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UNF strengthens international focus with global travel

By JULIE WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

A variety of international trips by UNF faculty and staff reflect a new emphasis on world travel as an avenue of providing transformational educational experiences. Recent trips to Russia, Spain, Morocco, China, Korea and Belize are the latest indicators of UNF's efforts to form partnerships around the world.

Drs. Jace Hargis, director of UNF's Office of Faculty Enhancement, and Katrina Hall, professor of curriculum and instruction, traveled in September to Moscow and Murmansk, Russia, to inquire about establishing partner programs with Murmansk State Pedagogical **Mauricio Gonzalez shakes hands with Jian-Xiang Zhang, the president of Shaanxi Normal University in Xi'an, China, after signing an academic exchange agreement between UNF and SNU.**

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University (MSPU).

Their flight to Moscow was aboard a regular commercial airliner, but they had been warned that the older, smaller plane taking them to Murmansk might include passengers of the non-human variety — specifically farm animals.

"I was really looking forward to it," Hargis said. "It's not every day you get to experience a flight with chickens, goats and pigs running up and down the aisles." Hall also was eager to experience this unique part of Russian culture — but the passengers on the plane

that day didn't include any livestock. This turned out to be the only disappointment during their entire trip.

The trip to Russia was the first step in a project funded by an exploratory grant awarded by UNF's International Center. The goal was to establish a partnership with MSPU to develop teaching internships for students and joint research projects with faculty.

When Hargis and Hall arrived in Moscow, they were surprised to discover how westernized that part of the world is. "As Americans who grew up learning about the Cold War, we have all these perceptions about Russia that just aren't true," Hargis said. "The people there are very warm and open, and Moscow is so mainstreamed. We had no problems finding anything or getting around even though we don't speak Russian."

They were also surprised how curious MSPU students were about Western culture. "The students had all these questions about American politics and Hollywood, and someone even asked us if we personally know Nicole Kidman," Hall said. "Their idea of America is based on what they read or see on TV or movies. It's a blend of New York, Hollywood and Disney."

Part of the program involved visiting elementary schools to examine language development and literacy,

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Dan Rather lectures on the changing dynamics of the media



President John A. Delaney and Dan Rather

By JULIE WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

Much of what Americans know about the world can be traced to what is seen on the evening news. We collect tidbits of information from each evening's 30-minute broadcast and consider ourselves informed. But according to broadcast journalist Dan Rather, who presented a lecture at UNF in October, the electronic media isn't doing enough to ensure that the information they deliver is in-depth enough to educate the American public.

"The state of our American knowledge about the larger world is not just a matter of how the news is reported, but that doesn't mean that those of us in the news can't do more to improve the situation," Rather said. "We can, I submit to you that we should, and I would argue that we must."

Rather said that instead of devoting air time to sensationalism such as celebrity news, "news you can use" and new product launches he likens to free advertising, broadcast journalism should focus on providing global coverage that will increase the national knowledge base.

To illustrate the need for this kind of coverage, Rather pointed to the average American's knowledge of the Middle East. "Even the best informed American news consumer likely has an understanding of Iraq that barely rises above the level of caricature, which is nearly without nuance or shades of gray," he said.

The media wasn't charged with such a lofty public responsibility over 50 years ago, when as a college student Rather began his professional career working weekends at a 250-watt radio station in Huntsville, Texas.

"Certainly the media has changed mightily since my professional beginnings at that little radio station," he said. "It extends back to the time when print and radio were really the dominant components of the news media."

Rather described the 1980s as a period of unprecedented and rapidly accelerated change in the media, with the advent of cable and satellite television and the emergence of the Internet.

"There are times when it seems like change is the defining characteristic of media, from the way information is gathered to how it's edited, to how it's presented and ultimately how it's delivered to you, the consumer," he said.

Hired as a news correspondent for CBS in 1961, Rather was there in the heat of the civil rights movement and was the first to report the assassination of President Kennedy. He was co-editor of "60 Minutes," anchor of "48 Hours," bureau chief in London and Saigon and White House correspondent during the Nixon and Johnson administrations. Rather worked as an anchor for CBS News for 24 years and is currently a correspondent for "60 Minutes."

Although he's a bit modest about the impact he's had on Americans who have tuned in to his news programs over the years, Rather's fans are much more enthusiastic.

One of those fans is UNF senior Megan Schumann, an English and political science major who was chosen to introduce Rather at the lecture. Asked by a professor to describe her first political memory, she recalled a day in November 1989 when as a 6 year old she sat on her

father's knee and watched the fall of the Berlin Wall on the evening news.

"The man I watched on TV that night was Dan Rather and it was through his eyes that so many of us saw the events of our world," she said. "We looked to him for the truth behind that story."

Schumann described Rather as a journalist with a huge heart and a fiery passion for journalism, which makes him tena-

cious in seeking the truth.

"As the context of the American media continues to change," she said, "I find myself hoping that there will be more Dan Rathers out there who'll do whatever it takes to ask the tough questions behind every story."

Rather came to UNF as part of the the Jay and Deanie Stein Lecture Series which is part of Distinguished Voices. To view upcoming lectures at UNF, go to www.unf.edu and click on the "Fall 2005 Lecture Series" link.

JAY AND DEANIE STEIN Lecture Series

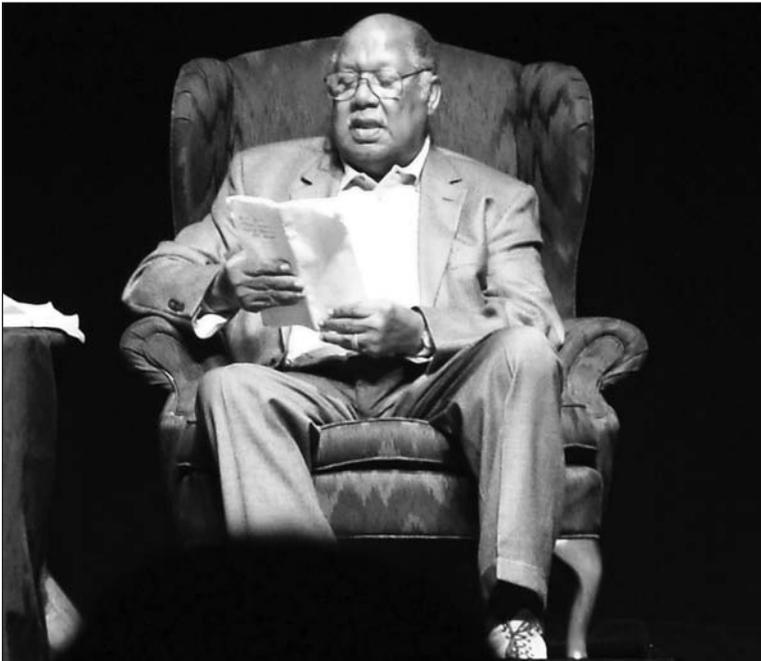
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DAN RATHER

Author lectures on art and craft of writing

By BETH SLATER
Contributing Writer

Ernest Gaines was described in the introduction to his Nov. 8 lecture as being most like the authors Eudora Welty, Leo Tolstoy and William Shakespeare, because of his “ability to inhabit other beings; to know their pain and joy.”



