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#### PHOTO OF THE WEEK

This photo was taken in the beginning of this spring semester in south Jacksonville Beach towards Ponte Vedra. Originally this series was taken with my 35mm camera with black and white film for my Intermediate class. I was happier with this digital snap shot I got while shooting because the lighting really emphasizes the time of day we went to shoot. This series of photos was meant to show the comparison of masculine figures and a femine subject. These abandoned poles represent strong foundations while contrasting with an classic and graceful model. The vacant beach and fog rolling in sets the mood for this balancing of two separate moods and portrayals.

Bronwyn Knight, Photo Minor





April 4 Unresponsive Student (Osprey Fountains): An officer arrived at the Osprey Fountains and found an unresponsive, but conscious, female student lying on the ground surrounded by a group of people. Her roommate and a friend visiting from Germany told the officer they had been at Whiskey River in the St. Johns Town Center earlier that night. The unresponsive student was under 21 and had a black "X" on her hand to signify that she was not allowed to drink alcohol. Her friends said they were not with her the entire time, so she could have consumed something without their knowledge. One friend said they found her in a locked stall in Whiskey River's bathroom and had to crawl under the stall to secure her. After returning to the Osprey Fountains, the girls requested rescue and the student was transferred to St. Vincent's Hospital.

#### Check out more Police Beats online at unfspinnaker.com

April 2 Theft (Lot 53): Over \$2,000 worth of property was reported stolen out of a UNF student's car after leaving it in Lot 53. The student, a resident of the UNF Hall, was unpacking her car. in Lot 10 when she noticed her GPS. iPod charger and trumpet were missing. Since the student does not use her car every day, it was some time before she noticed the items were missing. UPD reported that there was no new damage done to the car that would indicate someone broke into the vehicle. The fingerprints UPD took did not provide any usable evidence, and since the car was parked in a large transit parking lot, a neighborhood search was not conducted. The case has been suspended until a suspect is identified.

April 4 Vandalism (UNF Hall): A UPD officer responded to the scene after a maintenance supervisor for UNF Housing reported vandalism in a first

floor men's bathroom in the Osprey Hall. An unknown suspect entered the bathroom and ripped out 10 ceiling tiles, two ceiling grids, the hand soap dispenser, and the ceiling lights from two of the showers. The ceiling tiles were then thrown into the mirrors, breaking one and scratching two others. An estimated total for the damage is around \$1,000. The residents living around the bathroom said they did not hear or see anything unusual or suspicious during the assumed time of the incident. There was no sign of forced entry. Fingerprints and photos were not taken because Housing had cleaned the bathroom before notifying UPD. Until a suspect has been identified, the case is suspended.

April 5 Sick Person (Building 8): An officer responded to a sick student experiencing pre-existing abdominal pain in Building 8. The student had felt the pain the night before, but eased it with medication. She said she began to feel the pain again when she was getting ready that morning, and it grew worse as she walked to class. She said the pain became too much when she was in Building 8, and she fell to the ground on her knees. Another student found her and notified the police for help.

April 6 Stolen Property (Harmon Stadium): Two of the sponsor signs on the fence that wraps around the Harmon Stadium — the Moe's Grill and Pepsi Cola banners — were reported stolen. The banners, which were located on the east side of the fence, cost \$300 each. There was no sign of entry or damage to the fields. Both the groundskeeper and Director of Athletic Marketing said they did not see anyone suspicious the night before the banners were reported missing. There was no damage to

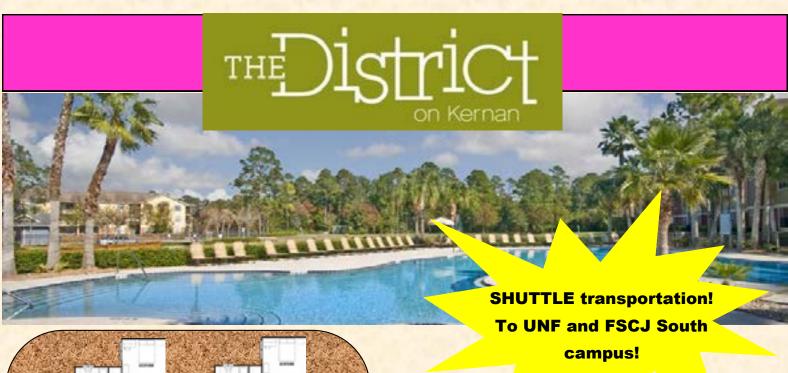
the field and no other thefts have been reported. The case has been suspended.

**April 6 Stolen Property (Student Union** West Building): A UPD officer was contacted by a student outside the West building of the Student Union in reference to her missing cell phone. She had been attending an event earlier in the building's second floor conference room and left her travel bag with her phone inside. When she returned later, her phone was missing. The student had a friend call the phone and a female voice answered but quickly hung up. An officer called the phone but no one answered. The next day, the victim reported to UPD that she and her mother had been in contact with the suspect and were planning to exchange the cell phone. UPD advised against the meeting because it seemed unsafe, but the student did it anyway and the phone was returned.

Source: University Police Department

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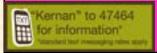
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# Rally **Tally**

Students from each of Florida's 11 state universities gathered in Tallahassee April 3 to get a unified message across to state leg-

islators through the Aim Higher initiative.

**BY SARAH RICEVUTO** STAFF REPORTER

Aim Higher is the initiative taken by student governments in Florida to make students aware of the annual tuition increase and to speak out against it to Florida's legislature.

In February, each of the 11 universities delivered postcards to the capitol protesting the annual 15 percent tuition increase. In the 2003-'04 school year, the average cost per credit hour at UNF was \$63.41. In 2012-'13, the cost per credit hour was \$170.20.

According to UNF Student Body President Carlo Fassi, the state senate is against any increase in tuition, but the House of Representatives is asking for a six percent increase.

Students attending Rally in Tally met with legislators to lobby primarily for an end to tuition increases. Other talking points included support for an increase in Bright Futures funding, in-state tuition for veterans, and in-state tuition for all natural born citizens.

Students also lobbied to bond the Capital Improvement Trust Fund (CITF).

CITF is where the funding for school projects, like the Wellness Complex, comes from. The Florida Student Association is advocating to issue the bonds to complete school projects.

CITF comes from a building and



Students from each of Florida's 11 public universities met in Tallahassee April 8 to promote Aim Higher, an initiative against tuition increases.

capital improvement fee worked into tuition. Bonding the CITF will allow universities to take out loans from the government to complete a project immediately and pay back the loan using the fee.

Fassi said, "Without loans from the government, students have to wait for money to accumulate from the fee."

The day began before the sun rose. Students met at the bus at seven in the morning for the three hour bus ride, missing classes and work to lobby the legislature.

The day was dampened by rain in the capitol. Due to the weather, students could not have a traditional rally.

Students stood behind Frank T. Brogan, Chancellor of the State University System of Florida, as he delivered his message to the press.

