

Office of the Vice President for **Business Affairs** NEWSLETTER



Message from Vice President, Curtis A. Reynolds

As we welcome back faculty, staff, and students this Summer, campus will begin to flourish again. Please allow extra time to travel on and around campus. Weather can also factor into increased travel times, as we are in hurricane season. Be sure to take a look at some of the tips Emergency Management has shared in this newsletter to help you prepare. As campus begins to look brighter and remind us of pre-pandemic life, please stay safe and enjoy the sunshine.



Hurricane Preparedness Tips

An essential part of preparedness is having basic items you may need during an emergency. A simple kit includes a minimum of 3 days (72 hours) worth of essentials. Below are general guidelines to help with building your kit.

Water – minimum guidance is 1 gallon per day, per person, half for drinking and half for sanitation.

Shelf-Stable Food – store food that does not require refrigeration or preparation such as canned goods or shelf-stable meals. (food you and your family will eat)

Battery-Powered Radio – important for monitoring local media and can be used without electricity (some even have cell phone charging attachments).

Flashlight

Batteries – for radio, flashlight and other needs.

First-Aid Supplies – check supply of non-prescription pain relievers, band-aids, antibacterial ointment, insect repellent, sunscreen and other items.

Special Needs Items – prescription medications, infant formula or other specific needs for you or your family.

Toiletries – hygiene items.

Important Documents

Cash

Pet Care Items

USB Battery Charger

Florida Telecommunications Accreditation



The University of Florida Police Department became the first university communications center in the state of Florida to receive the Florida Telecommunications Accreditation (FLA-TAC). Due to the leadership and diligence of the entire Communications Center, this accreditation achievement was obtained.

We want to thank our Police Communications Officers for their tireless work keeping UF safe and being the crucial communication line between our campus community and our law enforcement officers. Information about the FLA-TAC Commission Accreditation can be found at About FLA TAC – Florida Police Accreditation Coalition (fla-pac.org).

Walking Challenge

The top two teams that participated in the UF Wellness Spring Walking Challenge were from Business Affairs departments.

#1 “Going for a walk” #2 “Energy Warriors”

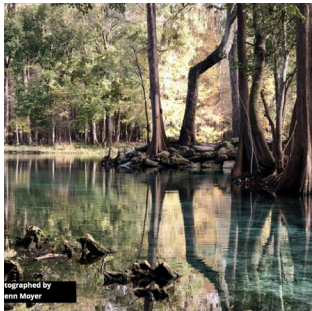
Congratulations to all who participated!



Photo Contest

How are you reconnecting and recharging this summer? Share your summer photos!

UF HR is inviting you to share your favorite summer photographs now through Aug. 17 for a chance to win one of several UF giveaways. The giveaways include three complementary passport photographs from the UF Passport Office, Gator dining meal vouchers and reusable water bottles, a \$25 gift card from the UF Bookstore, a Fire tablet from Pepsi, a gallery-wrapped 24 x 36 canvas print of your winning photo printed by the UF Print Shop.



How to Enter:

You can submit photos in a few different ways:

- Post your photo on Twitter or Instagram with the hashtag: #UFatPlay
- Post your photo directly to the UF at Work Facebook page and/or tag us on Twitter @UFatWork
- Email your photo to us at hrcommunications@hr.ufl.edu

Elite Gators

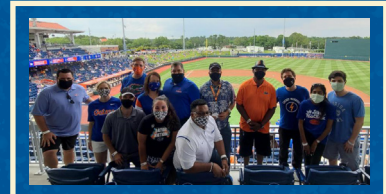
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Alan Heflin

Alan has led a large team that volunteered to help gather important information on air changes per hour in over 70 buildings and over 700 rooms. They were able to complete this task in less than 2 weeks. Congratulations to Alan for leading a great group and accomplishing a larger goal.

Elite Gators at the Ballpark



Here are a few 2020/2021 Elite Gators and newsletter winners that joined Vice President Curtis Reynolds at the Florida Ballpark. Winners pictured are Major Brad Barber, John Lawson, Allen Masters, Jennifer Moyer, Ravish Paul, Dustin Stephany, and Francine Vincent.



Employee Spotlight

Major Brad Barber always knew he wanted to help people. He knew that serving and protecting others was his calling. He has fulfilled that calling at the UFPD over the last twenty-five years. This December, he plans on retiring.

