Anti-union groups got lobbying help from Regents negotiator

By Michael Szymanski
Alligator Staff Writer

Board of Regents chief labor negotiator Caesar Naples testified last month in favor of a bill to limit collective bargaining for state employees — an action two key legislators called "clearly inappropriate" and "not quite kosher."

At that April 21 Florida legislative committee hearing, Naples represented several anti-union special interest lobbies, which both lawmakers also agreed was improper. State Rep. Bill Sadowski said Naples should "publicly apologize" to Florida taxpayers.

But Naples, whose job is to bargain with the faculty union for a contract outlining salaries and benefits, said his testimony on behalf of House Speaker Ralph Haben's proposed constitutional amendment was nothing out of the ordinary and certainly not a conflict of interest.

Haben's proposed amendment, which was approved by the House and sent to the Senate last month, would allow lawmakers to determine what benefits state employees can bargain for in a contract. Because it limits collective bargaining, it is a sore spot with union leaders. The amendment would have to go before Florida voters for final approval.

Board of Regents Chairman Dubose Ausley said he was unaware that Naples appeared before the House Appropriations Committee, but he added that he believes there was nothing wrong with the appearance.

Naples wrote on the committee appearance record that he was "representing" various lobbies which included the powerful anti-union Associated Industries, a business lobby, and the Association of Builders and Contractors of Florida.

Naples said he listed the other five organizations to "save time for legislators." The other groups, Naples said, "gave their time" to him because their disposition toward the amendment is the same.

Naples, an attorney who has worked for the Regents for five years and in collective bargaining for 15, said he presented only the Regents' position and was only using the other groups' "time." "I received no compensation from the other groups," he spoke for," said Naples, who is considered an expert on collective bargaining law.

"The Regents should have anyone who says that this was a conflict of interest," Naples said. "That is a very serious charge and one I don't think fits in this situation. Anyone who hits at such a charge and any publication who publishes such a charge would be liable for this grave accusation," Naples told The Alligator.

Nevertheless, Naples' action caught some of the Regents off guard.

And officials with the United Faculty of Florida said they were "outraged" that Naples would testify on behalf of special interest lobbies.

Caesar Naples says his lobbying was proper and he would do it again

Student Regent Gerald Sanchez, from UF, said he was "surprised" Naples openly supported the amendment. He said he knew of no vote taken to establish a Regents stand on the bill.

"Naples could have canvassed the Regents for an official statement, but I was never notified and his position surely does not represent my sentiment," Sanchez said.

Between sessions of the Regent meetings, the Executive Committee — Ausley, Terrell Sessums and Betty Anne Staton — have the power to outline Regents policy positions. There was no meeting before his legislative appearance that gave Naples permission to take a stand.

But no permission was necessary, Ausley said. He also said he was unaware of Naples' speech to the committee. Staton said she "knew nothing" of Naples' stand.

Naples said he spoke to the Legislature as a "representative of all nine state universities in my field of expertise." No one has the right to tell him he cannot lobby, he said.

Florida state law prohibits state employees from lobbying unless they are registered or are not working.

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Florida, other states, bringing back local draft boards

By Bob Block
Alligator Staff Writer

The federal government is reviving local draft boards in several states, including Florida and local draft opponents say it's just one more step toward the conscription abolished in 1972.

This time around, the boards will be called "claims boards." They will hear draft grievances and will issue draft deferments.

UF student Adam Shedroff, a member of the Committee Against Registration and the Draft, contends the government is establishing the claims boards in a secretive manner so they won't alert people.

"The setting up of local draft boards represents the second step in a three-step process," Shedroff said. "First is registration, second is the setting up of draft boards, and ultimately a peacetime draft."

In Florida, Gov. Bob Graham has appointed Willie Jenkins of the U.S. Selective Service System to fill applications from prospective claims board members. Jenkins will represent the U.S. Selective Service System in Florida.

"We are doing a series of mailing letters to 1,400 addresses asking for nominations and recommendations for positions on local boards," Jenkins said. "Jenkins said that he has obtained the addresses from a series of publications that contain the names of non-profit corporations and civic organizations. Letters also have been sent to various county sheriffs and school superintendents, "people," Jenkins said, "on a list of individuals in the community." The letters are expected to go out between May 20 and June 1.

Former President Carter renewed draft registration in January 1980 for men and women age 18 and 20. Congress, however, passed legislation and allotted money to register men only.

The Carter administration said it initiated registration January 1980 as a warning signal to the Soviets for their adventurism in the oil-rich Persian Gulf region. The
In brief

Man flashes ambulance driver

An employee of the Professional Medi-Car ambulance service was the victim Wednesday night of an indecent exposure by a man who was taking to his home from Shands Teaching Hospital, an Alachua County Sheriff's Office spokesman said Thursday.

Patricia Poucher, 510 NW 28th Ave., was driving Nathaniel Fields to his home on Fields. No charges have been filed yet.

Local woman raped in apartment

A Gainesville woman was raped Wednesday night in her southwest area apartment, the Alachua County Sheriff's Office reported Thursday.

A spokesman from the sheriff's department said a man came into the woman's apartment about 8:30 p.m. through an unlocked front door. He raped her and then left.