"For the first time in a long time, we are working together off the same sheet of music," Brogan said.

Brogan said there is nothing students can't do.

"We have the human potential to do [anything] and more if we are permitted to Aim Higher," Brogan said. "The students here today are the future. Aim Higher and invest in the future."

Cortez Whatley, President of the Florida Student Association and UCF Student Body President, said, "It's not the best weather but we have the best representation."

Fassi said, "If it rains we'll just go to our

meetings because at the end of the day that's why we're here."

Star Caudio, UNF Student Government senator and history and political science junior, said even though university students usually think of rivalries when they think of other universities, the desire to reduce tuition costs helps students bond.

Cora Merritt, UWF Student Body

Like housing, it is easy to get a loan but harder to pay it back," Fuller said. "Increasing tuition for students will increase the debt."

— Dr. Frank Fuller

President and public relations senior, said she likes Rally in Tally because it brings students together.

"I love Aim Higher because it has really united all 11 universities and we're only as strong as when we're united and we come with a united message," Merritt said.

University of South Florida Student Body President and political science senior Brian Goff said his school has supported Aim Higher since the beginning. Goff said USF delivered over 1,000 postcards.

Goff said working together with all the schools for a unified message was the only way to secure the future.

TJ Villamil, UF Student Body President and entrepreneurship masters student, said, "We had a little rally just like UNF. Actually they were the first to take the lead on that so we were really appreciative of their support."

"This is something that I think really set apart the state university system this year," said UF Student Body President Elect and political science senior Christina Bonarrigo. "We changed the tone, we changed the message, and showed our state that we are asking to be viewed as an investment and not as an expenditure."

The rallying representatives met with Florida legislature to lobby on behalf of their student bodies.

UNF students met with several members of legislature to discuss their key points, splitting into two groups to reach more people.

Carlo Fassi outlined the students' points to a staff member of Senator John Legg, while UNF SG senator and communications senior Ryan Traher spoke to Senator Kelli Stargel.

Traher said the experience of talking to a senator was uncomfortable and shocking. Traher said his group's meeting with a staff member was cancelled but the senator was able to give them a minute or two.

He said, "It was overwhelming but a complete honor. I never thought I'd be in Tallahassee lobbying state government."

After working in groups, all the UNF students met with Dr. Frank Fuller, Senior Policy advisor on K-20 education to the Florida Senate.

Fuller said student loans will become a lot like housing loans. He said 62% of people are asking for postponement of payment.

"Like housing, it is easy to get a loan but harder to pay it back," Fuller said. "Increasing tuition for students will increase the debt."

Fuller explained the concept of an education bubble to UNF students. An education bubble is an economic theory that says while tuition increases, degrees decrease and the student loan industry is threatened due to default rates.

Michelle Staton, UNF Director of Governmental Affairs, said she put many hours into coordinating the trip to Tallahassee for UNF students and stayed in her SG office until 3 a.m. the morning of the rally.

She said, "It is wonderful camaraderie to see we can remove any sports rivalry to work towards the greater good."



Dr. Frank Fuller spoke with Carlo Fassi about education bubbles and student loans.

Email Sarah Ricevuto at reporter25@UNFspinnaker.com.

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# **Adobe Suite coming to campus**



#### UNF partnered with USF to purchase the software

BY ERICA SANTILLO

CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

UNF has purchased the Adobe Master Collection for computers on campus.

Kathy Hughes, IT Director of User Services, said these programs will be installed in the Mathews General Purpose Lab and the Art and Graphic Design department labs during Summer A. She said the programs will be installed in library computers by the fall.

Hughes said the university partnered with USF in February to enter a three year agreement with Adobe. She said the total cost of the programs is \$358,000 and it was funded by student IT fees.

Hughes said the combination of both schools' full time equivalent student enrollment was above 50,000, which let the schools receive a discount from Adobe.

Hughes said IT chose to update its Adobe programs because of responses from their student surveys.

"Students listed Adobe products in the surveys as programs they wanted to access remotely, and they got the programs they asked for," Hughes said.

Kennerly Cotton, a UNF graphic design major, said while the art department may benefit from the purchase, all students deserve access to the programs.

"I think these programs would be a good thing for the art department, but even if you aren't an art major you should have some knowledge of them," Cotton said.

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# Students attend smoking forum

BY SARAH RICEVUTO

STAFF REPORTER

This week's public forum for the proposed tobacco ban had more than one student show up.

Eric Armetta, a UNF political science junior, was the first student to speak. Armetta, a non-smoker, is against the ban on tobacco. Armetta touched on UNF's current smoking policy, which says one cannot smoke within 25 feet of a building. Armetta said the urns for cigarrette butts were within that 25 feet range.

"They set you up for failure," he said.

Charles Skibinski, a UNF communications freshman, was also against the ban. He said there is no evidence about the effects of secondhand smoke outside. Skibinski said UNF is trying to ban smoking to make campus healthier, but said the new Chickfil-a is an example of how the health initiative is not being implemented.

Skibinski said skin cancer is harmful to students too.

"Are we going to minimize sun exposure next?" he said.

William Tutwiler, a UNF finance senior, said there was no need for students to expose other students.

Gabriel Quintas, a UNF political science junior, said, "The CDC also released a zombie survival guide. You choose who to trust."

The CDC is the source of the majority of statistics on secondhand smoke.

New Senate President Chris Brady said Student Government does not want to impose a smoking ban. He said SG wanted student opinions, and the forum showed they need to do some more research.

Dylan Farrell, a UNF sociology sophomore, told a story about a tour group he led where a UNF smoker blew smoke into the face of someone on tour. He said this represents the university badly.

Shelly Purser, Director of Health Awareness and Promotion, said there will be another public forum held later this month.

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# This is how we work it

#### The Spinnaker explains its intentions

The Spinnaker received two letters to the editor from members of the Swoop Squad in response to "(S) igma (G)amma?" We've published both on page 8.

The reason for our unease is twofold: both letters suggest a misunderstanding of 1) how the Spinnaker feels about Greek Life, and 2) the paper's process and priorities.

We occasionally use this space to share how the paper you're reading gets put together. These letters have spurred us to do it again.

Angela Bruno's letter begins by saying, "It's no secret that the staff at the Spinnaker is not favorable to the Greek community." And she's right; we strive toward neutrality and objectivity in our news, not favoritism — though we do really like the Greek Life members who work at the Center for Student Media with us.

She highlights the demands of both Greek Life and Swoop Squad — and we can relate to many of them. We also have to speak to people we don't know, maintain relationships with important offices on campus, and prove ourselves to secure positions

on staff.

Bruno also mentions that it's not her job to teach our writers responsible journalism. Right again. That's not her job, it's ours -- which brings to light something significant, something that defines CSM: Everyone on our staff is still learning. That's why we're here.

