Judgment delayed on UF toxic fume effects

By JIM DI POLA
Alligator Staff Writer

A California health investigator studying the UF veterinary school's toxic-fume dilemma says he doesn't think the fumes can cause any long-term health problems, but he offered a final judgment for at least two weeks.

Dr. James Cone said at a Monday press conference that he will not be certain about the effects of the toxic fumes until research is completed next month.

A labor union leader representing the 200 workers at the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital said, after the conference, that the building should be shut down because two or three weeks is too long to wait for research results.

Cone, an epidemiologist from Northern California Occupational Health Center, and NCOHC engineers took air samples and interviewed 15 workers who said they have become ill from toxic fumes that linger in the building.

NCOHC officials returned to California Monday to study their data. Cone said he hopes to return to UF within the month with more answers to the problem.

"It's a potentially difficult problem to solve," he said.

Meanwhile, George Johnson, an official from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, said he wants UF officials to shut down the building. "He (Cone) didn't impress me with the concerns of employee safety. Although he said some helpful things, he didn't tell the whole story.

After interviewing employees and studying the building's air flow, Cone said he agrees with previous conclusions of the problem.

In June, a similar study conducted by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health found that chemicals pose a serious air conditioning, as well as the building's leaky roof, caused the chemicals to saturate the air in the building.

Veterinary workers use formaldehyde and other harsh chemicals in their research labs, located in the building off Southwest 16th Avenue.

Workers have complained since January about eye irritations, headaches and skin rashes.

Cone said building maintenance could be improved, be added, "I don't think the building needs to be closed at this time.

But Johnson disagreed, saying no one can be sure if the fumes cause long-term health problems until research can detect what the fumes are.

"Who is to know at this critical stage the impact (of the fumes) on a person 10 years down the road?"

Taking food from poor?

Rep: Amendment hits low-cost homes

By MATT HOLLAND
Alligator Staff Writer

If Florida voters approve amend-
ment three on Nov. 4, they will be
taking food out of the mouths of the state's poor, Rep. Sid Martin (D-
Dawsonboro) says.

The amendment would reduce Florida's homestead tax exemption, boosting the property tax bill of many homeowners. Since the amendment would tax inexpensive homes that are currently exempt, analysts say it shifts some of the tax burden from businesses to low-income homeowners.

"How is the world going to pay any more taxes?" Martin asked. He said he has spoken to hundreds of people in the state.

House district he represents, and they say higher property taxes will force them to get by with less food and medicine.

Other state legislators say the tax change is necessary to help small rural counties stay on their feet.

Under the present homestead ex-
emption, homeowners only pay property taxes on the value of their home in excess of $25,000. In 19 of Florida's 67 counties, that means more than half the homeowners pay no property tax at all.

UF economist Professor Frederick Goddard says it's a public service pamphlet. If the amendment passes, the first $5,000 of a home's value will be tax-exempt, as well as half of the next $40,000. That means the owner of a $25,000 home, completely tax-exempt at present, will have to pay taxes on $10,000 of that value. The actual tax bill would vary from county to county because each sets its own tax rate.

The local governments can't just raise property tax rates to get the cash they need, though, because the state constitution places a roof on them. No city, county or school board can charge more than 10 mills in property tax, which translates to $1 for every $100 in property value.

The homestead law used to exempt only $5,000 of a home's value from taxes, but in 1980 voters approved a Legislature-proposed amendment to raise the exemption to $25,000.

Martin didn't think that was a good idea back then, but he doesn't want to change things now.

"I'd like to leave it like it is," he said. "We were mad up the loss," Martin said he eventually voted to put the exemption at $25,000 when the Legislature raised the sales tax by one-half cent to pump money back into local schools and governments.

If those local governments can see Exemption, next page

Murder attempt, suicide

By RON KOZLOWSKI
Alligator Writer

A Gainesville man shot his ex-wife and then killed himself early Monday morning — the second such incident in Gainesville in two weeks, police said.

Gainesville police spokesman Don Dean said Herbert Lee Hooker, 45, of 918 NE 18th Ter., shot and critically wounded his ex-wife while she was on her front porch at 2211 NE Fourth Ave.

