



# Definitions of cheating differ on campus

By HAYLEY PETERSON  
THE RED & BLACK

Schoolwork shortcuts that many University students consider acceptable are dishonest in the minds of faculty, a survey revealed.

About 60 percent of students surveyed in the University's annual academic honesty report said collaborating on individual work was fair, compared to 11 percent of teachers who said it was permissible.

Nearly 40 percent of students said it was OK to falsify a bibliography, and 12 percent of teachers agreed. More than one-third of students said it was OK to copy homework, which 94 percent of teachers considered an honor code violation.

Approximately 1,000 students and 600 faculty took part in the survey.

"The results show most students and faculty have a clear understanding that honesty is important to the University of Georgia," said Gayle Andrews, associate professor of elementary and social studies education. "I think [the discrepancies between students and teachers] just represents room for us to grow."

But the discrepancies raised questions from the administration.

"That kind of misunderstanding is surprising," said Jere Morehead, vice president for instruction.

Violations are explicitly addressed in the academic honesty code, he said.

"It could be the way the [survey] questions were asked," he said. "It was the students that seemed to have the greater problem."

Despite discrepancies, "the number of violations was down this year," he said.

There were 329 total honesty violations in the 2007-2008 academic year, according to the survey. Half the students surveyed admitted to violating the academic honesty code at least once in the past year, and half said they had never witnessed another student cheating.

Though a majority of students said the policy was "highly effective," 79 percent said they would not report a close friend, as the policy recommends. In fact, 45 percent of faculty said they ignored an incident of cheating.

Morehead said Deborah Bell, coordinator for academic honesty, held programs on campus and spoke at every orientation session this year to notify campus of the honesty policy.

To resolve the discrepancies between students and faculty, Morehead said "there is no question that [Bell] will remain proactive."

# Athens center offers owl care training course

By MARIE UHLER  
THE RED & BLACK

In Greek mythology, the Little Owl was the messenger of Athena, the goddess of wisdom, and was featured on ancient Athenian coins. Hindu goddess of wealth and prosperity Lakshmi's vehicle was a white owl. Some Native American tribes believed the owl could bear souls to the afterlife.

Mythology aside, Athens, Ga. holds value to its own collection of owls. For those wanting to learn more about what some consider the wisest of all birds, Bear Hollow on Gran Ellen Drive is home to a variety of owls, from tiny screech owls named Grey and Gimli to Karlos the Great Horned Owl.

Owls are part of a group of birds called raptors, which includes birds with talons and sharp beaks that are predators—such as hawks, falcons and eagles.

"I never really noticed that, and then we do the [raptor] class that we have, and it's so popular," said Stephanie Shumacher, the zoo assistant and a University graduate. "It always fills up. We have a lot of birds. I think kids like the bears and the bobcats and the otters

See OWLS, Page 5

Georgia BULLDOGS 26 | 14 Tennessee VOLUNTEERS

# TAKE THAT, UT



DANIEL SHIREY | THE RED & BLACK

▲ (above) Senior receiver Mohamed Massaquoi celebrates his second-quarter touchdown. (below) Linebacker Darryl Gamble (50) and free safety Reshad Jones take down Tennessee running back Lennon Creer.

# Despite illness, Walsh helps Dogs defeat Vols

By TYLER ESTEP  
THE RED & BLACK

At 3:34 Saturday, Blair Walsh booted his third touchdown of the season.

Over the next three and a half hours, he would make four field goals, helping Georgia to its 26-14 win over Tennessee.

But before that, he was at the University Health Center with a tube in his arm.

"People didn't know but he was actually very, very sick this morning," head coach Mark Richt said. "He had a migraine going on, he was pretty nauseous. They had to take him out of the hotel and bring him to the Health Center to put some IV

bags in him."

The ailing Walsh saw so much action because the Bulldogs, who controlled the game for most of the afternoon, scored just two touchdowns on seven red zone possessions — with Vanderbilt, the conference's second-best team in terms of red zone defense, coming to Athens next.

"They just made plays defensively," said tailback Knowshon Moreno, who ran for a very quiet 101 yards. "And at the same time we shot ourselves in the foot a few times."

After Brannan Southerland's one-yard touchdown run on Georgia's first drive, the Bulldogs couldn't



DANIEL SHIREY | THE RED & BLACK

finish their next two drives, stalling out in the red zone and settling for field goals both times. They made it to the Tennessee 13 on the next drive, before quarterback Matthew Stafford's screen pass was picked off.

"I don't think it's a concern but it's definitely something we need to improve,"

Southerland said. "We know we can do it. We had a couple mishaps and miscommunications and things down there that we need to eliminate."

Stafford, who had his first career 300-yard game, was picked off again on the second

See FBALL, Page 8



BLAKE LIPTHRATT | THE RED & BLACK

▲ Webster is one of the dogs being trained to guide. Students make a year commitment to teach pups.

# Univ. students raise dogs to be guides

By BRITTANY COFER  
THE RED & BLACK

Training a guide dog on campus is no walk in the park.

Moirra Gillis, a puppy walker for the Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind, has been training Maggie, a purebred guide dog, since she was a puppy.

"I became interested in [the program] because I saw other girls on campus walking the dogs around," Gillis, a senior from Richmond Hills, said.

The organization requires a one-year commitment when someone signs up to be a puppy walker.

"The number one goal is to socialize the dog," Sarah Hooper, the Athens area Guide Dog Foundation coordinator, said. "We tailor [the training] to what people are comfortable with. At the bare minimum they need to be socialized outside every day."

Hooper, a junior from Woodstock, has been raising her fifth guide dog,

10-month-old Reiger, for the past eight months. She became involved in the program in high school when she raised a guide dog for her Girl Scout Gold Awards project.

Since part of the guide dog training includes taking the puppy everywhere, Hooper encourages the Athens-area puppy walkers to explain the program to their professors at the beginning of the semester.

"[I] talk to the class on

See DOGS, Page 3

## Reaching the Newsroom

- News (706) 433-3037
- Variety (706) 433-3041
- Sports (706) 433-3040
- Opinions (706) 433-3043
- Photo (706) 433-3046

## It's a Southern thing page 5

An alcoholic beverage that blends sweet tea and vodka has hit Athens bars and liquor stores. Look inside for details on the new drink.



## Goal! page 7

The soccer team posted its first back-to-back wins of the season against SEC rivals Kentucky and Vanderbilt. Check inside for the full story.

## Index

- UGA Today 2
- Wire 2
- Opinions 4
- Variety 5
- Crossword 3
- Sports 7
- Sudoku 9