Britt Stromquist wrote the second letter we received. In it, she claims that the Spinnaker wasted her boss's time by including only one sentence about the Swoop Squad from a 15-minute interview.

For us, interviews are never a waste of time, even if none of their content makes it into the final story. They are necessary to contextualize the reporters' understanding of the subjects they research. Besides, it's better to hear unneeded information than to not do an interview and wonder if you've missed something.

Interviews are critical to what we do here, and the more accurate, thorough information we're told, the better articles we can write. It would be terribly detrimental to the process for anyone to think giving the Spinnaker access to that information is at all a waste of time.

In fact, Stromquist mentions errors that appeared in the "(S)igma (G)amma?" article — sometimes errors come from our sources. More often, a reporter misinterprets what they've heard, and most painfully, some errors are edited in by copy editors trying to clarify or simplify. We do our best to own up to these mistakes in the corrections box each week.

For the newspaper, every story goes through a reporter, then an editor, then a copy editing process in which two staff members read through every word. And then somebody reads it again, just to find that one misspelling that may not even be there. Can you imagine how maddening it is for us that things still slip through?

Stromquist says we should be "motivating students to get involved by properly informing them," which is, coincidentally, a great description of the overarching theme of the editorials published in the Spinnaker this year.

We do our best to give you timely, accurate information, but we know we're not always right — so we hope by informing you about our process, you'll be motivated to help us get better.

Editorial Board Lindsay Montgomer

Lindsay Montgomery – Editor in Chief Jacob Harn – Copy Chief

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#### **Correction:**

Due to a reporter's error, on page 5 of the March 27 issue, the quote "We don't want to be looked upon as the wellness enforcement freaks," was not attributed to Shelly Purser.

Due to a copy editor's error, the March 29 baseball box score on page 22 of the April 3 issue did not read that Joe Wielbruda scored two runs.

Due to a copy editor's error, the March 30 baseball box score on page 22 of the April 3 issue did not read that UNF beat ETSU by a score of 11-4.

Due to an editor's error, the photo on page 22 of the April 3 issue was not indicated as one shot during a past game.

Fee-paying students are entitled to one free issue; subsequent issues are \$.50. For non-UNF students each paper is \$.50.

# The real Sith Lord is finally revealed

Tell, it seems even "The Force" couldn't save gaming developer LucasArts. Disney announced the closure of the studio April 3. Around 150 LucasArts staffers have been thrown out of their jobs.

The official statement from Disney reads: "After evaluating our position in the games market, we've decided to shift LucasArts from an internal development to a licensing model, minimizing the company's risk while achieving a broader portfolio of quality 'Star Wars' games."

Of course, this is a load of garbage — in October, when Disney purchased both LucasFilm and LucasArts, it stated that it had no intention of laying anyone off.

Disney has never really cared about developing quality video games, considering its own video game developer, Disney Interactive Studios, has produced mostly mediocre to poor movie licensed games. The majority of these games were developed by third-party developers, showing just how little Disney pays attention to videogames in the first place.

LucasArts was founded back in 1982 by none other than George Lucas himself. Their first games were not, in fact, *Star Wars* 



JOEY TARAVELLA | SPINNAI

titles, but quirky point-and-click adventure games such as Maniac Mansion, *LOOM*, and the *Monkey Island* series. LucasArts also developed a few military simulators like *Strike Force* and *Battlehawks 1943*.

Starting in the '90s and continuing into the 2000s, LucasArts focused almost exclusively on creating *Star Wars* games. They also published *Mercenaries: Playground of destruction, Fracture*, and *Thrillville* — three non-Star Wars games.

The developer hit some bumps in the road with two of its latest titles, *Star Wars:* The Force Unleashed 2 and Kinect Star

#### Daniel Woodhouse



// Staff Columnist

Wars, both of which were received poorly. Despite this, LucasArts was developing two new promising titles, Star Wars 1313 and Star Wars First Strike, before its acquisition by Disney.

With the death of LucasArts, all hope for these games seeing the light of day has been extinguished. Not to mention any hope fans had for LucasArts developing the long awaited sequels *Star Wars: Battlefront* 3 and *Star Wars: Republic Commando* 2.

Besides Mickey Mouse, George Lucas is also to blame for this unfortunate event, as it was he who sold his company to Disney seven months ago.

The closure of LucasArts is not only a sad day for *Star Wars* fans and gamers as a whole, but also a worrying sign about the way Disney intends to handle the *Star Wars* property.

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## **Letters to the Editor**

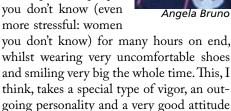
#### **Greek Life attracts outgoing, motivated students**

t's no secret that the staff at The Spinnaker is not favorable to the Greek community. As a Greek woman and a Swoop Squad senior, I can understand why. As a fraternity or sorority member, we do expect to "run the school," as your article referenced (a reckless quote without attribution, but I digress). We have the largest community at UNF in terms of organizations. Our influence is far-reaching; we raise huge amounts of money for charities, bring in large crowds to our events and, as "Sigma Gamma" pointed out, we have a significant majority in Student Government. The article implies that we run the government of UNF with our best interests in mind, not those of the 92% of students who are non-Greek (absolutely false; the past two Greek-run administrations have accomplished far more than the non-Greek SG President vou referenced in terms of tangible results for the student body).

I think, however, your writers are confusing correlation for causality.

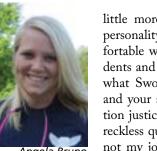
If you think about the type of person who is most likely to "go Greek," a few personality traits come to mind. It's mentioned in the article that potential members

must go through "an elaborate process" in order to find their fraternal home. This is a socially grueling process, especially for sorority women. You must speak to people you don't know (even more stressful: women



(some Dr. Scholl's don't hurt either).

These traits that I am blessed to possess, have allowed me to become Greek. And not JUST Greek: I am an involved Greek. Swoop Squad has been the single most important college experience for me. I welcome potential Ospreys to the campus, speak to their parents, maintain a relationship with many important offices on campus and become an advocate for UNF everywhere I go. Joining Swoop Squad was also a grueling process. As a tour guide and orientation leader, you have to be able to improvise, to entertain large crowds with



little more than a microphone and your personality. I had to prove that I was comfortable with speaking to all types of students and parents. Not just anyone can do what Swoop Squad does for this school, and your article did not do the organization justice (also partially a result of more reckless quotes from Kris Dalton, but it is not my job to teach your writers responsible journalism).

From Presidential Envoys to Swoop Squad to Greek Life, these organizations share a single requisite: their members must be comfortable with themselves and outgoing enough to be comfortable with others. This translates to Student Government. Potential senators campaign throughout campus, seeking signatures and answering questions from complete strangers. Elected senators work in committees, collaborate with other UNF organizations and speak to the entire Senate. Student Government is not for the shy or fainthearted. Neither is Greek life.