Eloise Hooker, 40, was in critical condition at Alachua General Hospital late Monday. Police said hospital officials told them the woman was "brain dead" and on life-support machines, but Alachua General Hospital said the woman would not confirm the report.

Dean said the incident started Sunday night when Eloise Hooker called police to report that her hus-
band had assaulted her. Don Dean said Hooker was treated at Alachua General Hospital for facial bruises. He said that during the initial fight, Herbert Hooker "struck her on the face, beat her up. Undoubtedly he had punched her."

Dean said police searched un-
succesfully for Hooker, who ap-
parently waited for his ex-wife to return from the hospital.

Dean said that when she returned to her home, Hooker shot her once in the neck and once behind the left ear with a .32-caliber handgun. Dean said Hooker then walked to the 1700 block of Northeast Eighth Avenue and shot himself in the head.

Monday afternoon, Hooker's brother said his brother was shot in the leg from front porch.

Hooker was pronounced dead at the University of Florida Medical Center Monday afternoon.

Dean said Hooker had been 
divorced for about three years, and a neighbor said the woman lived with her four children.

Joel Brault, 42, shot and killed his wife, Diane, 40, and then himself after an argument behind City Hall two weeks ago.
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prove they need more money than they can raise, Martin said the Legislature should get the money by raising licensing fees and fees for services.
Sinclair Eaton, Martin's challenger for the District 23 seat, also thinks the amendment "pumps a tremendous unfair burden on the poor and middle income." He has a different solution, though. He says he would remove the property tax system, in which residents would pay what they felt was fair. "It may be very idealistic, but I think it would fly," he said.
Goddard says the money is not that important, though. It's the principle of the thing.

"Some (local governments) have serious financial problems," he said, "but this isn't going to help that much. We're not talking about a great deal of money."
He said a typical rural homeowner would only have to pay roughly $150 more in taxes a year. While that's not pocket change, Goddard said, the increase would not "work incredible hardships on anybody." Goddard said he has talked to many people around the state about the amendment, and most who support it do so out of a sense of fairness.
People in this state really feel everybody should pay some property taxes," he said. "I think this is probably where the support is coming from."
Whether or not the amendment passes, Goddard doesn't think the tax will come up again very soon.

Candiates call for open Legislature
By MATT HOLLAND
Alligator Staff Writer
State House candidate Sinclair Eaton and gubernatorial hopeful Bob Martinez' call for a completely open Legislature Monday, and threw in a promise to work to ban political action committees.
At the third weekly press conference of his campaign for the District 23 seat, Eaton said he would make increased accountability a "prime initiative" if elected.
He said that lawmakers making deals away from the public eye is a big reason for voter apathy. After hesitating, he added, "Maybe in contributions, many from PACs

Local man gets 17 years for kidnapping
By CESAR BRIOSO
Alligator Writer
A Gainesville man kidnapped a woman and forcing her to have sex while he threatened her with a samurai sword. The 23-year-old martial arts star was sentenced Monday to 17 years in prison.
Under the state's sentencing guidelines, Franklin Jason Buck, 26, of 405 SE Seventh St., received 17 years for kidnapping and 12 years for each of three counts of sexual battery. He will serve the terms consecutively.
Buck was convicted Sept. 16 of kidnapping a woman on April 17 in the parking lot of Publix at 1014 N. Main St.
Assistant State Attorney Joe Carlin said the victim had returned to her car at 9:30 that night but Buck got into the car and threatened to cut her with a martial arts sword.
Buck made her drive to the Hillcrest Cemetery on Hawthorne Road, where he raped her in the car and on the cemetery grounds, Carlin said.
During the trial, the victim testified that after one of the assaults, she tried to drive away, but Buck smashed the window with his forearm and stopped her.
Defense attorney Karin Moore argued that the victim picked up Buck on Northeast Second Avenue and offered to have sex with him for $50.

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Judge may rule against paper

By JOE NEWMAN

Alligator Writer

A judge is expected to rule against The Alligator this week in its suit against Shands Hospital — keeping the hospital's board of directors meetings closed to the public.

Florence Snyder, The Alligator's attorney, said County Judge Stas Moris called her last week and told her about his planned ruling.

