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Climate Consortium benefits Southeast

By Gary Fineout

Every year, Floridians are told to get ready for the oncoming hurricane season.

But a unique research partnership among several universities, including The Florida State University, is helping farmers, foresters and public officials prepare for all types of climate — whether it's drought and dry conditions or wet winters — weeks and even months in advance.

Since its inception in 1996, the Southeast Climate Consortium has worked to warn farmers about what steps they should take due to changes in climate, whether it's planting a more resilient brand of strawberries, making sure winter hay fields are irrigated, or knowing ahead of time what kind of crop yield to expect.

This isn't some day-to-day weather forecast found on the TV news. By using its own Web site, www.agroclimate.org, and by reaching out to farmers and growers, the

consortium is providing information directly to those who depend on the weather.

The consortium, for example, issues county-by-county advisories about forest fire threats that local officials use to decide whether or not they should carry out controlled burns, a key strategy in trying to prevent future fires. And the consortium has also started working on how climate affects the amount of available water — a source of numerous legal and political showdowns in the Southeast.

To James O'Brien, a retired Robert O. Lawton Distinguished Professor and one of the founders of the consortium, this represents a research effort that year in and year out shows tangible results.

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ON A ROLLE

MYRON ROLLE AWARDED RHODES SCHOLARSHIP

By Jill Elish

News and Public Affairs

High academic achievement? Check. Integrity of character? Check. A spirit of unselfishness, respect for others, potential for leadership and physical vigor? Check, check, check and check.

Florida State University student-athlete Myron Rolle, 22, is seemingly the living embodiment of the criteria established more than 100 years ago for the Rhodes Scholarship, one of the oldest and most prestigious awards for international study. The Rhodes Trust agreed. On Nov. 22, it named Rolle one of 32 U.S. Rhodes Scholars for 2009. In being chosen, Rolle became the first starting player on a major college football team to win a Rhodes Scholarship since Stanford tight end Cory Booker in 1992. Booker now is the mayor of Newark, N.J.

"I feel very fortunate to have been selected as a Rhodes Scholar," Rolle said. "I've learned so much just by going through the process of application and interviews, and I am a better person for it. The interview process requires candidates to evaluate their

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Myron Rolle

*Florida
State's
third in
four years*

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Standing up for our students

By Browning Brooks

Director

News and Public Affairs

The presidents of Florida State University and the University of Florida are jointly asking for public support of Gov. Charlie Crist's (B.S. '78, Political Science) new comprehensive approach to improve the quality of education for the 300,000 students enrolled in Florida's state universities.

Florida State President T.K. Wetherell and University of Florida President Bernard Machen launched

the SOS program — "Stand up for Our Students" — at the Florida State-UF football game on Nov. 29, asking fans to go to a new Web site, www.studentsos.org, for information on how to contact their legislators.

If current budget predictions hold, the state's public universities will have lost a quarter of a billion dollars in cuts over two years. UF and Florida State are throwing their full support behind Crist's proposal to allow university boards of trustees to implement differential tuitions, with one-third of the money going to need-

based scholarships.

Both presidents said the governor's reforms will strengthen all 11 universities now and for decades to come by establishing clear lines of governance at the individual institution and state levels and by balancing financial needs with affordability for families. The result will be high-quality universities that prepare graduates for the marketplace.

Wetherell said the need for the tuition increase is clear.

"Positions have been frozen now. We are not hiring, and we've

reduced the number of classes. We are looking at eliminating certain programs. We just believe we need to take action to retain a certain quality," he said.

A tuition increase is the best means to bolster the universities, Wetherell said, but it doesn't need to be — and won't be — a steep increase.

"If you implemented it fully for the next four years for an incoming class, Florida still would have the lowest tuition in the nation," he said. "And it's important to

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Seven Days of Opening Nights

Singer Dianne Reeves and author David Sedaris to shine with a host of other performers.

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Heritage Day

Young alumni, emeritus groups and the local community in store for two enriching days

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Seven Days of Opening Nights 2009

Annual 'cultural whirlwind' returns to Florida State in February

Seven Days of Opening Nights heads into its 11th season in 2009 in some fairly unusual circumstances. Given that The Florida State University's popular festival's primary stage, Ruby Diamond Auditorium, is undergoing renovations, Seven Days is something of a vagabond, taking its show — make that shows, some 14 of them — on the road.

That hasn't stopped Seven Days from putting together a full season of performances, bringing in acclaimed musicians, authors, filmmakers, dancers and actors for a two-week cultural whirlwind in February.

"Sure, it's a challenge," said Seven Days director Steve MacQueen of the venue issue. "But a lot of other local arts organizations are in the same boat, so there's no use crying about it. You just go find other places to do it, and we've managed to find some really great alternatives."

Those alternatives include Bethel AME Church, which hosts gospel giants the **1 Blind Boys of Alabama** and soul star **2 Mavis Staples** for Seven Days' season opener on Feb. 13. Other venues include The Moon, which will see concerts by Grammy-winning folk singer **3 Shawn Colvin** (Feb. 19) and a pair of New Orleans legends, **4 Dr. John and the Neville Brothers** (March 1); Pebble Hill Plantation, where classical pianist **5 Simone Dinnerstein** (Feb. 22) will perform the first public concert ever held in the plantation house's breathtaking "big room"; Florida A&M University's Lee Hall, where four-time Grammy winner **6 Dianne Reeves** (Feb. 24) will join forces for the very first time with Tallahassee's own jazz genius, **7 Marcus Roberts**; Christian Heritage Church, where 12-time Grammy winner **8 Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder** will unleash their potent brand of bluegrass; and perennial sponsor Tallahassee Community College, which will be the site of two shows this year: Two-time Grammy winners **9 The Turtle Island String Quartet** (Feb. 26) will offer their amazing take on the music of John Coltrane, while Rick Miller's hysterical one-man show **10 "MacHomer"** (Feb. 20-21) offers the Bard's "Macbeth," performed entirely in the voices of "The Simpsons." It must be seen to be believed.

And, of course, Seven Days will take advantage of several venues on the Florida State campus. The highly

lauded dance troupe **Noche Flamenca**, featuring the incomparable Soledad Barrio, performs two shows on Feb. 17-18 at the beautiful Smith-Fichter Dance Theatre in Montgomery Hall. In addition to her Pebble Hill performance, Simone Dinnerstein will play at Opperman Music Hall on Feb. 23. **Geoffrey Gilmore**, longtime director of the Sundance Film Festival, reprises his appearance from last season, bringing another movie hot from Sundance (which concludes just a couple weeks before Seven Days begins) to show lucky filmgoers at Florida State's Student Life Cinema on Feb. 28. And two acclaimed writers will read their work at the Futch Ballroom in the University Center — Pulitzer-Prize-winner **Junot Diaz** (Feb. 16) and bestselling author and National Public Radio humorist **David Sedaris** (April 16), both making their Tallahassee debuts.

Picking a favorite isn't easy.

"Well, I'd see any of these shows," MacQueen laughed. "But I guess I'm especially thrilled to open the season with the Blind Boys and Mavis Staples at Bethel AME, which just sounds great to me. I'm also really happy to finally bring David Sedaris to town, and I'm looking forward to the first-ever onstage collaboration of two of America's greatest jazz artists, Dianne Reeves and Marcus Roberts."

The venues may be far-flung, relatively speaking, but that doesn't seem to have dampened audience enthusiasm. Sedaris sold out the first day that tickets were available to the general public, quickly followed by the Blind Boys of Alabama & Mavis Staples, both nights of Noche Flamenca, and Geoffrey Gilmore's film presentation.

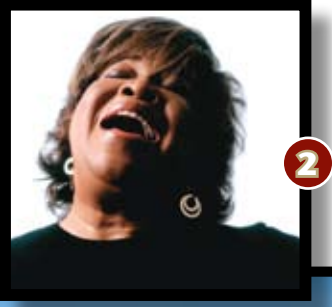
"The continued support of the community and our sponsors has been very encouraging, to say the least," MacQueen said.

The educational component is a major part of Seven Days' mission, and 2009 is certainly no different. Seven of the performers will be holding master classes for students of dance, theater, creative writing, music and film.

This year's acts continue to reap acclaim. Nominations for the 2009 Grammy Awards include three Seven Days performers — the Blind Boys of Alabama for best traditional gospel recording, Ricky Skaggs & Kentucky Thunder for best bluegrass recording, and Dr. John for best contemporary blues recording.



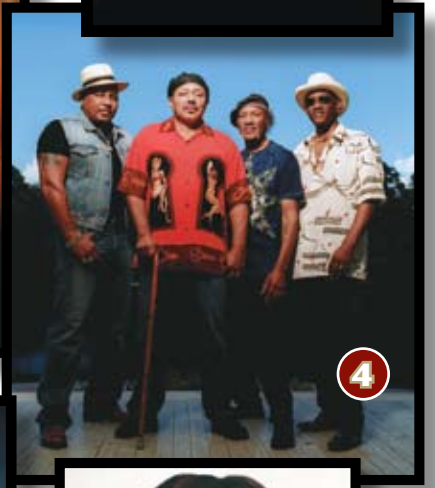
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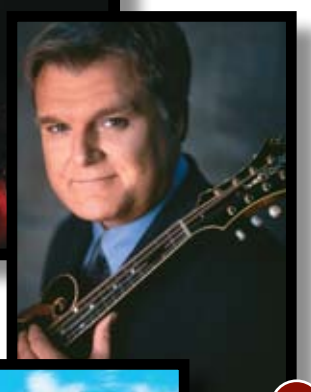
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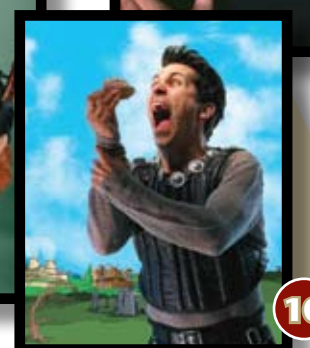
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Major conference to examine origins of life

This spring, the world's foremost evolutionary biologist, E. O. Wilson of Harvard University, and a slate of prominent historians, physicists and other scientists will descend upon the Florida State University campus from March 16 to March 28 for "Origins '09: Celebrating the Birth and Life of Beginnings," a conference to discuss how religion, philosophy, history, the arts and fundamental discoveries in science have shaped humanity's understanding of life and civilization.

The conference will have a national radio audience on March 20 as National Public Radio's "Talk of the Nation: Science Friday" with Ira Flatow broadcasts from the Florida State campus. Inspired by the global celebration of the 200th anniversary of Charles Darwin's birth, it is designed for lay audiences. Its individual forums and events are free.

For the latest conference schedule, visit www.origins.fsu.edu.

Seminole summer

The Florida State Alumni Association is planning a summer event in the North Carolina mountains. If you own a permanent or summer home in the Carolina mountains or spend a significant part of your summer there, please call Megan Barnes at (850) 644-2761 or send an e-mail at mebarnes@fsu.edu. The Alumni Association would love to keep you up to date about its plans.

Biologist feted by *Discover* magazine

Florida State University alumnus and New York University biologist Richard Bonneau (B.A. '97, Biochemistry) has been named one of 20 "visionary" scientists under the age of 40 by *Discover* magazine. Bonneau, 33, is an assistant professor who holds appointments at NYU's Center for Genomics and Systems Biology and the university's Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences. The *Discover* story, "Best Brains in Science 2008," appeared in the magazine's December 2008 issue.

Bonneau's work falls within a new scientific field, systems biology, that examines how genes influence each other through extremely large networks of interaction and how these networks respond to stimuli, adapting over time to new environments and cell states. The field has blossomed over the past 10



Richard Bonneau

years, spurred by the successful mapping of genomic systems.

Bonneau and his colleagues at the Institute for Systems Biology in Seattle have created models that map the control circuit governing living organisms. This is an important milestone in systems biology because it allows researchers to model how the organism adapts over time in response to its environment.

Baker named nation's 'Mayor of the Year'

Florida State University alumnus Rick Baker — now in his second term as the popular mayor of St. Petersburg, Fla. — outshone the competition of some 20,000 mayors to be named America's Mayor of the Year for 2008 by *Governing* magazine. First elected in 2001, Baker won re-election in 2005 by a 70-percent margin in every precinct. During his tenure, St. Petersburg has garnered numerous honors in a variety of categories, being lauded as among the "most livable" communities, good for young people and the "creative class," and a premier "arts destination" city and "winter hot spot."

Baker's leadership has been seen in the city's Midtown revitalization, its Downtown cultural boom and



Rick Baker

throughout its neighborhoods — in parks and the city's recreation and athletics programs. Many of his initiatives, widely thought of as models of excellence, have gained national and international attention. For instance, the National League of Cities has adopted Baker's "Green City Action Accord" as a blueprint for achieving greater community sustainability.

"I am honored by *Governing's* recognition and believe it has been earned by all of the government, business, neighborhood and community leaders who have contributed to what I call the '25-year overnight success' of St. Petersburg," Baker said.

While a Florida State student, Baker served as president of both the Student Senate and the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

Alumni sought for research project

David W. Eccles, the lead research scientist at The Florida State University Center for Expert Performance Research, is seeking participants for a national study of household finances. Participants will be asked to complete a survey involving only a few hours of work and will be paid \$50. Households that are asked to participate in the second phase of research will be paid \$300. Participants should be part of a couple (one male and one female between the ages of 51 and 61) who are not business owners, have never experienced bankruptcy, and have children.