Ernest Gaines

Gaines used the lecture, part of the Inquiry and Insight Lecture Series, to discuss the pain and joy of the characters in his novel, “A Lesson Before Dying.” When he first decided to write the book, Gaines said he wanted to set the story – of a black man on death row – in the 1980s. But as he learned more about the history of executions in Louisiana and thought about his own experiences, he knew the

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ERNEST GAINES

“I could tell when he visited his client by the look on his face. He was too emotionally involved,” Gaines said. That student helped him craft the story with photos of the prison and the electric chair.

In another semester, an attorney introduced Gaines to an older lawyer who had defended a black man on death row in the 1940s. That lawyer told Gaines about the portable electric chair, used when executions were administered in the parish of the crime.

The old lawyer said a person could hear the generator from two blocks away, and 40 years later he could still remember its sound.

“The story is not about innocence or guilt but how he feels at his death. The attorney gave me another perspective. Jefferson (the book’s main character) would have to be executed because I wanted the reader to see the truck and hear the generator,” Gaines said.

Gaines said the writing process is like riding a train from San Francisco to New York. He knows some facts ahead of time, such as how long the trip will take and some of the activities to expect. What he doesn’t know, though, is what the weather will be like, who will get on the train, if there will be hills or valleys. He said he can’t anticipate all of the details, and sometimes the train doesn’t even make it to New York.

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Ethical theorist discusses changing definition of death

By BETH SLATER
Contributing Writer

Peter Singer, who has been called “one of the most influential ethical theorists today,” discussed the changing definitions of life and death as well as his views on animal welfare during a UNF lecture last month.

The lecture, part of the Inquiry and

Insight Lecture Series, was delivered to a standing-room-only audience at the University Center.

In 1968, Black’s Law defined death as “the cessation of life” – blood flow and vital functions all stop. In 1981, though, the President’s Committee on the Study of Ethical Problems altered the definition to mean two things: an irreversible cessation of all (bodily) functions and an irreversible

cessation of brain and stem function.

That change developed over those 13 years, according to Singer, because of the 1968 definition of irreversible coma, in which a patient has ceased bodily functions but is not dead.

Singer suggested development of a third definition – “irreversible loss of consciousness or cessation of critical functions,” a

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Ross focuses on events in Lebanon

While the war in Iraq is attracting the attention of the United States, a prominent diplomat claims events in Lebanon are actually more significant developments in the region.

Ambassador Dennis Ross, the U.S. peace envoy to the Middle East, made that assertion during his speech at UNF last month.

Ross played a leading role for 12 years in shaping U.S. involvement in the Middle East peace process and in participating directly with the negotiations.

He told the UNF audience what has happened in Lebanon in the last year is significant because it represents a “loss of fear.” “We are dealing with a region where nearly every regime has ruled on the basis of coercion and intimidation. That changed in Lebanon with the assassination of former Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri,” he said.

The popular demonstrations that followed the assassination led to an official United Nations investigation into possible involvement by Syria in the bombing.



Dennis Ross

JAMIE JOHNSON

Ross said that the popular uprising in Lebanon may be indirectly linked to Palestinian elections in January and even elections in Iraq.

These events, carried widely on Aljazeera, an Arabic news network, influenced the entire region, he said. “It makes it OK and legitimate to question authority,” he said.

A recent poll sponsored by Aljazeera showed that 80 percent of respondents believe Syria played a role in the assassination in

Lebanon. Ross said this type of development has brought unprecedented pressure on the Syrian regime.

“Lebanon can become a model in some respects, if in fact we don’t see a crackdown on those who demonstrated for their rights,” he noted.

However, before Lebanon is compared to Iraq, Ross cautioned that it took a 13-year civil war before Lebanon reached the point it is at today.

Ross said the developments in Iraq are not as significant to the region as the events in Lebanon because, in part, most of the Arab world is Sunni not Shi’a. Since the Shi’a are now the dominant force in Iraq after years of being subjugated by Sunni, the insurgency will continue to destabilize the country.

“Until the Sunni adjust to the new reality, it’s very hard for me to see an end to the insurgency,” he said.

The Ross lecture was part of the Distinguished Voices Lecture Series co-hosted by the World Affairs Council of Jacksonville’s

Reich provides insight on economy

BY JULIE WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

One of the first decisions Dr. Robert Reich had to make only a month into his job as U.S. secretary of labor during the Clinton administration was to give a 15-year old batboy his job back.



Robert Reich

KELLY TRUE

Discovering that TV journalist Peter Jennings in two hours would be reporting to the nation about a potential scandal involving the

labor department, Reich had to act fast. As the new kid on the block, Reich realized his public image would rely almost entirely on this one decision, so he delved into the facts and met with a group of advisers to discuss the labor laws in effect at the time.

The case in question was about a minor league team’s batboy in Savannah, Ga., who was fired because national labor laws stated that children under 16 could not be employed on school nights.

“Everyone was telling me we should stick to our guns and not to make exceptions to the laws,” Reich said. “Ultimately I decided that Jimmy would get his job back. We issued a statement to Peter Jennings that we were way off base and were going to immediately change the rules to create an exception for batgirls and batboys.”

Reich relayed this and other stories to a group of students, faculty, staff and community members during an informal “fireside chat” prior to his evening lecture at UNF Nov. 16.

As one of the leading thinkers in the area

of labor economics, Reich provided insight on a variety of economic trends, including the country’s current “storm clouds” - trade and budget deficits, the housing bubble and high energy prices. He also answered questions and offered his outlook on education and K-12 curriculum priorities, job outsourcing, terrorism, U.S. aid to developing countries, corporate bankruptcy and retirement pension deficits.