The Alligator filed suit against Shands Aug. 1, claiming Shands was a state-run agency. Under Florida’s Sunshine Law, all official meetings of any board or commission of a state agency are declared open to the public at all times.

Shands denied The Alligator's request to allow reporters to cover its board meetings after it was taken over by a "private, not-for-profit corporation" in 1980. At the time, Shands officials said the move would enable them to stay competitive with other private hospitals.

The Alligator's suit said Shands was on state-owned land and that many of its employees were paid with state funds. Shands 17-member board of directors includes UF President Marshall Criner, Administrative Affairs Vice-President Bill Emler and several members appointed by Criner.

Joshua Weinstein, editor of The Alligator, said he planned on appealing the judge's decision.

"I think the judge's decision stinks," Weinstein said. "They (Shands) get their money from the state, the board is made up of state employees, they were built by the state."

Shands' attorney Mark Hubley said he would have no comment on the suit until Morris makes his decision.

Morris is expected to release a formal decision by Friday. The Alligator will have 30 days to file an appeal.

Terrell Harris, 99, sits in his room at the V.A. Nursing Home. He is wearing his World War I jacket. The jacket is 68 years old and still fits — kind of.

"While people were in their holen, I would run and run to read messages," he said. "I small. The bullets went right by me."

While he was in the army, Harris did what he does best — romance women.

Italy, Turkey, England. Greece. Harris smiles as he shows off old pictures in dusty frames of beautiful ladies from around the world with whom he still keeps in touch.

He points to a young woman with long black hair.

"See that one?" he asked. "When I spoke Turkish to her; she went crazy."

Romance gives a person energy, Harris says. And he says a man can look into a woman's eyes and tell how romantic she is.

Friends know all about Harris' flirting. One of those friends, John MacDonald, jokes that female visitors should keep Harris' bedroom door open.

"You may have to leave in quite a hurry," MacDonald said.

An attractive girl visits the nursing home behind the Veterans Administration Hospital, she may find herself sitting on Harris' bed, listening attentively to stories of romance and the war.

"Life is just what you make it. If you care and have imshow to love you, the world is yours. Romance is the most important thing that keeps me alive .. I am a 16-year-old boy stuck inside a 99-year-old man's body."
Plane crash kills African officials

KIA MATIPOTLO, South Africa — Mozambi- can President Samora Machel and 28 other people, including some of his cabinet minis- ters, were killed when their jet crashed into a mountain ridge in Eastern South Africa dur- ing a thunderstorm, officials said Monday. Authorities said Machel's Soviet-built Tupo- lev Tu-134 "Crusier" jetliner slammed into a densely wooded ridge outside Nehepur, about 200 miles east of Johannesberg, shat- tering trees and scattering wreckage hundreds of yards.

South African Foreign Minister Roelf Botha told reporters in the border town of Komatipoort that Machel, a 53-year-old who has accused Portuguese colonial rule in Mozam- bique in 1975, was killed with the other 28 when the plane plunged to the ground at about 9 p.m. Sunday.

Officials in Pretoria and Maputo, the capi- tal of Mozambique, said Mozambican Trans- port Minister Alcantara Santos and Deputy Foreign Minister Jose Carlos were among the dead.

Botha said 10 people, including the plane's Soviet pilot, survived the disaster. One of the

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Johnson sued real estate broker Gerald Llorens for $2 million in March, claiming his pri- vacy was invaded because Llorens told a reporter that Johnson had purchased for almost $1 million two waterfront lots on Star Island, where he intended to build a home.

Recognize Alcohol

TALLAHASSEE — State University Sys- tem Chancellor Charles Reed wants students to recognize that alcohol poses signif- icant threats to health and academic success.

The high court voted 9-0 to keep the stay in effect. The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta granted Darden a stay late Friday, stopping the execution. The state then filed a petition with the Supreme Court, seeking to vacate the stay to allow Florida to carry out the execution as planned. Darden, who was on a record fifth death warrant for the Sept.

Although an avowed Marxist, Machel was a strong nationalist and was welcomed to the White House by President Reagan in Sep- tember 1985.

