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POLICE BEAT

Nov. 17 Joy Ride (Building 34) - An officer met with a witness who saw kids joyriding in UNF golf carts. The witness said they saw the kids crash the cart into the pond. The suspects were located and taken in for questioning. The suspects were under the age of 18 and were joined by their parents. The suspects were released. The damage costs have not yet been estimated.

Check out more Police Beats online at unfspinnaker.com

Nov. 14 Injured Person (UNF Drive) - An officer met with a victim who said he was struck by a golf cart while walking over the crosswalk. The student said when he was hit, he fell onto the windshield and hit his head. The subject who hit the student said the weather was misty and it was dark outside so the driver did not see him. The student told the driver he did not need further attention so the incident was not reported immediately.

bike had been stolen. The complainant said she left the bike unlocked outside the building. When she returned a few minutes later, the bike was not there. Due to the time and location, a canvas search was not conducted.

Nov. 16 Sick Person (Fountains) - An officer met with a complainant who said he began feeling dizzy while playing video games. The complainant said he first noticed his heart rate increase. Emergency rescue responded and determined the subject's vitals were normal. The subject

requested to be transported to Mayo Clinic.

Nov. 16 Theft (Ozzie's Cafe) - An officer met with a complainant who suspected a theft. The complainant said she observed the suspect put something in his pocket. The complainant she recognized the suspect and knew his name. The officer made contact with the suspect to ask him about the incident. The suspect admitted to taking a bottle of Gatorade without paying for it. The officer issued him a Notice to Appear for theft.

Nov. 19 Marijuana Possession (Osprey Fountains) - An officer responded to a possible drug investigation. When the officer arrived, a Resident's Assistant had spoke with the suspect who admitted to the possession and voluntarily given her his belongings. The suspect refused a room search. Since the evidence had already been handed over, there was no reason for the officer to search. The student was referred to Student Conduct.

Source: University Police Department

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// NAME-CALLING

Changes to the names of buildings could confuse students, but to UNF officials, it's all a part of developing campus.

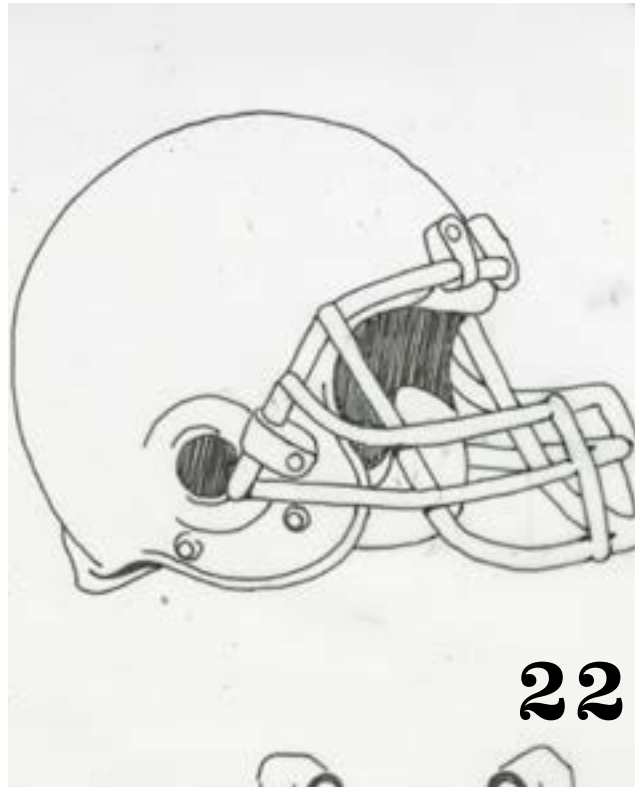


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In a year when one top team falls and another rises, things get complicated real fast.

Snap!

Melvin Young the 4th, art student, enjoys a mid morning nap outside the UNF ceramics and sculpture building. Recently students have constructed ways to sling their hammocks from the building to escape the stresses of class. Although these hammocks are not permanent, they have been making habit of hanging around.



Photo and caption by Randy Rataj

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Parental Guidance

I couldn't wait to get away to college and away from my parents -- and I am glad that I did. But just because I moved away from them doesn't mean I don't want them involved in my life.

I have discovered that many UNF students want to keep their parents involved in their day-to-day life but don't know exactly how to go about doing it. I believe they might consider it a sign of weakness or a question of their independence.

Your parents might appreciate you picking up the phone, sending a text or even an email to let them know what is going on in your life. I am not saying that you have to tell what you are doing every waking moment, but you might want to let them know who you are hanging out with. Yes, that does mean giving them names of your associates. There are situations where this could save your life.

In the event that he may turn out to be some crazy psychopath, whenever I decide to go out on a date, I drop my parents a note. I don't know anything about this new suitor and I don't want to end up as a skin suit. By giving my guardians a little info, they'll at least know where to begin the search-and-rescue mission if something were to happen to me. I don't give them all of the details, nor do I involve them in my selection process, but I do let them know I am interested in someone.

I also know that they have more life experience than I do, and their words can come in handy sometimes. For example, both of my parents have graduated from college and have had careers. Isn't that the sequence I'm attempting to follow? Even though I know things have changed since the days when they went to school, the struggles are the same: problems with roommates arise, final exams are stressful. And the desire to be independent from parents was likely just as present then. I know that I can contact them with a concern and they will help guide me to where I need to go.

Your parents know you better than anyone else. In most cases they accept you for who you are. They want you to succeed but understand when you don't. They can make excuses for you or give you the kick in the butt you need to move forward.

Friends are a good source for these moral boosters, but it can be easier to disregard their opinions. Sometimes their words lack

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the weighty impact that the more authoritative voices in our lives can have. You expect both praise and tough love from your parents, and their advice often rings the clearest. Plus, according to a report from the National Center for Education Statistics, "parental involvement in school correlates with higher grade point averages." We can all benefit from that.

Parents are also great at coming to the rescue. They are usually the ones who help you with your college funding whether it be by giving you money or helping you apply for financial aid. I have come to discover that I don't depend on them just for money, I also need their assistance with other aspects in my life.

This past weekend, my car broke down. A friend tried to help, but couldn't quite diagnose the problem. I didn't want or know how to have it towed, so I called my dad. He made a two-hour drive just to determine it wasn't the starter, as my friend had suggested, then swapped out and paid for my

new battery. He is my hero. This is not the first time he has saved me and I am sure it won't be the last.

During this time of the year,

when we should be grateful for our blessings, I feel as if we sometimes forget our greatest treasure. We very often take for granted that our parents will be there for us regardless if we neglect or ignore them. Take time out this season to show your appreciation to the people who raised you. If it wasn't for the job they did, you wouldn't be where you are today.

As the great Dr. Suess put it, "To the world you may just be one person, but to one person you may just be the world". More than likely, you are your parents' world. Let them be a part of yours.

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Call of Duty: Black Ops 2 review *Black Ops 2 leaves much to be desired*

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Now we present Black Ops 2 the ninth entry in the most repetitive and boring series in shooter history. Though I wasn't looking forward to this game I have to admit the game's futuristic setting actually gave me a sliver hope for the franchise. Then I started playing the game and that sliver was immediately crushed. Oh yes I'm so happy to report that Blacks Ops 2's single-player is just as frenetic, convoluted, and as much of a mess as Black Ops 1. Just like before Call of Duty's story feels like it's on one long cocaine binge, constantly throwing you into set pieces with little explanation as to where you are or why you're there in the first place. Call of Duty's logic seems to be "Oh you want a decent story and good characters...hmm...let me think about that...HOLY CRAP did you see that huge explosion look, look, look! Here take this realistic gun and kill those guys! Don't ask questions just start shooting!" I like to call this the Michael Bay School of writing.

From what I can recall the story jumps back and forth from the 1980's to 2025 and revolves around a villain named Mendez who's sister is killed sometime in 80's the during an American military raid on a villa in South America; said villain is also a drug dealer which apparently how he's able to raise enough funds to build a small army of mercenaries. Now he seeks to destroy America, and also China for reason and...ugh you see what I have to work with here. I can remember places like Panama, Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, but I couldn't tell why I was there to begin with. I can't even remember the names of some of the 1-dimensional stereotypical characters that populate this clichéd plot. Two characters that supposedly died in Black Ops 1 are brought just for the sake of familiarity; one spends most of the game sitting in a wheel chair at a nursing home, while the other is killed just minutes after he is revealed to

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UNF employee arrested for theft

BY GORDON RHYNE

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A UNF Physical Facilities employee was arrested Nov. 7 for charges of grand theft, according to a UPD police report.

The suspect, Taurean Watson, was caught on a surveillance video taking an Apple Macbook from the Wells Fargo ATM lobby in Building 8, according to the report.

UPD said the surveillance video showed a Physical Facilities employee in uniform taking the computer.

According to the UPD, Brown was

brought in for an interview Nov. 7 at which point he admitted to taking the laptop with the intention of turning it in.

The victim, Matthew Mills, said his computer was returned to him Nov. 8, but said his data had been erased from the computer.

The Spinnaker contacted UPD in order to obtain a copy of the surveillance video. UPD said the video has not yet been released as the investigation is ongoing.

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Students may see only 1 fee increase in 2013-14

BY RYAN THOMPSON

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Three campus entities sought fee increases for next year. One requested a new fee be instituted, and another three said the money the current fee gives them will be enough in 2013-14.

But the UNF Student Fee Assessment Committee agreed to recommend one increase after two entities rescinded their requests, and it agreed the UNF Disability Resource Center does not merit its own fee at this time.

The committee recommended a \$1.50 increase to the athletics fee, down 27 cents from UNF Athletics' request.

That recommendation will go to UNF President John Delaney to plan next year's budget with the UNF Board of Trustees.

In an email to Shari Shuman Nov. 13, the UNF vice president of administration and finance, UNF Student Affairs rescinded fee increase proposals for two campus entities: the UNF Counseling Center and UNF Health Promotion.