To participate, call (850) 644-5465 or send an e-mail to financestudy@lsu.fsu.edu. The survey will not ask participants to disclose any information about their identities, and all volunteered data will be kept secure and confidential.

Chemist receives National Medal of Science

Florida State University alumnus Mostafa A. El-Sayed (Ph.D. '59, Chemistry) was one of eight scientific all-stars from throughout the United States to receive a National Medal of Science, which honors the nation's leading researchers and inventors. The honors were presented by President George Bush during an East Room ceremony at the White House in September.

El-Sayed, who is the Julius Brown Chair and Regents Professor at the



Mostafa A. El-Sayed

Georgia Institute of Technology, was honored for his seminal contributions to the understanding of the electronic and optical properties of nanomaterials and their applications in nanocatalysis and nanomedicine.

"I am very fortunate and lucky to be doing science in America," said El-Sayed, who also directs Georgia Tech's Laser Dynamics Laboratory. "There are so many excellent people doing science all over this country. I want to thank my past and present graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, my colleagues, the administration and staff at Georgia Tech and UCLA, who all helped me to do my science and get this honor. There was no limit to the support I received."

The award also recognized El-Sayed's humanitarian efforts in promoting the exchange of ideas and his role in the development of the scientific leadership of tomorrow.

Florida State trains state's principals

With help from The Florida State University, some 700 public school principals from throughout Florida are learning more about the state's new math and science education standards — and discovering new techniques regarding the teaching of "STEM" (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) subjects that they can implement in their schools.

"I can clearly say that the Principal PROMiSE program is in my top five professional development experiences of my educational leadership career," said Jose Enriquez Jr., principal of Jose Martí Middle School in Hialeah, Fla. Enriquez is among the first group of principals to receive training through the program.

Laura Hassler Lang, the director of Florida State's Learning Systems Institute and one of the leaders of the Florida Center for Research in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, is the principal investigator of Principal PROMiSE ("Partnership to Rejuvenate and Optimize Mathematics and Science Education in Florida"), a three-year, \$2.5 million project funded by the U.S. Department of Education and the Florida Department of Education. It is one of three major initiatives under Florida PROMiSE, a statewide, systemic approach to improving mathematics and science instruction in Florida through a partnership that includes the University of South Florida, the University of Florida, four large school districts and three consortia of smaller, rural school districts.

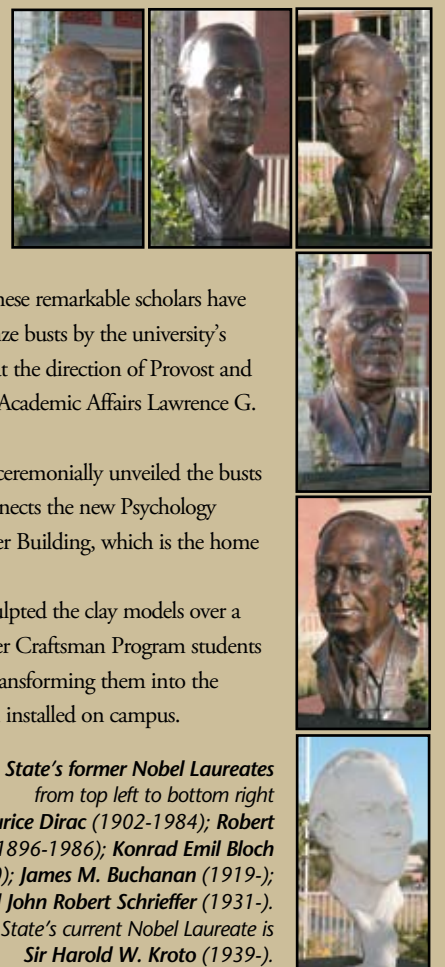
Bronze busts of faculty Nobel Laureates unveiled

Over the history of The Florida State University, six Nobel Laureates have served on the faculty. Now these remarkable scholars have been immortalized with bronze busts by the university's Master Craftsman Program at the direction of Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Lawrence G. Abele.

This past October, Abele ceremonially unveiled the busts along the breezeway that connects the new Psychology Building to the John Thrasher Building, which is the home of the College of Medicine.

Artist Melinda Copper sculpted the clay models over a five-year period. Many Master Craftsman Program students participated in the work of transforming them into the bronze statues that have been installed on campus.

Florida State's former Nobel Laureates from top left to bottom right
Paul Adrien Maurice Dirac (1902-1984); Robert Sanderson Mulliken (1896-1986); Konrad Emil Bloch (1912-2000); James M. Buchanan (1919-); and John Robert Schrieffer (1931-).
 Florida State's current Nobel Laureate is **Sir Harold W. Kroto (1939-).**



Broyles empowers women in male-dominated field



Edna Broyles

After graduating from Florida State in 1972 with a degree in fashion merchandising, Broyles spent some time in that industry and then decided to make a change. With her business classes from Florida State and having worked for two large corporations, Broyles considered new opportunities, opting to sell financial securities and insurance and enter Dean Witter's prestigious training program.

"They spent upwards of \$50,000 to train you in the securities industry at that time," she said. Taking time off only for a Florida State football weekend, Broyles plunged into the

grueling process of studying for the licensing exams.

"You had 30 books, and you just had to really memorize all that information if you were going to be involved in securities and insurance industries," said Broyles, who spent four weeks in training at one of the World Trade Center buildings in New York City.

For Broyles, it was money well spent. She earned not only a license to sell securities and insurance but she later added Certified Financial Planner to her credentials and, beginning in 1982, she started working her way through the male-

dominated industry, building a career at big-name Wall Street firms.

Broyles made her way to the position of No. 2 producer in the Shearson Lehman Brothers Tampa office (which later merged with Smith Barney). But there was another aspect to the financial securities industry Broyles had not anticipated.

"I saw and experienced discrimination in the workplace and reported it in writing," she said. "(Afterward,) I was retaliated against and eventually fired. I thought it was a local, Tampa, Fla., problem until I started working with attorneys, and then a *BusinessWeek* article reported

'Smith Barney's Women Problem.'"

"We had just what I thought was really a bad apple in our office," Broyles said, "and I had no way of knowing at the time that it was coming from the top down."

Broyles was one of 25 class-action representatives to help 23,000 women nationwide sue the New York Stock Exchange, the National Association of Securities Dealers, Smith Barney and others. The case was settled in 1998, but Broyles' efforts are far from over. She continues to work to empower women, which, she says, also helps men and children so everyone benefits.

By Maria Mallory White

One of the leading plaintiffs in a national class action lawsuit, Edna V. Broyles took on Wall Street discrimination and harassment against women in the largest federal case of its kind.

Broyles, one of the 2008 Alumni Recognition Award winners from The Florida State University's College of Human Sciences, is currently vice president of investments in the Advisory & Brokerage Services segment of UBS Financial Services in Tampa. A successful businesswoman and loyal Seminole, Broyles is a nationally known leader and women's advocate.

For all generations: Heritage Day 2009

Jeffery Seay
Editor in Chief

From the dedication of a new reading room at Strozier Library to tours of renovated historic residence halls, from an introduction of new museum space to the dedication of a memorial to Florida State's fourth president, events will spread across the Florida State University's campus to celebrate Heritage Day 2009, on February 20-21. Special gatherings are planned for young alumni, emeritus groups, students, staff, faculty and the local community.

The celebration begins on Friday at 4 p.m. with the dedication of the

Mary Lou Norwood Reading Room in Strozier Library.

Alumna Mary Lou Norwood (B.A. '47) who died in 2008, will be remembered for the tireless way that she gave of her time and talents over the decades to many aspects of Florida State University.

Among Norwood's many passions, she was dedicated to an initiative —The Heritage Protocol— to maintain and celebrate Florida State's proud history. Working with dedicated faculty, staff and alumni, personnel of the Heritage Protocol are



Soggy celebration: A bright spot of 2008's rainy Heritage Day proceedings was the unveiling of a statue of Florida State's ninth president, Stanley Marshall, who served from 1969 to 1976.

finding and identifying historical memorabilia for an online museum and tool for researchers.

The Heritage Day celebration will continue with a stroll down the historic paths of Legacy Walk starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 21, at the front of the Westcott Building and honoring the family of Francis Eppes, acknowledged as a founding father of the institution.

The pageant of events will continue with the unveiling of a statue of Edward Conradi, who served as the institution's fourth president from 1909 to 1941. The walk will pause at Dodd Hall to hear future plans for the Werkmeister Humanities Reading Room, which is to be transformed into a museum about the history of Florida State. Next, the lawn and gardens along Jefferson Street will be celebrated as the University's Greek Park, a place where sororities and fraternities will be encouraged to take on private beautification projects in honor of their houses.

"The idea of the Greek Park is to preserve and enhance a space on a campus with limited green areas. With the support of sororities and fraternities, the area between Landis Hall and Jefferson Street will become a welcoming haven in a historically significant area of our campus," said Donna McHugh, assistant vice president for Community Relations. "The Chi Omega sorority kicked off

the creation of the Greek Park with their generous gift of the "Three Sisters" statue and plaza, which was unveiled during the organization's centennial celebration."

In addition, the university will celebrate the completion of renovations to its seven historic residence halls, and students who lived in the halls are invited to attend. The 15-year project, which modernized the interiors while retaining their original facades, began with Jennie Murphree Hall in 1992 and concluded with Landis Hall in 2006. Entertainment and a reception will be held inside Cawthon Hall featuring students from Cawthon's Music Living-Learning Community, and campus tours for interested parties will conclude the afternoon.

For the latest Heritage Day information and to reserve a spot, visit heritageday.fsu.edu.

Henry appointed administrator of Florida's second most-populous county

Jeffery Seay
Editor in Chief

With a budget of \$3.5 billion to oversee, 6,000 employees in her charge, and 1.8 million residents depending on her managerial ability, Bertha Henry has her work cut out for her. The 53-year-old Florida State University alumna (B.S. '77, Government; M.S. '78, Public Administration) has been appointed by the Broward County Commission as the administrator of Broward County — Florida's second most populous. She is the first African-American woman to hold the position.

"From the airport to the seaport, to providing water, sewer and solid-waste services, and social services, and being involved in economic development, we are very much a full-service government," said Henry, who has served in numerous city and county administrative posts leading up to this career pinnacle.

Aside from her usual duties, there is always the possibility of special circumstances with which she must deal. If a hurricane slams into Broward County, Henry oversees the emergency response. If the Super Bowl is played at Dolphin Stadium, the buck stops with Henry to ensure that everything

goes off without a hitch, from accommodating visiting football fans to working with the FBI and other law enforcement agencies.

"Next year, Broward County will become the home port of the world's largest cruise ship," Henry said. "The speed at which Broward County is expanding a terminal at Port Everglades is incredible. The ship will hold 6,000 passengers and more than 2,000 crew members."

In one day, the terminal has to be able to handle both disembarking and embarking passengers.

"We have to deal with the logistics of moving 12,000 people in that really

short window," she said. "Plus all of the security measures required by the agencies that we work with."

Despite the enormity of such challenges, Henry is gratified by seeing projects through from beginning to end.

"I'm like the CEO of a three-and-a-half-billion-dollar corporation," she said. "What we do affects all of our residents, not to mention our visitors. Our season is now pretty much year-round, and no longer only from December to April."

Henry describes the five-and-a-half years she spent as a Florida State student as "a ball."

"My job requires that I relate to any and all kinds of people," she said. "Being an African-American who attended all-black elementary, junior- and senior-high schools, Florida State was my first opportunity to attend a diverse school. My first year, I had some adjustments to make, but by the time I graduated, it was a piece of cake."

"I was a member of the Black Student Union," she said. "The black population at Florida State was very small in 1973, and we were very close. We, as black students, were able to participate in both cultural worlds, and I do believe that assisted me greatly."



Bertha Henry



Philip J. Wyatt

By Bayard Stern
Managing Editor

In 1959, when Philip J. Wyatt was a promising young doctoral student in The Florida State University Department of Physics, he witnessed the installation of its famous EN Tandem Van de Graaff nuclear accelerator. Now, at 76, Wyatt is a highly regarded physicist and a pioneer in the field of laser light scattering and particle size measurement, a technology that turned out to be quite similar to

his nuclear physics scattering work at Florida State.

Wyatt's career has largely been dedicated to developing the methods and instruments used to decipher the unknown physical properties of molecules that make up, well, just about everything. Some of his early support came from a company that

Awarded the 2009 Prize for Industrial Application of Physics by the American Physical Society

cared deeply about its closely guarded ingredients.

"Believe it or not, some of our early funding came from the Coca-Cola Company," Wyatt said. "I sent a paper into the *Applied Optics* journal concerning a comparison of the scattering properties of various cola drinks. They were very interested to

see if we were discovering their secret formula."

Wyatt's productive career and innovative research was recently highlighted when he was awarded the 2009 Prize for Industrial Application of Physics by the American Physical Society. The prestigious honor was established to recognize excellence in the industrial application of physics and came with a \$10,000 award. His citation read, "For pioneering developments in the physics of the inverse scattering problem: new applications of laser light scattering and the successful sustained commercialization of new related analytical methods and instrumentation."