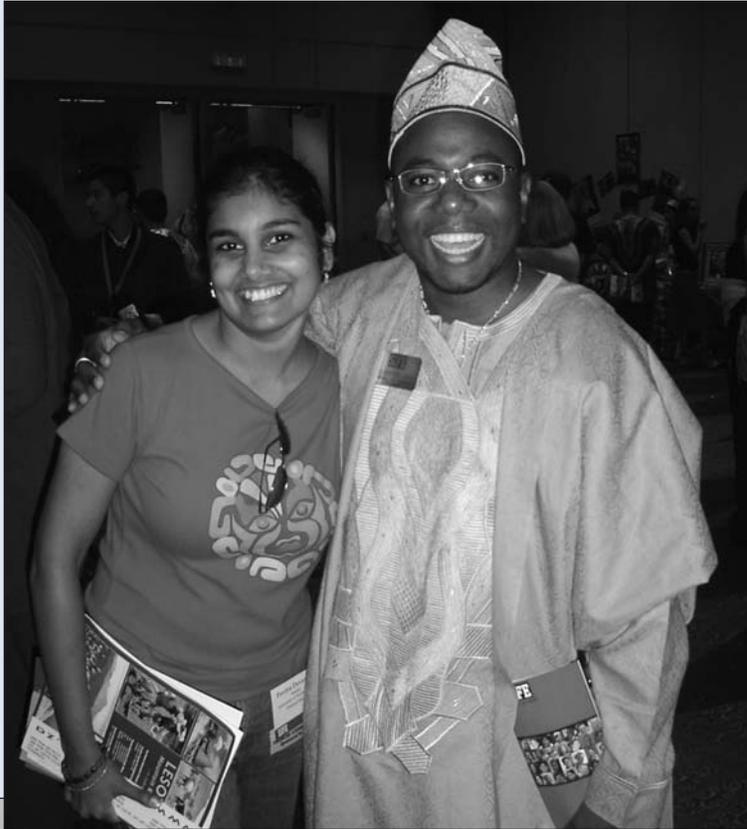
Having taught at Harvard University for years before working in government, Reich said he welcomed the opportunity to once again get back into the classroom. “I love teaching young people because there’s nothing like that moment when you look into a student’s eyes and realize that they actually get it,” he said.

Reich also said that the biggest obstacle a person faces in life is having low expectations. “Set your goals very high and don’t think for a minute that you can’t make it.”

Reich’s lecture was part of the Robinson Eminent Scholar Lecture Series and was sponsored by the College of Education and Human Services.

PHOTOS BY KELLY TRUE

SIFE AWARD WINNER—UNF student Pavitra Devanand (below) meets UNF alum Sylvester John at the Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) conference in Toronto. More than 100 students from 27 countries discussed financial education programs at the conference. Devanand was one of 10 students from around the world selected to present their projects at a panel discussion. She presented “Adventures in Finance” a program implemented in the Jacksonville community. John is regional vice president for Africa with the SIFE organization.



STUDENT ART EXHIBIT — Kelly Long, a senior ceramics major graduating in December, stands next to one of her pieces that was included in her final project. Senior ceramics majors are required to have their own exhibition of work as a final project before graduating.



ONE-MILLIONTH CUSTOMER — Dottie and George Dorion flank Daniel Redmon, who in November was the one-millionth customer of the Dottie Dorion Fitness Center. Redmon was showered with confetti and sprayed with silly string after signing in and was awarded a lifetime membership to the Fitness Center.

UNF PSYCHOLOGY STUDENTS donated more than 6,500 cans and boxes of food to feed nearly 140 Head Start families in Clay, Nassau, Baker, Bradford and Union counties. This is the sixth year for the drive which is sponsored by Psi Chi (psychology national honor society), the UNF Psychology Club and the PSY 4945 Head Start practicum students. Two Men and A Truck donated their services to transport the food from the UNF campus. Rebecca Marcon supervised the food drive.



Tutu receives honorary degree while

PHOTOS BY JAMES JOHNSON



Archbishop Desmond Tutu reads the inscription on the UNF Desmond Tutu Peace and Reconciliation Award presented to President John Delaney during the archbishop's visit to UNF last month.

South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu alternately praised and criticized the United States during his remarks at UNF last month prior to receiving an honorary doctorate.

The Anglican prelate interacted with students in a Saturday afternoon session and engaged in an animated conversation with UNF President John Delaney during a Saturday evening event. At both occasions, Tutu covered a wide variety of topics ranging from light topics such as how he met his wife to more serious subjects such as the war in Iraq.

One theme recurred at both events — his genuine affection for UNF. “It was wonderful to come back to campus. I didn’t know myself that I would be so emotional coming back here.. A huge wave of nostalgia just hit me. I think UNF has quite properly gotten under my skin,” he said.

Tutu spent a semester at UNF in 2003 as a visiting scholar teaching classes for students and members of the Jacksonville community.

His warm personality and jovial responses to some questions didn’t hide equally serious concerns he obviously harbored on other issues.

Foremost among those was the war in Iraq. In answering Delaney’s question on the topic, Tutu laughed and said, “You have to resist saying ‘I told you so’ ” referring to the last time he was at UNF when media from around the world converged on campus to interview him about his opposition to the much anticipated invasion of the country.

“I am sad, deeply saddened. This is a great country. You’ve inspired us incredibly over the years.” Tutu related how as a boy he read about Jackie Robinson in *Ebony* Magazine, watched Lena Horn movies and listened to Nat King Cole’s songs.

He said the world was deeply outraged on the behalf of the United States by the events of Sept. 11. However, he said that world support vanished when the United States decided to launch what he termed an unjust war.

“Never in the worst moment of my life would I believe that Americans would justify detention without trial. They (U.S. government officials) are using the same arguments (state security) that the apartheid government in South Africa used. It makes you subvert your own standards. It besmirches your wonderful character,” he said.

Tutu went on to criticize the motivation that the United States declared war to remove a tyrant from power after no weapons of mass destruction were discovered. “To say we removed a tyrant and that justifies what we did, you are saying that the ends justifies the means. That is a pernicious ethical principle. If in fact it was such a good thing, why didn’t you use that for your first and primary reason for going to war? And if you removed one tyrant, why not this one and that one?” he asked.

The archbishop praised the United States for supporting the economic sanctions that ultimately led to the downfall of apartheid in South Africa. He recalled the struggle he encountered trying to persuade President Reagan to impose economic sanctions. “They told us sanctions would hurt the very people we were trying to help. I said, ‘Look spare us your crocodile tears. You have invested in our country and have benefited from the oppression of our people.’” He praised the US Congress for passing the anti-apartheid legislation, which survived a presidential veto. “The freedom we enjoy today is due in very large measure to the support we got from the international community.”

Tutu related for the audience some of his experiences growing up in apartheid South Africa. He recalled an incident in which he went to a store in Johannesburg with his father, who was the headmaster of an elementary school. A young white sales clerk referred to Tutu’s father as

“boy.” “Even at that young age I wondered how my father would handle that kind of humiliation in front of his child.”

Many years later, Tutu said he experienced the same humiliation when one of children asked to play on “white-only” swings in Johannesburg. “I knew then how my father must have felt. You die many times over because it is so hard to face your child and tell her she is not like other children,” he recalled.

