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SEPARATED@BIRTH? ARCHIVE

“I mean, you say they have a great quarterback – I get it. He’s throwing simple passes – I get it. Anybody can throw a slant – I get it. If you call him the best quarterback, so be it, but he has to play Saturday. We’re going to see what his best attribute is. If he can beat us with his arm, whoopity do. But we’re not focused on what he can do, what he can’t do. We’re just going to go out and focus on us and just play football, like I said, the past three or four weeks.”

~SEC’s worst tackler Chauncey Gardner, pre-game commentary

“It was a shocker. We knew they could put up points, but not in that short of a time. We just have to move on and play the next game.” ~SEC’s most easily confused player Chauncey Gardner, post-game commentary



Chauncey Gardener hits the mute button on Chauncey Gardner

The University of Georgia's **Beat the Snot out of the SEC Tour** visited Jacksonville on Saturday. Once again, the Dawgs cleared the stands of opposing team's colors by the third quarter, leaving another stadium drenched in red, celebrating another blowout.

There was justified gloating throughout the Dawg Nation after the game, but perhaps Florida DT Khairi Clark put it best: "Honestly, I felt like today as a unit, they just ran the ball all over us. They got something started and we couldn't obviously stop it, and I feel like that's not what we do as a Gators football team. It sucks, because we practice that all week and to not come out and execute what we practice and have them run all over us. It's just embarrassing."

Well said Mr. Clark. Y'all got yo' asses kicked up and down the field. There was a period in the second quarter where Florida got a couple of stops and Gary Danielson briefly stopped talking about Alabama to remark that when he re-watched last year's game on tape, he'd seen what that dominant Gator DL had done to crush our running game, and was on the alert that they might start stuffing us again. And yes, it was disappointing that we went an entire quarter without points. And then we came out in the second half and blew them out of the stadium.

Don't let Coach Smart's high-fiving at game's end deceive you, however. Things went very badly, it turns out:

"You put guys in, the idea is they go in and play to a standard. They didn't do that. If we had 85 guys instead of 70, I'd have put other guys in to give them the opportunity to get better. So we had some guys that we didn't get to bring that could have played better than some of the guys who got to play in those opportunities. Those guys are learning a lesson from the old guys because after the game the old guys told them, go to class, listen in walkthroughs, pay attention because you're the next guy up. I don't think some of them acknowledged that and that's my frustration. I don't even know how many sacks we had. I thought we couldn't finish on the guy. I thought we could have had a couple of more. That's not what we measure success by. At the end of the day, it's how many points are on that board. That's what we're trying to prevent."

Yes, the all-freshman unit at the end of the game couldn't keep that zero on Florida's side of the scoreboard from getting etched into the night sky. They blew the shutout and heard about it from the first unit and the coaches. They will have some serious work to do in practice, and they know it. I suspect that the coaches were secretly happy to have some reason to keep these guys humble, because they are just kicking the bejesus out of every team that we play, no matter whether the site is home, away, or neutral.

Things are not so rosy for Jim McElwain and the faithful at Florida. The local press is mighty disgusted, the administration thinks Mac has got to go, the team is terrible, and [view from the Gainesville media](#) is dim, with a [grade of Z+](#) for Saturday's performance assigned from the guy in the press box. So far, Coach Mac is still employed, but I suspect that Tim Tebow's agent has heard from boosters about maybe hanging up that mic and

returning to save the program. I would love to see Tebow fail at yet another adult job, so please, bring him on.

DAWGMEISTER GOOD WORKS OF THE WEEK

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The Georgia Breast Cancer Coalition Fund, a non-profit education and advocacy organization founded by breast cancer survivors. GBCC focuses the attention of Georgians on the epidemic proportions of breast cancer, working diligently to bring together individuals and organizations with a commitment to ending this devastating disease. Since 1994, GBCCF has been instrumental in breast cancer education and advocacy work, remaining dedicated to making a difference for the nearly 9,000 Georgians who are diagnosed with breast cancer each year.

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- 🏀 A Coveted Dawgmeister Game Ball goes to Associate Athletic Director Dr. Carla Williams, recently appointed AD at UVA. She's one of the best human beings on the planet and will do a great job in Charlottesville.