"Essentially, we want to measure how light scatters from some unknown object," Wyatt said about his specialty. "Trying to determine the physical properties of that object, just from the scattered information alone, is called the 'inverse scattering problem' — the solution of which we hope to

A Pioneer in Physics: Philip J. Wyatt

deduce. This ability has tremendous applications in many different fields."

Before coming to Florida State and earning a doctoral degree in physics, Wyatt earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Chicago, a master's degree from the University of Illinois, and studied at the University of Cambridge.

Wyatt remembers Florida State's first three students to earn doctorates in physics: Kiuck Lee, Prakash Sood and N.V.V.J. Swamy. Wyatt became the fourth. All were students of notable Florida State physicist Alex E.S. Green.

"During Green's 1958 sabbatical at Los Alamos National Laboratory, he arranged for me to spend six months there to use its supercomputer for my thesis research," Wyatt said.

Wyatt said two other professors he interacted with while at Florida State also were an important part of his education.

"It was a young, rapidly growing physics department," he said. "It was an exciting time, and I had some great professors, including Mike Kasha (Distinguished University Research Professor, Molecular Biophysics) and Ray Sheline (Professor Emeritus, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry). They were a very wonderful and famous group. We also started the Florida State Chapter of Sigma Pi Sigma, a physics honorary society."

Wyatt founded his company, Wyatt Technology Inc., 26 years ago and is its chief executive officer. It develops, manufactures and sells analytical instruments that are described as absolute light-scattering spectrometers. In 2008, his company was voted one of

the best places to work for scientists by the journals *The Scientist* and *Chemical and Engineering News*.

"You can bring your dog to work," he said. "We cannot be successful in fulfilling our commitment to our customers unless our staff is fully supportive of one another. It's a very interesting company, and I'm having a ball."

Wyatt's two sons have followed him into the business, and now they help lead it. Geoffrey Wyatt is the president of the company and Clifford Wyatt is the executive vice president.

"Our instruments are used in 53 countries around the world," Philip Wyatt said from Santa Barbara, Calif., where the company is based. "At present, many of our customers are in the biotechnology, chemical, petrochemical, pharmaceutical and government arenas. Of course, many academic institutions use them, including FSU's Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry."

Wyatt has written more than 50 published articles, co-written three textbooks, and was a finalist for the nation's first Apollo scientist-astronaut selection program in 1965. As a fellow of the American Physical Society and the Optical Society of America, he has had more than 30 foreign and domestic patents issued relating to laser light scattering. He is a registered patent agent before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and is a member of the executive committee of the Forum on Industrial and Applied Physics of the American Physical Society.

"My sons asked me when I'm going to retire," Wyatt said. "I said maybe when I'm 95."

Animal-rights advocate featured in Humane Society film

By Melanie Yeager

Florida State University alumna Elaine West's passion for saving potbellied pigs led her to build a sanctuary for the animals in Florida's Alachua County.

Now her work, fueled by her religious beliefs against factory farming, has landed her a national role in the Humane Society of the United States' latest documentary about Christian perspectives on factory farming, "Eating Mercifully."

"There was just such a need," West said of her work. "There was no need

for an animal to suffer just because it's not a dog or cat."

She and her husband, Dale, run Rooterville, A Sanctuary Inc. in Archer, Fla. The sanctuary is home to more than 100 pigs.

A vegetarian since 2001, West hopes the documentary will open a dialogue in the Christian community about what she calls "the horrific abuse of animals in 'modern' agriculture."

Farming advocates say the automated system keeps up with the nation's desire for a low-priced, readily available supply of meat.

But West believes that people should demand better conditions.

"The greatest impact that we can have to alleviate the most egregious suffering and cruelty is in the food choices that we make every day," she said.

West graduated from Florida State as Edna "Elaine" Sherman with a marketing degree in 1995. She served on the Student Council at the university's Panama City Campus, and her pig, Susie Q, was a popular guest at campus events. West now works as the program manager for the Alachua County SHIP Down Payment Assistance Program, helping low- to moderate-income families buy homes. Her husband is a store manager for Publix.

West first started rescuing pigs after moving to Jacksonville, Fla., and learning there was no agency dedicated to the humane treatment of unwanted pigs. She eventually moved to Archer and set up the nonprofit sanctuary.

Film producer Emily Webster said she was searching for the perfect person to show the tie between Christianity and caring for all God's creatures, especially those animals that are consumed as part of the nation's food supply. She read about West in the *Florida Times-Union*.

"She lives and breathes caring for animals," Webster said. "She is so informed about this issue."

Read more about West's work and see a clip of the film at the sanctuary's Web site, www.rooterville.org.



Elaine West



Last September, 19-year-old sophomore Jesse O'Shea turned his idealism into action by launching the nation's first student-run chapter of the United Way on a college or university campus. The Student United Way of The Florida State University (www.studentunitedway.org) is based on O'Shea's own broad approach to public service. "Giving teaches students to be financially conscious and responsible," said O'Shea, who is a senior in terms of credit hours, with a double major in biological science, focusing on molecular virology, and interdisciplinary social sciences. "Advocacy encourages students to be politically active and to physically engage by putting on social-justice awareness events and promoting equality of opportunity, which is the American dream. Volunteering gives students a chance to be in direct service to others." Student United Way members (pictured above) pick up trash on the banks of the Ocklockonee River during a Keep Tallahassee Beautiful event in November. O'Shea is pictured (inset) standing at the far left of the group.

Alumnus invites Asia to enjoy a caramel macchiato

By Bayard Stern
Managing Editor

The quintessentially American brand of Starbucks Coffee is expanding its horizons of comfortable seating areas and uniquely named beverages across the globe to the Southern Hemisphere and Asia. Leading the way in bringing the "Starbucks experience" to that part of the world is John Culver, a Florida State University alumnus and president of Starbucks Asia Pacific.

Culver's region of responsibility is vast and includes Starbucks stores located in Japan, Korea, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, the Philippines, Australia and New Zealand.

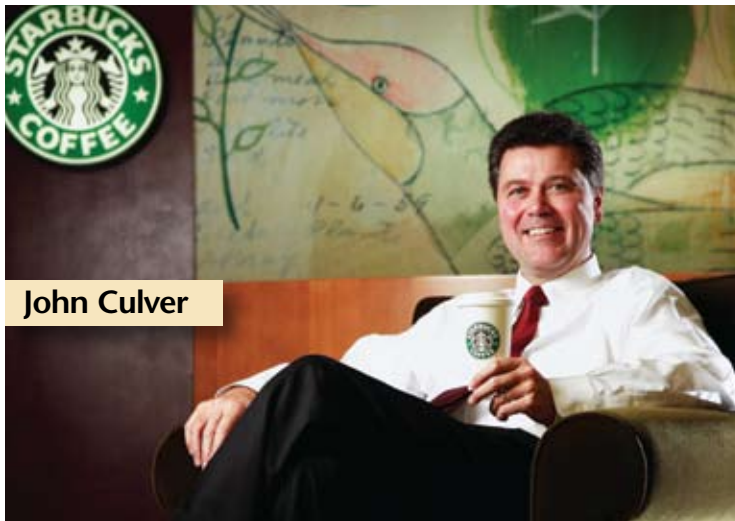
"Many people think of Asia as a tea-drinking culture, but coffee is a very popular drink on this side of the world," Culver said from Hong Kong, where his office is based. "Our area covers a fairly large piece of geography. I do a lot of traveling because I try and visit every store in my territory. It's very exciting to work with so many people from such dynamic and diverse cultures."

Culver has worked for Starbucks for more than six years, and was named to his current position two years ago.

"I feel I have the greatest job in the company," Culver said. "It's been a great experience and very inspiring for me to see the brand come to life in Asia. At the heart of our success is how the various cultures in this part of the world have embraced Starbucks, and our customers have made us a part of their daily routines."

While a student at Florida State, Culver majored in hotel and restaurant administration and graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1982. He was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

"I'm extremely proud and grateful



John Culver

for the years I spent at Florida State," he said. "I really think my education at Florida State helped to prepare me for where I am today. Some of my fondest memories are from my days at FSU."

"My most rewarding and favorite class was called the Little Dinner

Series," Culver said. "Ashby Stiff was the professor, and he really knew what aspects of the business were important for us to learn. I went on to be a lab assistant in the class the following year. It was an excellent educational experience in terms of really teaching me about all aspects

of restaurant operations. A key component to the success of our class was our ability to work well within teams to get things done, and that still holds true in my job today."

Culver has dedicated his entire career to the restaurant and food industry. He worked during high school in various restaurants and throughout his four years at Florida State at The Melting Pot. After graduating, Culver went on to work for Houlihan's restaurants and then Nestle for 16 years before being hired by Starbucks. He said he was drawn to Starbucks because the company has a deep commitment to its people and is dedicated to being involved within its local communities.

"It's very important for Starbucks as a company to not only be successful in terms of financial performance, but then also do it in a way that recognizes and rewards the hard work and dedication of

all our partners (employees), while giving back to the local communities where we do business," he said. "We spend a lot of time making sure we are encouraging community service projects and making a positive imprint."

"Our oldest market in Asia is Japan, with about 865 stores," he said. "In the Asia-Pacific region we have more than 1,700 stores with approximately 40,000 partners who serve more than five million cups per week."

And what does Culver like to order in his local Starbucks in Hong Kong?

"My favorite drink is a cup of Sumatra coffee from a French press," he said. "We have coffees that come from all over the world, and Sumatra is an Indonesian coffee that comes out of our Asia Pacific region. It has distinct spicy notes to it, as well as just a deep rich flavor."



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The art of being greek

By Jeffery Seay
Editor in Chief

When it comes to advertising an upcoming social or philanthropy project, or encouraging each other to live their values — last year's Rush

Week theme — the Greeks of The Florida State University for decades have had a special way to get the word out. Armed with buckets of paint and loads of creativity, generations of sorority sisters and fraternity brothers have artfully rendered murals on the parking lot retaining walls along College Avenue and Copeland and Jefferson streets.

"I love this tradition and I have a lot of fun doing it," said Kappa Delta sister Leslie Loquist, 20, a fashion merchandising student from Rock Island, Ill. "We have different sisters who are in charge of

our various events. They suggest an overall direction for a certain design, but I still like to be creative and come up with different ideas."

Loquist added that the longevity of the mural tradition is obvious in the thick layers of paint that coat the walls.

"I think it's really nice because it lets us share with the rest of the Florida State community what's going on within the Panhellenic community," said Kappa Delta sister Megan Leonard, 20, an art history student from Jacksonville, Fla. "When it comes to things like elections and other prominent events on campus, it really lets people see what we support and what we're about, rather than just our socials and dating functions."

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**President,
Alumni
Association**

Happy 100th to the FSU Alumni Association

Pablo Picasso may have had it right when he said, "We don't grow older, we grow riper." For the Florida State University Alumni Association — whose seeds were planted exactly a century ago — the quote evokes legitimate imagery of an organization that has blossomed, and now it's time to enjoy the fruit. Your alumni association turns 100 this year, and we're throwing a birthday party.

In front of us is a 2009 calendar ripe for celebrating a "centennial of service," and it promises to be a year of robust activity sprinkled with poignant, reflective moments that swell our hearts with pride — like the inspiring notes of the "Hymn to the Garnet and the Gold."

The festivities begin on Saturday, Feb. 21, as part of the university's

annual Heritage Day celebration, the first of 100 branded events that will include a lecture series and new 25th reunion, funded in part by gifts from our Centennial Circle of Friends. (Ask us how to join.) Our Alumni Centennial Committee is led by National Board Chairman Maury Kolchakian, who welcomes your suggestions and input. You can keep tabs on the entire year by visiting our Web site at www.alumni.fsu.edu.

While this column is supposed to be about the 100th year, I cannot help reflecting upon the first — its history layered across my desk in brittle, tan pages lifted from association archives:

In May 1909, 20 graduates from the newly created Florida State College for Women established an Alumnae Association, electing 1906 graduate

Bessie Damon as their first president. The earliest committee minutes show an association eager to give back, establishing in its first year a loan program for needy students. It paid \$54 per semester.

Later, in 1920, the first Alumni Club was formed in New York City. Alumnae living throughout Florida followed suit, creating "Flastocowo" clubs in their hometowns, providing the foundation for today's Seminole

Club network.

I have no doubt the graduates of 1909 would be proud of what has become of their Alumnae Association. Today, as it was a century earlier, the collective strength of our membership is making a difference at our beloved institution. Thank you for being a part of the past and the future.

Happy birthday, Florida State Alumni Association. You're looking great at 100.

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Hard-working Thornton plays smart in NBA

By Gary Libman

Thirty minutes after a team practice, the Los Angeles Clippers' indoor basketball courts are almost empty.

In one corner, 7-foot center Chris Kaman rests barefoot on the floor talking to General Manager and Coach Mike Dunleavy. In another corner, forward Al Thornton, seated on a chair, bounces a basketball from one hand to another, staccato style, under his long legs.

Thornton thoughtfully answers a reporter's questions, but when the interview ends, he bounds to one of two parallel National Basketball Association-regulation basketball courts in the practice center to work with Clippers Assistant Coach Fred Vinson.