It is apparent to many that Major Barber loves his job. "He's a hard worker and a loyal employee. We work a lot of long and unpredictable hours, and he is always right up there with that," explains Chief Stump-Kurnick

"I can't even begin to tell you all the ways he's helped make UF's campus safer over the years," states Chief Stump-Kurnick. From hurricane operations to football games to presidential visits to campus, Major Barber has overseen the security of it all. He has served the campus throughout his whole career, which is what makes him such an amazing member of the UFPD. "One of the things that's admirable about Brad is that he understands why we're here, and we're here to serve."

Restaurant Row



NEW local food rotation at the Reitz Union

Local Restaurant Row brings menu variety and authenticity to the University of Florida while supporting local businesses, allowing our students, faculty and staff to enjoy a variety of globally inspired cuisine while providing community restaurants with an additional venue for business.

The location is the Reitz Union and it is open from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Rotation Schedule:

- Monday, Big Island Bowls
- Tuesday, B'z Gelati
- Wednesday, Fat G's BBQ
- Thursday, Little Sombrero
- Friday, Mi Apá



NEW OVERSHOOT
CANOPY STAIRCASE LIGHT
PLANTER BOX WITH SCULPTURE
CANOPY STAIRCASE BOLLARD
STREETLIGHT BOLLARD TREATMENT AND VARIATION
BOLLARD TREATMENT

Campus Gateways

In August 2021, UF will begin two picturesque gateway projects from the Landscape Master Plan that will enhance outdoor spaces and create a pedestrian-focused campus. The entrances will offer students, faculty, and staff opportunities to gather and collaborate as well as to sit, relax, and enjoy the scenic nature campus has to offer. The Landscape Master Plan (LMP) was produced in 2019 as a means to outline key projects to enhance campus in a beautiful and sustainable way. Designing hospitable campus edges that are beautiful, welcoming, and easily navigated by visitors will be positively viewed and traveled by all.



From Farm to Table

From Florida Farms to Gator Tables
 UF, Gator Dining, and Florida farmers are working together to put local food on campus tables

Turnips and radishes grown at Siembra Farm in south-east Gainesville may travel only 4.7 miles to Gator Corner. Varieties of lettuce grown at Traders Hill Farm in Hilliard, 87 miles north of campus, are harvested before sunrise and often served at Reitz Union before sunset. The short distance from farm to table means crisp, fresh flavor. It also minimizes environmental impact.

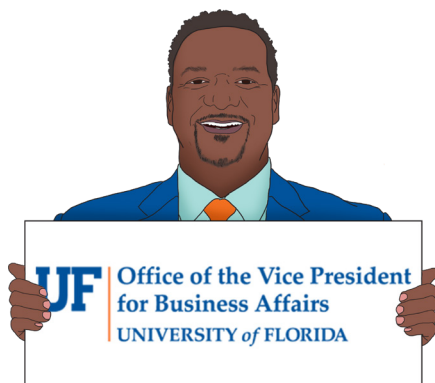
When Tim Bucolo arrived in Gainesville in August of 2018 as the new Operations Manager of Gator Dining, he found campus menus lacking in one vital area: “In a state with a year-round growing season, to not make use of the range of farm-fresh ingredients so close to campus was a missed opportunity” says Bucolo. He and his team started visiting local farms and building relationships with farmers to create meals that are more reflective of Florida’s diverse flavors. As of publication, Gator Dining is working with 43 local farms and suppliers, and this number is growing.
 Read more at: <https://businessservices.ufl.edu/2021/05/14/from-florida-farms-to-gator-tables/>.

Congratulations on Retirement

Kenneth Cruger
 Johnnie Lee Daniels Jr.
 Joanne Davis
 Delio Figueroa
 Dan H Jarrell
 ThanhDuc Nguyen

Steven Ferrall Pena
 Jimmie L Ross
 Ronnie P Thompson
 Dianna Lynne Ullery

Thank you for Reading!



“**Justin Weston (Facilities Services)** goes above and beyond on a daily basis. He is a problem solver and always steps up to pitch in—even for things he doesn’t have to do. His attitude is wonderful and we are so grateful for his hard work here at ICBR” said **Heather Voet, Associate Director for Administration, UF ICBR.**

“Linda’s dedication as a team member and to our office is invaluable. Linda is kind and gracious to all, greeting everyone with a smile. Linda is such an important member of our group who deserves recognition for her contribution and tireless work to keep our building in tip-top shape.” - **To Linda Williams of Facilities Services**

Customer Feedback & Reviews