After reporting the incident about midnight, the woman was treated at Shands Teaching Hospital and released.

Upcoming Alligator editors chosen

Journalism senior Robert McClure has been selected editor of The Independent Florida Alligator for fall semester.

McClure, 22, has been an Alligator staff writer since fall 1978 and has also served as news editor.

Theater run to close SE 2nd Ave.

Southeast Second Avenue from First Street to Waldo Road will be closed to traffic Saturday morning during the three-mile Fun Run to benefit the Hippodrome Theatre. The run begins at 8:45 a.m. at the steps of the theater downtown and registration is $5.50. North and southbound traffic — cars, not runners — will be detoured to either Waldo Road or Main Street until 9:30 a.m.

Weather

Today's forecast: fair through Wednesday, with mild days and cool nights. Highs around 85 (30 C), lows in the low to mid 50s (11 to 14 C).
Alachua County is thirsty. Ground water levels have reached historic lows and area water management officials are crossing their fingers and hoping a hard rain will fall soon to prevent water rationing and crop failures.

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Phillips said the area is experiencing a 13 to 22 percent rainfall deficit over the last year. She said most of the lakes in the area, as well as the St. Johns River, are at "very low levels."

"We've never seen ground water levels as low as this before, and we're having a lot of problems because of the shortage," Phillips said.

Among the problems the district is facing are salt water intrusion in wells, a rise in the sulfide content in water and possible fish kills.

Florida's prison system is one of the best in the country, according to Wainwright.

"We can't ask some people in our district to conserve without asking everyone to," she said. "If we don't start somewhere, then when conditions get worse in Gainesville, it will be even harder to remedy them."

The Suwannee River Water Management District in White Springs has not yet declared an emergency situation. The Suwannee River District controls the northern and western half of Alachua County, while the St. Johns District includes Gainesville and surrounding southern and eastern areas.

Suwannee River District spokesman David Fisk said the district is not yet experiencing the severe problems of the St. Johns region.

"We're having a drought just the same as the rest of the state, but because our area is not as heavily populated, we have a longer lag time before our situation becomes critical," Fisk said.

Fisk added that his office is making a "day-by-day" analysis of the situation and is prepared to call for voluntary restrictions if rain doesn't fall soon.

The average family uses about 100 gallons of water a day. Fisk said. He said a 15 percent reduction in water use like that requested by the St. Johns River District was "not at all unreasonable."

"Most people really try to go along with voluntary measures," he said.

Fisk said homeowners can cut water use by limiting the number of laundry loads, watering lawns only an hour or two each day and refraining from washing cars.

"You can easily use 3,000 gallons of water when you wash a car," Fisk said.

Alachua County Horticulturist agent Gary Brennan said the water shortage is reaching the "critical" level. Although the lack of rain hasn't killed crops yet, Brennan said many farmers don't have irrigation systems and could be hurting if rain doesn't fall soon.

Meanwhile, South Florida Water Management District officials said the situation there is almost as drastic as the record drought of 1971. They asked the more than 4 million residents of eight counties to reduce water usage by 25 percent.

And in Central Florida sinkholes are beginning to become a problem. Last week, a monster chasm in Winter Park swallowed houses and cars and caused an estimated $2 million damage. Another sinkhole opened up Thursday near Altamonte Springs, about seven miles north of the Winter Park crevasse.

Warren Leve, a geologist with the U.S. Geological Survey in Jacksonville, said sinkholes, the most unpredictable phenomena of droughts, do occur in Alachua County - witness the giant Devil's Millhopper northwest of the city.

"Sinkholes occur in areas where limestone is close to the surface and groundwater levels are low," said Leve. "When water levels drop off, the limestone caverns near the surface cave in, forming sinkholes like those in the Orlando area."

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Florida's prison system is the best in the country, bar none, Department of Corrections Secretary Louise Wainwright told a group of Gainesville business leaders Thursday morning.

A much more pressing problem is the "travesty" of rehabilitation efforts for juvenile delinquents offered by the state's Division of Youth Services, Wainwright told members of the Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce meeting at the First Federal Savings and Loan of Mid-Florida.

"In comparison with national standards, we are number one," Wainwright declared. "I defy anyone to say we're unreasonable."

"Most people really try to go along with voluntary measures," he said.

Wainwright and the prison system have been frequent targets for the press. Wainwright's personal integrity was questioned in connection with a master's thesis he wrote for a Nova University degree. He was cleared of a charge he lifted sections of the paper from another person's work.

And when Circuit Judge R.A. "Buzzy" Green said Florida State Prison was overcrowded, understaffed and constituted "cruel and unusual punishment," Gov. Bob Graham was asked almost daily when he would fire Wainwright, he said.

Nevertheless, Wainwright said, a 15-member panel commissioned by the governor found that Florida's prison system is a model program, Wainwright said.

A more important problem, he said, is the state's program for dealing with juvenile criminals.

"It's a travesty to our young people that the judicial system apparently doesn't believe in a structured environment for youthful offenders until one commits a felony," Wainwright said. "The Youth Services people are not doing their job, (but) I'm sure they would disagree with that."