For the next 40 minutes on the large, well-lit practice floor, Thornton starts from either side of the foul line, dribbles, pivots in various directions and shoots. He's a blur on his first step with a dribble, and yelps when he misses a shot. Resting infrequently, the 6-foot-8 former Florida State Seminole breathes hard and grunts as he works.

Thornton finishes shooting more than an hour after practice and heads

for the weight room, where again he is the only Clipper still working out.

"He's out here almost every day (after practice)," Vinson said. "Sometimes I tell him, 'We're going to get some easy shots today,' but he doesn't know how to go easy. He only knows how to go hard."

Aside from his work ethic, the Clippers' first-round draft pick impressed during the 2007-2008 season by averaging 12.1 points per game and making the NBA's all-rookie team.

Thornton was trying to make an even stronger impression this year by gaining strength without losing quickness. He started the season at 235 pounds, compared to 220 in the previous season.

"Last year, I realized that the NBA was a lot more physical (than college)," said Thornton, who keeps in touch with former Seminole teammates and coaches. "I'll be more physical this year when I'm driving to the basket. I probably won't get as many ticky-tack bruises."

The need to be stronger was only one lesson Thornton learned last season.

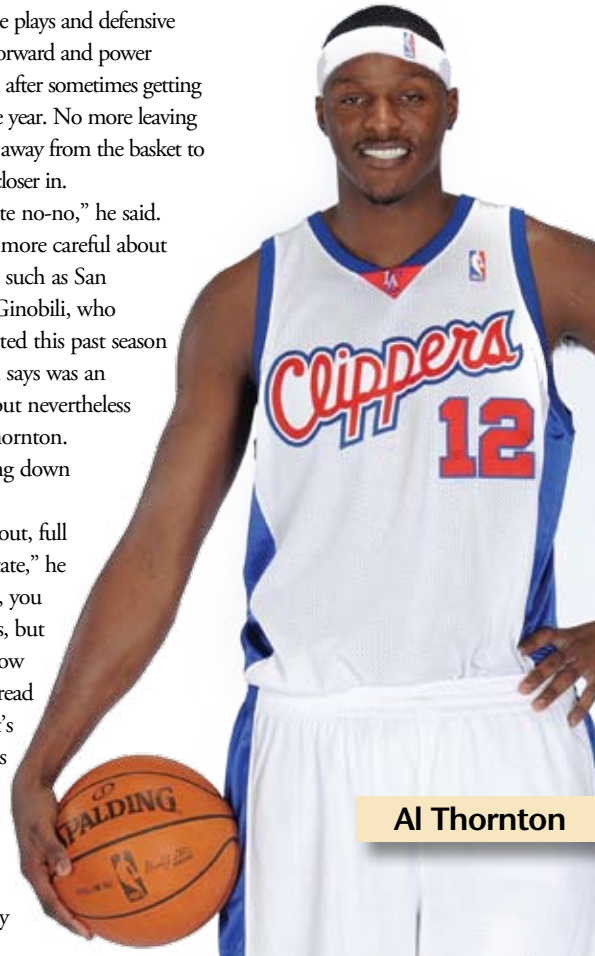
He knows all the plays and defensive rotations at small forward and power forward this season after sometimes getting confused his rookie year. No more leaving a potential shooter away from the basket to help with defense closer in.

"That's a definite no-no," he said.

He also will be more careful about contact with rivals such as San Antonio's Manu Ginobili, who screamed and reacted this past season to what Thornton says was an imaginary elbow but nevertheless drew a foul on Thornton.

And he's slowing down during games.

"We played all-out, full speed at Florida State," he said. "In the NBA, you go hard sometimes, but you also have to slow down the pace to read the situation. That's how the best teams do it. They read the situation, talk to each other, and think the game out. They play very smart."



Al Thornton

The Al Thornton file

Al Thornton is one of the greatest basketball players in Florida State University history. In the 2006-2007 season alone, Thornton enjoyed one of the most outstanding senior years in Florida State and Atlantic Coast Conference history.

He was selected unanimously to the All-ACC First Team, becoming only the third Seminole (behind Bob Sura, 1993-1994, and Tim Pickett, 2003-2004) in history to be so honored.

Thornton earned All-America Third Team honors from the Associated Press. What's more, he was the first player in Florida State history to earn a place on the Associated Press' first-, second- and third-team All-America teams, and the first Seminole since the 1989 season to earn All-America honors of third-team or better.

In terms of points scored, Thornton finished his Florida State career ranked seventh among all basketball Seminoles with 1,521.

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Myron Rolle awarded Rhodes Scholarship ... continued from page 1

long-term goals and plans, and it has made me think about how I can make the most impact in terms of service to society. The whole experience has been inspiring, and I appreciate the assistance of so many faculty and staff at Florida State, as well as the encouragement and support of my football coaches."

Rolle is the fourth Florida State student ever to be named a Rhodes Scholar. He follows in the footsteps of former Student Body President Joe O'Shea (2008), student-athlete Garrett Johnson (2006) and Caroline Alexander (1976). The scholarships provide all expenses for up to two or three years of study at the University of Oxford in England.

"The Florida State University's most treasured values of strength, skill and character live in Myron Rolle," said President T.K. Wetherell. "He is a remarkable young man and a tremendous example for all of our students. The entire Florida State community joins me in congratulating him on this wonderful accomplishment."

The Rhodes is a crowning achievement for the student-athlete, who aspires to both the National Football League and medical school. Graduating in just two-and-a-half years with a 3.75 grade point average, Rolle completed all the necessary pre-medical requirements and earned a bachelor's degree in exercise science from Florida State in August 2008.

"I've had an interest in medicine since I was in grade school," Rolle said. "Back then, I was very inspired by a book by Dr. Ben Carson, a famous

pediatric neurosurgeon from Johns Hopkins who came from a rough background in Detroit but grew up to be one of the leading physicians in the country."

Rolle found further inspiration during eighth grade in attending the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine, where he shadowed doctors for 10 days in New Orleans.

"From that point on, I knew I wanted to do medicine," he said.

Rolle currently is pursuing a master's degree in public administration at Florida State. So far during his college career, Rolle has founded Our Way to Health, a fifth-grade curriculum that addresses diabetes and obesity for students at a charter school run by the Seminole Tribe of Florida; conducted research on the metabolic profile of stem and cancer cells; tutored at-risk eighth-graders; studied abroad; and played the position of safety — he's one of the best in the nation — for the Florida State Seminoles football team.

He also racked up numerous academic, athletic and leadership awards. Among them:

- Florida State's Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Award, which provides \$4,000 for undergraduates to pursue research in their field of study.
- The Vires Award, given annually to one Florida State student who best represents "intellectual and moral strength."
- Induction into the Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society.

At Oxford, Rolle will seek a master's degree in medical

anthropology that examines the sociocultural aspects of medicine.

"It's a 'grassroots' degree looking at people, traditions and cultures in impoverished countries around the world to try to build the medical infrastructure where it is needed most," he said. "It will be a great degree to have as a background to being a physician here in the United States and then taking my experience to other countries and helping out around the world."

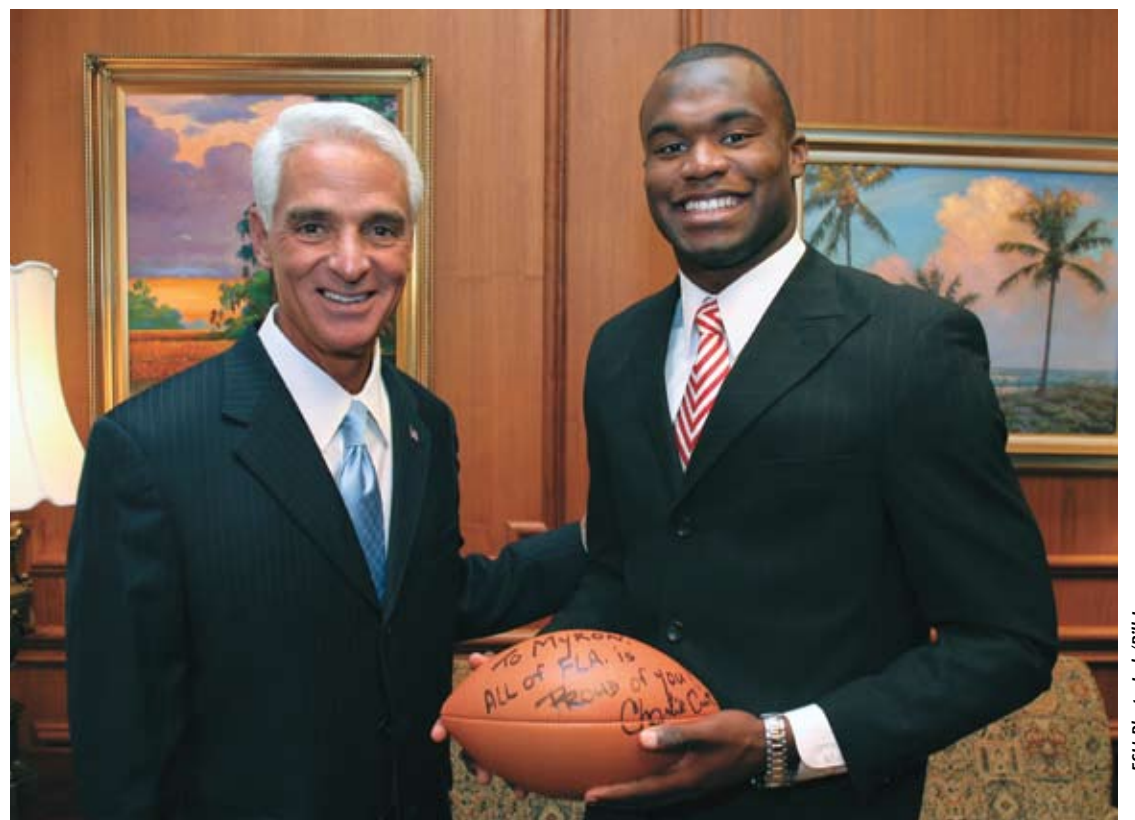
After Oxford, Rolle hopes to play professional football — many analysts

project that he will be a first-round pick — before going to medical school. He would like to practice medicine in the United States as well as assist medical efforts in developing countries, especially the Bahamas, his parents' native country.

For any university to have three Rhodes Scholars in four years is no small feat, according to Karen Laughlin, Florida State's dean of Undergraduate Studies. The selection process is highly competitive, with more than 1,000 nominees seeking

32 scholarships. Two scholars are chosen from each of 16 regions across the United States.

"We are tremendously proud of what Myron has achieved," Laughlin said. "His commitment to research and to serving the community has enriched his work in a very demanding pre-med curriculum and has prepared him well to be someone who can continue to make a difference in the lives of others. It is truly inspiring to see how he has maintained his academic focus while also performing at a high level in his sport."



Florida Gov. Charlie Crist (B.S. '78, Political Science) congratulates Florida State Rhodes Scholar Myron Rolle in the Governor's Office in November.

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Charlie Barnes

**Executive
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Boosters**

Architectural beauty informs Florida State's athletics identity

A new pyramid has been uncovered in Egypt. "Uncovered" doesn't sound right; Pyramids' glories were to be displayed above ground. Nevertheless, a new pyramid was discovered last November buried beneath the sands of Saqqara.

They are among the oldest manmade masonry structures. Archaeologists still debate the range of purpose pyramids served, with their precise lines and polished limestone sides that blazed like suns on the Egyptian plain.

The architect of the original pyramids was made into a god by the Egyptians, but there is no record of what guided his thoughts, or why the structures were so vast. The pyramids at Giza remain among the largest structures ever built by man.

Pyramids marked the beginning of civilization as we recognize it. Is it possible those ancient people, overwhelmed by the vast night sky and the random cataclysm of life in the early Bronze Age decided to shake their fists at the universe? We too are important, they might have said, not just the Nile and the stars. See what we have made.

Why do the pyramids fascinate us

after nearly 50 centuries? It is because they are beautiful. We are hard-wired to recognize beauty; we are drawn to it. A University of Exeter study published in 2004 showed that newborns as young as five hours old "prefer human faces that adults also consider attractive." And the newborns are less interested in faces that adults consider unattractive.

The author surmises that "just as a fetus develops eyes and lips, it also develops knowledge of what a face is 'supposed' to look like based on an evolution-informed average of what all human faces look like."

Apparently, standards of beauty vary only slightly over time and culture. The psychologist says, "Show an insular European two African faces, and the one the European picks as more attractive is also the one an African person would pick."

Proportion is the key. Proportion is the cornerstone of architectural design and the genetic key to our concept of beauty.

Architecture students understand the power of architecture to influence the social landscape. For example, metropolitan American courthouses usually contain a series of courtrooms. Most are just simple rooms, outfitted for the pedestrian business of the legal trade. But there is usually one majestic

salon outfitted with 20-foot fluted Corinthian columns and mahogany appointments designed to impress all with, as they say, the majesty of the law. The more grandiose the venue, the more important you may assume the proceedings to be.

Many Florida State alumni wince at the dissonance between the Gothic architecture of the old campus and some of the ghastly 1960s constructions that line West Tennessee Street. Built during the university's rapid expansion, they appear to have been raised up as cheaply and as quickly as possible.

Until it was washed and painted just a year or so ago, McCollum Hall was six stories of filth-streaked slabs of raw concrete, more suggestive of a Soviet mental facility than a college residence hall. It is an ugly building, and we know that it is ugly the moment we see it.