The committee also agreed to not initiate a fee for the UNF Disability Resource Center after a proposal from the student members of the committee: Student Body President Carlo Fassi, Student Body Treasurer Billy Namen, Senate President Zak Varshovi and Budget and Allocations Committee Chair Chris Brady.

The center requested a fee of 40 cents

after the committee agreed to entertain the idea of including the center in the Health Fee.

Fassi said the 40 cents did not make the student members of the committee hesitant to agree funding the center through student fees. Instead, it was the fact that a limited number of students use the DRC's services.

The center will continue to use money from the education and general fund for its operations, services and accommodations.

Shuman said there are other ways to get additional money to the DRC. The center also receives funding from the State University System of Florida. At the committee's Nov. 8 meeting, center director Dr. Kris Webb said this funding has remained at a stable rate since the early '90s.

She was unsure of the exact amount at that time.

The activity and service fee, the UNF Student Health Services fee and the transportation and access fee did not seek increases for the upcoming fiscal year.

The BOT is schedule to meet Jan. 15. Agenda items were not available as of Nov. 26, according to its website. Agenda items will become available as the meeting date draws closer.

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The UNF Child Development Research Center is located near Lot 14 in Building 49.

No Lot 14 shuttle stop zeroes out CDRC field trips

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STAFF REPORTER

In previous years, the UNF Child Development Research Center used the shuttles that stopped at Lot 14 as transportation for extra programming.

But when the shuttle system changed at the beginning of fall, that stop disappeared and so did the field trips the center provided to on-campus events.

Whereas CDRC took approximately three to four field trips to on-campus events last year, it has yet to take any this year, said Pamela Bell, the center's director.

She said children in preschool rely on hands-on experiences to learn. Providing children with chances to explore different people and activities helps them become more aware of the world outside of their heads.

Past field trips included outings to the Library, where children read books in the first-floor children's section.

Bell said the center also took children to jazz concerts for 10-15 minutes, so the 4- or 5-year-old toddlers could experience live music.

But Vince Smyth, director of UNF

Auxiliary Services, said the main purpose of the shuttles is to serve students, whose fees pay for shuttle operation, by providing transportation from the outermost parking lots to the core of campus.

Smyth said sometimes faculty, staff and other departments are able to benefit from the shuttle service, but shuttle service should not benefit them at the expense of the students.

If the weather permits, Bell said the center may try to walk the children to the main campus in the future, despite the difficulty it may present.

Smyth said the cutoff for the shuttle stop at Lot 14 will not be replaced due to the expense it would present.

He said other service shuttles, such as Osprey Transit, which helps transport individuals requiring mobility assistance to very specific locations, may utilize the Lot 14 cutoff.

For now, Bell said the center is leaving it up to parents to get their children to on-campus activities.

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UNF School of Nursing introduces distance learning program

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The UNF School of Nursing will offer a distance learning program beginning Summer 2013 to aid pre-licensed nurses in getting their Bachelor's degree or BSN.

Distance learning programs use online courses and occasional campus visits to help nurses with an Associate's degree earn a Bachelor's degree.

The nursing program will have mostly online courses with two hybrid courses, both with online and on campus requirements, according to the UNF website.

Aubrey Hann, a UNF nursing junior, said she could see how this program could be helpful to students who aren't able to make it to campus for classes multiple times a week.

Hann said she would find it convenient to be able to do some of her work from home, even though she's not currently a part of this program.

Dr. Debra Wagner, assistant professor in the UNF School of Nursing and the RN to BSN Director, said practicing the needed skills in the nursing field is an important part of the program, but clinicals will still be necessary.

Fulfilling this requirement wouldn't be as difficult for students in the program who are already registered nurses, she said. Much of the distance learning program's coursework is research, so there isn't as much practical work to be done.

Each semester a new cycle of cohorts, a group of students who are already registered nurses and are in the process of getting their BSN, will begin in one of three sections depending on the semester, Wagner said. The sections include traditional learning, distance learning and hybrid.

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The shuttle has undergone its transformation and is now adorned with UNF graphics.

Shuttles to don UNF branding

BY NOOR ASHOURI

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The new UNF shuttles are being branded after not displaying ads for nearly two months.

Melinda Gallup, UNF contract administrator for its shuttle system, said the process of applying branding started the weekend of Nov. 10. Each shuttle takes approximately three hours to brand.

She said since the shuttles are constantly in use, this puts restrictions on when the buses can be branded. The process of branding is also highly dependent on weather conditions.

Vince Smyth, director of UNF

Auxiliary Services, said making the graphics and approving the branding is an extraneous process.

He said while it would have been nice to have the branding on at an earlier time, the most important thing is that the UNF shuttles are moving students from the outer lots to the core of the campus as efficiently as possible.

The graphics on the new gray and blue UNF shuttles are almost identical to the graphics on past connector buses, Smyth said.

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// UPDATES FROM NOV. 19 BUDGET, ALLOCATIONS, SENATE MEETINGS

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SPECIAL REQUEST TRANSFER

A request for \$75,000 to be transferred from the fund balance into special requests passed with unanimous consent. This is the second transfer of funds into special requests that has been approved this Fall.

AIM HIGHER FUNDS APPROVED

Funds were requested for Aim Higher, a campaign to increase student awareness of Florida budget cuts to higher education. The request for \$7,367 passed with 11 approvals and one disapproval. The Senate also approved this request unanimously with 43 approvals.

FUNDS TO BRING MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER TO UNF APPROVED

The Student Leadership Advisory Board's request for \$3642.50 passed unanimously with 12 approvals. The funds will go toward bringing motivational speaker Adam Carroll to UNF. The Senate also passed the request unanimously with 43 approvals.

SPRING ELECTION FUNDING APPROVED

A request for \$3,000 to fund the Spring 2013 Student Government election passed unanimously with 12 approvals. The Senate reduced the funds for the election from \$3,000 to \$2,000. It then passed the revised request with 37 approvals and four disapprovals.

FREE PRINTING REQUEST APPROVED

A request for \$37,230.75 to fund the free printing initiative for the Spring semester passed unanimously with 12 approvals. The Senate also approved the request unanimously with 43 approvals.

CATHOLIC OSPREYS FUNDING APPROVED

The Senate granted funding for SEEK conference in the amount of \$2,500 with 10 approvals and one disapproval.

FAITHWALKERS FUNDING DENIED

Jacksonville Christian Life made a request of \$1,797.98 in funds to visit to the FaithWalkers conference. Senate denied the request with six approvals and six disapprovals. A two thirds majority is needed to pass. During the Senate meeting, Jacksonville Christian Life's request of \$1,797.98 was put on the floor again and passed with 32 approvals and 10 disapprovals. The funds will be used to send 14 students to the FaithWalkers conference.

PRIDE CLUB REQUEST APPROVED

The PRIDE Club made a request of \$2,256.54 to fund its visit to the Creating Change conference. The sum was reduced to \$2,097, and the request passed with nine approvals and three disapprovals.

FUNDS FOR INTERFAITH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE APPROVED

Better Together's first president Hana Ashchi's request for \$408 to attend the Interfaith Leadership Institute passed unanimously with 12 approvals.

BRAND NAME ENDORSEMENT ON CAMPUS

After conducting surveys, SG has officially announced that they will attempt to bring either Pita Pit or Angie's Subs to the UNF campus as part of its program to improve campus dining. This was passed with unanimous consent.

AIM HIGHER PROGRAM FORMALLY ENDORSED

With unanimous consent, the senate formally endorsed the Aim Higher Florida program, a program that attempts to increase awareness of recent budget cuts to Florida's higher education.

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES MADE TO ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS CODE

The Always Improving Act passed with unanimous consent. This act aims at streamlining the election process on campus. Changes made include a definition of fair market value, eliminating conflicts of interest, and a rule that no A&S fees may be used to further a campaign.



Firefighters stand outside Osprey Crossings with fans after the recent dorm room fire.



These items which belonged to the student who inadvertently started the fire were damaged.

OSPREY CROSSINGS FIRE COMPILED BY CONNOR SPIELMAKER

ASSISTANT PHOTO EDITOR

Nail polish remover and a candle caused a dorm-room fire around 1 a.m. Nov. 26 that brought UPD and Jacksonville Fire and Rescue to report to the Osprey Crossings. Officer Donita Gibson said a resident in the Crossings' S building was using nail polish remover in her room when it spilled onto a burning candle. According to a UPD police report, she tried to put out the fire with no success. Her roommate sought help from a Resident Assistant who also tried to extinguish the fire but said the smoke was too heavy to remain in the room, the report said. Officer Deborah Price arrived on scene and successfully put out the fire. Gibson said the resident suffered a minor burn on her wrist, and the room sustained damage resulting from the small fire. Fire and Rescue ventilated the room and building using multiple large fans before testing the air quality and deeming it safe for re-entry. Both residents were temporarily moved to a room in the Osprey Hall, Gibson said.



English Hall, formerly the Arts & Sciences Building, reflects the recent name change

Donors, philanthropists give old buildings new names

BY JUSTIN CHANDLER PORTER
STAFF REPORTER

Naming and renaming buildings has become a popular trend on campus. Seven of UNF's buildings were given new, official names in recent semesters.

There are multiple reasons for these name changes, according to Pierre Allaire, vice president of Institutional Advancement and chairman for the UNF Naming Committee.

The changes are due, in part, to donors to the UNF Foundation, the non-profit, gift-receiving arm of the university through which all private support goes.

Allaire, who is the executive director for the foundation, said it was important to establish a tradition of naming buildings after people who have made significant contributions to the university and the community.

"It's part of our maturation process as a younger university," he said.

While many buildings are named for UNF benefactors, Allaire said several campus buildings have been named to better match the functionality of the building itself.

He said the idea for a naming committee was established two years ago to consider name changes regarding structures on campus.