Young potential criminals must be taught responsibility, he said, because most "have not been responsible, do not understand responsibility and don't want to understand responsibility."
Group says plans for paving ROTC field should start now

By Ian Johnson
Alligator Staff Writer

Executive Vice President John Nattriss should not "ignore" a UF committee's recommendations on the parking problem unless he wants to see it become worse, committee members charge.

The University Planning Assembly members' reactions came after Nattriss delayed for at least a year their recommendation to pave the ROTC drill field. The committee also has recommended banning freshman parking and extending the border zone, which would reduce the number of students who can park on campus.

"There cannot be no parking solution, You can't just sit back for a year and say 'let's wait and see,'" Chief Justice of the Traffic Court Lori Garner said.

Garner also is a committee member.

"People don't want to drive up to UF for them to park in remote lots." She said.

Committee members agreed with Garner's assessment. Committee member Josh Gillon, a student senator from Hume Hall, said paving the field was the best deal for students. Lost space would be amply replaced, he said.

"They (the fields) might be slightly further away, but a sacrifice can be made. Intramural users are mainly commuters anyway, so distance is no problem," Gillon said.

But not all students agree with the recommendations. Student Body President Mike Bedke, who lobbied for the delay, said a "long-term alternative" should be pursued. Bedke proposes a computerized ride-sharing program as a long-term solution. Students with compatible schedules and addresses would be matched up and could ride with each other, he said.

Nattriss said he sees little promise in the firm's activity.

"People want to have the privilege of driving their car even if they are told not to drive with," Building Flat lots, however, is "the wrong way to go," Nattriss said.

Garner said a multi-level lot would be "nice" but hardly feasible. A problem with such a lot is the price, she said. The only collateral students have, she said, is their activity fee money, which is too risky to offer.

The committee recommended the border zone expansion several weeks ago. The border zone is an imaginary line that extends about mile and a half from UF. Under this plan, students living within a certain radius of the campus would have to park in remote lots.

Nattriss said the planned ban on freshman parking could be reconsidered. He said freshmen may be assigned to remote lots like border zone students. This would make it inconvenient for them to park on campus, he said.

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ing for the state at the time, said Public Employee Relation Commission General Counsel Pat Renovitch. She said a Regents lobbyist should speak for the Regents only and not for other private lobby groups.

Sadowki, D-Miami, watched Naples' speech at the Appropriations Committee and said the procedures were "clearly inappropriate."

Sadowki, who is chairman of the Regulatory Reform Committee, said about a dozen legislators said Naples "made a mistake" by speaking for the other groups. He said it seemed understandable how Naples could be pressured into speaking for other groups to save time for the legislators, but he said: "Upon reflection, I bet he (Naples) regrets he ever did it."

Sadowki said Naples should apologize.

"An apology to taxpayers should be made because they are probably angry that their money is spent for representation of private interest groups," he said.

"I'm confident that such a mistake will never happen again," he added. "As a state employee, he should not be representing interests of private employers and it seems to me that this is technically violating something."

Sadowki questioned why the Regents even would be asked about their position on an issue in which "they should remain neutral."

Naples' "mistake" warrants "public scrutiny because it would caution other public employees from doing the same thing," Sadowki said.

Pooing time while speaking for other lobbyist groups with similar interests has been a traditional lobbying practice, said Naples, who is a registered lobbyist with the Senate and House for the Regents.

"The Bill of Rights says we can lobby and I don't think any group should take that away from me," he said.

Another legislator, however, disagrees.

House Ethics Committee Member Rep. Everett Kelly, D-Tavares, said something was "not quite kosher" when Naples spoke for the other interest groups.

"The other groups he (Naples) spoke for had their own powerful and active lobbyists they pay to speak for their groups and there was no reason why he should have spoken for the rest," Kelly said.

Kelly and Sadowki both said Naples should have represented himself as speaking only for the Regents and allowed the other groups to say they agreed with his position.

"It would have been a simple procedure and there would have been no question to this testimony," Kelly said.

Naples' plug for the collective bargaining amendment came two months before a scheduled June 3-4 election at UF in which professors can vote whether to pull out of the faculty union. UFF officials are angry at what they perceive to be efforts to handicap bargaining rights.

UFF state President Ken Megill said Naples posed a "conflict of interest" when "openly supporting anti-union stands."

Megill said Naples' testimony could hurt his relations with the union and the faculty.

"It was certainly unwise for a state employee in his position to discuss how he feels about such a crucial amendment which would limit the scope of bargaining for all labor groups," Megill said.

"He (Naples) should not represent other people while on duty," Megill said. "Since all other union and labor groups opposed the amendment, it could hurt relations with the unions in the future."

Naples said he foresees no future conflict with faculty unions. He also said the lobbying was "standard procedure" and he would do it again if the situation arises.
**Students plan draft protest march**

By Rozene Kopetman  
Alligator Writer

As Congress harbors several plans to resume a peacetime military draft, some UF students have their own plans — a statewide march to protest draft registration or the possibility of conscription.

One draft bill sponsored last month by Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-South Carolina, is in the Senate Armed Services Committee. A companion bill in the House Armed Services Committee, said Bill Rossi, a legislative aide to Rep. Don Fuqua, D-Altahassee.

"Congressman Fuqua supports registration," Rossi said. "But not reinstatement of the draft at this time, though.