Bad architecture is not beautiful. We want beauty. We turn to beauty as the bud turns toward the sun. Beauty uplifts us and reassures us, and the beauty of our buildings shapes our lives and our vision of who we are.

American college football stadiums are where we wear our colors and engage in ritual combat with neighboring tribes. When the construction of University Center

began more than 20 years ago, the collegiate Gothic (technically it is Jacobean) design was deliberately chosen to underscore who we wish to be. The design not only reflects but also shapes the personality of our fan base.

Like most stadiums, Doak Campbell began life as a shallow dish. As the masonry walls of University Center rose around it, the stadium became a thing of beauty. Doak Campbell was not designed — as some stadiums are — to hold in the heat, to contain and amplify the noise. It was not designed to be raw and ugly — as some are — in order to project power and to intimidate.

No, if Doak Campbell does intimidate at first glance, it is due to the breathtaking scale and grandeur of its surroundings. I'm told University Center is the largest contiguous brick construction in the history of the United States. It is beautiful. Classic. And it was intended to be so.

Our architecture is a reflection of who we are and who we see ourselves to be as a Florida State University community.

The hill where Westcott stands is the oldest continuous site of higher education in the state of Florida. Since our founding, our buildings for the most part have echoed the

classic architecture identified with university education for a thousand years. Restoration of buildings and interiors on our main campus has substantially enriched the experience of our undergraduates.

President Talbot "Sandy" D'Alemberte directed that all construction at Florida State follow the established Jacobean architectural standard. T.K. Wetherell continued the directive, and Seminole Booster President Andy Miller made certain that University Center was the centerpiece of that theme.

In an astonishingly short time, our entire park of Seminole athletics facilities has been built, all cloaked in the magnificent Jacobean brick and stone. The new College of Medicine and a wide range of new dorms and student services buildings also echo the timeless standard.

Think of architecture as our inheritance as alumni, as a way of linking ourselves with the genetic memories of our university. Through classic architecture our forebears whisper to us that both past and future do share a familiar and reassuring landscape.

The sands do cover everything in the end. But beauty endures and is the noblest yearning of mankind.

Climate Science Consortium ... *continued from page 1*

"The classic academic tradition, at least in the sciences, is you do some research in an area, you write a paper and get something published in a journal and go do something else," O'Brien said. "We do more than that."

The consortium initially began as an alliance of three of Florida's universities: Florida State, the University of Florida and the University of Miami. But the partnership has been so successful that it has blossomed into a federally funded collaboration that aims to benefit the entire southeastern United States. The consortium's members now include Auburn University, the University of Georgia, the University of Alabama in Huntsville, and North Carolina State University.

"We're not trying to spread out all over the map; we're trying to bring in people with expertise," said Keith Ingram, the Southeast Climate Consortium coordinator and an associate research scientist at the University of Florida.

Florida State University contributes climate research data, while UF uses its agricultural research efforts to quantify the potential impact on

farmers and those in Florida's large agricultural industry. The University of Miami helps out with economic analysis and keeps tabs on what information is needed for those who use the consortium's forecasts. The consortium has brought in climatologists from other states, as well as experts who have researched the impact of climate on pests and agricultural diseases.

Florida State's main role — through the Center for Ocean-Atmospheric Prediction Studies — includes monitoring ocean temperatures along the equator in the Pacific; these temperatures control the weather phenomena known as El Niño and La Niña. El Niño, which means "little boy" in Spanish, gets its name because it is usually noticed during the Christmas season. During a strong El Niño, water temperatures along the equator rise and disrupt global circulation patterns. La Niña, or "little girl," is an opposite effect, in which the water temperatures are cooler.

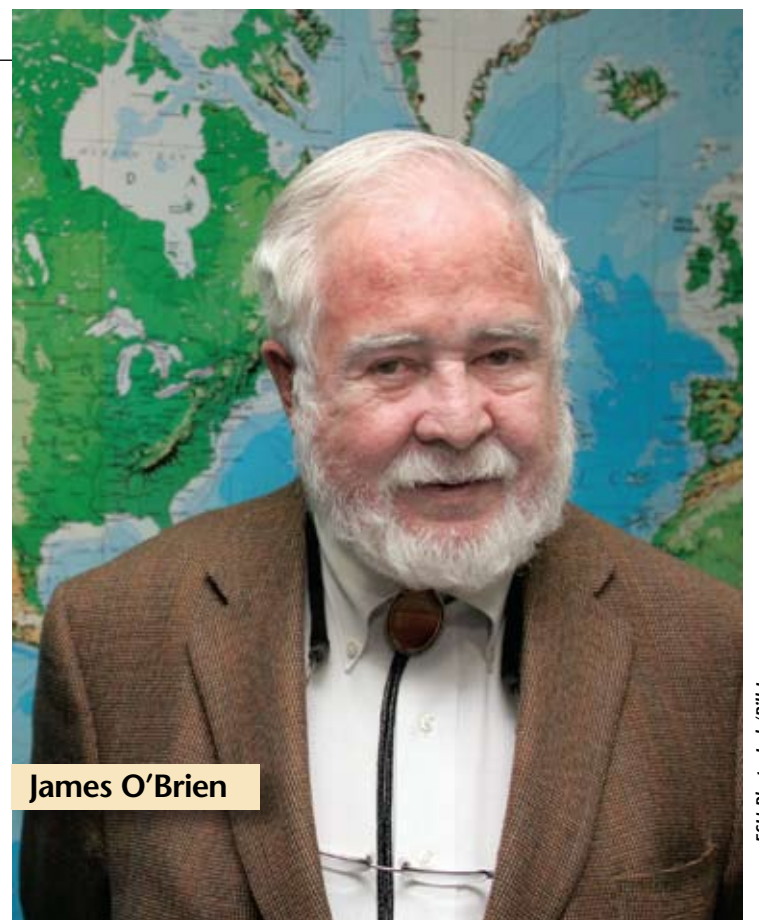
Florida State University keeps a constant watch on the development of both El Niño and La Niña — which can reoccur every four to seven

years — because what happens in the Pacific greatly influences what happens in the southeastern United States.

"All the states (in the consortium) have climate variations due to El Niño and La Niña," O'Brien said.

El Niño "kills hurricanes" but brings winter rain, he said, while La Niña is associated with drought. But even a so-called "neutral" period in which neither phenomenon is present in the Pacific Ocean can have ramifications for farmers. Devastating freezes that have harmed the citrus industry have occurred during these neutral periods, according to research put together by the consortium.

Consortium scientists are able to do models based on these climate patterns, which are then used to come up with forecasts on everything from rainfall to temperatures. Agriculture scientists plug in the climate information to figure out what the impact will be on a diverse set of crops, including cotton, peanuts, tomatoes, blueberries and citrus. The scientists come up with recommendations that are then passed as quickly as possible


James O'Brien

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to farmers and growers.

"We have this cascading effect," Ingram said. "If we have a climate outlook that's released today, people already looking at

commodity applications and getting it in a brochure that includes recommendations that would make sense (and) that farmers would use."

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NEWS NOTES Alumni

1950s

H.W. "Bubba" Asbell (M.S. '56) wrote the poem "Farewell: to the Greatest Generation," which was read by a professional reader at the convention of the International Society of Poets in Las Vegas.

Daniell Revenaugh (B.M. '59) worked with Carlisle Floyd, a former Florida State University music professor, to record a sonata that was written by Floyd more than 50 years ago.

1960s

J. Rogers Padgett Jr. (B.S. '60) has retired from serving as a circuit court judge in Tampa, Fla.

Dennis E. Nickle (B.S. '61) has returned to the United States after a stint of teaching software at the Middle East Technical University in Ankara, Turkey.

Col. George P. "Pres" McGee (B.S. '65) became vice president of project management at ZedaSoft, a company that develops software products for the simulation and visualization industry.

1970s

Franklin "Budd" Titlow (B.S. '70), owner and operator of Naturegraphs Freelance Photography/Writing, was elected to the 2008 board of directors for the North Carolina Chapter of the Water Resources Research Association.

Anne Petty (Ph.D. '72) established Kitsune Books, a small press that produces quality books for eclectic readers.

William R. Adams (Ph.D. '74) was awarded the Senator Bob Williams Award by Florida Gov. Charlie Crist and Secretary of State Kurt Browning in recognition of public service that has forever changed the course of historic preservation in Florida.

Harris Brandt (M.S. '74) is director of branding and communications for the Toy Industry Association, a not-for-profit trade association representing the U.S. toy industry.

Stephen G. Blackwell (B.S. '75) has joined Thompson Coburn L.L.P. as the firm's chief operating officer in St. Louis.

Barrett "Barry" Smith (B.S. '75), after recovering from a life-altering polio diagnosis, which rendered him unable to continue his formerly promising athletic career, has become a partner of the BDK Group, a sports marketing and entertainment company.

Gerard G. Vernot (Ph.D. '75) participated in the 2007 U.S.-Egypt Education Forum, sponsored by the People to People Ambassador Programs. He was part of a delegation of school counselors who strove to promote international understanding among people of different backgrounds and cultures.

Lonnie N. Groot (J.D. '76) has been board-certified in the area of city, county and local government law by The Florida Bar.

Michael Wright (M.S. '76) is the new county administrator for Highlands County, Fla.

Ramona Baker (M.F.A. '77) became the new director of Goucher College's Master of Arts in Arts Administration Program.

Miranda Fitzgerald (J.D. '78) was named in the 2008-2009 National Association of Professional and Executive Women's "Women of Excellence" registry.

George H. Sheldon (J.D. '78) has been appointed by Florida Gov. Charlie Crist as secretary of the Florida Department of Children and Families.

1980s

William A. "Hoe" Brown (B.S. '80) has been sworn in as a member of the Tampa Port Authority Board of Commissioners after being appointed by Florida Gov. Charlie Crist.

Raymond Ealy (B.A. '81) has been appointed as a partner at QuantumMethod. He will lead new product development, sales and marketing initiatives at the Los Angeles company.

Keith John Bauer (B.A. '84) has been promoted to senior account executive for ClearChannel Outdoor, the largest outdoor advertising company in the world.

Tom Joe Wolfe III (B.S. '84) is the director of treasury for Marriot Vacation Club International in Lakeland, Fla.

Craig S. Evans (M.M. '85, M.M.E. '86) has become the executive director of the Foundation for Orange County Public Schools in Orlando, Fla. He most recently served as associate vice president for Institutional Advancement at Ithaca College, N.Y.

Cheri Joan Shapiro Smith (B.S. '85) has been appointed property manager by Crossman and Company, the largest third-party retail leasing and property management firm in Central Florida.

David Caldevilla (J.D. '86) has been reappointed to serve a second four-year term on the Judicial Nominating Commission of the Florida Second District Court of Appeal.

Cynthia L. Cox (J.D. '86) has been appointed by the Florida Supreme Court to a special Character and Fitness Commission of the Florida Board of Bar Examiners.

Tony Lamar Carter Sr. (B.S. '88) has retired from the U.S. Army after 20 years of service and is currently a

property manager for the Executive Development Program at Erickson Retirement Community Corporate in Baltimore.

Camille Ann Consolvo (Ph.D. '88) has been named vice president for student affairs at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande, Ore.

Robert M. Gutierrez (B.S. '89) has been elected to the board of directors of the National Organization of Social Security Claimants' Representatives. He has been invited to speak at the organization's National Conference on Social Security Disability Law.

Glenda L. Thornton (J.D. '89) has become the chairwoman of the Greater Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce, making her the first black person to hold that position.

1990s

Stephen Kinsey (B.S. '90) was promoted to assistant chief of police for the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He also has graduated from the 234th session of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Va.

Samantha Ward (J.D. '90) won the Circuit Court Judge Group 2 election in Florida to fill one of the three seats that opened with the January 2009 retirement of three circuit court judges. A veteran assistant public defender, she has 18 years of experience as a practicing lawyer.

Hon. Michael Francis Andrews (J.D. '91) circuit court judge in Florida's Sixth Judicial Circuit, has been named the recipient of the 2008 Distinguished Judicial Service Award, which honors outstanding and sustained service to the public especially as it relates to support of pro bono legal services.

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James L. Bomar (M.A.C.C. '91) was promoted to vice president of tax at BE Aerospace in Wellington, Fla.

David Baxter Lane (B.S. '91) is the new chief operating officer for Terlato Wines International in Lake Bluff, Ill.

Brian D. Fogelson (Ed.D. '92) has become superintendent of schools at the North Warren Regional School District in Blairstown, N.J., after an eight-year stint as principal at Delaware Valley Regional High School in Frenchtown, N.J.

David A. Forbis (B.S. '92) is now general manager of the Central Florida Division of Premier Electric. The growing Central Florida Division serves clients in the Sarasota, Tampa, Orlando and Ocala markets.

William Wesley Johnson (Ph.D. '92) was elected president of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, an international association established to foster professional and scholarly activities in the field of criminal justice.

Tony J. Santilli (B.S. '92) was hired as director of national sales at AIG Travel Guard, which provides travel insurance and services to the lodging industry.

James W. Humann, (J.D. '93) has formed Lucid Dreams3D, a company that works exclusively doing business development in association with the technology and film production company, Passmore Lab. The company uses state-of-the-art digital technology to produce 3D films and owns critical patents for the conversion of 2D video and film to high definition digital 3D.