Don't get me wrong: not every sorority or fraternity member is a type-A personality. There is a place for everyone within Greek life. But a major mistake your writers made when working on this article was not taking into account the type of person needed to run both SG and fraternal organizations. Sure, only 8% of UNF students are Greek. But did it not occur to you that this 8% contains some of the most outgoing and motivated students? For these students, the transition from Greek life to SG or Swoop Squad is an easy one.

Are there outgoing individuals who are not Greek? Of course. Being Greek and being successful in Student Government are not mutually exclusive traits. Some of the best people I know at UNF are not Greek, but friendly and wonderful individuals who get involved with the university.

Was this article written unfairly towards Greek senators and campus leaders? Definitely.

I'm not trying to be a spokesperson for every sorority girl on campus, others may feel very differently than I do. This was my individual reaction to a poorly-written article.

Thanks for your time,

Angela Bruno

#### Involvement for everyone, not just Greeks

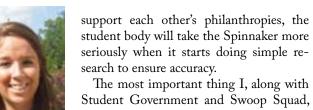
I'm writing out of frustration with the S(igma) G(amma) article published in the March 27 issue regarding the Greek population in Student Government. Besides violating multiple fact errors, the Spinnaker misinterpreted quotes and appears determined to inspire nothing more than false information.

First, it's utterly unprofessional to start an article with a quote from almost two years ago with no source attributed. Instead of generalizing the Swoop Squad, give some credibility by naming the person who spoke that day and stated said quote. Additionally, the quote from Kris Dalton poorly represented her in the story. I sat in on the interview and the goal was to share information on the process of joining Swoop Squad. The interview lasted around 15 minutes and one sentence made it to the article. A sentence that failed to depict what Kris explained, and instead insinuated Swoop Squad practices Greek

bias. On the contrary, Swoop Squad encourages all students to participate, but rather than illustrating that, the Spinnaker wasted my boss's time.

It is indeed true Greek students occupy many of the leader-

ship positions at UNF, and the Spinnaker produced the numbers to support this. However, many of the other facts in the article are completely incorrect. For example, Senate President Zak Varshovi did not appoint Senator Chris Brady to the position of Senate President, Varshovi simply nominated him. The article also stated "Kappa Alpha Omega" hosted Derby Days with Sigma Chi. First, it is Kappa Alpha Order, and second, Derby Days is Sigma Chi's Philanthropy, which supports Huntmans Cancer Institute. While all the Greeks



Student Government and Swoop Squad, want students to know is that you absolutely do not need to be Greek to get involved with this university. Greeks should not be criticized for passionately loving the school and therefore participating all throughout the campus. I honestly want every single student to experience and gain the same benefits from UNF I have through my involvement. Whether through a club, Greek life, intramurals or Student Government, so many existing opportunities are wasted because students fail to take advantage of them. So I urge my fellow Ospreys to go out of their comfort zones and get involved. It's your money, put it to use and do more than just go to your classes!

Lastly, I want to chastise the Spinnaker

for missing a respectable opportunity. The Center for Student Media possesses so much responsibility and power to influence the public's opinion, and that power is wasted weekly. It could be motivating students to get involved by properly informing them, but it would rather write stories highlighting how different we are up in Student Government from the student body. If the Spinnaker wants diversity up in Student Government, this is not the proper strategy. All this does is create a tension between organizations. We're all Ospreys, and whether you're Greek, non-Greek, in student government or walk to and from your car to class every day, we are here to work together, making the community we call home a little better.

P.S. If Student Government really stands for Sigma Gamma do I get a stole at graduation?

Britt Stromquist

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#### UNF Biology Club

Membership meetings will be held at 6pm on 3/26 and 4/16 in the Student Union. See event board for room #.

#### Recruiting Baseball Umpires

We are looking for students who are interested in umpiring youth league baseball. Umpiring has very flexible hours and is a fun way to make money. We will train you, no experience necessary. Call Brent at

#### CCW Community Night

Wednesdays on the third floor of the Student Union CCW hosts community night. This includes a free dinner, a short film, a vibrant discussion, and is an awesome opportunity to meet some fellow Ospreys! More info at campustocit org and facebook.com/ccw614.

#### New Club -UNF Surfrider Foundation

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#### **Gymnastics Coach**

Hang Time Athletics, in Saint Augustine Florida, is looking for fun, energetic, experienced and dependable gymnastics coaches for our USAG Competitive Team and Rec programs. Applicant should have previous coaching and/or gymnastics experience! Part-time positions are available immediately. Contact Debbie Candeletti at (904)9557454





# CAMPUS LIFE CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY April 10

Osprey PRIDEfest: Art & Photo Gallery

6-9 p.m., Student Union Ballrooms

Leadership Speakers Bureau: "Agent to the Stars" Dave Reed 6 p.m., Student Union Auditorium

**Women's Center Mock Trial** 

7 p.m., Robinson Theater

**THURSDAY April 11** 

**OP CoffeeHouse ft. Alaina Colding** 

12 p.m., UNF Starbucks

Osprey PRIDEfest: Music Night feat. Danni Cassette

6:30 p.m., Student Union Auditorium

FRIDAY April 12

Ozzie's Spring Ticket Music Festival ft. Boys Like Girls & Guests

4-11 p.m., Coxwell Ampitheater

**Lavender Graduation** 

6 p.m., Herbert University Center

SATURDAY April 13

Game Day @ the Boathouse

Watch the game over some 25¢ wings, 50¢ tenders, and 99¢ domestic beers & soda! 3-6 p.m., The Boathouse

SUNDAY April 14

**Ospreys Involved Rewards Party** 

Get rewarded for getting involved-video games and awesome prizes! 3-5 p.m., Student Union Ballrooms

**TUESDAY April 16** 

**OP Trivia Night** 

7 p.m., The Boathouse

WEDNESDAY April 17

Market Day: OP Sand Art

11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Osprey Plaza



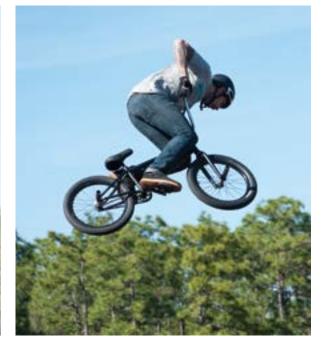
SUMMER B KICK OFF

**Beginning June 24** 

# BMX group shows off tricks on campus







Tearing up the park: Osprey Productions brings a professional BMX show to UNF

#### **BY JASON HOWARD**

STAFF REPORTER

Bicycles are one of the world's most popular modes of transportation.

The bicycle is real people power; it's just you and the basic machine.

BMX bikes, however, differ from the average bike.

These bikes are like your short, stout cousin that wrestled in high school, only after learning he wouldn't grow any higher than 5 foot 1 inch tall. The bikes are still light, though, swinging from bar to seat.

Osprey Productions brought out Rise Above BMX, a Pennsylvania-based company bringing their own mobile equipment, for a show in Lot 14 April 6.