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previous month, the Soviet Union overthrew the Afghanist government, sent in troops, and set up a Marxist regime. Many political observers at that time called the registration "a shallow symbol and unnecessary."

In a recent address to Congress, President Reagan repeated his campaign promise that there would not be a peacetime draft. But opponents of the draft and registration are quick to point out that the Selective Service is directing the current drive with Reagan's tacit approval.

Jenkins said the establishment of local claims boards is "only a matter of improving the state of readiness and supporting the all-volunteer services."

Any citizen can serve on a claims board, Jenkins said. The only requirement is that applicants be between the ages of 18 and 65, a county resident and a U.S. citizen. Retired service members and people who served 15 years or more on the old draft boards are not eligible.

Jenkins said state officials expect between 1,500 and 2,000 applicants for Florida's 70 five-member boards.

Each applicant will be interviewed by a team of Selective Service reserve officers during the last two weeks of August. The Selective Service then will recommend the names of those they prefer to the governor, who will give the final nominees to the president of the United States.

The president himself will make the final appointments.

"I believe those chosen will receive a very high honor to serve on the board — after all, these are presidential appointments," Jenkins said.

Shedroff said he is not impressed with the proposed boards.

"If I were a member of the Committee Against Registration and the Draft, I would say "there is a relatively good chance it will pass, which is why it is crucial to mobilize, write our congressmen and participate in rallies."

One of those rallies is scheduled in St. Petersburg May 23. Two UF student groups are expected to attend the rally against the draft and U.S. intervention in El Salvador. The Reagan administration has sent military and economic aid to the war-torn Central American nation.

**Pope getting better after surgery**

By United Press International

ROME — Pope John Paul II was in pain and a "little depressed" Thursday after major abdominal surgery for bullet wounds he suffered in an assassination attempt but was alert enough to meet with aides, chat with doctors and receive communion at a bedside mass.

Mahmet Ali Agca, 33, the right-wing Turkish terrorist held in the attack Wednesday against the Pope in St. Peter's Square, began a hunger strike to protest against his lengthy interrogation by West German police.

John Paul, 60, was making "satisfactory" progress after a restful night, but his doctors cautioned that the Pontiff was not yet out of danger. They cited the risk of possible infection that follows intestinal surgery.

One of the surgeons who operated on the pope said John Paul narrowly escaped bleeding to death.

Dr. Giancarlo Castiglione said the bullet that hit in the abdomen missed arteries and major veins by a tiny fraction. "Had it hit one of those, the pope would have bled to death," he said. As it was, the medical team had to give the pope more than six pints of blood to make up losses.

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Cool off guns

All Dan Efert was doing was picking up a little extra money. He worked the graveyard shift at a convenience store in the student-dominated areas of Gator City. Two weekends ago, he got in the way of a bullet. Now he is out of school, recovering.

The weapon? A handgun, of course. The little devils are quite popular around these parts. Eighteen percent of UF students arm themselves with handguns and other weaponry, a recent survey shows.

Mostly for self-defense, you say? Not always. Last year, handguns were used at least 169 times in Alachua County to commit crimes similar to the robbery of Efert’s store.

And that’s with a county ordinance that requires handgun buyers to wait three days before picking up their new peashooters. It’s called a “cooling off period” and is designed to curb knee-jerk crimes of passion.

Alachua is just one of four counties in Florida with such an ordinance. Persons in want of guns usually trek across the county line if they have an itchin’ desire to, say, rob a convenience store, or shoot their mothers-in-law.

And it shows. In February alone, 103 Floridians were knocked off with handguns. The Sunshine State accounted for 17 percent of the handgun deaths in the nation, while chalking up just 4 percent of the United States’ population.

Convenience store robberies become accepted in this society where violence rages so commonly. Efert is joined this year by a president, a pope and a musician. Ronald Reagan and Pope John Paul II are alive after being shot with handguns. John Lennon is dead by a similar weapon.

Any attempts to curb all this would seem laudable. But Americans — lobbied by the well-armed folks over at the National Rifle Association — are convinced it takes guns to defend against guns. It is silly logic that lends to the aforemen- tioned killings and robberies.

Even well-trained gun advocates like UF student Dan Bahnerman, who owns an arsenal that includes an AR 15 automatic weapon, present a danger to citizens. The 19-year-old Bahnerman is careful with his gun. Yet he stores his weapon in his car, which occasionally is parked behind his dormitory.

Surely the gun — and others like it — would be stolen by any bright burglar.

Lawmakers are left in a quandary over such a situation: do they protect the rights of people like Bahnerman, or the rights of people like Efert?

We say go with the majority. Surveys show nearly 80 percent of Americans want stronger handgun controls. A poll of UF students shows 67 percent want stiffer handgun codes.

A start toward better regulation is a state-wide law requiring three-day cooling off periods for purchasers of handguns. Local Rep. Sid Martin, who sponsored the Alachua County ordinance in 1973, knows that this one needs to be passed statewide. He should be joined in the fight to do so by Rep. Jon Mills and Sens. Pete Skinner and George Kirkpatrick.

In addition, UF administrators need to keep a closer eye on gun regulations that prohibit guns in dormitories. They must join all in helping to stem the tide of violence — much of which comes from handgun use.