Cmdr Jay A. Seligman (M.S.W. '93) has accepted a position as a senior policy analyst with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Public Health and Science. He advises the assistant secretary of health on matters concerning the U.S. Public Health Service.

Jeanne Kay Circelli Jurgensen Wright (B.S. '93) was the 2009 Volusia County Teacher of the Year and later named as a finalist for Macy's Florida Teacher of the Year.

Mark V. Campagna (B.S. '94) was promoted to partner at Jones Day. He is a member of the Intellectual Property Practice in the firm's Atlanta office.

Deborah Lynn Myers Collins (M.S. '94) has completed her Ph.D. at Walden University in Minneapolis, Mo. Her dissertation proposed a method for incorporating information technology into the judging and scoring processes of amateur music competitions.

Derek D. Gill (B.S. '94) has become a certified Rolfer and Rolf movement practitioner. Rolfing is a method of adjusting posture and body structure by manipulating the body's myofascial system. He began his training in Boulder, Colo., and completed it in Barra do Sahy, Brazil.

Robert D. Long (M.S. '94) has been hired as the director of the Darlington County Economic Development Partnership in Darlington, S.C.

Wallace Mark Wilder (Ph.D. '94) has been named dean of the Patterson School of Accountancy.

Frank C. Hickson (B.S. '96) is vice president and director of the Project Development and Environmental Studies Group at Infrastructure Engineers, a multidisciplinary transportation-engineering firm in St. Cloud, Fla.

Russel M. Lazega (J.D. '96) has been selected to *Florida Trend* magazine's "Legal Elite" list for 2008.

Ernest J. Bauer (B.S. '97) has opened up a criminal defense law firm in New Orleans.

MacKenson Bernard (B.S. '97) has become city commissioner of Delray Beach, Fla.

Eric B. Bederman (B.S. '97) is serving as deputy press secretary for U.S. Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Jill Harmon (B.A. '97) will serve on the 2009 Lake Nona Relay for Life Committee.

Nick Lubbers (B.S. '97) is an International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners certified cardiac device specialist for Boston Scientific Cardiac Rhythm Management. He helped solve a murder mystery in 2005 by "interrogating" the victim's implantable cardiac defibrillator, served as an expert witness in the trial, and was featured in an episode of CBS's "48 Hours Mystery," where he discussed how he was able to solve the murder.

Scott W. Malia (B.A. '97) is one of three new teaching fellows hired by the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass.

Kevin Cash (A.A. '98), a Boston Red Sox catcher, was part of last season's World Series championship team.

Scott B. Smith (J.D. '98) has opened the law office of Scott B. Smith in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., where he will represent injured victims of commercial motor vehicle and boating accidents. He also achieved board certification status in civil trial law from The Florida Bar and has recently been appointed chairperson of the Palm Beach County Bar Association PI/Wrongful Death Committee and a member of The Florida Bar Code and Rules of Evidence Committee.

Jamie Lynette Green (M.S. '99) has been appointed executive director of the Greater Dallas Restaurant Association.

Yvo Nicks (B.S. '99) is now the assistant pro at Golden Eagle Country Club in Tallahassee, Fla.

2000s

Kari Glisson (B.A. '00) has earned the Certified Association Executive credential from the American Society of Association Executives. The CAE is the highest professional credential in the association industry.

Jason H. Mikes (B.S. '00) is an attorney currently with the law firm Becker and Poliakoff, and was named one of *Gulfshore Business* magazine's "40 Under 40" in Southwest Florida, a title which refers to the top 40 leaders that are under 40 years old.

Christine L. Watts (B.M. '00) was hired as the administrator of assisted living and senior housing at Sanctuary at Woodland in Brighton, Mich., run by Trinity Senior Living Communities.

Daniel A. Cook (B.S. '01) completed his M.B.A. at Georgia State University in July 2008. He is a project manager at Cerner in Kansas City, Mo., and is completing an internship for a Master's of Health Administration degree.

Juan Ricardo Guardia (M.S. '01) received the Outstanding Young Alumnus Award by the Iowa State University College of Human Sciences. The award acknowledges alumni for remarkable early career achievements.

Sgt. Kenneth C. McGhee (B.S. '01) is a U.S. Army medic currently serving his second tour of duty. He re-enlisted during a July 4, 2008, ceremony.

Heather A. Treadway (B.S. '01) completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Arthur Allan Rich (Ph.D. '02) has been appointed vice president of campuses and student affairs at Metropolitan Community College in Omaha, Neb. Rich will oversee



Race for the White House: President George W. Bush welcomed Florida State University track and field head coach Bob Braman and 11 members of the men's track and field team to the White House on Nov. 11 to congratulate them on winning the 2008 men's track and field national championship. The Florida State contingent, which also included former coach Terry Long and Director of Athletics Randy Spetman, toured the White House and had lunch on the South Lawn with the president and other National Collegiate Athletic Association national championship teams from across the nation.

operations at MCC's three campuses and five centers, including student services, financial aid, enrollment and records, recruitment, student life and student housing.

Aaron Carter Bates (J.D. '03) was instrumental in persuading the Florida Legislature to pass a bill that expands the Personal Care Attendant Program. Bates, a wheelchair-reliant lawyer, was able to use his personal testimony to pass a new law that expands the program to cover victims of all kinds of severe and chronic disabilities, not exclusively victims of spinal injury.

Angela Dempsey (M.A. '03) is a circuit judge in the Second Circuit, Group 16 bench seat and a former assistant state attorney.

Clifton E. Abraham (B.S. '04) has been inducted into the Florida State University Football Hall of Fame.

Dillon J. Fritz (B.S. '04, Ph.D. '08) has become the first Ph.D. graduate from the Florida State University College of Medicine in Sarasota, Fla.

Gregory E. Hettinger (B.S. '04), an intern for electronic gaming giant Electronic Arts, was awarded the \$10,000 Randy Pausch Scholarship for his work as an animator on Hasbro products.

Kristopher Kest (J.D. '05), a member of the board of directors of the Orlando County Bar Association Young Lawyers Section, was recognized for his outstanding chairmanship of the recent Continuing Legal Education event "Afternoon at the Courthouse."

Sonia M. Juarez (B.A. '05) is now a production associate on the Tyra Banks Show in New York City.

Danette Green Saylor (Ph.D. '05) has been named director of the Learning Development and Evaluation Center at Florida A&M University. The LDEC is FAMU's center for disability access and resources for enrolled students.

Amy Frances Destadio (B.S. '06) now lives in Fulton County, Ga., where she is a special needs kindergarten teacher. Prior to her teaching career, she lived in Los Angeles working as a page for CBS, and served as the head page on "Dancing with the Stars" and "American Idol," both of which are taped on the CBS lot. What's more, during the times she was asked to fill in as assistant to CBS President and CEO Les Moonves, she got to meet celebrities, including Leonardo DiCaprio and Will Ferrell, when they made pitches to the studio. She also worked as an extra on numerous TV shows, including "Two and a Half Men," "The OC," "Scrubs" and "The New Adventures of Old Christine," and got to play a dead body on "CSI: New York."

John M. Martinez (J.D. '06) has been appointed to the board of directors of the Frederick Leadership Initiative, an organization aimed at fostering an interest in public service, charity and politics in Central Florida's next generation of leaders.

Sebrena D. Ward-Small (B.S. '06) became a member of the Upsilon Theta Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi,

the international honor society in education.

Joshua Lee Mikel (B.A. '07) has written a Theater for Young Audiences piece called "The Monster Hunters," which has been published by Playscripts play publishing company. In addition, his band, Look Mexico, whose members — David Pinkham, Matthew Agrella (B.A. '07), Charles Ryan Slate (B.S. '06) and Ryan Smith — also are Florida State alumni, has released a 4-song EP, "GASP ASP," on Lujo Records. Mikel also starred in Florida State alumnus Ryan Spindell's (B.S. '03) award-winning short film, "Kirkdale."

Joshua Navarro (B.S. '07) has accepted a job as a morning television news producer at KION/KCBA, the CBS affiliate in Salinas, Calif.

Shannon Lee Jacobs (M.P.H. '07) is the administrator of the Santa Rosa County Health Department, Santa Rosa County, Fla.

Michelle F. Lacewell (M.A. '07) has been appointed director of marketing for the Resort Collection of Panama City Beach, a management company that oversees the operations of five luxury resorts in Panama City, Fla.

Brian D. Shuford (B.A. '07) has joined the Pinellas Realtor Company in Clearwater, Fla. He was previously the national governmental affairs director for the American Association of Physicians Specialists.

Susan L. Watts (B.S. '07) has been promoted to junior media planner and buyer of Push, an advertising agency in Orlando, Fla.



IN MEMORIAM

1920s

- Dorothy Mae "Dottie" McMurray Flatley (L.I. '28)
- Martha Steed "Pat" Alleman (B.A. '29)

1930s

- Katherine Elizabeth Johnson
- Lorraine Kirker (B.A. '31)
- Nelle Fain Bridges (B.A. '39)
- Virginia Craig Evans (B.S. '39)
- Helen Alline McBride Jackson (B.A. '39)

1940s

- Edna R. England (B.A. '40)
- Mary "Dede" Elodie Hale Lanier (B.S. '42)
- Emogene Brown Riek (B.S. '43)
- Audrey Townsend Leslie (B.A. '44)
- Mary L. McDonald Watson (B.A. '44)
- Virgie Hyman Cone (B.S. '45)
- Hazel Winifred Reynolds Etheridge (B.S. '45)
- Margaret Shackelford Mason (B.S. '47)
- Grace Elizabeth Whidden Freeland (B.S. '48)
- Sim A. Lambrecht (B.S. '48)
- Jean Kathryn Johnson Mark (B.S. '48)
- Richard Eugene Bradley (B.S. '49)
- Maj. Ruel "Dudley" Burnham (B.S. '49)
- Wallace L. Yelverton (B.A. '49, M.A. '50)

1950s

- Thomas C. Dula (B.S. '50, M.S. '51, Ed.D. '61)
- Glenna A. Dodson Carr (M.S. '51)
- Jean Elizabeth Rigell (B.S. '52)
- Gerald K. Cross (B.S. '53)
- Constance E. Davis (B.M. '53)
- John Charles Thompson Sr. (B.S. '53)
- CMSgt. Jack E. Dodson (B.S. '54)
- William Jennings Hargis (Ph.D. '54)
- Wilda L. Lundrigan (M.A. '55)
- Albert T. Clarke (Ed.D. '56)
- William J. Catledge III (B.M. '57)
- Helen F. Deen Gardner (B.S. '57)
- John H. Schill (B.S. '57)
- Curtis L. Simmons Sr. (B.S. '57)
- Helen C. Amato (B.S. '58)
- Priscilla Barnes Altwater (B.S. '59)
- John A. Bristol (B.S. '59)
- Delores Seemayer (B.S. '59, M.S. '61)

1960s

- Ernest Robert Meier (B.S. '60)
- Col. Hal Robert "Montie" Montague (M.S. '60)
- Franklin J. Ansley (B.S. '61)
- Betty Sue Bruton Crawshaw (B.A. '62)
- Frank Gardner (B.A. '62)
- Karen Moran Kron (B.M. '62)
- Robert James Hostetler (M.A. '64)
- Felix M. Berardo (Ph.D. '65)
- Arthur J. Crowns (Ph.D. '65)
- Lloyd G. Ernest (M.S. '65)
- Rex Ryland (B.S. '65)
- Dorothy Josephine Butler McIntyre (B.S. '66)
- Houston E. "Housecat" Taff (B.S. '66)
- Grace Mozo Fritchie (B.A. '67)

- Etta Smith McCulloch (B.S. '68, M.S. '72, Ph.D. '74)
- Dewey D. Ramsby (B.S. '68)
- John Charles Norden (B.S. '69)

1970s

- James Stewart Spooner (B.S. '70)
- Fay Kelley Williams (M.S. '70)
- Barbara Susan Winter (B.A. '70)
- Stanley K. Bohnhoff (B.A. '71, M.A. '72, M.S. '86)
- David M. Riddle (M.S. '71)
- Stuart I. Hecht (B.A. '72)
- Robert R. Jacobs II (J.D. '72)
- Davis G. Anderson (J.D. '73)
- Gordon R. Woodley (M.S. '73)
- Mary Watson Wright (M.S. '73)
- Barbara F. Brigham Young (M.S. '73, Ph.D. '75)
- Bradley H. Fournier (M.S. '74)
- William H. Sonenberg (B.A. '75)
- John V. Hudson (B.S. '76)
- John TenBroeck (S.Ed. '76)
- Linda Diane Wade (B.S. '77)
- Shirley A. Fox (B.S. '78)
- Richard Gerson (Ph.D. '78)
- Ismail S. Mami (Ph.D. '78)

1980s

- Bruce R. Hall (B.A. '80)
- Mary Rose Sheehan Lawrence (B.S. '80, M.S. '81)
- Ron L. Sterrett (B.S. '80)
- Mae Moore Frantz (Ph.D. '81)
- James Bozeman (B.S. '82)
- Kate Chandler Morgan (M.B.A. '83)
- Marcella Ann Strange (B.S. '83)
- Immalee Traylor Adair (M.S.W. '85)
- Matthew Pierce Croghan (M.P.A. '86, M.S. '93)
- Leonard T. Savary (B.S. '88)
- Steven L. Jeffers (Ph.D. '89)