The team consisted of nine riders and two non-bikers — a skateboarder and an aggressive inline skater.

There were flips, 360s, can-cans, grinds, tail-whips, bar spins and flares. One guy even rode up a flight of stairs.

The list goes on. The performers tore up a brand new track, a full park designed to showcase the wide variety of talent.

The performers brought a little technical stuff to show, but they knew what the audience wanted: big air.

Air comes in a variety of flavors, but the ingredients are usually the same; speed, vert, practice and cojones.

Chris Dziema dominated a park designed for BMX on a skateboard, stalling on just the lip of a topless 9-foot ramp.

The youngest rider at the age of 17, Eric Trombley, made mincemeat of the park showing off his skills.

Jimmy Hake tore it up on inline skates, cannonballing around the park like a madman.

Riders Cory Wiergowski and Seth Klinger hopped over nine people lying

#### **PERFORMER LIST:**

Ron Thomas (Announcer)
Seth Klinger
Eric Vasquez
Dan Sieg
Eric Trombley
Cory Yarbrough
Andrew Fox
Lane George
Chris Dziema (Skateboarder)
Jimmy Hake (Inline)
Cory Wiergowski (Brought in to replace Tyler Fernengel)

down, including some bold guests in attendance.

Ellie Hinck, a UNF marketing sophomore, was one of the hopped-over guests.

"[I] saw some pretty gnarly stuff happen: BMX, inline skating and skateboarding," she said.

For the riders, the show is business as usual, but they work doing what they love.

Dan Seig, rider and manager, said his biggest motivation to ride is that it clears his head and he can do it whenever he wants.

"You don't need anybody to do it, so you can do it by yourself," Sieg said. "It's a self motivated sport. It comes from within, and once you do it, it's so satisfactory."

Following the show, the team couldn't keep off the park. They looked like they could ride all night. Even after the last autograph and a wave goodbye, they kept riding.

These guys go all out, whether it's for crowds of hundreds or just them in a park.

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The Rise Above BMX team put on a thrilling performance Saturday in Lot 14. Shown above, one of the riders swoops through the air.

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# That's the ticket!

# Ozzie's Spring Ticket Music Festival brings eight artists for day long event

#### **BY DARGAN THOMPSON**

FEATURES EDITOR

With music festivals cropping up all over the country this spring and summer, UNF is bringing one to our campus April 12 with two stages, eight different artists, and plenty of food and inflatables.

Brent Fine, director of Osprey Productions, said OP had originally planned to have a traditional mainstage event in early March, but had a hard time finding available bands, due to the large amounts of music festivals happening around the country. So they decided to push back the date and change it to a festival style with several different bands.

While the event comes out to about the same price as other OP concerts, it makes things a little bit more difficult logistically. Fine said OP will be setting up the stage from the UNF Arena as a second stage to the left of the main stage. Sets will alternate between the stages, with five minute gaps between bands.

Student opinions on the event vary.

Matthew Studiale, a coastal biology sophomore, said he likes festivals, as they give attendees more time to socialize and are popular with college students.

#### **COMING UP:**

- Ozzie's Spring Ticket Music Festival will take place in the Coxwell Amphitheater April 12. Gates open at 3 p.m. and the show runs from 4 - 11 p.m.
- Admission is free with an Osprey1 Card and \$15 if you want to bring a non-Osprey friend.
- There will be free parking available at 1:30 in Lot 15 or Garage

#### THINGS TO LEAVE AT HOME:

video cameras, backpacks, bikes, drugs, weapons, laser pointers, lawn chairs, pets, coolers, skateboards and umbrellas.

On the other hand, Alana Elrod, a nursing junior, said she would prefer a concert of one more recent artist versus a bunch of smaller artists.

"I have no idea who [the artists] are," she said, "so I really don't care to go."

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#### A rundown of the artists performing at the event:

#### **Seven Springs**

4 p.m. Stage 1

FROM: Jacksonville, Fla.

**GENRE: Indie/Rock/Folk/Alternative** 

Bringing a Jacksonville flair to open the event is the band Seven Springs, which won its spot in the festival by coming out on top in OP's Battle of the Bands event March 2. Some of the band members, including the lead singer, are fellow Ospreys.

#### **New Bloom**

4:40 p.m. Stage 2

FROM: Los Angeles, Calif.

**GENRE: Alt Indie Pop** 

The name is fitting, as New Bloom only formed in the beginning of 2013. Like Seven Springs, New Bloom is a five-piece band with a female lead vocalist, but this group hails from the West Coast.

#### The Static

5:30 p.m. Stage 1

FROM: Washington, D.C. GENRE: Rock

On The Static's facebook page, the band describes itself as a "glam-powered rock 'n' roll party machine!" Need we say more?

#### Air Dubai

6:15 p.m. Stage 2

FROM: Denver, Colo.

**GENRE: Alternative/Hip-Hop** 

Beginning as a hip hop duo in 2008, Air Dubai has developed into a six member band known for energetic live performances.

#### **Chris Webby**

7:05 p.m. Stage 1

FROM: Norwalk, Conn. GENRE: Rap/Hip-Hop

The 24-year-old rapper Chris Webby has already worked with artists such as Bun B, Mac Miller and Freeway.

#### The Ready Set

8 p.m. Stage 2

FROM: Fort Wayne, Ind. GENRE: Pop/Electronica

The Ready Set is the stage name of Jordan Mark Witzigreuter. Pete Wentz, the bassist from Fall Out Boy, signed The Ready Set to his label, Decaydance Records. in 2009.

#### **DJ Hesta Prynn**

8:50 p.m. Stage 3 (rollout onto Stage 1)

FROM: New York, N.Y.
GENRE: Dark Dancefloor Tracks

Julie Potash, known as Hesta Prynn, started in music as part of the hip-hop group Northern State and then branched out on her own when the band broke up. She now travels the country as a DJ and a pop music ghostwriter.

# **Boys Like Girls** 9:40 p.m. Stage 1

FROM: Boston, Mass.

GENRE: Pop Punk/Alternative

You probably sang along to Boys Like Girls' song "The Great Escape" back in the summer of 2007. The band released its third album in December after taking a hiatus in 2011 so the members could work on side projects.

# Are protein supplements doing more harm than good?

Protein has always had a positive image in the public eye. We all know it as the lovely nutrient that helps us grow strong. But here in America, we like things in excess. Americans consume twice as much protein than the recommended daily value in meat alone, according to a study by Door to Door Organics. So it's no surprise that protein supplements have filled the shelves and emptied our pockets. But how much good are these supplements really doing our bodies?

Women, on average, should consume 46 grams of protein daily, and men around 56 grams, according to the Centers for Disease Control. This is not as much protein as you may think. Roughly 3.5 ounces of Hemp Protein Powder contains 50 grams of protein on its own. If a few ounces of this protein powder is giving us enough protein for the entire day without eating anything else, perhaps the risk is worth considering.