Tutu was candid about his calling to the priesthood. He admitted he

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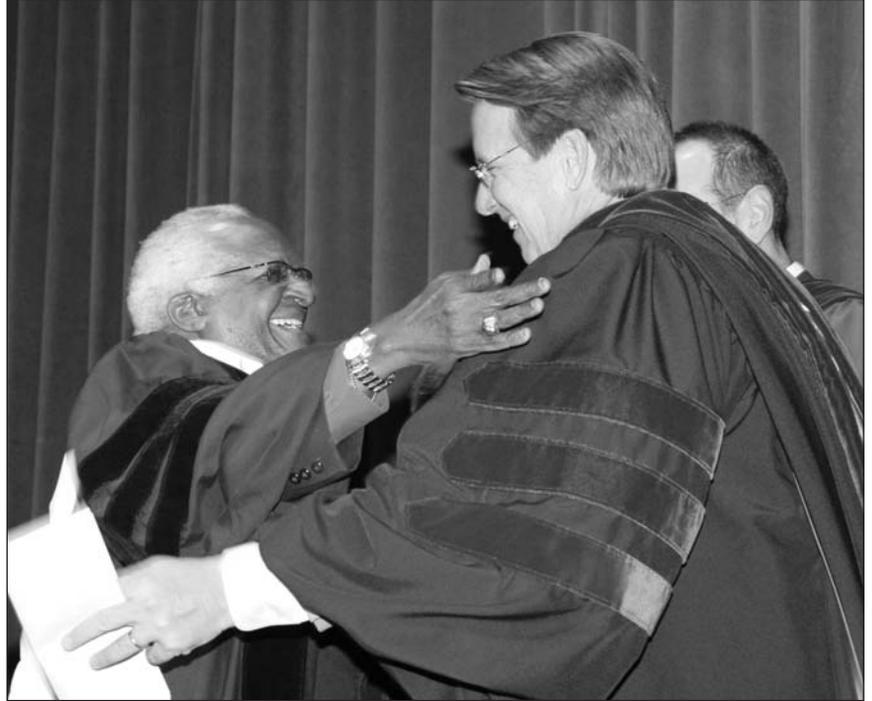
ARCHBISHOP DESMOND TUTU

praising and criticizing U.S. Policies

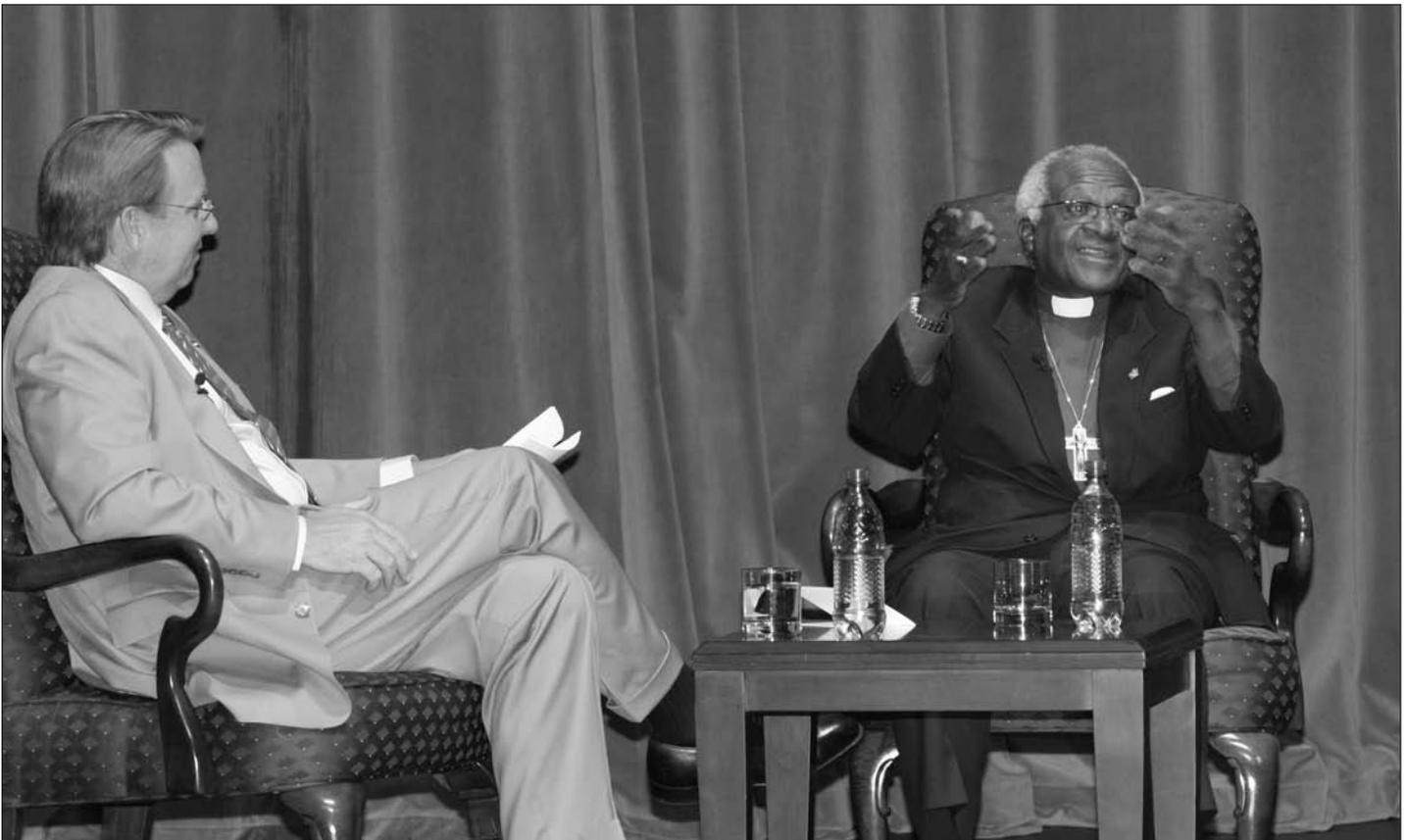
wanted to be a physician but his family couldn't afford tuition. "I didn't feel that God was calling me. I didn't have too many options," he said with a little laughter in his voice.

Nevertheless, during the question-and-answer session with students, Tutu said everything he has done in his life has been inspired by his faith and not politics. "Once I accepted that every human being is created in the image of God, then it was utterly inconsistent for me to keep quiet when people are discriminated against."

He said he makes no apologies when speaking out against discrimination regardless of whether it is based on race, gender, religion or sexual preference. "There is no debate. I can't keep quiet when I see discrimination."



President Delaney and Archbishop Tutu embrace after the awarding of the honorary doctorate.



President Delaney asks Archbishop Tutu a question during the conversation the two had on stage prior to the awarding of the honorary degree.

faculty&staff

The Faculty & Staff page appears each month in Inside and is designed to recognize professional achievements and accomplishments of faculty and staff. To submit items, contact your college dean or Julie Williams at jkwillia@unf.edu.

College of Arts & Sciences

ART AND DESIGN: The following members participated in the annual meetings of the Southeastern College Art Conference in Little Rock, Ark. In October: **Owiredu Baffour** chaired the session Bauhaus: An Idea or a History and presented the paper "Arrested Development at the Bauhaus"; **Dr. Peter Scott Brown** presented "On Somatic Components of Representation and Interpretation in Medieval Art"; **Ellen Housel** chaired the session Art for Charitable Causes and presented "Focus for a Cause, the Photojournalism Charity Shoot"; and **Dr. Debra Murphy** chaired Italian Renaissance Studies: Sources and Contexts; she also read "The Pauline Frieze of Ancient Roman Games in the Palazzo dei Conservatori: Considering the Contemporary Context."