The Student Union Advisory Board

approved the establishment of a Campus Naming Committee January 2011.

The committee presents considerations to the UNF Board of Trustees, which must approve all requests to name buildings.

The president has final approval on all change requests, except for those to name a building of a college or school.

Allaire said, when a building is dedicated, all costs are included in the UNF Foundation's operating budget, which is funded by donors.

Allaire said there are three separate costs associated with any name change. The first involves placing plaques and displays in and around the building, which runs between \$5,000-\$7,000.

The second cost involves placing prominent lettering on the outside of the building, including the building's name and number. Allaire said this can cost between \$1,500-\$5,000.

The third cost is wayfinding, or placing direction signs around campus, Allaire said. This is part of the university's Administration and Finance Budget, which is the same budget that goes toward UNF Physical Facilities.

And for dedication ceremonies, Allaire said costs are anywhere between \$500-\$1,000.

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THE RENAMED BUILDINGS

MISS A BUILDING'S RENAMING? TAKE A LOOK AT THOSE THE UNF CAMPUS NAMING COMMITTEE HAS ADORNED WITH NEW MONIKERS.

HERBERT UNIVERSITY CENTER

UNF dedicated the Herbert University Center Oct. 2 to former UNF President Adam W. Herbert.

Herbert was president from 1989 to 1998, when enrollment was closer to 10,000.

Previously, the edifice was referred to as the University Center.

ANN AND DAVID HICKS HALL

The Ann and David Hicks Hall, formerly UNF Hall, had a dedication ceremony Oct. 24.

Ann Hicks helped implement the Gray Scholarship program and worked with Allaire on the UNF Foundation Board. Allaire said the Hicks had served as co-chairs for Access to Excellence, a UNF fundraising campaign that raised more \$100 million in 2003.

TOM AND BETTY PETWAY HALL

The latest dedication ceremony came Nov. 9 when the College of Education and Human Services was renamed to Tom and Betty Petway Hall.

Tom served as chair for the Board of Regents, a group appointed by the governor to oversee higher education within the state. Betty also served on the Foundation Board and is an honorary UNF alumna.

"The Petways have been civic leaders in this community for a number of years and have done a great deal for education," Allaire said.

The Petways said the dedication ceremony humbled them.

"There is no greater reward than seeing the results of hard work," Betty Petway said.

Allaire said all the people to whom buildings have been dedicated were very special people who greatly deserved to be honored.

ENGLISH HALL

The former Arts & Sciences Building was renamed to English Hall.

OSPREY COMMONS

Osprey Commons, which opened this fall, is the new name for the building that formerly housed Osprey Café.

STUDENT WELLNESS COMPLEX

The Spinnaker reported the rededication of the Student Wellness Complex, which took place Oct. 17.

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES BUILDING

The Biological Sciences Building is the name for the newly constructed Bldg. 59.

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BY ZACH SWEAT
STAFF REPORTER

If grown and maintained properly for a month, a mustache can be quite the sight and an easy conversation starter.

Using the power of well-grown mustaches, the Movember Foundation seeks to spread awareness for men's health issues such as prostate and testicular cancer.

One in two men will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime, and a staggering one in six men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in their lifetime.

While women often publicly address their health issues, men can be more apathetic toward their own health issues.

Those who choose to participate in Movember shave their faces Nov. 1, and grow a mustache for the remaining 30 days.

The Movember Foundation began with a mere 30 contributors, called "Mo Bros," in Melbourne, Australia, in 2003.

The movement has since spread across the globe. Currently, Movember campaigns can be found in Australia, New Zealand, the US, Canada, the UK, South Africa, Spain and several other countries.

In 2011, over 854,000 members of the Movember Foundation raised an astounding \$126.3 million for men's health issues, specifically for prostate and testicular cancer initiatives.

The Jacksonville chapter of the Movember Foundation, called Movember JAX or Mo



ZACH SWEAT / SPINNAKER
UNF alumni Sean and Sarah Collins started the Jax. chapter of the Movember Foundation.

JAX, hopes to bring the Australian-born awareness month to our city and raise money for men's health initiatives.

Sean and Sarah Collins, both UNF alumni, started Mo JAX in 2009 to bring everyone involved with Movember in the city of Jacksonville together under a single network.

"I just thought this was kind of a great way to participate in [Movember] and do something good within the community as well," Sean said.

When the Mo JAX network began, it only had 25 people who raised \$1,200, but their donation and participation was enough for the Movember Foundation to take notice. The following year, the foundation placed Sean in charge of the Jacksonville chapter.

Sean said the chapter raised \$15,000 in 2010, and \$31,000 in 2011; the numbers continue to grow each year.

"I think one of our big catalysts was in

Mo Jax seeks to spread men's health awareness to the Duval community.

GET INVOLVED:

Anyone interested in getting involved with the Movember Foundation to raise men's health awareness should get in contact with Mo JAX via their website at <http://www.movemberjax.com/> or sign up on the official Movember website at <http://us.movember.com/?home>.

2010 [when] Intuition Ale Works came to us and created a special beer for us and hosted a lot of parties and different things," Sarah said. "That was a really big supporter that helped us meet a lot of new people and grow."

Mo JAX hosts several events throughout the month of November in correlation with many Jacksonville-based businesses such as Intuition Ale Works, Mossfire Grill and Mellow Mushroom.

Typical events hosted by the network involve games, raffles, food, drinks, survivors and even special guest appearances from people such as the Jaguars offensive-line, who recently came out to participate in one of Mo JAX's events.

The Mo JAX network has already raised over \$10,000 this year, and donations continue to pour in.

The group encourages everyone to get involved in Movember, and though the mustache growing is exclusive to Mo Bros, Mo Sistas can also participate or volunteer in

any of the network events.

"As long as you're telling people about it, that's really the number one thing we want to do," Sarah said.

UNF's own rugby team, the Dirty Birds, began participating in Movember during their 2010 season, teaming up with Mo JAX's network each year since.

Steven Hill, who graduated in 2012, first got the idea in 2009 when he saw his roommate growing a mustache for Movember.

"My grandfather and my uncle passed away from cancer, so it was something that was real close to me," Hill said. "I really wanted to do [Movember], and next year I brought it up to the team and we ended up raising \$300 the first year."

In 2011, the team received even more donations, raising over \$500. This year, the club hopes to continue their streak and contribute further.

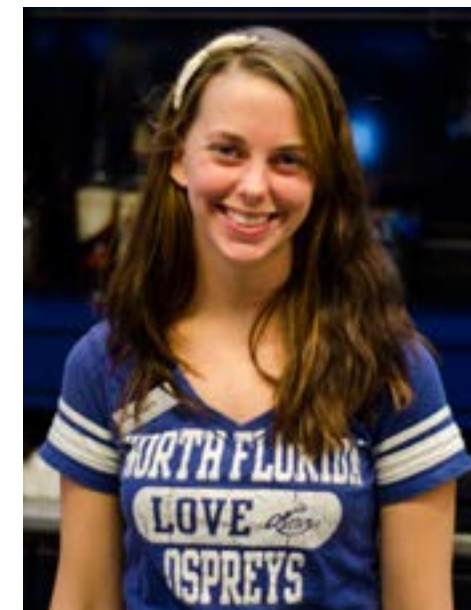
Alex Mross, a UNF journalism junior and the president of the Rugby Movember club, has high spirits over Movember.

"I think Movember is such a cool idea because not only is it bringing attention to it, but [the mustache] is such a talking point, because they do stand out," he said. "It really does bring up conversation and really gives you a gateway to talk to people about something that's really important."

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» GET TO *know* your Boathouse bartenders «

BY JASON HOWARD
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Mamie Lamscha

Junior, Communication Works weekends

Worked since: 2010

Favorite drink to make: Not big on making liquor drinks; still likes pouring beers.

On liquor license: Lamscha says the addition of liquor to the bar has definitely been a big hit, although she has to be more cautious about what's happening when serving.

"I believe it's brought more customers," she said.

Lamscha has worked her way up from cashier to food-runner at the bar and says she loves it.

"I like getting to hang out with students and work at the same time," she said.

Working weekends, she got to see the Boathouse on Osprey Production's Rave Nights that were held last year.

"It got pretty crazy — crowded with lots of people," she said.

Game Days at the Boathouse, a weekly

event organized by Student Life, brings in sports fans on the weekends to see their favorite teams play.

"It gets pretty packed with fans" she said.

Chrissi Jones

Junior, Finance Works weekdays

Worked since: 2011

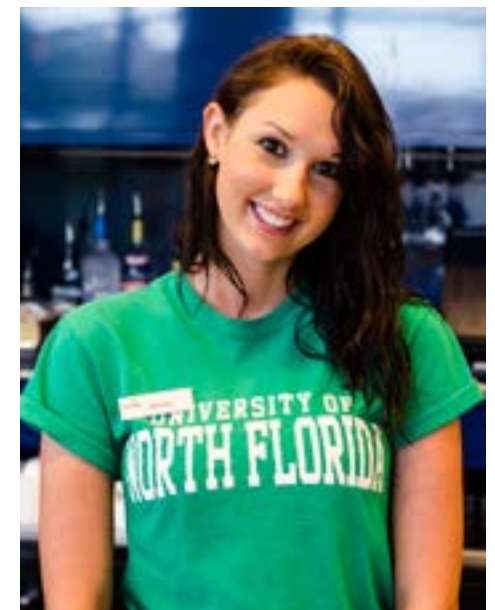
Favorite drink to make: Rumrunner

On liquor license: Jones said she hasn't seen much more business because of the liquor license.

"Unfortunately, beer still sells the best," she said. "I just feel like the word hasn't gotten out enough yet."

Jones has been bartending for five years and said the boathouse stands out from other bars she has worked because of the better hours and the stability of her schedule.

"It's also very clean and stays busy from open to close," she said.