SDI PROTESTS

ANTI-Strategic Defense Initiative demon- strations bombarded cars with pumpkins Mon- day at a California research center to protest President Reagan's space shield defense and plans for a major target of anti-apartheid activists, said

GM WITHDRAWS

DETROIT — General Motors Corp., long a major target of anti-apartheid activists, said Monday it will withdraw from South Africa, selling operations there to a group headed by local management. GM Chairman Roger Smith said GM South Africa Ltd. had been losing money as a "man's difficult South Afri- can business climate." He also said the firm had been disappointed in the progress toward elimination of apartheid. GM — the world's largest industrial organization and a leader among U.S. firms in South Africa — has faced mounting pressure over its presence in that racially troubled nation. The automaker has 3,000 employees in the South African city of Port Elizabeth, but the head of GM in South Africa said none of the mostly black employees would lose their jobs.

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SAFEST RUSH

Across the millions of people in Eastern Europe and the U.S. are flock- ing to a "Secrets of the Human Body" exhibi- tion intended to dispel "erroneous concepts" about sex and reproduction, the China Daily said Monday. 

VOTE AMERICA
Tigert Olympics' staged for charity
By JOANNE WORTHINGTON
Alligator Writer

A crowd of UF officials cheered and waved orange-and-blue flags while they watched representatives from Tigert Hall under paper clips, gather and staple papers and play a game of mock Family Feud. One of those representatives was Linda Gray, whose "University Update" is broadcast daily on Rock 104.

"Come on Linda, you need that parking space," an amused on-looker yelled.

UF officials were put into groups according to what floor in Tigert Hall they work on. One representative from each floor was chosen to compete in each event.

Larry Hughes, print section chief of information services, invented Tigert Olympics as a way to bring attention to the United Way.

People think of charities like buying insurance, I think with humor they consider more things." 

Senate to hear budget requests tonight
By JIM DI POLA
Alligator Staff Writer

Student senators will hear six student organizations request more than $70,000 during tonight's meeting. Reitz Union Director David Kratzer says the student union needs $50,000 to help pay for its day-to-day operations and proposed concert.

Last spring, student senators cut the $1.8 million budget by $50,000 because they said they weren't sure there was enough money in the activity and service fee coffers.

But UF administrators requested and received from Florida legislators $15.7 million for capital improvements. Part of the capital improvements money included $170,000 for lights and irrigation for two fields.

So, Ugren said, "Our board has to approve $50,000 before the money is approved." According to what floor in Tigert Hall they work on.

The request will put $122,000 for Tigert Olympics as a way to bring attention to the United Way.

"They (administrators) saved $122,000 for us," Bergin said. "If we can't do good faith, then there's a problem." 

Kraemer, who took over the position after Bill Rosen stepped down in July, said he isn't counting on the money.

"I'm just a rookie, so I have a wait-and-see attitude," Kraemer said.

If the money isn't approved, Kraemer said he will have to cut some proposed events, such as concerts in the Reitz Ballroom and some entertainment in the Orange and Brew.

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To Arms

Student power is awesome. It's enough to send city commissioners cowhoming to their offices to tremble in the fear that students will take over this once-quiet town. Between UF and Santa Fe Community College, there are about 40,000 student voters in this region. That's enough not just to shake things up, but enough to reign over the place.

Problem is, we aren't willing to do anything. We're not willing to do something as simple as register to vote. We're not willing to exert our power, we've got no power.

That awesome potential — the stuff that could send the likes of Dour Mac MeEachern wimpering into a bottle club — is untapped.

And there's no reason for that. Think for a second; think of the power the students really do wield. If we only voted, we could do anything we bloody well please. We could run the commission. It'd be ours.

And it would rub off on other aspects of our lives. Right now, there are places on campus where students are not accorded the respect they deserve. The only reason that sort of stuff goes on is because we allow it to.

What's great about America is that the people really are masters of their own destinies.

But we've got to grab it. We've got to figure out just what it is we want and go for it all the way.

What whether we ask for is a responsive and equitable university administration or a City Commission filled with rational people who care about what we think, it's up to us to create it.

These aren't subservient ideas. They're the stuff this nation is built upon.

When Paul Revere rode from Boston to Lexington warning the people, "The British are coming," he was selling a vision. In every way homosexuality is wrong — physically, biologically, emotionally and morally. That's the bottom line.