#### **Is Supplemental Protein Risky?**

Excessive levels of protein means more substances for your kidney to get rid of. This

Noor Ashouri



// Staff Reporter

means the kidney has to work extra hard. This could result in kidney damage, according to the British Dietetic Association.

A high intake of protein can equate to calcium lost in excretion, according to a study done by The Journal of Nutrition. More calcium in urine means less calcium for your bones. Spread over a long term period, this could result in osteoporosis.

Protein supplements may cause dehydration. With these supplements, water travels to muscle instead of blood. This means less water in circulation and the potential for dehydration. This process also triggers another thought. While protein supplements are commonly taken in an effort to build muscle mass, a study done by The Journal of Sports Sciences suggests increased muscle mass is only due to water retention.



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#### A Weight Loss Mechanism?

Let's take the thousands of protein smoothies claiming to help you lose weight. When protein smoothies replace meals, then your caloric intake will likely go down and result in weight loss. Be aware that protein smoothies do not always contain all the necessary nutrients otherwise gained by eating whole foods. But protein smoothies

are often high in calories. Taken alongside your regular amount of food, the addition of protein smoothies will spike up your caloric intake and cause you to gain weight.

#### You Don't Need 'Em

Save your money and get all the protein and other necessary nutrients from whole foods.

- 3 glasses of skim or whole milk 24 g of protein
  - 3 scrambled eggs 20 g of protein
  - 1/2 a chicken breast 27 g of protein
  - $\bullet$  2 tbsp. of peanut butter 9 g of protein
  - 1 cup of black beans 15 g of protein

The FDA does not have guidelines regulating supplements. Yet we were more than willing to give the gym supplement industry, which includes protein supplements, \$2.7 billion in 2008, according to the New York Times. Considering the aforementioned risks, perhaps the FDA should consider investing their time in this.

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# Evil Dead rises from the grave to a new generation

t's a general opinion among both fans and moviegoers that remakes tend to suck. Bad remakes usually rehash the original scene for scene (The Omen 2006), or destroy everything the original stood for (Rollerball 2002). A good remake takes the original, builds on it, and introduces new elements in order to improve the overall quality (King Kong 2005). So where does the new Evil Dead rank compared to the 1981 original?

The plot follows about the same format as the original: a group of friends (Mia, David, Eric, Olivia, and Natalie) spend a weekend in a secluded cabin in the woods.

A couple things have been changed. For instance, the reason why the kids go to the cabin in the first place is much more interesting. Mia has been addicted to heroine for some time now, so her friends have brought her to the cabin so she can detox, unlike the original where the kids were simply on vacation.

Eventually, Mia freaks out from the isolation and drives off into the woods. Meanwhile, Eric finds a book in the cabin's basement; its cover is made of human skin and might as well have had a neon sign hovering over it that said, 'Bad things will happen if you read this book!'.

Eric goes against the advice of several warnings written in blood inside the book



and speaks a series of words from the ancient text of the pages. An evil presence is released that causes Mia to crash her car and get raped by the branches of a tree (and yes, this same thing happened in the original).

Infected with a demonic essence, she returns to the cabin where the demon attempts to spread to rest of the group. Soon they realize that they'll have to commit unspeakable acts of violence if they want to survive the night.

Director Fede Alvarez and writers Rodo Sayagues and Diablo Cody have written a script filled with guts, but no glory, if you know what I mean. Heads are squished like cantaloupes, limbs are severed, bones get crushed, flesh is barbequed, and bodily fluids are vomited. Hemophobics may feel inclined to step out of the theater or at least bring several puke bags, as there is enough plasma spilled to fill about 20 blood banks.

Fede Alvarez does an excellent job of utilizing Sam Raimi's style of the original Evil Dead, focusing more on the 'EWW' rather than the more common 'BOO.' He



does this through the use of physical effects rather than computer-generated imagery, like the 2004 The Fog remake. The technique allows the brutality of the kills to really sink in and gives the film the look that it's still grounded in reality. While the scares themselves don't elicit the same shock value of the original, the scenes are tense enough to keep you on the edge of

The cast portray their respective characters well, especially Jane Levy as Mia, whom the demon uses to taunt the other characters by occasionally switching between Mia and the demonic form. With some great makeup work, combined with some creepy performances, the actors are able to display a chilling appearance that something sinister has taken over these characters.

Special mention goes out to the movie's composer Roque Baños for crafting an amazing score that gives the audience the sensation that something from the bowels of Hell itself has come to devour the souls of the living.

While it may not live up to its poster line, "The most terrifying film you will ever experience," Evil Dead is a satisfying installment to its franchise that pays homage to its original, while giving us a fresh new experience at the same time.

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If you could say one thing to Kim Jong-un, the dictator of North

Hannah Cahill, senior, international studies





# Plans for UNF football get sacked

The implementation of a football program isn't feasible in the foreseeable future

**BY TRAVIS GIBSON** 

UNF President John Delaney issued an email to students informing them the university will not pursue a football program in the near future.

"After much financial examination, we have concluded that we just can't make [a football program] work," Delaney said in his email.

Delaney went on to say UNF explored the feasibility within the budget constraints. and the numbers simply didn't add up.

Delaney said that a Florida university needs enrollment of about 25,000 students to properly support football, and with our



continued growth, football is probably inevitable for UNF at some point.

"We will continue to develop the sports and recreation fields' master plan in anticipation of long-term growth that will hopefully include Osprey football," Delaney said.

Vice President of Public Relations Sharon Ashton said the administration had a series of meetings to assess the feasibility of football at UNF.

"We started adding in these numbers: travel fees and associated travel costs, how much it costs to join a conference, scholarships, facilities," Ashton said. "The numbers just kept adding up."

Ashton said UNF couldn't pay for football with student fees from only 16,500 students.

"That doesn't mean there will never be football at UNF. What it means is, not right this moment," Ashton said. "We're looking at probably at least five, maybe 10 years out.'

Ashton said in order to spread the cost of a football team so it wouldn't be too expensive per student, enrollment would need to be around 25,000. She said increasing enrollment would depend on the economy, state legislature and additional funding, but UNF's admissions standards would not change regardless of football.

Student Body President Carlo Fassi was not surprised by the announcement.

"Football, as a proposal, was, to some extent, dead on arrival," Fassi said.

Fassi said Title XI requirements, the current climate of the board of governors and overall costs, were all factors in UNF's choice to postpone the implementation of a football program.

Fassi said he has been provided with detailed preliminary costs of bringing football to UNF.

"It's not doable now but when enrollment goes up, when we have more support from the state, it's very doable," Fassi said. "Right now we wouldn't even have the money to build facilities."

Delaney assured students that when the time is right, the university would reevaluate the possibility of football.

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## Former UNF basketball player charged with murder

**BY TRAVIS GIBSON** 

SPORTS EDITOR

Former UNF basketball player Stephen O'Reilly turned himself into authorities in Escambia County, Fla., after a warrant was issued for his arrest in connection with a murder case. O'Reilly was charged in the fatal stabbing of his roommate, 28 yearold Brent Francis, in Gwinnett County, Ga., March 30, according to a Gwinnett County Police Department media release.