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DECEMBER’S WEIRD AND WACKY HOLIDAYS

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2 NATIONAL FRITTER DAY	3 NATIONAL ROOF OVER YOUR HEAD DAY	4 WEAR BROWN SHOES DAY	5 BATHTUB PARTY DAY	6	7 NATIONAL COTTON CANDY DAY	8 NATIONAL BROWNIE DAY
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 INTERNATIONAL TALK WITH A FAKE BRITISH ACCENT DAY	18	19	20	21 LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE DAY	22
23 FESTIVUS	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

BY JASON HOWARD
STAFF REPORTER

December is known for its holidays: Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, Christmas and solstice, too. There are, however, an entire realm of other not-so-commonly known holidays that take place in December. You can celebrate to add excitement to a so-so day or night.

2 A fritter is a peculiar thing. Think of pancake batter, buttermilk or Bisquick. Now take chunks of fruit, or even nuts, like cashews, and bathe them in the batter. Smother those morsels in a slathering so thick it could stop a Danish train to Denmark. Next, chuck those chunks of goodness in some hot oil, fry them until they’re golden-brown, and voilà: Fritters.

3 If this sounds like Thanksgiving to you, you are certainly an optimist. Just as it sounds, this holiday is about appreciating the fact of having a roof over your head and thanking whoever made that possible. It is also a good day to go help out with a Habitat for Humanity project. Or you can even visit a homeless shelter to help those who have not been as fortunate to celebrate having their own home.

4 There may be nothing better than wearing a pair of oxfords. Wear Brown Shoes Day is open to many tones: mahogany, sorrel, cocoa and umber. A polished pair of wingtips can make a pair of feet look like smooth and sensible blocks of milk chocolate strutting up and down the street. This is a day to look classy and casual while the rest of the penny loafers sit around, dumb and drab.

5 Draw your bathtub with warm water, filling the air with a moist, mollifying steam. You may want to add bath beads or bath oils before lighting a scented candle or two. Then, simply let the air fill with the fragrance, mixing in the warmth and humidity as you begin slipping into your warm bubbly tub feet first until you are lying completely relaxed in the tub’s warm bosom. Just no bath salts, please. The only thing worse than having the water go cold while taking a bath is hallucinating that the faucet has turned into a giant, metallic snake beast. That is no fun. No fun at all.

7 If you ever find yourself with a cotton candy machine but without white paper cones, here’s how you can get your fluffy sugar fix using only your hands.

You’ll notice that the spinning conical part of the machine is similar to a weed-whacker slinging what feels like burning jellyfish tentacles. Wait for the whirling-sugar-slinging-cone of pain to stop.

Once it has stopped, feel free to snatch whatever cotton candy you can. One hand at a time, now. This is a game of reflexes; it’s not about taking your time while the scalding hot sugar cools to your hands’ liking.

Cotton candy is a gift, Ospreys, a tingly, fluffy, sometimes painful gift.

8 Brownies: one of those few things described as “orgasmic” that really has nothing at all to do with sex. Brownies come in all different forms, but you can pretty much guarantee they’re all delicious. Most people would do many a filthy deed for a batch of rich, chocolate goodness still warm in a tin. Brownies are one of those baked goods that, if done right, can really make a whole day more fabulous. Now, don’t go out and eat brownies all day, but make a batch. Maybe two. Have a brownie party; there’s no harm in sharing. Unless, that is, those are double fudge brownies. Then sharing is out of the question.

17 Bloody hell! There’s a whole day devoted to talking like a Brit. If you celebrate this day you might sound like a complete nutter, but if your friends get annoyed,

just tell them they’re full of rubbish. None of these Americans have got a clue about proper English, anyway, but they’re on about it like they’ve just sat down with the Queen. Maybe have some tea or some bangers and mash and watch a football match on the tele. Just don’t muddle your accents in front of an actual Brit, or you’ll look like a real git.

21 Mayan apocalypse or not, Look on the Bright Side Day lets you see the sunnier, more pleasant state of the world while believers cower in bunkers, waiting for Nibiru to collide with the Earth. Just calm down, ladies and gentleman. It’s not like they’ve cancelled 30 Rock or anything.

23 Festivus is the only holiday on this list that is not ashamed to say it is made up. Made famous by a legendary episode of *Seinfeld*, the holiday is a counter-holiday against the commercial and religious aspects of Christmas. To celebrate, everyone gathers around an aluminum, “Festivus pole,” tells how they have disappointed each other, and then the night ends with a fight between the head of the household and a challenger.

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Native American celebration helps students experience a different culture

BY JASON HOWARD
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The Grand Entry begins with wafting smoke from burning sage swirling around a dancer wearing a regalia. The smoke purifies, cleanses and aligns her energies as the dance begins.

This is the commencement of a pow-wow. However, since UNF did not have the three days or even a week it takes for a true pow-wow, the university opted for a day-long Native American Celebration.

Organized by the UNF International Center for PEACE, the celebration took place on the Green Nov. 17. The event’s intent was to educate students and guests about the diversity of the Native American culture, to highlight their sustained presence in the world and to eschew myths that are simply just wrong.

The day was cold and windy. Against the cloudy sky, an array of tents set up along the Green offered a range of handmade items and crafts such as feathery hair clips and fox skins.

Curiously, not too many of the participants looked like what Native Americans are normally thought of. Some were what you would call, off-hand, African American, maybe Caucasian or even Hispanic.

But these people are representatives of lines of ancestry that step back thousands of years in the native land that was once theirs. They came to our university to share the richness of their culture.

As a woman prepared to perform with a wooden flute, the MC spoke over the monitor, citing future pow-wows across the nations and in the regional area where more dancing, singing and rejoicing will take place.

A woman sat under a lean-to that appeared almost dioramic with an assortment of real and prop artifacts including food and jawbone-tools on display, showcasing the older way of life. She cheerfully spoke to anyone about her display and what it means to be a Native American.

The event showed a microcosm of American Indian culture, not our everyday campus Green, but a place to learn about the ways of this country’s native people. It was about respect, a foundational feeling of association with the past and history of the culture of the indigenous people. It was also an opportunity to converse with men and women who can tell stories that others cannot.

Nelson RedHawk, who helped bring many of the participating vendors and dancers to the event, felt there was a good representation of the various native groups.

“We have about 17 different nations represented here,” he said. “Creek, Sioux, Cherokee, Huron, to name a few.”

A fancy shawl dancer, Courtney Bell, wrapped herself tightly in her regalia, a cloth displaying colors patterned after those



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Elderly man dressed in Native American attire walks in the ceremonial Grand Entry.

of the monarch butterfly, which are representative of her father’s passing last year.

“If you ask any Native American the reason we dance, they will tell you we dance for the people who cannot dance,” Bell said. “We honor our ancestors by dancing. As soon as I step in the circle my prayer begins, so when I’m dancing I’m really praying.”

Other than educating students and guests about dancing, Bell also wished to tell them that Native Americans are still here. She said although the earth has been good to them, and they to it, there are still many American Indian reservations in deplorable condition.

She said at Pine Ridge, her reservation in South Dakota, many of the dwellings are nothing but little shacks. She said reservations are losing more rights and there is a serious poverty issue.

“Not every tribe is like the Seminole, who are really wealthy,” Bell said.

RedHawk said he also wants to dispel myths of all natives being angry, spiteful people.

“I cannot just be that angry Indian. I cannot come here and be that man,” he said. “It is an honor to be here, and I have an obligation to represent my people best because of their struggle. People who have overcome struggle on both sides of my ancestry, both Native American and African American. This is my ancestry, and I need to honor that. It is what makes me a human being.”

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Frank SilverHawk stands at attention as a woman sings a Native American anthem on the Green.

Osprey Productions, UNF Organic Project host first Fall Festival with petting zoo, hayride

BY DARGAN THOMPSON
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That wasn’t just goose poop passers-by were smelling Nov. 17 at the Student Union. Osprey Productions and the UNF Organic Project teamed up to host the first Fall Harvest Festival, the main draw of which was a petting zoo full of cute and fuzzy — and a little stinky — creatures.

The event also featured a horse-drawn hayride, live music, crafts and free food. Luckily, the impending rain that caused it to be moved from the original location at the Ogier Farm and Gardens behind lot 18 did not make an appearance.

Alee Heaston, PR Intern for the Organic Project, said the event was meant to celebrate the new organic garden and those who have helped out with the project.

“We’re doing it to kind of promote and support all of the volunteers that have been coming out there since August and helping everything come together,” Heaston said.

The animals in the petting zoo were brought in by the Jacksonville Carriage Company. Osprey Productions Director



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Attendees could paint terra cotta pots.

Brent Fine said getting permission to have the animals on campus was not difficult, but attendees had to sign liability waivers for the hayride and the petting zoo.

Fine said about 250 people came out to the event.

Jessica Gowin, a biology freshman, said she came out to see the animals and go on the hayride. She said the event was the most fun thing she had heard of happening on campus so far this semester.

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Where in the world is our apocalypse?

With end-time prophecies abound, which should we fear and which should we fancy?

BY JACOB HARN
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The People's Apocalypse

As 2012 — and supposedly life as we know it — comes to a close, we should carefully consider our options of catastrophes and apocalyptic prophecies, and invest our fear accordingly.

The currently trending doomsday prophecy has a lot going for it: it's loosely based on the "calculations" of a mysterious and ancient civilization; it's the source of inspiration for a few major motion pictures; it has made its way into our popular culture and has a solid buzz-factor. The Dec. 21, 2012 Doomsday — fondly known as DD12 — has the sort of mystique to which we're all drawn to, but will it be a fulfilling investment of our young adult angst?