BIOLOGY: **Dr. Judith Ochrietor** (with M.F. Clamp, T.P. Moroz, J.H. Grubb, G.N. Shah, A. Waheed, W.S. Sly and P.J. Linser) published "Carbonic Anhydrase XIV Identified as the Membrane CA in Mouse Retina: Strong Expression in Muller Cells and the RPE" in *Experimental Eye Research*, Vol. 81, October 2005.

Drs. Prabir Mandal, Anita Mandal and Greg Ahearn published "Physiological Characterization of 45Ca^{2+} and 65Zn^{2+} Transport by Purified Membrane Vesicles of Lobster Hepatopancreatic Endoplasmic Reticulum" in the *Journal of Experimental Zoology*, Vol. 303A, No. 7, June 2005. Mandal also published "Dioxin: a Review of its Environmental Effects and its Aryl Hydrocarbon Receptor Biology" in the *Journal of Comparative Physiology*, Vol. 175, No. 4, 2005.

COMMUNICATIONS: **Dr. Berrin Beasley** presented "Sell This Class! Using Marketing Techniques To Improve Student Performance in the Research Methods Course" at the 75th annual convention of the Florida Communication Association in

Orlando.

Dr.Carolynn McMahan presented "Investigating the Role of Cultural Intelligence on the Effect of Executive Leadership on Marketing Innovation in a Multi-Cultural Context" at the International Academy of Business and Economics Conference in Las Vegas in October. The paper was published in the *Journal of International Business and Economics*, Vol. 3, No. 1, 2005.

Dr. Stephynie Perkins and Christine Kelso Holland presented "In Debt to Brown: A Framing Analysis of Bill Cosby's Remarks on the 50th Anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education" at the Florida Communication Association convention in Kissimmee in October.

CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE: **Dr. Jennifer Wesely** published a chapter titled "Exotic Dancers: Where Am I Going to Stop?" in "Readings In Deviant Behavior," 4th edition.

ENGLISH: **Dr. Keith Cartwright** presented "To Walk with the Storm": Oya/lansa as the 'I' of Zora Neale Hurston's Diasporic Callings" at the Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora Conference in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in October.

HISTORY: **Dr. J. Michael Francis** published the chapter "Población, Enfermedad y Cambio Demográfico, 1537-1636 Demografía Histórica de Tunja: Una Mirada Crítica in "MUISCAS Representaciones, Cartografías y Etnopolíticas de la Memoria," published in 2005.

Dr. Elizabeth Lane Furdell won the first Sheldon Hanft Award, given by the Southern Conference on British Studies to an established scholar in the field.

Dr. Aaron Sheehan-Dean published "A Rich and Varied Field: Current Civil War and Reconstruction Textbooks," in *Civil War History*, Sept. 2005.

MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS: **Dr. Richard Patterson** presented "Analogues of Some Tauberian Theorems for Bounded Variation" at the third annual Summability Conference at Kent State University in New Philadelphia, Ohio.

MUSIC: **Dennis Marks** performed with Arturo Sandoval at an outdoor music festival near Portland, Oregon. He also performed with fellow faculty members **Barry Greene** and **Daniel Gottlieb** at the Savannah Jazz Festival.

PHILOSOPHY: **Dr. Hans-Herbert Kögler** presented the invited paper "Wittgenstein and the Hermeneutics of Social Agency" at the Philosophy Colloquium Series at the University of Central Florida in Orlando.

Dr. John Maraldo gave an invited seminar on the meaning and scope of Japanese philosophy at the University of Chicago East Asian Studies Center.

Dr. Ellen Wagner presented an invited colloquium talk, "Why Plato Never Had a Form of Soul" at Northern Arizona University.

POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: **Dr. Hyunsun Choi** presented a paper titled "How Does Social Capital Work for Entrepreneurship?" in the Fannie Mae Foundation Housing and Community Development Tracking at the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) 46th Annual Conference in Kansas City, Mo.

Dr. David Schwam-Baird published three articles in the *Encyclopedia of the Developing World*, including "Arms Industries" and "Brazil" in Vol. 1, and "The Military and Development" in Vol. 2.

Dr. Pamela A. Zeiser published two articles in the *Encyclopedia of the Developing World*, including "Mental Health" and "Public Health."

SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY: **Dr. Ronald Kephart** published a review of Faith Smith's "Creole Recitations: John Jacob Thomas and Colonial Formation in the Late Nineteenth Century" in *Wadabagei: A Journal of the Caribbean and its Diasporas*, Vol. 8 No. 3, Fall 2005.

Dr. Gordon Rakita published an edited volume titled "Interacting with the Dead: Perspectives on Mortuary Archaeology for the New Millennium" with the University Press of Florida. The work includes 20 chapters which explore anthropological and archaeological interpretations of mortuary practices through time and across various world cultures.

WORLD LANGUAGES: **Dr. Gary Harmon** presented "Ecofilms in American Culture: Re-mythologizing Our Relationship to the Earth" at the American Culture Association of the South conference. His "Ecofilms and Useful Books about Ecology" was also distributed at the conference.

Coggin College of Business

ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE: **Jeffrey**

Michelman, Melanie Stiggers and Dr. Bobby Waldrup presented "Sarbanes-Oxley Implementation: A Case Study," at the North American Case Research Association's annual meeting in Cape Cod, Mass., in October. **Michelman, Dr. Jeffrey Steagall** (Economics and Geography) and **Václav Rericha** presented "A Case Study of Entrepreneurial Spirit in the Czech Republic," at the same conference. **Michelman, Dr. Steven Paulson** (Management, Marketing and Logistics) and **Dr. Earle Traynham** (Economics and Geography) presented "Lessons Learned-Offering an Off-Shore BBA Program," at the Southern Business Administration Association's annual fall meeting in Atlanta in November. In addition, **Michelman** was interviewed in October by *Miami Today* for an article titled "Back-up System for Bankers." **Michelman's** comments were directed at the need for all Florida businesses to be better prepared for the impact of future hurricanes and in particular as a result of the impact of Hurricane Wilma on South Florida.

MANAGEMENT, MARKETING AND LOGISTICS: **Dr. Adel El-Ansary** had his article "Relationship Marketing Management: A School in the History of Marketing Thought" published in the *Journal of Relationship Marketing*. **El-Ansary and Dona L. Harper** also presented: "Venus USA: Swimwear and Fashions," at the North American Case Writers Association, Cape Cod, Mass., in October as well as the special sessions "Marketing Channel Performance Metrics," "The Novelty Is Gone: Internet Marketing's Role for Teachers and Researchers" and "Consumer Trust, Involvement, and Other Characteristics Relating to Online Patronage" at the Annual Conference of the Society for Marketing Advances in San Antonio in November.