This was an article by Vincent A. Brown, physician, biologist, psychologist and executive editor — a well-rounded homosexual if ever there was one. Mr. Brown reports that it is "fashionable to be pro-gay," and finds self-assurance in his bucking the evil tide.

Well, I am reminded of another quote, spoken by one of similar mind, if more drastic intent. "... we mean to get rid of homosexuals root and branch. They're a danger to the country the national health. ... We can't permit such a danger to the country; the homosexuals must be entirely eliminated ..." This was said by Heinrich Himmler.

A great number of brave and strong people, each daunted by threats to labor, life, liberty and love, have worked to bring about significant changes in the way we Americans view ourselves, and in this regard Selma Selma and Stonewall were not much disparate happenings; the first was a symbolic act of freedom of fifteen of the nation's people, the second a starting point for the liberation of ten percent more.

The controversy surrounding gay members of society is not new to Gainesville. In 1958, for example, Charles Johns, a good-old-boy (by which I mean that there is nothing derogatory about the term) who really was a good-old-boy (by which I mean that there is nothing derogatory about the term) by Albright's story serving in the state Legislature launched an official probe to determine the extent of the infiltration of homosexual perverts at the University of Florida. After several years of McCarthy-like interrogations and accusations, some sixteen faculty and staff were dismissed in charges of homosexuality, and a fancy report was published under the heading "Homosexuality and Citizenship in Florida."

But that is alligation, that one expects to find such comments as those of Editor Brown. Who can say what valuable contributions these 16 might have made in this profession? One almost is forced to ask what would have been the fate of the State Chapel had Michalagello served under a pope of Mr. Brown's determination. The simple fact that conservative bigots — and yes Mr. Brown, you are a bigot — have made it very difficult for many men and women to live honest and fulfilled lives. Despite the singular strides made by the Harvey Milk's and the Henry Fays, despite the magnificent examples of the Tennessee Williams and the Alan Ginsbergs, and despite the noble sacrifices of the Rock Hudson's and the Paul Keenans, Reagan's America is still not an America for everyone. Vincent, Vincent, Vincent ...

One of the most irritating things that must be faced in this ongoing issue of whether gays are people too is the evident irrational attitude of many other wise liberal and well-adjusted strates (yes, that's how it is spelled). One is immediately frustrated by the fact that those who argue that fags should be re-rounded to sixth class status resort to libelous assumptions and/or conclusions based on little more than emotional knee-jerk thinking. Mr. Brown's discussion in a case in point; there is no development of an argument justifying his attitude on gays, and I submit that there is none. There never has been, and the sooner we can all learn to live together, the sooner each of our lives will be better. There are many more important issues to discuss than what adults do in the privacy of their own homes.

Vincent, Vincent, Vincent ... I hope you don't have more than 10 close friends — the statistics are against you. I hope my disappointment does not hit too close to your hard heart.

We goofed

In yesterday's paper, we printed in this column that employees of the veterinary hospital were being forced to work in the building even though it's racked with toxic fumes. Uh-oh. I said: "The British are coming." It was a symbol of jerks. Mr. Brown'sd.

So, we've goofed. You have to do is live here. The only increase is an artistic society in South Africa that's no minimum residence time in Gainesville. All you have to do is live here. To arms! To arms!

We have not yet begun to fight.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Considered fee hike is for student group

Editor: After reading your article on the activity and service fee, I felt it was necessary to clarify certain misconstrued points. I do not support raising the A and S fee 28 cents to $4.09 per credit hour; I never have supported this proposal. I never will support this proposal. I further believe that neither Pamela Blingham nor Brad Walker (the other student members) are considering this proposal either; therefore, it cannot be approved by the committee. Your article suggested otherwise and is thus incorrect.

The only increase I am considering is an 11 cent increase from $3.61 to $3.72. This increase would continue to allow the same funds available to student organizations because decreased enrollment would result in a fewer total credit hours for the student and thus reduce the total activity and service budget. Without an increase, student organizations will have less money available to them in both annual budgets and special requests.