Tuesday, the Pope was shot by a handgun and surrounded by guards. With the lax gun controls currently on the book in Florida and in the United States, tomorrow it could be you.

Anonymous writers of anti-gay slogans marred homosexual awareness week

Editor: Gay Pride Week has come to a close but gay pride lives on. Our pride is not an arrogant one, but a proud one. Perhaps the phrase “abundance of shame” should replace the word “pride,” for we are no longer ashamed of our lives or of our loves. We do not claim any superiority over the general heterosexual society. Our only demand is equality.

* What does make us proud is the overwhelming support of those straight individuals who are willing to voice their beliefs in our right to be. These are the people, uncer- cumbered by a personal interest, who should be honored during Gay Pride Week. They have made perhaps the greatest strides in the last 10 years toward the acceptance of homosexuals in the mainstream of American society.

Shame, however, still exists in the hearts of many in this city. Representative of this is the promulgation of antigay slogans on posters and ads last Wednesday. Had the perpetrators of this dishheartening act been proud, they would not have covered behind the curtain of anonymity. Had they any strength in their convictions they would have made their identities known, either as a group or individual- ly, so that we all might know what kind of people think this way.

No society has ever been able to eradicate homosexuality, for no matter how many of us are removed, the reproducing heterosexual population will continue to produce us. Whether they choose to agree or disagree with our position, we hope their decision is an informed one, not based on igno- rance and bias.

Richard Wesley
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UF Turkish students extend sympathy to injured Pope

Editor: We, the Turkish students are at UF, want to express our deep sympathy to Pope John Paul II and all who love him. We condemn the inhumane act which caused harm to him and to pilgrims. The Turkish people strongly believe that terrorism has no rightful place in the civilized world. We admire Pope John Paul II as a man of peace. In this respect, we resemble Kemal Ataturk, the founder of modern Turkey, whose golden rule was “peace at home, peace in the world.”

On behalf of the approximately 100 UF Turkish Student Association members Paul Magnarella, adviser to the association and UF anthropology professor
**GUNS**

**Media hysteria**

Editor: As an avid gun collector and shooting enthusiast, I must speak out concerning the guns on campus article in the May 11 Alligator. To quote Dan Bahneman is "for the most part like the other 18.9 percent of gun owners on campus" is a gross injustice to those weapon owners. His actions and attitudes concerning weapons are those of an irresponsible novice, non-reflective of the shooting populace as a whole.

I was appalled at the rampant violations of "common sense in gun handling," (the guiding light to any mature gun owner), presented throughout the article. The violations were so numerous that lack of space prevents itemization, but here are a few of the obvious ones:

- All area hunting is restricted to shotgun use as range is much limited, even what deer hunting is done is restricted to shotguns with the exception of bows or black-power weapons during primitive weapon season. Even if one wanted to hunt illegally, one would not use an AR-15 as it is a small target due to bullet tumble. Obviously, Bahneman doesn’t eat what he shoots. Responsible shooters don’t "fire as fast as he can pull the trigger," there is little or no control, let alone accuracy or purpose.

- Most hunters are even more concerned than the average person about the environment and don’t destroy young trees, shoot up signs or damage crops. No sensible gun owner gets a thrill out of aiming a gun at someone. It’s a life and death situation only then warrants that action, not one of testimony. Patricia Capece had better get that gun out of her purse; the odds of her accidentally injuring someone are much greater than those of being attacked.

In conclusion, one only has to read the daily paper to sense the anti-gun hysteria that is sweeping this country. The hysteria is fueled by the comments and manner of journalism presented Monday. I urge every reader to erase from their memories the garbage contained in that article.

Jack Dutch

**Aim for peaceful society, not at people**

Editor: I would like to address the front page article printed May 11 regarding guns on campus. I was concerned to read that so many citizens have chosen to accept the negative influence of guns in their daily routines. Why do people believe that we can end violence by turning to violence? It only puts us so much further from the real solution—peace.

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Many people misunderstand non-violence. It is not pacifism or apathy; it does not mean turn and run away. Non-violence is action. It means learning to control the good inside you and using that good as force against evil. It is the stronger force of the two.

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Editor: The current situation in Lebanon is cause for concern and attention in the United States because it directly affects our national interest. Two weeks ago Syria deployed sophisticated Russian-built SAM-6 missiles in southern Lebanon to deter Israeli aircraft operations in that area. The Syrian move is viewed as an attempt by the Syrian administration to hostile and threatening to Israel as well as to the vulnerable Christian minority within Lebanon.

After a series of cease-fires, 20,000 Syrian "peace-keeping" troops (Russian-equipped) were deployed in Lebanon in 1976. These forces still occupy Lebanon today.

In fact, it is quite obvious that Syrén have no intentions of leaving. The Christian minority is constantly making complaints of abuse by the Syrian forces.

Leaders of the Christian minority (which number about 1.3 million) asked for outside assistance to combat the Syrians and the Palestine Liberation Organization (both parties uninvited and unwanted). In response to this cry for help, Israel opened up its northern border to Christian Lebanese for food, medical aid and supplies. In fact, I have personally seen this exchange of goodwill at the 'Good Fence' near the border town of Kfar Shmona in Israel.

More recently, military assistance has been granted to the Christian "Freedom Fighters."