O'Reilly surrendered April 1, and was booked at Escambia County Jail at 7:25 p.m., according to Escambia County Police records. Francis told Gwinnett County Police that O'Reilly attacked him at home, in the 2400 block of Hurndon Road in unincorporated Snellville, Ga.

Francis was stabbed multiple times and was transported to Gwinnett Medical Center where he succumbed to his injuries, but not before he was interviewed by investigators, said Gwinnett police spokesman, Cpl. Jake Smith, in a news release April 2. The release says the murder warrant for O'Reilly was obtained based on Francis' statement and evidence collected at the crime scene.

O'Reilly is in Escambia County jail and awaiting extradition to Gwinnett County. Upon his return to Georgia, he faces a felony murder charge.

Cpl. Smith said the motive is unknown. O'Reilly, 24, also turned in a vehicle sto-

len from Francis to police in Pensacola, Smith said.

Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly, O'Reilly's



mother, is a senator in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

O'Reilly left UNF in January 2010, after playing in five of the team's 18 games during the 2009-'10 season, according to UNF's athletic website.

Former UNF bas-

ketball player Jerron Granberry told the Spinnaker April 3, that he thinks O'Reilly left UNF because he wasn't happy with his limited playing time. O'Reilly was an incoming freshman with Granberry, Parker Smith, Will Wilson, David Jeune and Andy Diaz, and was roommates with Smith.

"He was a very quiet kid," Granberry said. "He kept to himself a lot."

Granberry said O'Reilly transferred to Clark Atlanta University, but Spinnaker News could not find any record of him playing basketball for the university.

"I thought he was generally a nice guy. He was very unselfish," Granberry said.

UNF basketball coach Matthew Driscoll and the Media Relations department at UNF declined to comment.

According to UNF's player bio, O'Reilly grew up in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, and attended Country Day High School.

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# Men's tennis seniors shine in 4-3 A-Sun Conference win

**BY CHRISTIAN AYERS** 

STAFF REPORTER

Senior Day was a success for UNF tennis, as both the men's and women's teams pulled off important conference wins over FGCU. Despite losing two players to injury, UNF men's tennis still came out on top with a 4-3 conference win against the Eagles April 4.

UNF swept three doubles matches to start the day, but not without a bit of drama. Senior Daniel Sotomarino and sophomore Norbert Nemcsek had to overcome an early 6-3 deficit. The duo came back from behind and went on to win their next five games, and the match at 8-6.

After pulling off a doubles win with fellow senior Leonardo Nahar, Pedro Davisson was up one set in the fourth match. Davisson was forced to retire due to injury, leaving UNF down 2-0 in singles competition.

Nehar shined in his own singles match, though, winning the fifth match 6-3, 6-4. Senior Julien Belair was also victorious as he cruised to his 11th straight singles victory.

Sophomore Timo Kranz won his sixth match 6-2, 6-4, and clinched the match win, bumping UNF to 6-o in A-Sun play, keeping them at No. 1 in the conference.

UNF is now 12-7 on the season, and have won 10 of their last 11 matches. The team will now travel to face A-Sun newcomer Northern Kentucky, April 11.

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#### **SEASON FINALE:**

UNF's match against Lipscomb, April 13, will be their final match before the Atlantic Sun Tourney



Nemcsek fought his way back from a 6-3 defecit to win the set, and his doubles match.

# Sand volleyball picks up where it left off: on top

**BY JOSH BRANNOCK** 

STAFF REPORTER

Last year, UNF sand volleyball was the first team in Atlantic Sun history to win a Sand Volleyball Conference Championship.

This year's team has the expectations of living up to last year's performance, but it seems like the only pressure felt is in the sand after a spike.

The team started off its 2013 campaign going 12-3 for its first 15 games (two were exhibition matches against Webber).

"The girls have been working really hard and I'm really pleased with their effort and their trying to get better every day," said head coach Steve Loeswick. "We've had a lot of our matches go our way and we've been good so far, but we're not quite satisfied with ourselves yet."

The A-Sun is the only conference that will have an automatic bid to the American Volleyball Coaches Association's Sand Volleyball National Championship, July 3-5.

"It feels great because every time you win, your mood goes up, and we're just trying to keep our streak," said junior Anna Budinska. "We really want to win the conference for the second consecutive year. We're confident, but we know that it won't be easy because all of the other teams got better, as well."

The A-Sun will be the only conference for the next two seasons to have an automatic bid, due to the waiting period enforced on a conference that wants to make sand volleyball a conference sport.

With the first season under the team's belt, Loeswick said the practices this year have had more of an intense atmosphere.

"We're definitely challenging them more and training harder to try and get that step



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Dagnija Medina is part of the No.1 team for UNF, she's seen here putting up a big block.

up," Loeswick said. "Last year we did a lot with basic ball control and trying to figure out what teams worked best together. This year we've been a little bit more consistent with our teams."

This year's top pairing has been Budinska and senior Dagnija Medina. Budinska was

sidelined for most of last year's season with a torn ACL, but Medina played the full season and said that the year of experience has made a difference in her play.

Budinska and Medina are 9-5 overall and 6-0 in the A-Sun, playing in the top spot.

"It's interesting to see how the team has

#### **SEASON FINALE:**

The team will look to defend last year's A-Sun title April 20-21, at the A-Sun Championship.

gotten a lot better and also the growth of our team. I couldn't really move in the sand at first and getting to the ball was hard, but now I feel like I've been in it my whole life," Medina said. "Beach is actually an easy game; it's basically bump, pass and put the ball in a spot where no one is. It's all about being smart and not about being strong."

The team's nine match winning streak was snapped April 6 against UAB, but UNF won two out of three.

The duo of junior Britt Claessens and sophomore Julie Trembley has been perfect this season, playing in the four and five spots. They carry a 14-0 overall record and are 6-0 in the A-Sun.

The senior pair of Emily Strack and Anna Wagner have started at the three, four and five spots, and carry the second best record on the team — 11-3 overall and 5-1 in A-Sun play.

UNF sits atop the A-Sun with a 6-0 record, two games above JU, and with just five matches remaining.

UNF's next match is against crosstown rival Jacksonville for a doubleheader in the April 10 River City Rumble, and for the Atlantic Sun Conference regular season title.

UNF has earned a share of the championship, but it would claim sole possession of first with one victory over the Dolphins (4-2 A-Sun).

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### UNF trumps top-dog despite errors; Weeks, Dewees continue hot streak

BY JOSH BRANNOCK

STAFF REPORTER

Despite having a total of eight errors in its three-game series, UNF baseball took down the preseason No. 1 A-Sun Conference pick, the Mercer Bears, by winning two out of three games. UNF is now 14-6 for this year.