Letters to the editor should not exceed 200 words (about one 8 by 10 page). They must be typed double spaced and signed. They must include a current address and telephone number. Names will be withheld if requested. You are encouraged to submit a letter. If you have questions contact the editor at P.O. Box 376 4458 4JM 4458 FROST 4JM

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Simon story showed insight into S. Africa

Editor: I find James Hawkey's letter accusing Tom Yardley of attacking anti-apartheid efforts on campus to be little more than amusing. I am neither a "right-wing zealot" nor an avid reader of The Alligator, but I found Yardley's interview with Paul Simon a tremendous insight into one artist's efforts to nurture the positive cultural experiences of a nation that receives nothing but negative press.

Simon was welcomed by the artistic community; he was established as that as a criterion. The result was an exchange of musical ideas, a blending of cultures where most people felt none existed.

What Simon was trying to point out in the interview was that we forget there is an artistic community in South Africa that is fighting not only against a repressive government, but against a world press that ignores its existence entirely.

Simon made a bold attempt to wake us up to that fact.
Woman charged in kidnapping, murder

By JOE NEWMAN
Alligator Writer

A Tennessee woman is being held on charges that she helped kidnap and murder a Gainesville man in May.

Tammy Todd, 18, of Murphysboro, Tenn., was returned to Gainesville last week after a grand jury indicted Todd and her boyfriend, Mike Bowman, in the abduction-murder of Ray Drayton.

Todd told police that she and Bowman, 31, also of Murphysboro, met Drayton on May 3 and were in Drayton's car heading north on Interstate 75 in Alachua County when they took control of the car. Bowman slashed Drayton's neck with a razor, Todd said. Todd told police that she then drove the Oldsmobile Cutlass to a wooded area in Baker County where Bowman again slashed Drayton several times.

Todd was then told by Bowman to run over Drayton's body with the car. The car was found in Murphysboro on May 19 and after an investigation, Todd and Bowman were arrested.

Following directions from Bowman and Todd, Alachua County sheriff's investigators found on Aug. 14 the skeletal remains of a man in Baker County bearing a belt buckle with the name "Ray" on it. The buckle was identified by Drayton's girlfriend.

Todd is charged with second-degree murder, armed robbery and kidnapping. Bowman faces a first-degree murder charge along with armed robbery and kidnapping charges.

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The Minority Business Society is sponsoring the study session.

Hoops - Co-recreational and women's intramural basketball leagues signup concludes today. Registration is in Room 214 of the Florida Gym during office hours today, or call 392-0581.

Senator? — Students for Graham will meet tomorrow at 7 p.m. in Reitz Union Room 365.

ADDICTED -- "Myths and Realities of Addictions" will be discussed tomorrow at noon in Reitz Union 122. The speech by Dr. Alan Glaros is sponsored by the Campus Committee on Wellness.

Money - Beta Eta Sigma will meet tomorrow at 5 p.m. in Reitz Union 349. Scholarship and fellowship availability will be explored. All interested students may attend.

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As part of National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week this week, several alcohol awareness activities will take place on UF campus. The workshops and exhibits are designed to reduce alcohol problems and educate students. The week's events include the following:

TUESDAY—Alcohol Awareness Exhibit, Reitz Union Colonnade, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Film, "Until I Get Caught!" in Valerie Recreation Room, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY—Alcohol and Drug Seminar, Campus Committee on Alcoholism, room 2215 Reitz Union; UF Workshops, Rawlings Hall Lobby, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY—Alcohol Awareness Exhibit, Reitz Union Colonnade, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Film, "Until I Get Caught!" in Valerie Recreation Room, 7 p.m.

а.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday at Grinter Galleries in West Africa" features statistics department, describing "Environmental Engineering Professor, in seminar with W. H. Lowen Marshall, Mercer University.

WEDNESDAY—"The Myths and Realities of Addictions," examined by Alan Glaze, assistant professor, and Beverly Sanders, UF Campus Alcohol and Drug Resource Center counselors, in wellness Colloquium at noon in Reitz Union.

TUESDAY—"INTIMATE RELATIONS," UF Counseling Center, in Campus Organized Against Rape (COAR) seminar at 4:15 p.m. in 123 Reitz Union.

FRONTIERS OF SCIENCE LECTURE SERIES—"Theorist Announcing the Next Big Thing in Science," a member of the Department of Physics, in Beall Auditorium, Williamson Hall.