Israeli support is both strategically important and generous. The Christian minority is suffering greatly. Last month alone, Syria reported "very-conservative" figures of 375 dead civilians in the Christian city of Zahle. This is the city which, two weeks ago, was shelled indiscriminately by Syrian-PLO-leftist forces. Israel "could not stand by and watch the slaughter of civilians" and sent aircraft to counter the Syrians. As a result of the confrontation, two Syrian helicopter gunships were shot down and the shelling stopped.

PLO military leader Abu Jihad stated recently that "machine guns and bullets are the only way to reach an understanding with the enemy." Apparently the PLO is true to their word because Christian military leader Majoret Hadad is constantly doing battle with the PLO in Lebanon. Reports of terrorism trickle into Israel daily accusing the PLO of killing innocent Christian women and children as they have done against the Israelis for many years.

What is going on in Lebanon is very similar to the situation in Afghanistan. An illegal army has occupied an independent nation for years. This Syrian force, Soviet-equipped, has supplied the PLO (a terrorist organization) for many years. The Soviet Union is in no hurry to ask Syria to withdraw as the Soviets are in no hurry to withdraw from Afghanistan.

I believe it is up to the United States and other democratic nations to support the Christians in Israel. This support, if only verbal, would encourage the people to continue their struggle against Soviet expansion. Reagan asked Syria to remove its missiles from Lebanon. I believe we should demand Syria out of Lebanon and then there is the chance for lasting peace in the Middle East.
Novice gets first-hand experience at male burlesque... 

By Mark Canter
Alligator Staff Writer

OK. I'm gonna do it. I'm gonna walk out on stage before a shadowy mob of women huddled at tables and sitting at the bar, and as the colored lights blink like Christmas and the speakers knock out a four-beat disco march, I'm gonna dance and take off my clothes. It's that simple.

But what to wear? How the show comes off depends partly on what comes off.

Last night Marc Silberski went on as an Army staff sergeant, complete with campaign ribbons and stripes. Geez, I could almost hear Al Paton sneeringly in outrage.

Silberski's also been a karate master, jogger, cowboy, fighter pilot, New Wave punk, fireman, sailor, and on Valentine's Day a postman handing out valentines. And Monroe Goodson's been everything -- a gorilla, executioner, Dracula, even the Devil -- which scared some women so badly they had to leave.

I've decided to go on as a construction worker. It's all in the closet of my past. I'll wear my workboots, leather toolbelt, hardhat, sleeveless T-shirt -- the same miserable costume I've worn while bulldogging heavy lumber up past.

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Alligator Staff Writer Mark Canter opened and closed his burlesque career on the Pegasus stage. In photo at right Canter does his congo step. I'm gonna dance and take off my clothes. It's that simple.

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Marc Silberski, 22, is vice-president of UF Bacchus, a campus alcohol abuse prevention program. He grew up in foster homes in Virginia and entered UF on a track scholarship. He became a burlesque dancer a year ago when the president of Bacchus became a cocktail waitress at the Pegasus Lounge.

"Oh, that's just great! The president of Bacchus working as a cocktail waitress. Why don't you get me a job as a dancer?"

She did.

"Pick up your toasted tomorrow at Mitch's Formal Wear and be here at 6:30."

Silberski toasted and turned like a landed trout the night before his first performance. But next evening when he arrived at the club, things were worse than he'd expected.

He stepped cautiously through the entranceway in his white tux with tails, wearing no shirt underneath, upon his head a natural mop of dark Michellefiglio ringlets. The buzzing swarm of women, pressed into every niche of the dark cavern, caught sight of the young prince and let out a wail induced by mixed drinks, sex hormones and who-knows-what. His stomach jumped like bacon in a hot skillet. Some other guy strolled in, about five-foot-five and skinny as a pencil, followed by a fat dude with a baby face. Silberski thinks, "Prf Chrissake are those hairless boys gonna dance too?"

"That's when Plan B went into effect," he recalls. "I got on the phone to track down my roommate and get him to do this thing with me. It took me 45 minutes to talk him into it. Then I hopped into the Quality Inn courtesy car and hauled ass to pick him up. When I got there he was in his underwear, putting on his only suit -- a three-piece wool suit."

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Novice stripper
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I take a shower and anoint my body with Johnson's Baby Oil — makes your muscles stand out by reflecting moonlight. Kneeling on the floor, Jerry, Renee, a photographer with the Feel Good Dancers is ironing a black scarf for Chuck to wear with his black tank top. The ence strolls in, "Mark, you're on in five!" Alright. A quick couple dance steps in front of the mirror and the George Plimpton of male burlesque goes downstairs into the jaws of the bar.

It's a decent crowd. After all this adrenaline, I'm glad it is. My music has started, Jeff Sterling, the ence, tricked me on that music. I've got to get these damned clothes off! My foot is caught in my pant leg! Hey, Look at the jerk on the stage! Oh well, smile! Jump-shake-a-leg! Now I'm down to my bikini and I've run out of artistic direction to pursue, as they say in show business. Let's see... Shake your booty, I've done that. Elvis-pelvis. I've done that. I know! Dance right up to one of the customers in the front row! It's no use — he's at least as embarrassed as I am. There is stark terror behind her smile.

