

Fightin' Gator

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Guest Speaker ~ May 28th

**Jim
McElwain**

Head Coach



2015 FGTC Memorial Golf Tournament

The Fightin' Gator Touchdown Club and Ironwood Golf Course, designed by David Wallace, are teaming up once again to host the 2015 FGTC Memorial Golf Tournament on Saturday, May 16.

The tournament will be a four-person scramble format. Tournament day check-in begins at 7:30am and Tee Time is at 8:30am.

Entrance fees are \$50 (FGTC Members) and \$75 (Non-Members) and include lunch, greens fees, range balls, and cart fees. Individuals will be paired with other players.

Prizes include 3 place prizes, hole-in-one prize, a long drive prize, a closest to pin prize, door prizes and raffle.

The 31st Annual Tournament is presented by the Fightin' Gator Touchdown Club of Gainesville, a Non-Profit Scholarship Endowment Organization. All proceeds from this event go towards scholarship endowments. The Fightin' Gator Touchdown Club believes very strongly in the power of giving and has funded nearly \$400,000 in scholarships since 1979.



The 31st Annual FGTC Tournament is a way for members and non-members alike to have a good time of fellowship, share their fondest Gator Moments, and raise scholarship funds for beloved program.

Ironwood Golf Club has been very helpful in hosting this event for us, and is in excellent shape. We thank them for their hospitality. Please come join us as we raise funds to endow scholarships.

Corporate, individual, and team sponsorships opportunities are available. Donations are welcomed and appreciated.

To register as an individual, a team, or to become a tournament sponsor visit www.fgtc.org for official entry forms and sponsorship opportunities.

For more information, contact Terry Suggs, Chair of the 31st FGTC Golf Tournament at 352-283-4605 or teke00@msn.com.

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FGTC

Luau at the Lake

has been rescheduled
for May 30, 2015 at
Kiwanis Beach, Lake Weir
12:00 p.m. till dusk.



Best Wishes Billy; Welcome Mike

Nicole Auerbach, USA TODAY Sports



White, the son of Duke athletic director Kevin White, was the head coach Louisiana Tech for four seasons, finishing 101-40, and led the team to three consecutive NIT appearances. Tech won at least 27 games in the past three seasons. He was a four-year starter at point guard for Ole Miss and later returned to his alma mater as an assistant coach for seven seasons.

The post-Billy Donovan era at Florida will begin first with Louisiana Tech's Michael White.

White, who previously turned down an offer to be the head coach at Tennessee, had a strong recruiting presence in the state of Florida while at Louisiana Tech and Ole Miss; five players on last year's Louisiana Tech roster were from Florida.

The Gators announced White's hiring Thursday night, stating that they signed White to a six-year deal worth \$2 million per season to replace the likely future Hall of Famer Donovan, who left last week to coach in the NBA after 19 seasons in Gainesville.

"Michael White is someone who came to the top of our list very quickly and he checks all of the boxes we were looking for," Foley said in a statement. "He is a winner who has a high level of integrity, plays an up-tempo style of play and has the respect of his peers and the basketball community. He has experience in coaching, recruiting and playing in the Southeastern Conference and has a strong pedigree. He has a certain authenticity with people and is not afraid of challenges."

Plucking White, 38, from a place like Louisiana Tech — where he went 101-40 in four seasons in Ruston — is not surprising for Florida athletic director Jeremy Foley, who hired Donovan from Marshall, and his current football coach Jim McElwain, from Colorado State. Foley's most successful football hire to date was Urban Meyer, whom he found at Utah.

2015 Membership Meeting Dates

"I have an incredible amount of respect for the University of Florida, and I am so excited to be a Gator," White said in a statement.

Please make note on your iPhones or home calendars of this years monthly FGTC members meeting dates: May 28th, Jun 25th, Jul 23rd, Aug 13-20-27, Sep 3-10-17-24, Oct 1-8-15-22-29, and Nov 5-12-19.

"Not only is Florida home for me, but the tradition and success that the Gators have built make this an incredible opportunity."



It remains to be seen whether Florida can maintain the success and national relevancy in men's basketball it reached under Donovan — at a so-called football school. White is tasked with the challenge.

Golf Tournament	Sat., May 16
Luau at the Lake	Sat., May 30
Fishin' Tournament	Fri/Sat., June 12 /13
Family Day	August TBA
Swampfest	Fri., October 23

White will have big shoes to fill in Gainesville. Donovan was hired as the Oklahoma City Thunder's new coach on April 30. In 19 seasons piloting the Gators, he made four Final Four appearances and won back-to-back national championships.

**FIGHTIN'GATOR TOUCHDOWN CLUB
PRESENTS 28th Anniversary**

FGTC INT.: _____

Hooks in the Water!!
* 6:30am 6/13/15 *



RAIN or SHINE !!!

RAIN or SHINE !!!

**WEIGH IN
* 4pm SHARP!! ***

June 13th 2015 @ Plantation Inn On Crystal River

Offical Registration Form

Advance Registration: By mail prior to 6/12/15 or On Location @ Plantation Inn Front Desk or Dive Shop Daily thru 6/11/15 and on 6/12 & 6/13/2015 adjacent to the Plantation Inn on Crystal River Boat Ramp

Adult - \$60 (\$80 day of Tournament), Youth 15 & Under - \$20 (\$25 Day of Tournament)
Each Entrant to Receive a **FREE** Event Shirt

Colt Lewis Award: 15 & Under not registered in Tournament, but signed up, Male & Female Winners each get \$100 & shirt

Join the FGTC (\$100 annual membership, (new members only)) and get \$25 off of your entry fee to 6/13/15 tournament
Fill In Angler Info Below:

Boat Name: _____ Brand: _____ Fl. Registration# _____ Length: _____	
Captian' Name: _____ c# _____ Colt Lewis Award Entrant mark below	
Angler's Name: _____ c# _____ Youth Name: _____	
Adult Angler's ENTRY Total: _____ x \$60 or \$80 = \$ _____, Youth Angler's ENTRY Total: _____ x \$20 or \$25 = \$ _____	
Credit Card Payment with Visa or Mastercard ONLY!	
Name as it appears on card: _____	Total Entry Fees Paid: \$ _____
Card# _____ CRV# _____	***Make Checks Payable To:*** FGTC Mail To: P.O. Box 357818 Gainesville, Fl.32635-7818
exp. Date: _____ Total Paid + 3% Svc. Fee: _____	
Billing Address for card: _____	
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____	

For All Registration Info, Entry Forms, and Tournament rules - Go To : www.fgtc.org

Select Events Tab and then Fishin' Tab for **Info & Forms** Like Us at: <https://www.facebook.com/FightinGatorTouchdownClub>

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These Payout Catagories below to be Weighed 4/13 Payouts go to 1st & 2nd place \$10,000 Cash + Prizes in Payouts \$

GROUPEr COBIA SPANISH MACKERAL Mangrove Snapper REDFISH REDFISH MOST SPOTS

TROUT TROUT AGGREGATE BASS MULLET TRASH CAN SLAM

FGTC Official Sign: _____ **ANGLER SIGN WEIGHED:** _____



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Saturday, May 16th

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