1990s

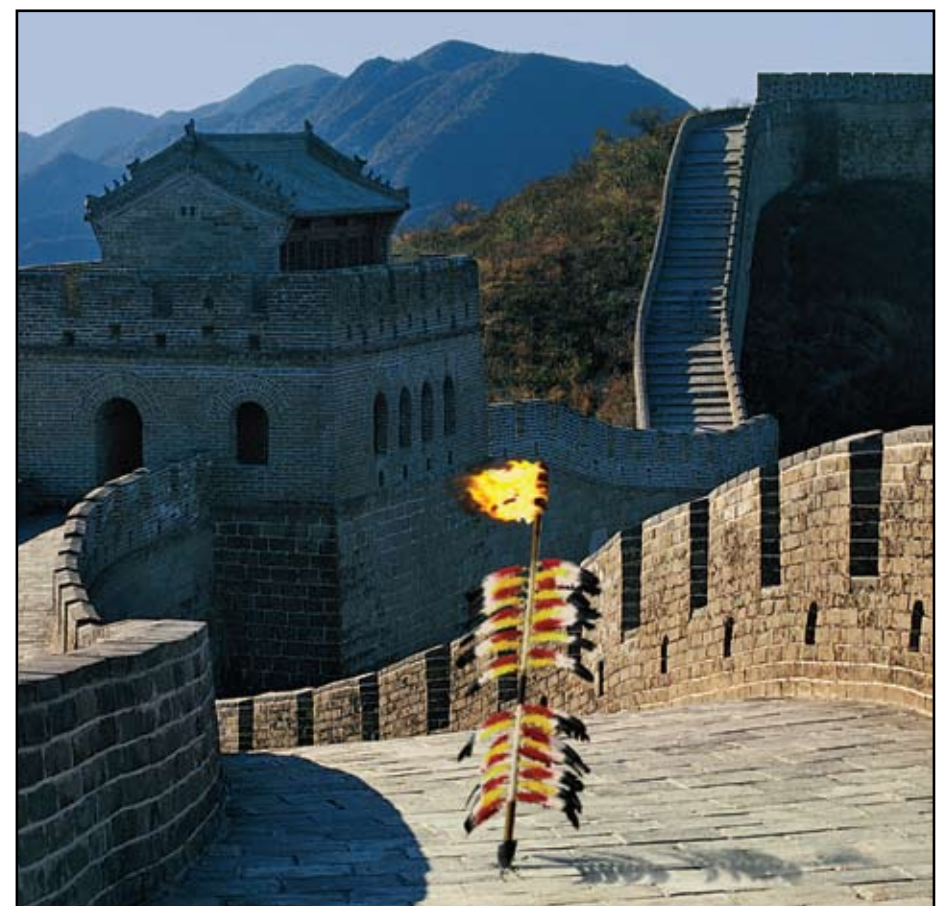
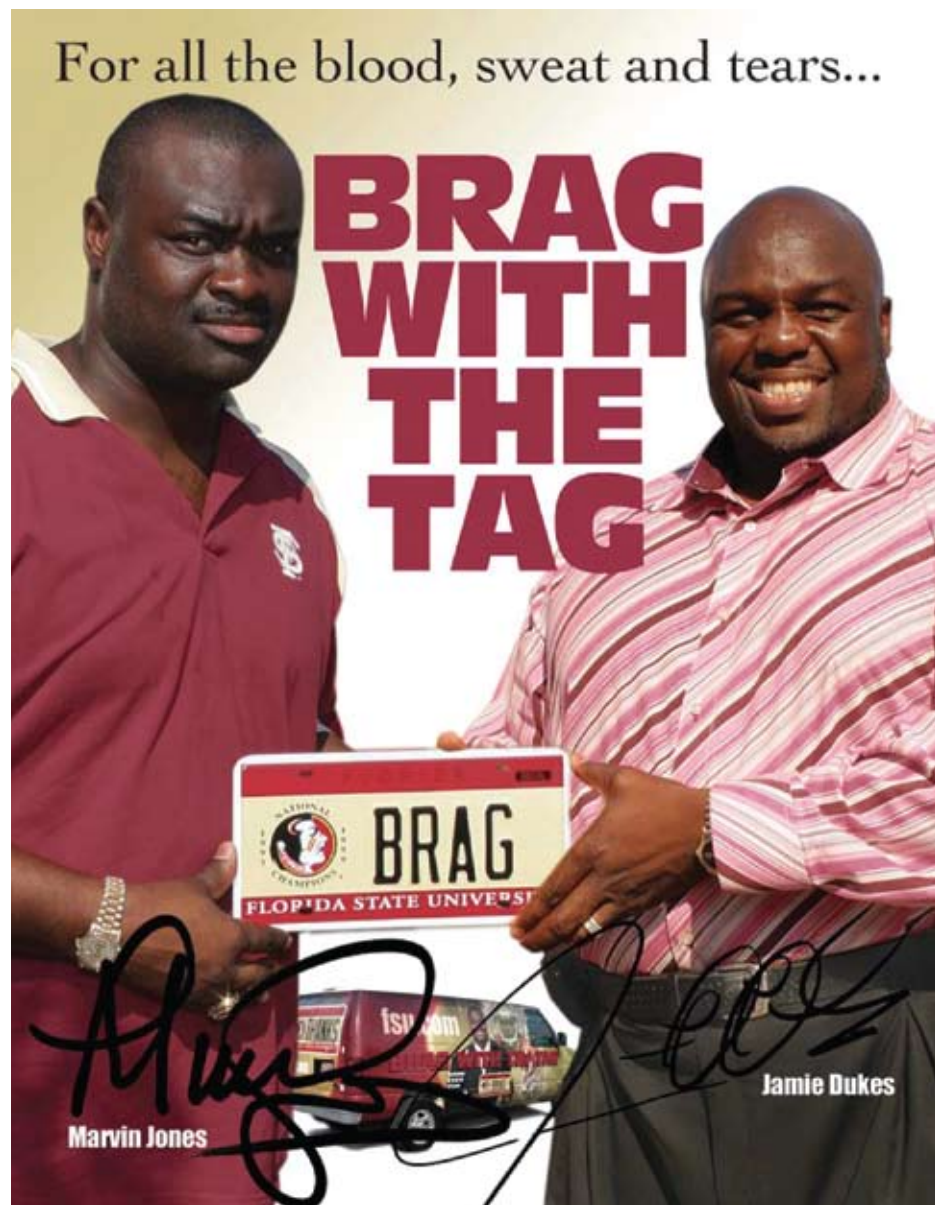
- Scott E. Simpson ('91)
- James Gary Brown (B.S. '92)
- Crystal Diane Hall (M.S. '92)
- Michael A. Walsh (B.S. '92)
- Deane Oliver Craig Jr. (B.S. '93)
- Charles A. Gross III (B.A. '93)
- William Dewey Huddleston (Ed.D. '93)
- Judith Christine Inman (M.S. '93, Ph.D. '01)

2000s

- Arthur "Trey" Hayworth (B.S. '07)
- Kelly Jane Rochelle (B.S. '08)

Faculty/Staff

- Jimmy L. Bozeman
- John C. Botts
- Albert Cofield Jr.
- Arland Frederick Christ-Janer
- Faye Sims Cribbs
- Elias L. Dann
- Catherine Jones
- Raphael Kavanaugh
- Rachel Mae Skelly
- Gary L. Watry



OBITUARIES

Thomas C. Dula Jr., 87, an accomplished educator, died Sept. 27, 2008, in Fletcher, N.C. Dula earned three education degrees from The Florida State University: a bachelor's degree in 1950, a master's degree in 1951 and a doctorate in 1961. He went on to become the dean of students and assistant to the chancellor at the University of North Carolina at Asheville from 1966 until his retirement in 1980.

Earl L. Gordon, 83, a retired Florida State University sociology professor, died Aug. 12, 2008. Gordon was born in 1925 in Thomasville, Ga., and stayed there until moving to Tallahassee in 1948 to attend what was then called Florida A&M College. He received a bachelor's degree in sociology, followed by a master's degree in counseling. He then got a job at Florida A&M University as a men's counselor during the 1950s and 1960s. In 1968, Gordon was one of the first

two African-American faculty members to be hired by Florida State, at a time when integration had not been fully accepted. The university hired Gordon as a professor of sociology and put him in charge of the Horizons Unlimited program. This program helped provide support and encouragement to roughly 200 under-prepared minority students, allowing them to graduate from high school and pursue a degree. The program yielded numerous successful minority college graduates.

Gordon retired in 1985, but his legacy remains. While at Florida State, he was said to be an inspiration and counselor to many black students. It is reported that when students would tell him about other professors or situations that demonstrated racial bias, he would always encourage them to overcome the insult. According to a *Tallahassee Democrat* article published in February 2008, Gordon was once quoted in response to discrimination as saying, "Disregard that. (Then) prove them wrong."

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"The Death Penalty"

Raymond Paternoster, Robert Brame and Sarah Bacon (assistant professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice)
Oxford University Press



Using legal, philosophical, religious, historical and economic perspectives, the authors attempt an unbiased examination of capital punishment. Subjects include its history, the influence of race on

its administration, and justifications for and against its use.

"Handbook of Giftedness in Children"

Edited by **Steven I. Pfeiffer** (Florida State professor of Educational Psychology and Learning Systems)
Springer

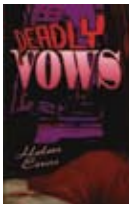


When one thinks of "special needs" children, highly intelligent and gifted children are generally not what first comes to mind. However, gifted children do have specific needs, and this

book seeks to expose and explore them using empirical research from the fields of education and psychology. What's more, it caters to professionals who work with gifted children.

"Deadly Vows"

Helen Enos (M.L.S. '77)
PublishAmerica

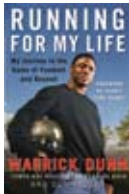


A sequel to "Final Justice," this novel picks up in the murder-terrorized town of Rockport, Ill. Several young women have been brutally murdered and mutilated, and it appears that yet another killer is

on the loose. The police department and the district attorney must try to catch the killer before he claims any more victims.

"Running for My Life: My Journey in the Game of Football and Beyond"

Warrick Dunn (B.S. '97) and **Don Yaeger**
Harper Collins



Warrick Dunn, who plays in the National Football League and is a former Florida State University football standout, gives insight into his life's journey in this revealing autobiography. Beginning

with the tragedy that made him head of his family at age 18, this book chronicles Dunn's time playing for the Seminoles, his inclusion in the Florida State University Hall of Fame, his successful career with the NFL and, ultimately, his confrontation of the demons that have haunted him since his mother's death.

"30 Seconds That Can Change Your Life: A Decision-Making Guide for Those Who Refuse to Be Mediocre"

Roger Kaufman (Florida State professor emeritus, Educational Psychology and Learning Systems)
HRD Press



Kaufman writes that it takes only a 30-second decision to change course in life. This book is about getting ready to make that critical, life-changing decision, and offers

readers three templates to help them with decision-making. Based on research, practical experience and the insights of psychotherapists, this book also offers a six-step problem-solving guide and five keys to success in making choices.

"Paper Children: An Immigrant's Legacy"

Marcia Fine (B.S. '66)
Hudson House



Based upon Fine's family history, this fictionalized account tells the story of three generations of women. Paulina, a privileged woman in the 1920s, finds herself torn between family and marital

loyalty. Paulina's daughter, Sarah, has her faith shaken in the 1940s. Sarah's daughter, Mimi, tries to discover her family's history during the 1960s and gains helpful insight from her family's correspondence, which Paulina calls her "Paper Children." The book was a finalist for *USA Book News* in the Historical Fiction category and a finalist for *ForeWord Magazine's* Book of the Year.

"This Exit" Cutaway Crossing

Brad "Woody" Bendle (B.S. '89, M.S. '93)
HighPoint Recording Studios



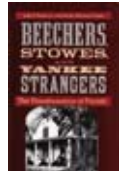
Cutaway Crossing's debut album features 11 tracks of a mix of alt-country, Americana and country-rock. The band, which hails from

Kansas City, Kan., is composed of Bendle,

Trevor Howard, Brian Hall, Kevin Decker (B.S. '99) and Brad Burgess.

"Beechers, Stowes, and Yankee Strangers: The Transformation of Florida"

John T. Foster Jr. (B.S. '68, Ph.D. '78) and **Sarah Whitmer Foster** (Ph.D. '81)
University Press of Florida

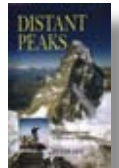


In 1867, Harriet Beecher Stowe moved to Florida with her brother, Charles. The Beechers worked in the Reconstruction, in hopes of making the state a haven for freed slaves and progressive Northerners

who, they hoped, could rise above racial divisiveness. The Fosters fill an important gap in history with this book, using material never recorded by the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center in Hartford, Conn.

"Distant Peaks: A Journey Through Cultures and Conquests"

Peter Len (B.S. '87, M.A. '94)
Millennial Mind Publishing



Based on the author's mountain-climbing experiences, this book divulges Len's struggles, triumphs and defeats, and provides both figurative and literal pictures from his

climbing trips. His first climbing experience, a failed attempt on the Grand Teton during a trip with his father, inspired him to tackle the mountains of the world: the Matterhorn, Mont Blanc, Mount Kenya and the volcanoes of Ecuador.