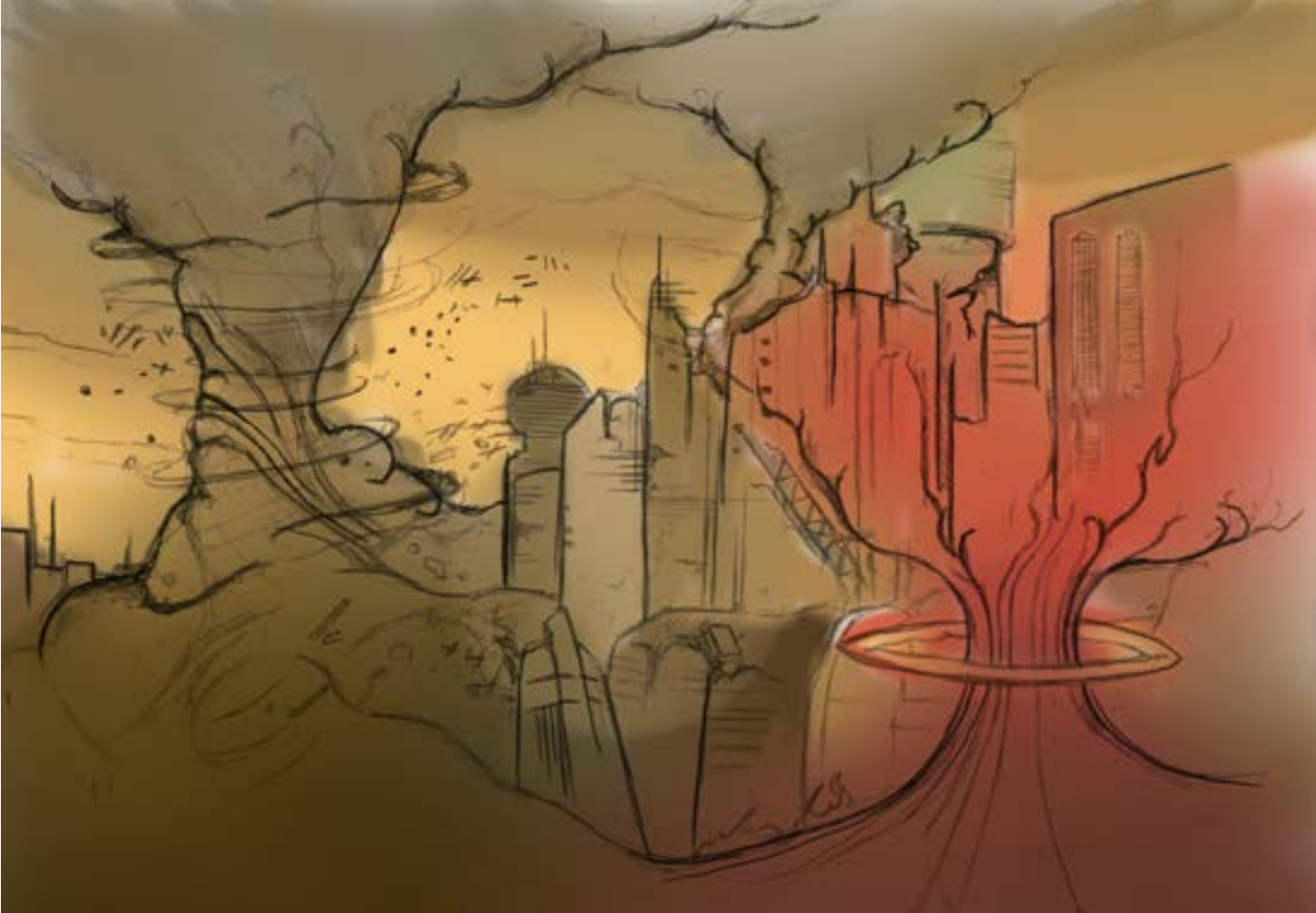
DD12 is derived from misconstrued interpretations of the Mayan calendar. It has become popularly accepted that the Mayans only accounted for time up until a point coinciding with our calendar date of Dec. 21, 2012. But really, their measure of the passing of time worked similarly to our measure: instead of years, decades, centuries and millenniums, the Mayans had Tuns, K'atuns, B'ak'tuns, etc. One cycle ends, then another begins.

In a video released by NASA, Don Yeomans, head of the Near-Earth Objects Program Office at NASA/JPL, debunks DD12's relation to the Mayans and the catastrophic events tied to the prophecy. Niburu, or Planet X, does not have us in its sights; a solar storm isn't likely; the planets will not be aligning; the magnetic field will not be shifting.

UNF Associate Professor of Anthropology Ronald Lukens-Bull said the prospect of DD12 will likely have little impact on people's behavior. He said it may manifest itself as an additional theme in some people's winter solstice parties, if at all.

"In pop culture, there's just a certain fascination with [an apocalypse]. Don't forget, 12 years ago we had a completely secular predicted apocalypse, which was Y2K," Lukens-Bull said. "One aspect of something like an apocalyptic prediction gives people a wonderful excuse to have a crazy blow-out."

Lukens-Bull said the fascination may be attributable to our own mortality.



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kuh-tol-uh-jee | noun
the part of theology concerned
with death, judgement, and the
final destiny of the soul and of
humankind

"We have a fascination with death, with *the end*, and obviously some day, our individual lives will end," he said.

Since we can't rely on our most imminent DD12 possibility of an apocalypse, where can we turn for a reliable source in which to indulge our fear and wonder?

Inventing Rapture

There were no end-all flames and no continent-submerging floods. There weren't any notable swarms of locusts. Where the earth's crust quaked and parted (in all the usual regions), there were no horsemen corraling the damned to the edges; these phenomena have been seismically explained and tectonically accepted.

And up to this point, late in November, there hasn't been a single report of people disappearing into the sky or rising from their graves. So, what gives?

Though Christ's Second Coming has

always been held as a Christian belief, Rapture theology is a relatively new development. According to bible.ca, the Rapture was invented by the evangelist John Darby around 1830. Darby interpreted sections of the Bible literally and adapted them into Rapture doctrine that has become widely known and commonplace today.

Lukens-Bull said what people do with the text tends to be more important than what's in the text.

"This whole, very complete theology of rapture and tribulation is, at the very least, symbolic or creative reading — it's there [in scripture], but it's not there in black and white, so you sort of have to be open to the voice of God to see it," Lukens-Bull said.

Yeomans said there have been hundreds of thousands of predictions for the end of the world since the beginning of time.

A name that may come to mind here is Harold Camping, the president of Family Radio, a California-based Christian radio station broadcasting to more than 150 markets in over 40 languages.

Using numerology, Camping forecasted the Rapture would begin May 21, 2011. Enacting a publicity campaign, Camping erected billboards across the country to inform people that Judgment Day was on its way. This came in the wake of his failed 1994 Rapture proclamation.

Camping wasn't the first to make such a bold claim, and Lukens-Bull said he won't

be the last.

"Of course, when preachers have named a date, they've always been wrong," Lukens-Bull said. "And of course, some people would say because the Bible says that 'It will come like a thief in the night, and no man knows the date and hour.'"

Lukens-Bull said, though the Rapture wasn't originally part of Christian doctrine, it doesn't break the rules.

"Some Christians say [the Rapture] is a little extra-biblical, but in a strict sense it doesn't violate the scriptural idea," he said.

If we turn to scripture ourselves, Matthew 24:36 reveals, "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

Regardless of our beliefs, we have two options when interpreting religious doctrine, movies, literature, astrological signs, science, cultural myths, or the like : take them to be literal, or take them to be symbolic.

So why are we so fascinated — morbidly obsessed, even — with a catastrophic end?

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So, what's *your* story?

Interfaith Center Director Tarah Trueblood

BY BLAKE MIDDLETON
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The Director of UNF's Interfaith Center Tarah Trueblood plays a vital role in planning and overseeing all of the events and programs that the center has to offer.

Trueblood said she has three main focuses for UNF's Interfaith Center: Helping students develop in their spiritual journey as holistic individuals, helping students become religiously literate by allowing students to collaborate and work across religious differences, and helping the campus become more pluralistic by encouraging students to understand differences and similarities between individuals of the student body.

"So often we don't realize where our values and ideology come from, but yet it's a framework that we operate off of automatically," she said. "It's underneath the surface. Getting students to talk about what's underneath and to do it in a way that is informative and curious rather than threatening is important for student development. Students must understand how diverse our democracy is, and how to be responsible global citizens."

Trueblood hasn't always been a Florida resident. Before making the move to UNF,



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Tarah Trueblood plays one of her many percussion instruments. Featured is the Conga.

Trueblood studied law at the University of Nebraska for roughly 10 years.

She said her knowledge in law enabled her to educate students about the whole aspect of the legal system and how government and our private lives interact with each other on a daily basis.

That same concept of real human interaction made Trueblood interested in different religions.

"All religions have common truths,

and yet all of the religions come about things from different angles," she said. "Studying those angles enriches my own life. It's kind of a selfish thing for me to want to learn and be enriched by other traditions, and I want that for other people as well."

After studying law, Trueblood worked at the Interfaith Center at the University of California at Berkeley to help bring together students from different religions and ideological frameworks.

Trueblood said the unique demographic California offers and the astounding level of diversity helped further her interest in different religions.

After seven years at Berkeley's Interfaith Center, Trueblood began looking for a job on the East Coast so she could live in the same timezone as her family. She stumbled upon the open position of Interfaith Center director at UNF on a national college job board.

She began working at UNF's Interfaith Center in late 2011 and has been helping students become united by breaking down religious barriers and celebrating their differences ever since.

Trueblood said the most effective way to plan events for students is to have students involved in the planning. She strongly

encourages students to come up with ideas for their own clubs and organizations.

Hana Ashchi, a student worker at the Interfaith Center and a communication major, said it has been a joy working alongside Trueblood because she's so enthusiastic and cares about helping students make the most of their college experience.

Ashchi said Trueblood has taught her that going to college and being involved in organizations such as the Interfaith Center is important.

Trueblood seems to find a way to relate everything to diversity, even the popular television show with which she shares a name.