ISRAELI FILM FESTIVAL—presents "Protect the weak, free the strong," at Cholchotch Street, about life in Palestine during the 1930s, in Atlantic Room.

THURSDAY—MUSIC DEPARTMENT Seminar by John Stinchcomb, musicologist, discussing Renaissance choral music as "Sung Books for the Motets of Georg Prenner" at 2 p.m. in the Music Building.

"POPULATION DISTRIBUTIONS NEAR NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS" discussions in nuclear engineering seminar with W. E. Boich, UF environmental engineering professor, at 11:30 a.m. in 102 Nuclear Science Center.

INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING SEMINAR—Presents Arie Tani, Visiting Professor from the New University of Technology Statistics Department, discussing "Maximizing Classes of Two Parameter Objectives," at 4:30 p.m. in 352 Weil Hall.

APRIL FESTIVAL—"Health and Safety In Work Area" features UF anthropology professor Richard H. Gates on the history of Native American pop culture.

CONTINUING—"THE ART OF CAMERON," exhibit of ceremonial and ritual art from Cameroon, in Reitz Union through Friday at Grinter Galleries in the Reitz Union building.

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The Faculty Support Center for Com-puters with the Division of Information Resources continues its Computer Support Services Committee, and is open to all ages. The program is funded by the Energy Conservation Office through the BACCHUS Plan, which allows students to participate in the University Police Department's alcohol awareness programs. The program is open to all UF students and employees.

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Co-op work: Getting ahead of the rest

By KIM WILSON  
Alligator Writer

UF math major Steve Berley is getting ahead of the competition — his fellow students. This semester, Berley is getting hands-on work experience, learning the corporate system and earning a paycheck at IBM's Research Triangle Park in Raleigh, N.C.

Berley is one of 300 UF students participating in the cooperative education program. The program, an offshoot of the Career Resource Center, links students with employers that provide job training, work experience and possible jobs after graduation.

Gary Shiflett, associate director of the co-op program, said that although it is not impossible to get a job, co-op education gives a student a distinct advantage.

"Co-op students' chances of immediate employment after graduation are 40 percent higher than graduating seniors without any co-op training," Shiflett said.

To qualify for the program, a student must have completed at least 30 semester hours and have maintained a 2.0 minimum grade point average. Engineering majors make up 85 percent of student participation in the program. But co-op experience is also available for public relations, accounting, finance and criminal justice majors.

The program is designed to supplement academics with hands-on use of classroom theory, Shiflett said. A student has an option of alternating work periods between school and full-time employment or parallel work and academics during the semester.

"Because Gainesville industry is not very extensive," Shiflett said, "99 percent of co-op students choose the alternating plan so they can relocate for that semester."

To help with relocation, students may borrow up to $200 from the program's fund. After receiving their first paycheck, the students have until the end of the semester to repay the interest-free loan.

Technical students can expect to earn between $1,000 and $1,600 per work term. Shiflett said.

"While defraying college costs, a student is learning skills that make him more marketable and, therefore, make him more valuable to the company where he co-ops," Shiflett said.

And although there is no obligation for the employer to offer a job, or for the co-op student to accept, the numbers of students continuing employment with the company after graduating are rising.

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**SPORTS**

Fall baseball season pleases Gator coach

By JASON DAVIS
Alligator Writer

The fall baseball season is history. The Gators make final cuts this week and then wait until regular spring season begins.

But looking back, the Gators finished 11-7-1 and impressed Coach Joe Arnold's coaching staff, despite losing three of the last four games this season against Georgia Tech. "We've made progress this fall," he said. The record has given opposing coaches reason to take notice.

"When they put all of the guys together, they'll have a good club in the spring," Tech coach Jim Morris said.

At the outset of the fall season, Arnold had a core of 25 scholarship players and 70 walk-on hopefuls competing for spots on the team. Throughout the season, the number was cut down to 32. Only 25 will be around to play for the first-spring squad, so each player tried to show his talents to the coaching staff.

The Gators had eight players hit above .300 this fall. Freshman Bradley Davis led the team with a .421 average, with senior Joey Fernandez trailing just behind at .376. Senior Lance Hodges led the team with eight home runs.