"Good Schools in Poor Neighborhoods"

Beatriz Chu Clewell (B.A. '70, M.S. '77 and Ph.D. '80) and **Patricia B. Campbell** with **Lesley Perlman**
The Urban Institute Press

This book examines the widening education gap between students in high-income schools and those in impoverished schools.



Through data from original research and vignettes from principals, teachers, parents and students, the authors describe how some schools have beaten the odds.

"Remembrance: A Story of Family Love and Survival"

Nathan Smith Hipps (B.S. '82)
Cypress Publications



Based on a true story of love, family and survival. When the small community of Porterdale, Ga., is devastated by an epidemic of measles, the Smith family feels the impact with

the death of father and husband Luther Smith. The tragedy forces Leola, his wife, and their two daughters to move in with her parents, a place devoid of love. After several years of living with them and learning several revealing secrets about her unhappy childhood, Leola gets remarried to a man with five children.

"Civil War Petersburg: Confederate City in the Crucible of War"

Wilson Greene (B.A. '72)
University of Virginia Press



This book presents the military and civilian history of Petersburg, one of the most important Civil War cities in Virginia. Greene illuminates the experience of white and black Confederate soldiers,

as well as the non-military residents of Petersburg as they watch their city transform during the war. Using unpublished sources, this book weaves the personal stories of thousands of people, all of whom shared one experience — the Civil War.

"Changing Hats While Managing Change: From Social Work Practice to Administration," Second Edition

Felice Davidson Perlmutter and **Wendy P. Crook** (former Florida State associate professor, College of Social Work)
NASW Press

Written for practitioners either considering

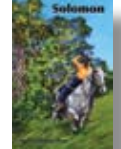


moving up the administrative ladder or already on their way up, this book addresses the major challenges that face social workers. The various roles and responsibilities

of administration are illustrated with lively case studies. Also included are perspectives on politics, financial concerns, working with volunteers and human resource management.

"Solomon"

Marilyn Bishop Shaw (B.S. '73, M.S. '75)
Pineapple Press



Set in North Florida following the Civil War, this historical novel focuses on newly freed slaves as they face harsh difficulties in their new home. Father Moses

Freeman hopes that his son, 11-year-old Solomon Freeman, will inherit his love for the land. However, Solomon's heart belongs to fishing and hunting, and, against his parents' wishes, he goes on a cattle drive where he confronts a new world he had never dreamed existed.

"Souvenirs of a Shrunken World"

Holly Iglesias (Ph.D. '99)
Kore Press



This collection of poetry captures the massive yet fleeting wonder of the 1904 World's Fair held in St. Louis. Each poem captures a unique aspect of the event,

representing a small piece of the huge fair.

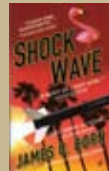
James O. Born (B.S. '83)
The Berkley Publishing Group

"Walking Money"



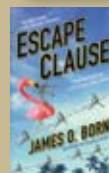
Mobsters, murder and an alluring satchel of \$1.5 million in cash: Born's debut novel has it all. Florida state cop Bill Tasker finds himself framed for a crime, unwillingly plunged into a world of greed and corruption.

"Shockwave"



In the sequel to Born's first novel, Florida law enforcement agent Bill Tasker is back. He reluctantly teams up with the FBI on a case involving a stolen Stinger missile.

"Escape Clause"



Bill Tasker's boss sends him on "the perfect stress-free getaway" to Manatee Correctional Prison, where he is to investigate an inmate homicide. When Tasker arrives, he discovers more than murder: unorthodox discipline methods, missing psychiatric

patients and overly ambitious prisoners.

"Field of Fire"



Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agent Alex Duarte, an apparent magnet for high-profile criminal activity, finds his attempts to settle down in South Florida are violently shattered by the explosion of a gunrunner's car. Duarte teams up with an attorney and pursues the suspect across the country.

"Burn Zone"



In what he assumed would be a routine, low-level bust, ATF agent Alex Duarte discovers a shadowy plot involving a beautiful, enigmatic FBI agent and a white-supremacist colonel bent on being the "man who changed America."

Born to write:

Florida State alumnus turns policing into prose

By **Melissa Martinez**

Editorial Assistant

On television, police agents are in violent shoot-outs and often get the glamorous women, but in real life there is a lot less drama and a lot more down time. It was during this down time that Florida State University alumnus James O. Born (B.S. '83), a Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) agent, became inspired to write police novels with authentic roots.

Born would read Tom Clancy and W.E.B. Griffin novels, but felt the books did not reflect his own experience as a law enforcement officer.

"I could not rip a shotgun out of someone's hands without suffering a catastrophic injury," Born said. "I didn't crawl out of crushed police cars and shake off the injury. Neither did any cop I knew."

As an FDLE agent, Born has investigated everything from serial crime to organized crime. Prior to 1990, he spent four years as a U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration agent.

Attending Florida State in the early 1980s, Born always was interested in writing, but found little success aside from one article on Tallahassee road construction. After graduating, he became involved in police work and says that he never regretted the decision.

"I like the physical nature of the job," Born said. "I love the diversity I experience every day, never knowing exactly what my assignment might be. It may sound hokey, but I like helping people and seeing the relief on their faces when we show up at a disaster or particularly nasty crime scene."

It wasn't until he met Elmore Leonard, a fellow crime novelist and family friend, that Born decided to write dramatized versions of his own experiences. It was his time as an undercover agent at a Ku Klux Klan rally in Palm Beach County, Fla., that was the inspiration for his new novel, "Burn Zone."



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The impact of preserving wartime history

World War II claimed the lives of an estimated 50 million to 70 million soldiers and civilians worldwide between 1939 and 1945. The significance of this time period cannot be overlooked, making it of paramount importance to honor and remember the commitment of the millions of Americans who left the security of their homes for the uncertainty of war in unfamiliar lands. In the interest of preserving their legacy and sharing their stories, the Florida State University College of Arts and Sciences established the Institute on World War II and the Human Experience in the Department of History in 1997.

The World War II Institute was created to systematically and professionally preserve the letters, unit histories and personal recollections of those who served their country in a time of need. Through the memories and donated artifacts of the men and women affected by the war, the

institute is able to offer the community a better perspective of the physical and emotional wartime experiences of soldiers and civilians alike. In addition to the archiving and housing of military artifacts and oral histories, the World War II Institute serves as a center for student and faculty research and also provides, through the history department, employment opportunities for graduate students to encourage further research and instruction about World War II.

Just over a decade ago, the institute began with donations from Kevin Dougherty, as well as George and Marian Langford. Dougherty's father, Paul, was a photographer with Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army and left a large box of his photos and cameras to his son. Convinced that this World War II memorabilia possessed educational value, Dougherty contacted Florida State history Professor William Oldson with the intention of donating the items to the university. Dougherty's gift, which coincided with a \$15,000 contribution from philanthropists George and Marian Langford, helped launch the World War II Institute.

The Langfords, longtime benefactors of Florida State, fully endorsed the creation of a World War

II archive composed of letters, papers and photographs. George Langford, the only member of his family who is not a Florida State alumnus, was a combat engineer in Europe during the war (one of four siblings to fight in World War II). Coupled with their \$15,000 gift, the Langfords also presented a collection of letters George and his siblings wrote home during the war. Currently, both the Langfords serve as members of the institute's advisory board.

"Without George's financial assistance, and more importantly his contacts and personal accounts of the war, there would absolutely be no institute," said Oldson, director of the institute. "His assistance to the Tallahassee community, the university and to the institute is exemplary." Today, the institute is involved in a number of academic initiatives, including a work-study position through the history department that is open to Florida State students and lectures offered by researchers, staff and visiting speakers invited by interested local and national groups. The World War II Institute strives to involve department of history students in its collections.

"This is different from reading about the war in a history

textbook," said Oldson, who also teaches seminars related to World War II and the Holocaust. "It's one thing for professors to lecture about POWs or the Bataan Death March, but it's completely another to let students read a diary, which is a firsthand account of a prisoner of war who was their age in 1941. That makes an impact like no other."

With every donated piece of history,

the World War II Institute is able to preserve the experiences of the millions of men and women who fought in the war. As one of the largest non-federally funded World War II archives in the nation, the institute strives to keep these memories alive for generations to come. To find out how you can support the Institute on World War II and the Human Experience or donate memorabilia, visit www.fsu.edu/~ww2 or call (850) 644-9324.



George Langford with Tom Brokaw, one of the World War II Institute's most prominent benefactors.

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Four professors join prestigious ranks of AAAS fellows

By Barry Ray

FSU News and Public Affairs

The Florida State University has long been recognized internationally for the high quality of scientific research conducted on its campus in numerous disciplines. That pre-eminence has once more been affirmed as four Florida State professors were elevated to the rank of fellow by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

Election as a fellow of the AAAS is an honor bestowed upon members by their peers. Fellows are recognized for meritorious efforts to advance science or its applications.

The Florida State faculty members selected as AAAS fellows for 2008, and the language provided on their AAAS citations, are as follows:

• **David M. Gilbert**, J. Herbert Taylor Distinguished Professor of Molecular Biology, Department of Biological Science, "for distinguished contributions to the DNA replication field, particularly for elucidating the mechanisms that regulate the spatial and temporal patterns of replication initiation."

• **Jack Saltiel**, professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, "for outstanding contributions to the elucidation of the mechanisms of selected



Gilbert

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von Molnár

Zhou

photoisomerizations useful as models for the understanding of complex photobiological systems."

• **Stephan von Molnár**, professor, Department of Physics, "for seminal research on magnetic polarons, the metal-insulator transition, dilute magnetic semiconductors and magnetic nanoparticles."

• **Huan-Xiang Zhou**, professor, Department of Physics, "for distinguished contributions to the field of computational and theoretical chemistry, particularly the theoretical modeling of diffusion-controlled reactions and other processes in biomolecular systems."

"It is always nice to have our talented Florida State researchers recognized by their peers as being among the best in their fields," said Larry Abele, the university's provost and executive vice president for Academic Affairs. "This is just one more indicator of our strength in the

area of scientific research."

Of the four researchers, Saltiel has served on the Florida State faculty the longest, having joined the chemistry department as an assistant professor in 1965. He specializes in a branch of science known as photochemistry, in which the interactions between molecules and light are analyzed. He is recognized as the world's foremost expert on cis-trans

photoisomerization, the key molecular process in vision and in many other light-triggered biological responses.

Von Molnár came to Florida State in 1994 to accept positions as a professor of physics and as director of the university's Center for Materials Research and Technology (MARTECH). Although he recently stepped down as MARTECH director, he continues to conduct research at the multidisciplinary center, which works to enhance the ability to produce and investigate new materials with novel structural, chemical, magnetic and/or optical properties.

Zhou, a member of the Florida State faculty since 2002, describes his research as geared toward developing a greater understanding of the properties of protein molecules.

Gilbert is the last of the four to come to Florida State, having arrived in 2006. The molecular biologist recently led a group of researchers in a landmark study that received media attention all over the world. In the study, his team discovered that as embryonic stem cells turn into different cell types, there are dramatic corresponding changes to the order in which DNA is replicated and reorganized. The discovery takes scientists a major step closer to the central goal of stem cell therapy, which is to successfully convert adult tissue back to an embryo-like state so that it can be used to regenerate or replace damaged tissue.

The AAAS (www.aaas.org) is the world's largest general scientific society.

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remember the return students get on that investment: better labs, more classes, full summer school, more full-time faculty, all the things that make a university like Florida or Florida State a leading institution."

Machen said the tuition increase would help curb the loss of good programs and good people without being an undue burden.

"It's the cost of your cell phone," he said. "It's less than \$500 a year that the student or his or her family will have to pay

out of pocket."

Machen said he is encouraged by how quickly students at both universities have rallied to support the plan.

"Both of our institutions are blessed to have the best students, really, in the country. And they get it," he said. "They're coming to our places, as opposed to going out of state, because they expect to get a world-class education, and they realize that the resources we are losing are preventing them from getting all that they want."

Crist's proposal will allow universities to:

- Provide \$5 million in additional need-based aid in the first year alone;
- Maintain quality for existing students;
- Offer courses needed for graduation;
- Raise tuition up to 15 percent per year;
- Provide access to new students; and
- Retain and recruit professors.

The bold new reform:

- Allows local control of each university by trustees, a group that includes the student body president who represents the concerns of students. Even if the maximum increase is levied, tuition will still be the lowest in the country.
- Will cost approximately \$12 more per credit hour for nearly 70 percent of the UF and Florida State students who receive a Bright Futures scholarship.
- Will be no additional cost for the approximately 25 percent to 30 percent of students currently holding Florida Prepaid contracts.
- Will cost about \$300 to \$400 per year for all other students — adding less than 3 percent to the total cost of attendance.
- Will give students choices at different costs, as it is likely that each university will adjust costs to reflect the marketplace.
- Will require universities to demonstrate accountability in areas such as increased retention and graduation rates in order to participate in the program. Graduating students in a timely manner saves significant dollars for the student.

Wetherell and Machen say they hope that, since the students at The Florida State University and the University of Florida are standing up for themselves, the people and leaders of Florida will stand up for them, too.



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