Mercer, who was ranked No. 8 in College Baseball Daily's April 1 mid-major poll, has only lost one other three-game series, and it was against South Alabama, who was ranked No. 19 in the mid-major poll.

Much to head coach Smoke Laval's satisfaction, strong pitching allowed UNF to get passed Mercer.

Nick Allbritton pitched a solid seven and one third innings in the 10-4 win, April 6. And in the series finale, senior Michael Renner kept his composure and pitched his way to a 3-2 win April 7, despite UNF's



Weeks

five errors in the game.

"[Laval] was saying in the meeting [after the game] he's never been around a team that could make five errors and can still win a game," said sophomore Drew Weeks. "We just believe that we're gonna' win. If

you believe, and everybody catches on, then you can't be stopped — you're a force to be reckoned with, like how we were today."

"It's a good sign that you can win a game, even though you had five errors," said junior Tyler Marincov. "It's a good sign for our team — it's a good sign for our offense. It feels really good to get out on a roll in conference play when the last two seasons we've started behind the eight ball."

"It's always fun being the underdog



Dewees

— you never have anything to lose," Weeks said.

UNF sits tied for first in the A-Sun, with No. 24 nationally ranked Florida Gulf Coast, with a 6-3 conference record.

Even though the team has dealt with

injuries, players have stepped up to fill the voids. Offensively, Donnie Dewees and Weeks have been the most consistent in the past two weeks.

"I slowed my swing down a lot and I've worked on my mechanics a lot," Weeks said. "I've started seeing pitches a lot better, I've stopped swinging at bad pitches and I haven't been striking out. That always helps, not striking out — you put the ball in play, hopefully they mess up."

Weeks followed up his cycle performance, March 30, by going 6-10 with a triple and a home run in the series. Dewees, who had three triples March 28, went 6-14 in the series, and has a .356 batting average for the season.

Ryan Roberson, who has the second highest batting average on the team with a .367 average, had a 10-pitch at bat in the April 7 game. He said that at bat is what has defined the team's offense this year.

"That's one thing we've worked on as a team, being very patient and waiting for a pitch that you can work on," Roberson said. "You just gotta' keep battling off the bad pitches until you get one you can handle and drive it somewhere."

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# **Inside**<sub>the</sub>**Huddle**









#### Question 1: Who's your favorite to win the Master's?

Phil Mickelson. He already has three green jackets and he's flying under the shadow of Tiger Woods this season. I like his chances.

Well it's always been Tiger or the field because he was always the favorite. After a few off years he's back for sure this time, and I think he's going to do something special this week.

Everyone who loves golf would probably want Tiger to win just because it would be a great story. But I don't love golf, so I'll go with a gut choice and pick Jim Furyk. Everyone wins if Rickie Fowler doesn't wear highlighter clothes for once.

Golf, huh? Next question please.

#### Question 2: The Knicks beat the Thunder at home, can New York win an NBA Championship?

I'm not ready to pick the Knicks, but I think they can beat the Heat and make the NBA Finals. Melo is on a tear and they have a deep bench, something the Heat lack. On top of that, they are 2-1 against Miami this season.

Is Miami still there? I mean they can win a Division Championship.

New York can only win if Melo can balance his wicked offense with brick-wall defense. In a deep playoff run, they'd have to face Miami, and LeBron would love to go head to head with his fellow draft-mate. But there are too many hurdles for New York to win a title this year.

Yeah it's possible, but not with teams like the Heat in the mix. There's only one championship team in my eyes, and they wear red, white and black, not blue and orange.

#### Question 3: Will the Yankees finish above .500?

New York's reign as an American League powerhouse is over. This is the season that will see more losses than wins, and more empty seats than full seats for the Bronx Bombers. I can't say I don't love it.

Only the worst team's in the league and the Pirates finish under .500, and I don't think the Yanks' fit into that category.

Yes, but not by much. They've got a solid lineup and enough pitching to get some solid wins and saves. But all that money doesn't buy wins in a tough AL East.

Yeah, they have the financial ability to make sure of it. If things aren't gelling properly they'll break out that oversized checkbook and go shopping for some new toys.

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Score by Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	Н	
MER (25-10)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	8	
UNF (23-11)	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	x	3	9	

#### **University of North Florida**

Pitching Stats	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	so
Renner, M (W)	7.2	6	2	0	2	6
Olmstead, C (S)	1.1	2	0	0	0	3

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Pos	Player	R	Н	RBI
2B	Wielbruda, J	0	1	0
IF	Weeks, D	1	2	1
CF	Dewees, D	0	1	0

#### Mercer

Pitching Stats	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	so
Johnson, D (L)	4.2	7	3	3	3	1
Teasley, D	2.1	1	0	0	1	2
Kourtis, D	1.0	1	0	0	0	0

#### Mercer

Ро	s Player	R	Н	RBI
C	Barrett, A	1	2	1
IF	Gaines, L	0	2	1
CF	Lagarde, S	1	1	0

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4/13/13	1 p.m.	Northern Kentucky	Jacksonville, Fla.	Harmon Stadium
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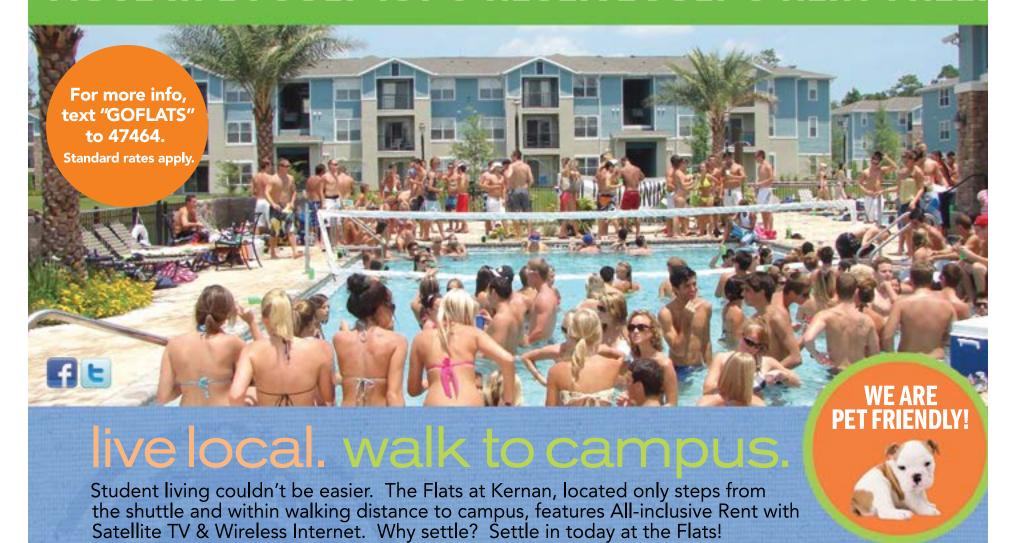
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