"I love the show *True Blood*," she said. "I think the show is actually about diversity. It's about including people from different backgrounds and overcoming some of our fear."

Trueblood said she was even thinking about offering a class called The Gospel of *True Blood*, where students would analyze an episode and discuss the ideological frameworks behind it.

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Q of the Week:

How are you preparing for the end of the world this December?



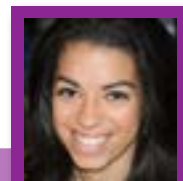
"Stay indoors while everyone else goes crazy. I don't think it'll end that day, but there will be man-made chaos."

James Owens, graduate student, physical therapy



"I'll be going crazy with everyone else."

David Daniels, junior, accounting



"I honestly don't think the world is going to end in December; only God knows when it will end. For those that do believe it will, YOLO it up!"

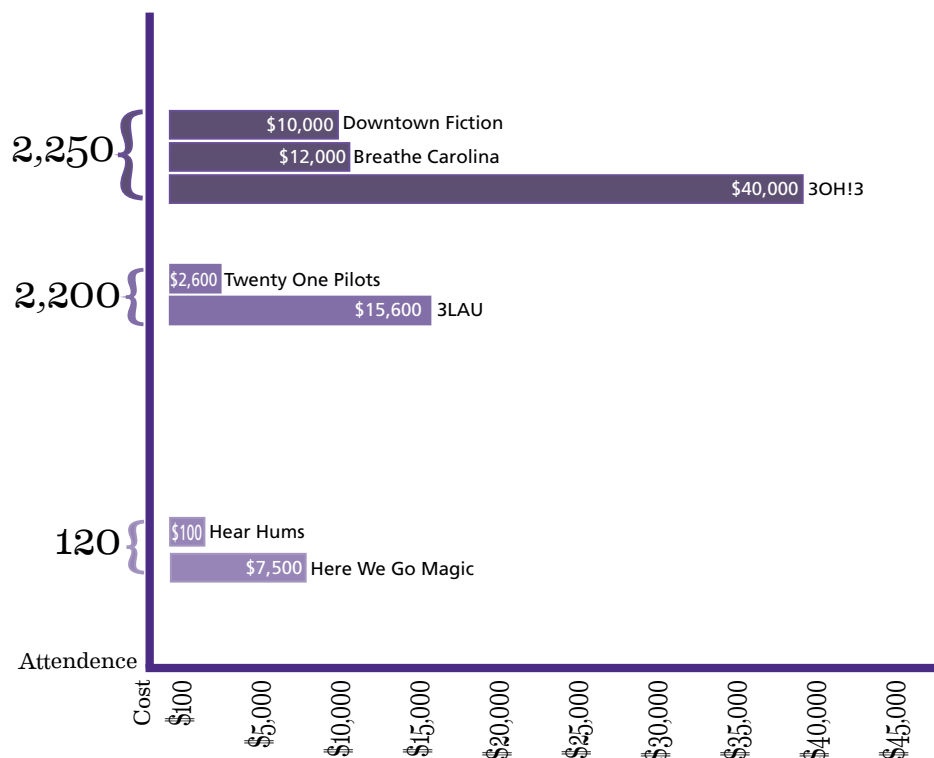
Angelica Davila, junior, health administration



"There is no real preparation for anyone's 'end.' You could die tomorrow in a car wreck, so make sure you have your priorities straight and just live."

Stephanie Matthews, senior, business management

Cost and attendance of fall concerts



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COURTESY OF RICHARD BRADLEY

Aside from being a fierce competitor, Savannah Bradley is also a great surfer without a jersey on, as she proves here on a Mexican gem.

NORTH JETTY RIPPERS

The UNF surf team's recent fleet of young talented surfers are taking the Eastern Seaboard by storm

BY CARL ROSEN

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The beach isn't typically thought of as a sporting arena. It's the place where sand castles are made, thongs are occasionally donned, and the ungodly smell of Coppertone saturates the air.

But for the athletes of UNF's surf team, the beach is a sporting arena.

During the 2013 National Scholastic Surfing Association (NSSA) season, UNF has three surfers that have won first place.

UNF freshman surfers Max Mertens and Kayla Durden have both won a contest for shortboarding, and Pat Nichols won in the longboard division. There was also a second place finish by sophomore Savannah Bradley.

The team's co-captain Tucker Norton said the UNF surf team is special in that competition always takes a backseat to having fun. The actual surf contests are filled with laughing, eating, heckling and ultimately lead to evening celebrations,

which is exactly why so many of the team's members rave about the camaraderie.

Durden said she's happy to be in an environment that allows her to feel relaxed during competition.

"There's just not as much pressure on you when you're at the beach because it's a fun environment, and you're doing what you love to do. You just have more fun at the beach instead of worrying about the contest stuff. You care about winning, but you're also just glad to be surfing," Durden said.

This optimism is something that sets the UNF surf team apart from other athletic organizations, which are more contingent upon the competition itself than the sports' environment.

The team's laxness does have its flaws, though.

"Last year we could only get six people to show up to contests," Norton said. "Luckily, this year we have a good crew of young kids who want to go down there and

surf, and they're really good surfers."

One of those young talented surfers is Mertens, who won the second contest of the year Oct. 7 at New Smyrna Beach.

"When [Mertens] won the contest, there was like 10 of us on the beach just screaming and flipping out. If we could have had champagne with us, we would have sprayed him down right on the beach," Norton said.

Durden and Bradley are also part of the team's new young talent. The duo have been surfing competitively against one another for almost 10 years.

The third NSSA event of the season was Nov. 4 at New Smyrna Beach. It was Durden's first official collegiate contest. She triumphed over Bradley in the final, resulting in a one-two finish for UNF, giving UNF a major points boost in the overall standings.

"With [Bradley], I'm so used to being competitive, so it wasn't so different for me," Durden said. "On any given day, she'll beat me or I'll beat her. But you have to go

in with the mindset that you're going to win, or you're not going to win."

Preparing for competitive surfing is challenging because the weather and waves, which the sport depends upon, are ever-changing. Because surfers must always be adapting to the conditions, it's hard to be completely ready for the curveballs the sport can throw.

"It's a blessing and a curse that we're on the beach because we've had a couple of days that were really nice, but more often than not it's raining, 55 degrees, sideways rain in your face and everyone is jammed into one car on top of each other shivering," said Norton.

There's only so much you can do about inclement conditions, but both Bradley and Durden have their own methods in preparing for what they can control.

Bradley said her dad used to simulate heat-like scenarios for her to get acclimated to high-pressure situations. She would also go to the location of an upcoming surf contest and get used to that specific wave in preparation for the actual contest.

Conversely, Durden prepares by staying in shape with UNF's Crossfit Club. This allows her to build up her endurance and strength, in hopes of having her physical gains translate in the water.

Considering UNF's close proximity to the beach and the large portion of its students residing beachside, surfing is a relevant and popular topic around campus. The team hopes that more people begin to realize that.

"I think we should go as far as making it an NCAA sport one day. Why not? We'd have the East Coast versus West Coast rivalry to compete within," Bradley said.

Durden and Bradley think of a professional surfing career as somewhat unrealistic due to a lack of notoriety for women's surfing. They do wish to pursue careers in the sport, though, by working with surfers and in the industry.

Durden and Bradley said they hope the UNF surf team will help kickstart their future surf-lifestyle careers but for now are just enjoying the ride.

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QUESTIONNAIRE

Carl Rosen sat down with a few athletes from UNF's surf team and conducted a brief questionnaire.

Kayla Durden: Featured Surfer
Savannah Bradley: Featured Surfer
Tucker Norton: Co-Captain
Ryan Bass: Co-Captain
Alex Wight: Co-Captain

Where is your favorite wave?

KAYLA: Santana's, Nicaragua
SAVANNAH: Crumpin Alleys, Australia
TUCKER: Lennox Head, Australia
RYAN: The Wedge, California
ALEX: Chilca, Peru

Would you rather surf a reef bottom or beach-break?

KAYLA: Beach-break
SAVANNAH: Reef
TUCKER: Shore pound beach-break
RYAN: Reef

ALEX: Reef

Where is your favorite place you've traveled?

KAYLA: Nicaragua
SAVANNAH: New Zealand
TUCKER: Australia
RYAN: El Salvador
ALEX: Puerto Rico

Where would be your ultimate surf trip?

KAYLA: Australia
SAVANNAH: Indonesia boat trip
TUCKER: Australia

RYAN: Anywhere with good waves and hot local girls
ALEX: Indonesia boat trip

Who is your favorite surfer?

KAYLA: Stephanie Gilmore
SAVANNAH: Kelly Slater
TUCKER: Dane Reynolds
RYAN: Mike Haan
ALEX: John John Florence

What is your favorite surf movie?

KAYLA: Blue Crush
SAVANNAH: Mick, Myself, and

Eugene

TUCKER: 3 Degrees

RYAN: Loose Change

ALEX: Modern Collective

What is your favorite pre-surf pump up song?

KAYLA: Eminem- Lose Yourself
SAVANNAH: Xavier Rudd- Energy
TUCKER: Mike Snow- Animal
RYAN: The Naked and Famous- Punching in a Dream
ALEX: Academy Fight Song- No Knife

BCS chaos

A landscape of possible upcoming BCS bowl games

BY NICK KNUDSEN
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On Saturday night, Notre Dame helped the Bowl Championship Series avoid a repeat of the SEC National Championship disaster of a year ago. Florida may have one of the best resumes in the country, but if a team can't take care of business in its own neck of the woods, then it doesn't deserve to win a National Title. Instead of taking Alabama's cozy 2011 path to the National Championship Game, which allowed the SEC Championship to serve as the Tide's bye week, the No. 4 Gators will hope for a lopsided affair in the Georgia Dome to secure a spot in the BCS.

Who else can land a BCS spot this weekend and where will they land?