The coaching staff was impressed with the defensive work of shortstop Matt Addison and second baseman Tom Edwards. Arnold also was pleased with the pitching of Ken Rosen, Todd Godzikowski as starters and Mike Petersen relief.

"It definitely took (my playing time) seriously," Godzikowski said. "Of course, it wasn't Game 7 of the World Series, but we had to do our best. For some of the new players, the transition from high school to college was rough.

Other than friends I made on the team, I didn't have time for socializing," Davis said. "During the fall, I was in my room by 8 p.m., and the weekends were filled with games and practice. But I was surprised how smoothly I adjusted.

The team as a whole could have done a little better," he said. "We missed guys out of the .300's, but we'll be better.

Buccaneers cut former All-Pros Giles and House

TAMPA (UPI) — Four-time Pro Bowl tight end Jimmie Giles, wide receiver Kevin House and running back Ron Springs were released Monday by the Bouncing Tampa Bay Buccaneers in a sweeping youth movement.

Tampa Bay coach Leonem Bennett, who broke in with a 2-14 record last year, cut the three high-priced veteran offensive players the club, after a magnificent comeback during the regular season, is now in perfect position for one of the all-time collapses.

Wistfully, the Red Sox prefer to keep their low profile just now. "I'm happy to be up 2-0, but the job isn't done," ace pitcher Roger Clemens said. "You're not going to see any of an doing cartwheels. We still have to work our way to do. It is a good feeling to be 2-0, though, since the Mets didn't think we should have even shown up."

Mets Manager Davey Johnson canceled a workout at Fenway Park Monday to give the players a chance to clear their heads.

"They (the Red Sox) still have to beat us two more times," Johnson said. "My ballclub has played very well for long streaks, so I am hoping we start a streak in Fenway."

"There's no question we have to win Tuesday in Boston. We have Bobby Ojeda on the mound and he's one of the best we've got. I know we'll win some games in Boston and we'll be coming back to Shea."

"Mets suck," Boston's Kevin Mitchell was quoted as saying. "They're a bunch of home run hitters. We sure as hell aren't.

Senior Joey Fernandez throws to first during a game last spring. The versatile Fernandez, usually an outfielder, hit .376 for the Gators this fall, second highest on the team.

Senior Lance Hodges led the team with eight home runs. Hodges, 28, a second-round draft pick in 1980, started 81 games in his Tampa Bay career and his production has fallen sharply this season. A Pro Bowl alternate in 1984 after catching 76 passes for 1,095 yards, House had his receptions trimmed to 39 this season. Springs, 29, was signed as a free agent 13 months ago after six years in Dallas. Used sparingly behind James Wilder at Tampa Bay, Springs rushed for 54 yards last year and had 150 yards in 42 carries this season.

"We tried to make trades for them early in the pre-season," Tampa Bay owner Hugh Culverhouse said, "and now Leonem has decided to go with younger players and I support him 100 percent.

Bennett said Sunday's loss wasn't a major factor in the decision to cut three veterans. "I really don't know how the team will react," he said. "The players we released were surprised, they really didn't see it our way of thinking, but it was a culmination of the way things have been going this year and I thought we should be getting more out of them. Any time you cut somebody, you run the risk of making an error. These guys during the year wasn't a factor in my decision, and my feeling is they will be playing on someone's roster before the year's over."

"I don't think the reason's over for us because there's more than half the schedule left," Bennett said. "But we've certainly got to get going quickly. It's tough to cut veteran players, people you've grown to know. We may not be off better today, but we'll be better off in the long run."

Intramurals in action all week

This week's intramural sports action will be highlighted by the men's fraternity tennis playoffs, which begin Wednesday at the Broadwalk Courts.

Phi Kappa Tau battles Kappa Alpha Psi at 4:30 p.m. Sigma Alpha Epilson challenges Pi Kappa Phi, and Phi Delta Theta meets Delta Tau Delta at 6:30 p.m. Alpha Epilson Pi and Sigma Psi take the courts at 8:30 p.m.

Next Monday, a three-on-three basketball tournament will be held for both men and women in the Florida Gym. Winners are eligible for the Schick National Super Hoops, but no one is sure how high school to college was rough.

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