Dr. Gregory T. Gundlach (with Kevin Bradford and William Wilkie) published "Countermarketing in the Courts: The Case of Marketing Channels and Firearm Diversion" in the *Journal of Public Policy & Marketing*, fall issue.

Dr. A. C. "Josh" Samli presented "A Strategic Posture for World Entrepreneurs: Spreading Globalization Bottom-Up" at the annual conference of the Academy of International Business and Economics in Las Vegas. The paper was also

published in the Journal of International Business Strategy. Samli also published three Marketing Controversy columns, "Outsourcing Innovation: A True Nightmare," "Help, My Doctor Fired Me" and "What Happened to Our Proceedings?" in AMS Quarterly.

Dr. Reza Vaghefi (with Lou Woods and Michaels Dapril) had their joint research work, "Sustainable Competitive Advantage: The Toyota Philosophy and Its Effect," published in Competitive Advantage; Concepts and Cases under the auspices of Magnús School of Business, ICFAI University in Hyderabad, India.

ECONOMICS AND GEOGRAPHY: Mollie Lawrence has agreed to join the Education Advisory Group (EAG) for the Jacksonville Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. The group is a cross-section of classroom teachers, senior education administrators, business and community representatives.

College of Computing, Engineering and Construction

Dr. Daniel Cox and **Dr.**

Alexandra Schonning presented and published the paper, "Industry Partnerships in Manufacturing System Automation for Project-Centered Engineering Education," at the IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics in October. Cox and Walter Lewandowski also presented the paper, "Design for Automation and Automated Manufacturing of Drug Testing Kits," at the same conference. Cox also served as the conference's publicity chair.

COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCES: Dr. Sherif Elfayoumy has initiated a research effort on a medical information system with wireless access for Shands' Division of Nephrology. The focus of the project is to organize historical medical information on nephrology patients, to be used for further clinical research.

DEAN'S OFFICE: Dr. Jerry Merkel, ABET program evaluator, participated in a computer science accreditation visit at a leading university in the west in October.

ENGINEERING: Dr. Steve Nix is a member of the Model Evaluation Group (MEG) involved in evaluating the computer models used to develop maximum allowable pollutant discharges into the New York/New

Jersey Harbor Estuary. The MEG consists of several experts from around the United States, selected for their knowledge in water quality computer models.

College of Education and Human Services

COUNSELING AND EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP: Marcelle Lovett (with Steve Borowiec) presented "The Eight Cardinal Rules for Continuing Education Department Fiscal Management" at the Association for Continuing Higher Education's annual meeting in Madison, Wis. in October.

Dr. Carolyn Stone represented the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) in a back-to-school radio media campaign. ASCA reported that the media campaign reached more than 17 million listeners.

Dr. Kenneth T. Wilburn, along with Dr. Sharon T. Wilburn and Julie W. Merten, presented "Evaluation of a Rural County Community Abstinence-Only Education Program" and "A Two-Year Evaluation of an Abstinence-Only Program in A Large Urban School Setting" at the Abstinence Education Evaluation Conference in Baltimore, in November.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION: Dr. Cathy Cavanaugh presented her study of online algebra learning at the Virtual Schools Symposium in Denver in October. **Dr. Jan Bosnick** and Kathy Gillan collaborated on the project. Cavanaugh also has been invited to contribute a chapter about her work in K-12 online learning for the upcoming edition of the "Handbook of Distance Education."

Dr. Terry Cavanaugh presented "Assisting the Reluctant and Remedial Reader with Electronic Texts" at the Florida Reading Association Conference in Orlando in October, as well as "Blogging as a Professional Development Tool" and "Integrating Literacy and Technology Literacy Instruction in Preservice Education" at the International eLearn Conference in Vancouver.

Dr. Katrina Hall presented "Reading Aloud to Emergent Readers: Issues of Power, Culture, and Social Justice" at the National Association for Multicultural Education's 11th international conference in Atlanta in November.

Dr. Jennifer Kane participated

in a reception and panel discussion titled "Tivo-Proof Your Message," which was sponsored by PGA Tour Productions at the World Golf Village in October.

Dr. Lynne Raiser has been invited to join the Jacksonville Women's Network. She is also part of a team that will write an arts infusion curriculum for VSA Arts of Florida and Arts for a Complete Education.

Dr. Christine Weber presented a session "Marking the Course - Working on Gifted Issues 2004-05" and assisted local teachers Marilyn Karnuth and Carlene Stalnecker-Jones with the presentation titled "The PCM Adventure" at the Florida Association for the Gifted Annual Conference in Orlando in October.

DEAN'S OFFICE: Dr. Marsha Lupi published a book with Dr. Suzanne Martin of the University of Central Florida titled "Special Women, Special Leaders: Special Educators and the Challenge of Leadership" in October. The book presents viewpoints on leadership by women in higher education, organization, and agency leadership roles who began their careers as special education teachers. Lupi and Martin Iso presented "Leadership in Times of Change: Challenging and Critical Conversations" at the Florida State Council for Exceptional Children's annual conference in Cocoa Beach in October.

SPECIAL EDUCATION: Dr. Sharian Deering recently received the Frank Norwood Distinguished Alumni award from Burleson High School Alumni Association in her hometown, Burleson, Texas.

Dr. Jer Loudenback gave a presentation "Being Deaf in a Changing World" at the Florida Symposium on Early Childhood Hearing Loss in St. Augustine in September.

College of Health

DEAN'S OFFICE: Dr. Lucy Trice presented "Practice and Education: Partnering to Meet the Perioperative Nursing Shortage" and "Exploring Nursing Practice Around the World through Study Abroad" at the Sigma Theta Tau International Biennial Convention in Indianapolis.

NURSING: Dr. Kathy Bloom presented "Centering Pregnancy: A Group-Based Prenatal Care Model" at the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing's 38th biennial convention in Indianapolis.

Dr. Barbara J. Kruger presented

"Community-based Care Coordination for Children with Special Health Care Needs: What Nurses Do" at the American Public Health Association Annual Conference in Philadelphia. Kruger, Linda Connelly and nursing graduates Terri Burns and Katieann Scanlon presented "A Community-Campus Partnership: University of North Florida School of Nursing & the Northeast Florida Chapter of the American Red Cross" at the Association of Military Surgeons of the U.S. in Nashville, Tenn., in October.

Dr. Li Loriz, Dr. Pam Chally, Michele Bednarzyk and **Donna VanLock** presented "Volunteers in Medicine Clinic/School of Nursing Collaborative Partnership" at the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing's 38th biennial convention in Indianapolis.

Doreen Radjenovic presented "Exploring Nursing Practice Around the World through Study Abroad" at the Sigma Theta Tau International Biennial Convention in Indianapolis.