To review, according to bcsfootball.org, a team automatically qualifies for the BCS by:

1. Top two teams in the final BCS Standings play for the National Championship.

Alabama and Georgia will play a de facto national semifinal in Atlanta for the right to face the Fighting Irish, Jan. 7, in Miami. Win and earn a ticket to Miami. Lose and miss out on the BCS entirely.

2. Automatic qualifying conference



champions from the ACC, Big East, Big XII, Big Ten, Pac-12, and SEC.

Each of the six automatic qualifying conferences will be settled by Saturday night. Expect the following champions: Florida State (ACC); Rutgers (Big East); Kansas State (Big XII); Nebraska (Big Ten); Stanford (Pac-12); and Alabama (SEC).

3. The champion of non-automatic qualifying conferences (C-USA, MAC, Mountain West, Sun Belt, or WAC) will earn an automatic bid if they finish ranked No. 12 or higher in the final BCS Standings, and have a ranking higher than a champion of a conference that has an annual automatic berth in one of the BCS bowls.

Kent State plays Northern Illinois for the MAC title, Nov. 30, in Detroit. If the Golden Flashes can extend their win streak to 11 games and UCLA loses to Stanford in the Pac-12 Championship, then Kent State will be the first MAC school to land a BCS bid.

4. Notre Dame will have an automatic berth if ... blah, blah, blah. The Irish are in.

WATCH THE BCS UNFOLD THIS WEEKEND

UCLA AT STANFORD FRIDAY, 8 P.M. ON FOX	NEBRASKA VS. WISCONSIN SATURDAY, 8:17 P.M. ON FOX
FLORIDA STATE VS. GEORGIA TECH SATURDAY, 8 P.M. ON ESPN	LOUISVILLE AT RUTGERS <i>(not a championship game)</i> THURSDAY, 7:30 P.M. ON ESPN
TEXAS AT KANSAS STATE <i>(not a championship game)</i> SATURDAY, 8:00 P.M. ON ABC	OREGON VS. ?????
ALABAMA VS. GEORGIA SATURDAY, 4 P.M. ON CBS	OKLAHOMA AT TCU SATURDAY, 12 P.M. ON ESPN
NOTRE DAME VS. ?????	NORTHERN ILLINOIS VS. KENT STATE FRIDAY, 7 P.M. ON ESPN

5. The team that finishes No. 3 in the final BCS Standings receives an automatic bid if all 10 BCS spots have yet to be filled.

Florida will likely jump to No. 3 in the final BCS Standings unless Alabama and Georgia play a tight game in Atlanta. If the Gators can get to No. 3, they will likely head to New Orleans for the Sugar Bowl.

6. The team that finishes No. 4 in the final BCS Standings, receives an automatic bid if all 10 BCS spots have yet

to be filled.

Oregon, which finished its regular season 11-1 with a victory over Oregon State last week, will likely move up to No. 4 in the final BCS Standings and receive an at-large berth taking on the Big XII Champion in the Fiesta Bowl.

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UNF men's basketball breakdown

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UNF's men's basketball team is off to its typical slow start, mostly due to their difficult road schedule against top-tier teams. But playing strong competition can reveal a lot about a team, including strengths and weaknesses. UNF showed they can hang with the big boys of the NCAA, playing well in spurts against Memphis and FSU, but if UNF wants a shot at the A-Sun Title they will need to make a few key improvements. Here are five such keys to avoiding defeat as the season progresses.

Son of a bench

Against No.17 Memphis, UNF was playing the Tigers tight — then, head coach Matthew Driscoll had to spell his starters and go to the bench. The bench players were unable to keep Memphis in check, and the game quickly got out of hand. Outside of the five senior starters, UNF will need to increase production from their bench, which consists of three freshmen. Junior Travis Wallace is UNF's go-to-guy off the pine. Wallace is a high-energy player on both ends of the floor who usually won't create his own shot, but can grab offensive and defensive rebounds and score points on put-backs and dunks. Wallace is averaging 10 points per game (2nd on the team), shooting 50 percent from the field and 73 percent from the free-throw line. Freshman Beau Beech could potentially take over Wallace's spot as the offensive leader from off the bench, as the season continues. Beech is a 6-foot-8 hybrid player who can stretch the floor and score inside and outside. Beech (8 points per game) can score off the dribble, or hit spot up threes, as he showed when he led the team in scoring and rebounds (15pts-7reb) against Kansas State, Nov. 18. If he continues to develop confidence and add variety to his offensive game, Beech could bolster a sluggish second unit.



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Andy Diaz is a presence in the paint, and needs to become the spark in igniting UNF's offense.

run plays for Smith and get him as many shots as possible. When he is hot, he is the only player on the team who can draw double-teams and create easy baskets for his teammates. Smith does have the tendency to force shots sometimes, though, so if Smith could utilize a pump-fake and drive the ball into the paint, he could be even more effective.

Ghosts in the post

UNF is a good three-point shooting team, but lacks a dominant post presence. Senior Andy Diaz, who was supposed to be the team's premier post up player, has not been able to consistently hit his jump-hook so far this season. Outside of Diaz, no other player has stepped up and demanded the ball in the post, and it has made life for UNF's three-point shooters difficult. Defenses



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PS3 shoots his trademark three point shot, which is a staple of UNF's offense.



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Travis Wallace is an offensive force, as he finishes slamming down a dunk against Flagler.

HONORABLE MENTIONS:
Improve free throw shooting - End Granberry's shooting slump - Give Bae Bae Daniels more playing time - Perfect zone defense

but hasn't been able to blossom offensively in limited playing time (51 min) during the season. Wilson must continue to pass and rebound well, while improving his shooting, and Rodriguez will need to work on ball handling to earn more playing time and give the team more scoring production from the point guard position.

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New concussion research Tech at Virginia Tech

Over the past few years, concussions have become an issue of widespread media panic, but what tactics are being used to combat this issue today? Specifically, what are some technologies in use that further concussion research?

Virginia Tech Assistant Athletic Trainer Brett Griesemer gave The Spinnaker an inside look at the unique concussion related technology used by the Hokies football program that furthers both player safety and research.

H.I.T.S.

Virginia Tech has received national attention for being at the forefront of concussion research in football. Their most famous piece of technology is the H.I.T.S., or Head Impact Telemetry System, which was instituted at the school in 2002 by Dr. Stefan Duma, the head of Virginia Tech/Wake Forest School of Biomedical Engineering and Sciences. This technology is in use at only a handful of colleges and has yet to be implemented by the NFL.

At the beginning of each season, the Hokies training staff picks approximately 30 players to participate in their research efforts. Each player has the right to decline participation, but nearly all agree to take part, according to Griesemer.

A device that holds six sensors called accelerometers, and one wireless transmitter, is then fitted into each player's helmet. It is placed between the helmet's padding and could be described as a padded, white horseshoe shape with the open end facing forward.

The six accelerometers measure the force (in g-force units) and location of hits to a player's head on each play by sending a signal to an antenna connected to computer on the sideline. Griesemer provided the following examples of units of g in real terms: the head suffers a force of 5g during a jumping jack, 30-40g from heading a soccer ball, and approximately 80g resulting from big hit in football.

Based on 10 years of research that includes practice time, the Hokies training staff has set 98g as the threshold of an increased likelihood for concussions. Griesemer is armed with a beeper that is set off each time a player sustains a hit of 98g or greater.

"H.I.T.S. helps our athletic trainers keep an eye on the players," Griesemer said, "It does not diagnose concussions. 98g hits do not guarantee that a player will suffer a concussion. A player can get a concussion from a hit that is only 50g while another player can take a 150g hit and not suffer a concussion. Genetics, a player's injury history, and other factors come into play when a concussion is sustained."

When Griesemer is alerted to a 98g hit, the Hokies training staff will closely monitor the player for concussion symptoms

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such as personality change, headache, balance loss, disengagement and body language. If a player exhibits signs of a concussion, he is given a SCAT2 test (Sideline Concussion Assessment Tool), a universal procedure that quizzes the player on the date, their location and patterns of words and numbers.

The live feedback provided by H.I.T.S. may be its greatest feature, but the system also accumulates a large database for researchers. Virginia Tech can look up the force and number of hits taken by a single player or position for a specific date range. The school can offer data on the starting offensive guards' top 10 hardest hits versus the starting outside linebackers' top 10 hardest hits over the course of three weeks.

This data has helped Virginia Tech develop a research project that rates the safety of football helmets. In 2012, three helmets were given the best overall rating of 5-Stars: Riddell 360, Rawlings Quantum Plus, and Riddell Revolution Speed. The Hokies require that each one of their players use the Riddell Revolution Speed

helmet to ensure maximum protection.

H.I.T.S. is not a concussion prevention technology, but the information it provides allows trainers and medical experts to make more informed decisions and become more alert evaluators on chaotic gameday sidelines.

Balance Force Plate Testing

Football players at Virginia Tech also take a Balance Force Plate Test before and after each football season. During this test, the player is asked to stand on a scale that measures their center of gravity. The player must keep a black dot, reflecting the player's balance point in a graph, centered on a monitor connected to the scale for a 20 second period. Two tests are conducted, one with the subject's eyes open and one with their eyes closed.

Balance Force Plate Testing is administered on the second day after concussion symptoms are present. If the player has suffered a concussion, the measurements will differ from the player's baseline test in the preseason. In cases where symptoms persist, the test is not administered again until seven days after concussion signs first appeared.

Functional MRI (fMRI)

In 2011, Hokies players that were selected to participate in the H.I.T.S. project were

also asked to take a Functional MRI (fMRI). The goal of this program, like the Balance Force Plate Test, is to set a preseason baseline and evaluate postseason results. The athletes are placed into a MRI machine and have their brain scanned while engaging in an activity such as a video game or test.

"Getting a visual of the brain allows us to be more accurate in assessing a player's condition," Griesemer said.

