourth in 2014. The team came close last year, taking fifth and missing the po-

dium by just one point.

But the Gators' season has seen plenty of success, and they will try to cap off a 2018 campaign that's featured numerous national top-10 finishes and an SEC sweep.

The UF men enter NCAA Outdoors with a nation-leading 10 athletes who hold top-eight individual performances. It's also one of two programs in the country (Georgia) with at least seven athletes with top-eight marks and times in their respective events in both the men's and women's national rankings.

Senior jumper KeAndre Bates will be one of Florida's 30 entrants to make an appearance at Hayward Field. And he'll be there to defend two national titles.

The El Paso, Texas, native is the reigning national champion in the triple and long jump, and he'll look to be the fourth man in history to sweep both horizontal jump titles at consecutive NCAA Outdoors.

"I would like the marks to show, but

those are going to come with execution," Bates said in a video posted to Twitter. "I just want to execute to the best of my ability so that I can be in a potential spot for those great things."

Sophomore Grant Holloway will join Bates in the long jump competition, but he has a title of his own to defend.

As the reigning national champion in the 110-meter hurdles, Holloway could become the fourth man in history to repeat as champion and just the second man to sweep indoor and outdoor NCAA hurdles titles in consecutive seasons.

Junior Yanis David will see Hayward Field for the second-straight year as well. She'll return to compete for the first outdoor horizontal jump title of her career. David ranks second nationally in the triple jump and third in the long jump.

She will participate in both competitions alongside senior Darrielle McQueen.

Big points for the women could poten-

tially come from junior quarter-miler Sharrika Barnett. The Orlando, Florida, native is coming off a fourth-place finish in the 400-meter at NCAA Indoors in addition to an anchor split of 50.11 seconds that propelled the women to third place at the meet.

Florida also enters the meet as the only program with multiple competing hammer throwers. Junior Anders Eriksson (No. 3), freshman Thomas Mardal (No. 9) and red-shirt junior AJ McFarland (No. 19) all rank in the national top 20. They are coming off an SEC Outdoors outing in which the trio scored 15 points behind Eriksson's individual title.

"We got this momentum going. It kind of started at the NCAA Indoor meet," coach Mike Holloway said in a release. "And there's just a big focus with this group."

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Matt Rourke / The Associated Press

Philadelphia 76ers President of Basketball Operations Bryan Colangelo and wife, Barbara Bottini, allegedly used up to five Twitter accounts that made tweets critical of center Joel Embiid and other 76ers players.

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"class act" on multiple occasions.

Yet, Embiid – who has a history of being injury prone but made it through most of the 2017-18 season – has been as dominant on the court as anybody when he's healthy.

While he's still working his way to full speed, playing just 63 of 82 games this year and averaging 30.3 minutes per contest, it's a much better sight for Philly fans than the 31 he played and 25.4 minutes he averaged in 2016-17.

Embiid's a transcendent talent with virtually no ceiling. He led Philadelphia in scoring, rebounds and blocks, all contributing to his place on the All-NBA and All-Defensive second teams this season. Obviously, he was instrumental in the Sixers' 52-30 regular season, the fifth-best record in the league. The combined win total for the previous three seasons: 56.

The addition of point guard Ben Simmons, the likely recipient

of the 2018 Rookie of the Year, has Sixers fans excited about the future of their team built around its young talent.

Which is why it makes sense to attack his teammates on Twitter, right? This is obviously not the right time to stir up conflict.

Apparently the team has hired a law firm to sort out this mess, including his wife's involvement with the burner accounts. If he is in any way linked to the accounts, Colangelo won't come back from this. His reputation will be ruined, and he'll most likely be fired.

Moral of the story: Don't do stupid stuff on social media because the internet will always, always remember.

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Three UF players taken in the MLB draft Monday night

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before UF left fielder Austin Langworthy gunned the second runner down at the plate to end the frame. That left the score at 7-2.

Florida tacked on one more in the top of the fifth when center fielder Nick Horvath legged out an infield single to third base. He was moved over on a fielder's choice groundout from Liput and singled in by designated hitter Nelson Mal-

donado to make it 7-3.

UF put forth one last-gasp effort in the top of the ninth when Liput bombed a homer off the video board in right field.

The Gators had plenty of chances in Game 1 but did not make the most of them, going 1 for 12 with runners in scoring position while stranding eight runners.

Game 2

UF was finally designated as the home team after two games of be-

ing the away club in Gainesville.

The Gators went down early in the game when starting pitcher Jack Leftwich couldn't find the strike zone and walked three batters to load the bases in the top of the first.

A single later and the Owls suddenly had the Gators on the ropes again, going up 2-0.

Leftwich limited the damage by striking out the side.

Florida stole a run back in the bottom of the third when it loaded

the bases courtesy of a walk by catcher Jonah Girand, a double from Maldonado and a single from India.

Girand scored on India's single, but that was all the Gators got in the frame as they stranded three runners.

In the bottom of the fourth, UF finally broke through.

A leadoff single from first baseman Brady Smith put a runner on first, Horvath singled to left field and Smith attempted to take third,

where he was easily pegged out. On the next play, Girand hit a mammoth home run to deep left field to give the Gators their first lead of the day at 3-2.

The Florida crowd was energized from there and got considerably louder following the inning.

In the next inning, India crushed a ball even farther than Girand's, which doubled the lead to two runs.

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