I'm almost forgot my conga finale! The goat-skin drum stands off to stage right like an ancient African artifact. I grab it up to shake 'n' bake a hot rhumba telegram with the disco hammering behind me. This'll get 'em going! Voodoo'em back to the cave! Oh hell, what happened to the beat? I'm out of sync with the record. Can't stop now — jings-bop-bop-bop-bo-bop-bop-bo-bop-bo-bop-

Cut the music!

It's finally over. I make a sweaty getaway as a voice cries out, "You're gonna have to take off more than that, honey!"

"Uh, Mark, can you help us out here?" says the ence.

The bastard! I had forgotten to pick up my clothes on the way offstage and now he's making me spin around and come back to grab them. I wear a hero-into-the-sunset-forgets-his-cowboy-hat sheepish grin. Just that and a little red bikini.

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The disco music's nailing down the beat. Thump. Thump. Thump. "Good Grief!" He pranced into the audience as sexy as a nervous breakdown.

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Silberski has been dancing ever since, though he's never topped that first night's tip record. He makes a distinction between the entertainment balls he believes in, and his burlesque. "I'm not there for the women to drool over," he said, "it's not some big macho thing. It's a form of theater. It's burlesque — in the tradition of Gypsy Rose Lee — as opposed to total sex with no creativity."

Monroe Goodson, 30, the leader of "The Feel Good Dancers," agrees that burlesque is an art form.

Goodson, who spent seven years in a Catholic orphanage, was traveling to conventions and shopping centers with Dr. Feel Good's Rolling Disco Show, when he met Chuck Mahoney. Mahoney was a model in a fashion show that Goodson was producing and he told Goodson about a burlesque troupe that he was called the Male Factor.

"At first I was negative about the whole thing," recalled Goodson. "Chuck called me every month for a year to get me to come see his show. Once I saw it I got a lot of ideas about improving it. It was a challenge — I saw that it had potential."

Soon afterwards, Goodson performed his first burlesque in front of 600 women at the Club Marakesh in West Palm Beach. "The audience didn't bother me one bit, because I was so involved in the character I was creating," he said. His character was a bum who accidentally wanders on stage. It was so realistic that some women shoved him and told him to leave. Now Goodson says that male burlesque is not just a fad, but an entertainment form with a future.

"I feel that women are much more aggressive than men. This is the dawn of women getting what they want. Call it role-reversal or whatever, it's here to stay."

That night, in the club, Goodson came on as a 1930's gangster, Crazy Legs Diamond. He did about 10 minutes of smooth jazz choreography, with some fantastic timing, such as blowing a puff of smoke from his cigarette at the precise downbeat in the hokey-toky rhythm. He eventually stripped down to a tiny bikini. On the way out, a woman told him he was such a wonderful dancer that she was thrilled to watch him. "I don't even care if you take your clothes off."

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Golfers third in SEC after first day

UF golf coach John Darr said before the start of this weekend's Southeastern Conference championships that the Gators would need sub-par play to win the team title.

And Darr may have had reason to be disappointed after Thursday's first round of the 36-hole tourney in Augusta, Ga., as UF was unable to break par. But fortunately for Darr and the Gators, none of the other SEC teams broke par either and UF's three-over par 291 put it only three shots behind 1977 and 1978 champion Georgia.

The Bulldogs ended the first round with a 288 score — two shots better than surprising Auburn. The Gators share third place with 1979 champ Alabama.

We played a good, solid round of golf," Darr said Thursday after his team had completed play on the par 72, 7,100-yard WestLake Country Club. "We didn't get anybody hot, but it's a three-day tournament."

UF was led by John Given and Larry Bentz, each of whom shot 72. Steve Wagoner and Chip Hall followed with 73 and 74, respectively. Tony Deluca, a third-place finisher last year, struggled in with a 77, but saved himself further embarrassment by nailing birdies on the last two holes.

Lady runners at first-ever SEC

With only two weeks remaining before the AIAW National Championships and only three Lady Gators qualified for that meet, Lady Gator track coach Carol Thomson plans to utilize this weekend's inaugural Southeastern Conference meet in Knoxville, Tenn., to try to increase that number.

"It's an excellent track and the times should be there, so we'll sacrifice points to go for some qualifying times," Thomson said. Nancy Raczkza earned her trip to Austin with a javelin toss of 108-9 in a qualifying meet Thursday on Percy Beard Track. She joins teammates Lori Dinello and Alverretta Pitts, who previously qualified in the 100- and 400-meter hurdles, respectively.

"If everybody's really healthy and we're on, we could be in the top three," she said.

... Mike Lindsey, a quarter-miler from Shanks High School in Quincy, Fla., and one of the most sought-after prospects in the state, heads a list of four prep athletes signed by UF assistant coach Mike Bozemman to Gator track scholarships.

"Mike can run anything from 400 meters up to a 1,000 and do it well," said Bozemman. Lindsey, runnerup in the state 3A quarter-mile race and a member of the 3A championship mile medley relay team, was heavily recruited by Florida State. State 4A high jump champ Moeth Johnson from American High School in Hialeah has also inked a scholarship with the Gators. Two big weight men from Spring Valley High School in Columbia, S.C., where Bozemman coached a state championship squad in 1978 before becoming a Gator assistant, also have decided on displaying their skills at UF.