PUBLIC HEALTH: Dr. Jeanne Patterson presented a paper on Ethical Auditing and Customer Satisfaction in Rehabilitation at the National Rehabilitation Association's annual conference in Alexandria, Va.

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Continuing Education

Steve Borowiec (with Marcelle Lovett) presented "The Eight Cardinal Rules for Continuing Education Department Fiscal Management" at the Association for Continuing Higher Education's annual meeting in Madison, Wis., in October. Borowiec was also appointed to the American Society for Training & Development NAC (National Advisors for Chapters) for 2006-2008. The NAC is charged with providing strategic direction and leadership in the development and support of ASTD chapters, members and the international association.

Owens' legacy at UNF includes race-relations, prison studies

By TOM CAIN
Staff Writer

For several years, Dr. Charles Owens and Dr. Jeffrey Will have co-authored a study on race relations in Jacksonville. Their latest work titled "The Song Remains the Same: The Resistance of Racial Attitudes and Perceptions to Change over Time" will be their last collaboration for a while.

Owens, 67, a criminal justice professor, is retiring next month after 21 years at UNF. Sitting in his office, surrounded by scores of books and papers, he talked about the significance of the study on race relations. The study was prepared for the Jacksonville Human Rights Commission.

"I think it's important that we keep track of people's perceptions so we can see the differences. That way we can create ways to improve existing programs," he said.

Owens said two major conclusions emerged from the study, which included public-opinion surveys, face-to-face interviews and the examination of census data. One is the gap between blacks and whites regarding the per-



Charles Owens

KELLY TRUE

ception of race relations. The other is that there has been little change in these perceptions over the eight-year duration of the annual study.

Stated briefly, these perceptions are that the vast majority of blacks, while acknowledging some improvement over the years, do not see race relations as being good or very good. This contrasts with the whites who participated in the study. Nearly half of them said race relations at the current time are good or very good.

Owens called the race-relations study his second proudest accomplishment during his time at UNF. No. 1 on his list of accomplishments is a classification system he and Will devised for Florida prison inmates.

The system, based on reading ability and other educational and behavioral factors, helps determine whether inmates are sent to a maximum- or minimum-security prison and what vocational opportunities they receive in prison. "This is to help them be better individuals when they get out," Owens said.

"Charles was my mentor on the race-relations study as well as the prison research we did in the mid 1990s," said Dr. Jeffrey Will, an associate professor of sociology and director of the Northeast Florida Center for Community Initiatives.

Asked his immediate thoughts about retiring, Owens looked toward the ceiling, spread his arms — palms up — and said, "Glory be. I've survived 21 years."

Smart's CD dedicated to Bill Brown

By TOM CAIN
Staff Writer

The joy Dr. Gary Smart experienced from the release of his latest CD, "The Major's Letter and Other Songs," was tinged with bittersweet emotions because the CD was the last recording for a friend and colleague of Smart's.

The CD is dedicated as a memorial to Bill Brown, who died at age 66 in October of 2004. At the time of his death, Brown was the distinguished professor of music at UNF. He was also one of the University's founding faculty members.

"Several students and faculty alike just weep when they hear it. I do, too," Smart said of Brown's singing on five Langston Hughes' poems set to music with Smart playing the piano accompaniment. "The last thing he said to me was, 'Damn, man. Your CD is really good. It really is.'"

Smart, a music professor and former chair of the Music Department, said Brown played a big role in getting the CD published because of contacts he had with Albany Records. Smart describes Albany as the biggest and best of a second-tier of music publishers just below established names like Columbia.

Smart's contemporary-classical CD is the culmination of 25 years of writing, re-writing and editing. In addition to the Hughes' poems,



Gary Smart

BETH SLATER

Smart took other works by renowned poets including Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Hart Crane, Emily Dickinson, Sara Teasdale and William Carlos Williams and set them to music.

The CD's title song, "The Major's Letter," is from a letter written to his wife by a Union officer who

was killed during the Civil War in the first battle of Bull Run. The letter was written shortly before the officer's regiment headed into battle. The officer professes his love for his wife and tells her if he dies in battle he will wait for her until they meet again.

Smart's wife, soprano Marilyn Smart, performs several songs on the CD. Soprano Louise Toppin and baritone John Kramar also sing selections on the CD, which was financed by a fellowship Smart received from the Florida Department of State's Division of Cultural Affairs. The CD is available online for \$16.99 at Albanyrecords.com.

Ethics committee course offers answers to difficult questions

Medical ethics committees today grapple with extremely difficult questions involving life and death. However, there haven't been many opportunities for members of these committees to learn from the experience of others in the field.

That's why UNF and the Northeast Florida Bioethics Forum have designed a new course to offer such training.

Dr. Vincent Ober is typical of the members of the first class. In practice for 28 years, Ober is chair of the medical ethics committee at Shands Jacksonville.

He said he was interested in the UNF program to learn more about new interpretations and information on medical issues and for the opportunity to meet individuals in the Jacksonville community involved with similar issues.

Ober is one of 27 inaugural class members. In addition to Shands, members represent Baptist, Memorial, St. Vincent's, Nemours and Wolfson hospitals as well as Community Hospice of Northeast Florida.

Another participant, Kim Brown, works at Community Hospice of Northeast Florida. She said she became interested in the UNF program in her role of being responsible for clinical education for hospice employees.

It isn't only physicians involved in the program. The five doctors are joined by 12 nurses, four counselors and six hospice workers. They come from Duval, St. Johns and Clay counties as well as Volusia County.

The course was developed by Dr. Alissa Hurwitz Swota, a UNF assistant professor and senior fellow in bioethics at the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida Center for Ethics Public Policy and the Professions.

The certificate course consists of one session per month for nine months and represents the first time such a program has been offered in the area.

Swota explained that hospital accreditation requires a defined process for handling ethical problems. Ethics committees are the most common way of handling such issues, but Swota said there are few opportunities for committee members to receive training. A survey of area hospitals ranked assistance with ethical issues

"Bioethical issues surround us in all health care fields, including hospice programs. I appreciate the perspective that there is no 'one right answer' but complex issues to be explored."

KIM BROWN

be as the top need for education for physicians, nurses and allied professions.

Course topics include decision-making methods, health law, cultural and religious diversity, informed consent, confidentiality and end-of-life issues.



Dr. Patricia Hopkins, a Jacksonville medical doctor, discusses informed consent during one of the sessions of the Ethics Committee Education Course.

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Swota said the response from the Jacksonville medical community has been very positive and she hopes to be able to offer the program on an annual basis.

Although the current program will conclude in May, Swota noted the area of medical ethics is constantly changing and the content of the course will be altered to reflect those changes.

Ethical theorist *(Continued from page 3)*

"higher brain death or cortical death." He discussed examples of comatose patients whose families felt "the person was gone, departed, even though the body was still there," saying that "a person is distinct from its human organism."