DAWG DOOTS

- ☞ OK, raise your hand if you thought in August that heading into November, Miami would have won 3 more games than Florida and Florida State combined.
- ☞ I started watching the Ken Burns & Lynn Novick documentary on The Vietnam War in September. I'm still watching it. I think it's longer than the actual Vietnam War was.
- ☞ My forecast for Tennessee's next coach: Tee Martin. After a disastrous hire from outside, many programs go to a "Michigan Man" or local equivalent. Martin has done well as OC for USC, did what Peyton Manning never could at Tennessee, and will at least meet initial standards for this job by being a winner at his alma mater. Can he coach? We'll see.
- ☞ I watched the game on ESPN-2 where Justin Fields broke his finger. The way Harrison plays him, it might be a blessing in disguise that he's out for the year, because they run him hard between the tackles, a lot. He's a really big kid, a thick 225 on a 6-3 frame, but man oh man did they expose him to a lot of direct contact. And then when he passed, his line allowed so much penetration that he'd end up scrambling and getting hit again. Give that precious body a break, get him to campus in January, and work on acclimating him to a safer way of playing QB. He's way too valuable to put him in the pathway of so many collisions.
- ☞ If you saw the ending of the Oklahoma State-Texas game, and watched the tragicomic blunder Texas's QB committed by throwing an incomprehensible walk-off endzone INT, you know why coaches hate playing true freshmen at the

position. You also realize how advanced Eason and Fromm have been as true frosh and how lucky we are that they committed to the G.

- ☞ Congratulations to Tennessee's Daniel Bituli for his 97-yard pick six at Alabama to score the Vols' first TD this month, and to fellow UT DB Rashaan Gaulden for using hand gestures to let the fans know that Butch Jones's chance of returning next year had just doubled, from 1 in a million to 2 in a million.
- ☞ "Butch Jones couldn't get elected dog catcher in Tennessee." ~The Real POTUS, 3AM
- ☞ "He knew what he signed up for, but I guess it still hurt." ~Florida President W. Kent Fuchs (a.k.a. The POTUF) in a condolence phone call to Karen McElwain after husband Jim reported death threats over the Gators' 3-3 start

THE COVETED DAWGMEISTER GOOD GUY OF THE WEEK AWARD **GOOD GUY ARCHIVE**

Josh Davis played tackle for UGA under the watchful eye of Stacy Searels, who was not the easiest man on earth to please. Yet Josh was one of his players he admired most, both for his intelligence and his work ethic. Josh was a 3-star recruit from Jayess, Mississippi, pop. 4,000, where he played for Tylertown HS. He grew up on a 20-acre hog farm, although the acreage now supports cows instead of pigs. Regarded as a project, Josh redshirted and earned his way onto the field, eventually building his 6'-6" frame into a 310 pound blocking machine and a starting role. To his Dawg teammate Ben Jones, "Josh plays hard every week. That's what makes him valuable. You know he's going to give his all on every play. That's what makes him who he is. He's jacked up every game." Josh played through some difficult shoulder injuries to remain on the field, showing toughness to go with his smarts and technique. Josh also graduated within his scholarship window, earning a 2010 degree in speech communication. Along the way, he earned a David Jacobs Football Scholarship and a pair of Louis S. Sohn, Jr., Football Scholarships, and was named to the Athletic Director's Honor Roll. Since college, Josh has worked in a number of occupations. He began with Victory Transportation Systems in Houston, and then taught high school history in the Klein and Aldine (TX) school districts. These days Josh lives in Cincinnati as an Acquisition & Relocation Agent for [O.R. Colan Associates, LLC](#), the nation's oldest firm specializing exclusively in land acquisition, relocation, and program management for public works projects implemented under the Uniform Relocation Act regulations. It's no surprise to see this DGD doing well after he hung up his pads and turned to the rest of his life.



THE FORECAST

DAWGS VS. GAMECOCKS

I think that Will Muschamp has done a pretty good job so far. He inherited a mess, and he's won some games up there. But Kirby inherited enough high-end players to have a pretty good team by Y2. A hell of a team. A team that is not going to lose this game. The Dawgs continue to expand Fromm's capabilities and the defense shuts down whatever offense SC can bring. Good Guys, 41-0.

NATIONAL GAME OF THE WEEK: OKLAHOMA OVER OKLAHOMA STATE

They call it Bedlam. There's a similar degree of hate between these two and the Good, Clean Old-Fashioned Hate we've got with Tech, and the Iron Curtain between Auburn and Alabama. T. Boone Pickens has really elevated OSU's facilities and infrastructure to the point where they can compete, and Mike Gundy is an alma-mater grown-man of the sort I think Tennessee will turn to next. He's stabilized their program at a competitive level. OU has a pretty fair program going too, but I think that Lincoln Riley will start getting his own death threats if they lose this game. I don't think they will. Sooners, 51-48.

NATIONAL UPSET OF THE WEEK: NC STATE OVER CLEMSON

NC State seems to be a team that is much more dangerous than its history would suggest. Much as I like Dabo, and I do think he's both a great coach and a good guy, I think that something is going on this year in Raleigh, their loss to ND notwithstanding. Wolfpack over Tigers, 40-38.

Notice to wage earners and earnings wagers: Don't let last weekend's successful forecasts fool you. I have no idea of what I am talking about.