They are David Carr, a 6-foot-3-inch 225-pound shotput and discus specialist, and teammate Steve Neal, a 6-foot-5-inch 260-pound shotputter.

Softball team wins, then loses

The Lady Gator softball team defeated Northern Kentucky 8-2 Thursday in the first-ever national tournament but then lost to second-seeded East Carolina 11-7 to drop in the loser's bracket of the double-elimination event in Raleigh, N.C.

UF's Melanie Dunn got things rolling against Northern Kentucky with a leadoff home run in the first inning as the Lady Gators went on to bang out 14 hits. Dunn and Carlye Conion had three hits apiece for UF.

Against East Carolina, UF (33-12) trailed 10-4 before scoring all its runs in the final two innings. The Lady Gators face Wilmington College (Ohio) today at 11 a.m.
UF out to end drought in SEC baseball tourny

By Martin Cohen and Jay Gayoso
Alligator Staff Writers

It's that time of the year again. As major league baseball shifts into high gear, it's conference tournament time for major college across the country.

Beginning today in Starkville, Miss., the Southeastern Conference tournament kicks off with Eastern Division champion UF meeting Western Division runner-up Alabama. Later that day, Western Division champ and host Mississippi State tangles with Eastern Division runner-up Kentucky. This is the second time Mississippi State has hosted the tournament. In 1979, the Gators captured the SEC title with a 12-11 come-from-behind victory against UF.

This season's double-elimination tournament should prove to be the toughest ever, as the four teams have a combined winning percentage of .783. Only one of the four teams that participated in last year's tournament will be back for another try. UF, which was eliminated in two straight games on its home field last year, is back to try to garner its first title. Last year's winner, Vanderbilt, finished third distant in the East this season.

Here is a capsule summary of the four teams in the tournament.

**FLORIDA**

Always the bridesmaid never the bride probably is the most apt and correct way to describe the UF baseball team's performance in the last four SEC championships.

This season, the Gators captured their division for the fifth time in the past six years, thanks in part to the Gators' .746 winning percentage, which is the best in the SEC. The Gators' .327 batting average is the best of the SEC and leads the SEC in on-base percentage (.427) and slugging percentage (.459).

Carpenter (16) finished third in the SEC with a .391 average, 20 points better than the nearest batter. The SEC's most consistent Wildcat pitchers are left-handed junior Jeff Carter, who clubbed 14 home runs, but hit only .276. The 'Cats are a long-ball club, shattering another school record with 58 round-trippers this season. Leading the bar-

**KENTUCKY**

It came down to the final weekend of the season before the Wildcats solidified their second-place spot. In the process the Cats set a school record for wins (37) and brought some prominence to the baseball program at a basketball-dominated school.

"Some people might be overlooking us," coach Keith Madison said. "I thought we'd be contenders from the beginning of the season."

Madison's crew (37-14-1) is led by heavy-hitting Bill Sandry. The transfer from Iowa Junior College led the team with a .388 average, swatting 20 doubles and 11 home runs along with knocking in 54 runs. The Cats are a long-ball club, shattering another school record with 58 round-trippers this season. Leading the bar-

**MISSISSIPPI STATE**

After being left out of the tournament last year for the first time since the SEC went to the four-team format in 1977, Mississippi State returns with impressive statistics.

Coach Ron Polk's crew went 41-13, 17-4 in the SEC, and shared the Western Division crown with Alabama. The Bulldogs were awarded the home field advantage in the tournament by virtue of beating Alabama four of the six times the teams met this season.

And what a home field advantage it should be. Extra bleachers attached to Dudy Noble Field, where the Bulldogs averaged 2,300 a game, will increase capacity to 10,000 for the tournament.

"Our guys are used to playing in front of large home crowds," Polk said. "But the field is so strong that nobody can be designated favorite.

The Bulldogs are hitting, and lots of it, to win their ballgames. They sport the SEC's top hitter in Mark Gillaspie, and the SEC's top home run and RBI man in Bruce Castoria. Gillaspie, a transfer from Nebraska, ended the season with a .396 average. 20 points better than the nearest hitter. The Bulldog rightfielder also scored a conference high 77 runs.

The good news — UF's top hitter Glenn Carpenter (16) finished third in the SEC with a .391 average

Thursday track results

- 6:30 p.m. — Long jump and shot put finals; 7:00 — 3000 steeplechase finals; 7:20 — 110 high hurdles trials; 7:40 — 400 hurdles trials (trials); 8:00 — 100-meter hurdles (trials); 8:20 — 800-meter hurdles (trials); 8:40 — 400 intermediate hurdles (trials); 9:00 — 200-meter HJ (trials); 9:20 — 1500-meter HJ (trials); 9:40 — 1500-meter (Decathlon); 10:00 — 10,000-meter (final).

- 8:15 a.m. — Shot put (first round); 9:30 a.m. — 3000 steeplechase (first round); 10:00 — 100-meter hurdles (first round); 10:20 — 800-meter hurdles (first round); 10:40 — 400 intermediate hurdles (first round); 11:00 — 200-meter HJ (first round); 11:20 — 1500-meter HJ (first round); 11:40 — 1500-meter (Decathlon); 12:00 — 10,000-meter (first round).