The fMRI is still in its early stages of use with the football program, so its full impact has yet to be felt.

Closer to home

"A lot of the new technology out there, similar to what Virginia Tech is using, are great resources that our profession is able to use to evaluate and determine whether someone has sustained a concussion," said Fred Burnett, the UNF Head Athletic Trainer. "It really helps us keep the athletes safe as they progress to getting back on the field."

UNF may lack a football program, but it still has a stringent approach to concussions.

"At UNF," Burnett continued, "we currently use Neurocognitive Testing (which covers attention span, memory, language function, and judgment) on a computer to baseline test all of our student athletes. If they do suffer a concussion, we would test them again and make sure they return to baseline before they return to sport. They must also pass an exam by a physician and all of their symptoms must be clear before they are able to return to activity."

Conclusion

Despite the panic over the future of football, the game continues to grow.

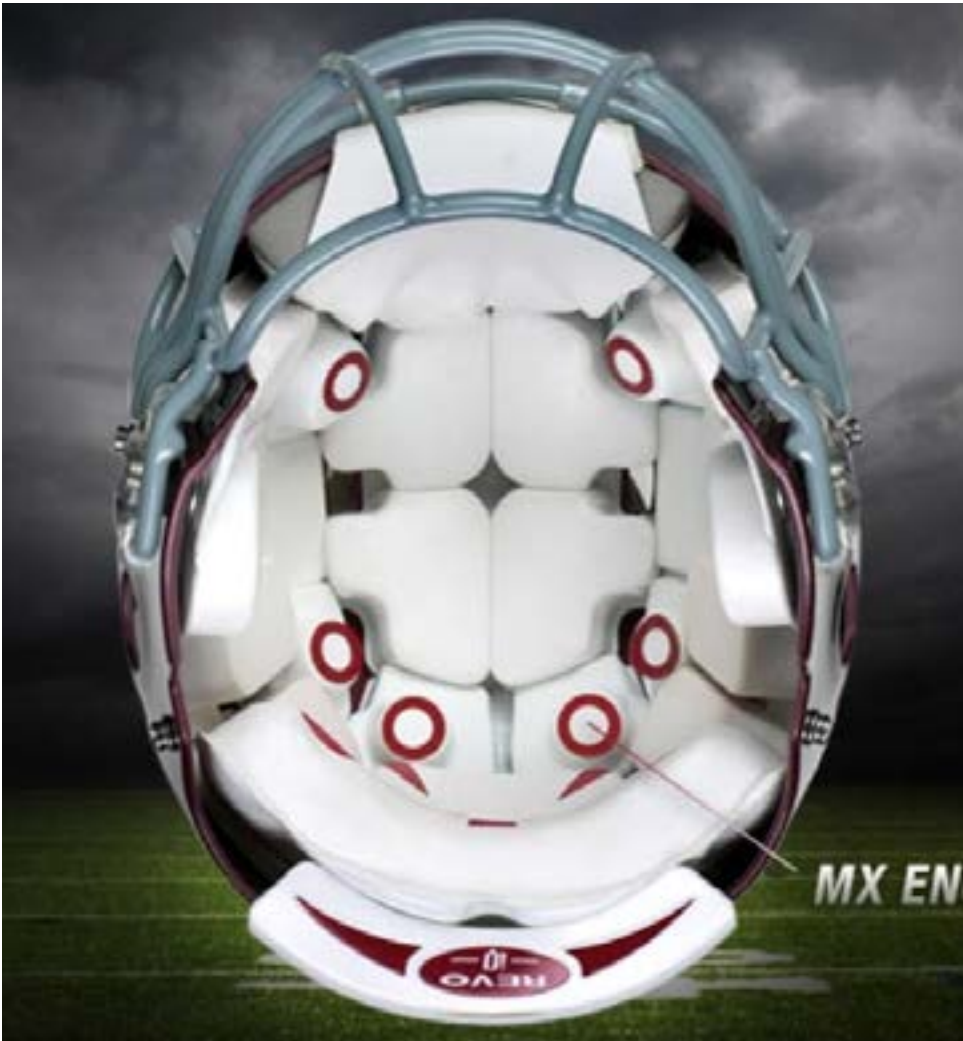
"Football is one of the biggest sports we have so I don't think it will ever go away, but people will be more aware and there will be better healthcare provided to athletes," Dr. Michelle Boling, from the UNF Brooks College of Health, said.

Dr. Boling is a member of the Northeast Florida Concussion Task Force, an organization that aims to develop concussion education for primary care physicians, coaches, athletic trainers, athletes and parents. As society continues to gain a better understanding of concussion management and treatment, athletes will become more informed of the risks they take each time they step onto the field.

Playing the game is a choice, but for those who continue to play, the work being done at places like Virginia Tech will ensure that their safety will improve with each passing season.

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The H.I.T.S. technology isn't designed to prevent concussions, but rather to facilitate research.



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Inside the Huddle



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Question 1: Now that it's almost certain, that Notre Dame and the winner of the SEC Title game will play in the BCS Title game, if a 16 team playoff were in place, who do you think would prevail?

In a 16 team playoff scenario, the team that usually prevails is the team that gets hot at the right time. For my money, that team is Notre Dame. Notre Dame had one of the toughest schedules in the country and was able to remain undefeated playing the likes of Michigan, Michigan State and Oklahoma. Just thinking about a tournament style college football playoff makes me giddy.

Notre Dame has found a way to win all year. Georgia has feasted on a weak schedule and touts its strongest win outside of Florida, as Vanderbilt. A 16 team playoff would boil down to Alabama and Oregon. Stanford needed every break it could get to hand Oregon its only loss by three points in OT, but Alabama possesses the stingy defense and running game that is required to slow the Ducks down.

I think the Georgia Bulldogs will prevail if they can stay healthy and if quarterback Aaron Murray keeps on the streak he's been on, since the fourth quarter of the Georgia vs Florida game. Since then, Murray has thrown 14 touchdown passes and no interceptions. The Dawgs also sport the most talented D, and two incredible freshman tailbacks in Keith Marshall and Todd Gurley.

My instinct says to pick an explosive team, but I'm going to stick with what I've been saying all year and go with Georgia. The Dawgs' are the most complete team in the country. Offensively they can be explosive and that defense is very stingy. They can beat anyone on a neutral field.

Question 2: With just over a week of college hoops played this year, who has been the most impressive?

Duke. The Blue Devils have wins against the who's who of college basketball programs. Plumlee and Curry have proven to be the top inside outside combo in the country.

Duke has notched two top-five wins over the defending National Champions and their Bluegrass counterparts in red. These wins could loom large as Kentucky, Louisville, and Duke should each be in the running for a No.1 seed, come tournament time.

The IU Hoosiers have been the most impressive. They have an excellent guard in Jordan Hulls and an enormous center in 7 foot 240 pound Cody Zeller. If Zeller can stay out of foul trouble, IU is the team to beat.

Honestly, a few teams have been really impressive. Kentucky would have been my answer but they've shown they are vulnerable. I'm going to have to say it's been the Michigan Wolverines. They played a few tune-up games, yes, but also, they swept through Pittsburgh and Kansas State in the NIT Tip-Off. For once in his career, John Beilein has all the pieces he needs.

Question 3: Chad Henne has stepped in and performed admirably for Blaine Gabbert. Henne won his first game since 2010 on Sunday with another great game. Is there a controversy in Jacksonville, or is this as clear cut as it looks?

This is a no brainer. Henne is the hot hand, and if Vegas has taught me anything, you let a hot hand ride until you are dead broke. The Gabbert era is over in Jacksonville. Khan should send Blaine on a nice cruise on his million dollar yacht, and drop him off on a deserted island.

Credit Henne with excellent play over the last couple of weeks. Should Justin Blackmon's recent surge be attributed to the presence of Henne or simply late season development by the rookie first rounder? Maybe a little of both. Based on the eye test, there is no doubt that the Jaguars offense clicks better with Henne under center, but with Gabbert on I.R., the least interesting quarterback controversy in the NFL will have to be put on hold until next year.

Chad Henne is the obvious starter. It's pretty clear cut because Blaine Gabbert is on I.R. Henne played great against Houston, set his team up to win, but the defense failed him. Maybe all he needed from the beginning was a couple of receivers. It's now Chad Henne's job to lose.

The bottom line is Jacksonville has to win. I think Murlarkey knows Henne gives them the best chance to do that. Henne has shown he can still throw the ball like he did for a short time in Miami. I think we've seen the last of Blaine in Jacksonville. Henne could be the answer, but only time will tell.

Women's Basketball Box Score

UNF (1-4-0) vs. UVM (2-4-0)

Nov. 24, 2012

FINAL SCORE:

UNF 64 - Vermont 61

UNF					UVM				
##	Top Scorers	Points	Stl	A	##	Top Scorers	Points	Stl	A
02	Connor, K	14	0	1	22	Shumpert, T	21	2	2
01	Josil, F	10	3	6	23	Hutson, G	9	0	2
00	Lamar, R	10	0	2	10	Atwood, K	9	0	1
Free Throws					Field Goals				
UNF					UNF				
UVM					UVM				

Scores by Period	1	2	Total
UNF	23	41	64
UVM	30	31	61

Men's Basketball Box Score

UNF (2-4-0) vs. BCU (2-5-0)

Nov. 27, 2012

FINAL SCORE:

UNF 71 - Bethune Cookman 65

UNF					BCU				
##	Top Scorers	Points	Stl	A	##	Top Scorers	Points	Stl	A
03	Smith, P	22	2	2	01	Coleman, A	21	3	3
01	Wallace, T	14	0	0	21	Dukes, K	16	3	2
00	Naylor, C	8	0	2	03	Scotland, P	11	2	4
Free Throws					Field Goals				
UNF					UNF				
BCU					BCU				

Scores by Period	1	2	Total
UNF	32	39	71
BCU	29	36	65

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