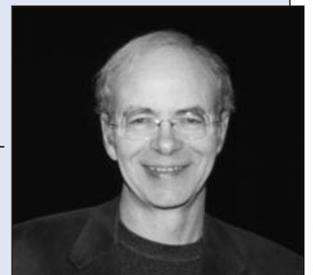
Opponents of Singer's view have characterized his beliefs as saying he advocates killing severely handicapped babies. He said he believes that when life is no longer of value to the person, and is a burden on the family, termination of life should be an option.

During the question period, one audience member asked if such actions would cause more suffering to families. He answered: "If it would cause more, I wouldn't advocate it." Earlier in the program, he said he mentally places himself "in the position of others, others who are the recipients of actions," to decide if he would want to be treated in such a way as living without communication or with a severe handicap.

Singer said "the tragedy of death is when plans are cut short." He suggested many lives around the world can be saved from disease and poverty if people take the view that "we ought to care about saving those who want to go on," instead of keeping alive people who would like to end their lives.

His rationale was best summed up when he said "life is worth living with consciousness."

The event was sponsored by the Distinguished Voices Insight and Inquiry Lecture Series, the UNF Philosophy Department and the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida Ethics Center.



Peter Singer

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Disability Center undergoes changes

Like many growing programs at UNF, the Disability Resource Center has reached the point where more job specialization for Center management is now possible. Specialization is expected to better serve UNF students with disabilities and those who partner with the Center to accommodate both their learning and involvement in campus life.

"We've been fortunate in the last few years to bring relief to a number of our directors by adding assistant or associate directors in several Student Affairs offices," said Associate Vice President Everett J. Malcolm, III. "Last spring, DRC Director Dr. Robert E. Lee requested that he be allowed to modify his management responsibilities but continue in the Center in a role

in which he feels he can be most effective."

This presented Student Affairs and DRC an opportunity to examine how students with disabilities might better be served with a new organizational structure, according to Malcolm. The plan moved quickly when the vice president's office was successful during the recent budget cycle in funding a new DRC senior management position to be filled early next year by Associate Professor of Special Education Kristine Webb, a member of UNF's faculty since 1998.

In becoming the associate director, Lee's focus will change from global to more specific. "In 'Good to Great,' President Delaney's favorite management book, there is a section that speaks metaphorically about

either getting off the bus or moving to another seat," Lee said. "I am very pleased to have the opportunity to move to another seat and specialize in the kind of work that I most enjoy: serving more as a mentor to disabled students beginning with their application for DRC services and continuing this relationship as they pursue their educational goals."

Appointment of a faculty director also gives the Center the opportunity to develop a more comprehensive educational program for faculty with these students in their classes. "And we also are looking toward the day," continued Lee, "when an expansion of our Center will make it possible for DRC to house our increasing inventory of adaptive equipment which aid these students in competing academically."

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Faculty Association accepting nominations

Nominations will be accepted beginning Jan. 9 for the Distinguished Professor Award, the Outstanding Faculty Scholarship Awards and the Outstanding Faculty Services Awards. Guidelines for the awards are located on the UNF Faculty Association Web site at www.unf.edu/groups/unffa/FacultyAwards. Nominations can be submitted via the Internet at www.unf.edu/groups/unffa/OnlineForms/, e-mailed to facasn1@unf.edu, or delivered to the Faculty Association Office, Building 11/Room 1328. The deadline is Jan. 19 at 5 p.m.

New Leadership UNF class announced

UNF President John Delaney has announced the 2005-06 class of LeadershipUNF.

They are Alison Cruess, customer service support manager in ITS, Dr. Andres Gallo, assistant professor of economics, Wallace Harris, assistant director of Physical Facilities, Andre House, systems programming manager in Auxiliary Services, Lance Hunt, Pathways coordinator in Academic Affairs, Ida Gropper, director of the Center for Professional Development and Training, Dr. Michael Lentz, associate professor of biology, Pam Niemczyk, administrative assistant in the College of Health, Rick Roberts, director of Career Services in Student Affairs, and John Sharp, technology support manager in ITS.

This is the second class selected for the innovative leadership program modeled after Leadership Jacksonville. Members will spend the next several months learning all

aspects of the University and meeting with the Board of Trustees, the UNF Foundation and lawmakers.

Child Development Center receives funding

The CDRC has received more than \$61,000 in funds from the Child Care Means Parents In School (CCAMPIS) grant.

The funds will be used to support the enrollment of 15 children of eligible Pell grant recipients per semester at UNF. The weekly discounted rate would be approximately 50 percent of the student rate.

This grant will also support parent seminars and extracurricular developmental activities such as gymnastics, music, and Spanish to provide experiences that otherwise would not be affordable for low-income students.

Sponsored Research Awards Announced

The Division of Sponsored Research has announced the following grants and contracts:

Cheryl Fountain (Florida Institute of Education) and **Jeffrey Will** (Sociology and Anthropology), \$58,147 from the U.S. Department of Justice for the 2004-2005 Florida Police Corps Program

Kathryn Krudwig (Special Education), \$252,000 from the Florida Department of Education for "SUCCEED UNF – An Alternative Teacher Certification Program"

Michele Moore (Public Health), \$32,424 from the University of Florida and the National Institute on Drug Abuse for "Brief Positive Image Communications for Adolescents 2004-2005"

UNF recycling program saves money and environment

By JULIE WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

Like clockwork, Jerry Garner and his sidekicks Daniel Texada and Andrew Leatherby show up each week in UNF's offices, classrooms and designated locations, ready to get down to business. Although some know them by name, many others across campus know them simply as the UNF "recycling guys."

Garner and his crew appear bright and early each Monday morning to collect boxloads of newspapers, used office paper and cardboard from the Office of Marketing and Publications. They come equipped not only with a large rolling cart to haul away the collected items, but also familiar smiles and greetings that help jumpstart the week. Jerry's gang is here once again, so we all know it's Monday and a new workweek has begun.

As the head of UNF's recycling program Garner's workweek involves much more than just emptying recycling containers and hauling their contents off into the great unknown. He and his team are kept busy with a variety of tasks, including sorting recyclables and discarding the "bad stuff," shredding documents, breaking down wooden pallets and discarded furniture and preparing materials to be hauled off either as refuse or income-producing recyclables.

Currently, UNF recycles paper, cardboard, scrap metal, aluminum, plastic and toner cartridges. Nearly 242 tons of recyclable materials were collected in 2004, generating an income of \$5,586. While this is hardly enough to cover the costs associated with operating a recycling program, it does help defray the costs of the University's trash pick-up.

"UNF's recycling program was started to satisfy a state mandate that says we have to recycle certain materials on campus," Garner said. "Besides, it's a good for the environment. If we weren't recycling this stuff, it would be going into the landfill."

Even with the recycling program in effect, over 222,000 pounds of garbage is hauled from UNF to the landfill each year. According to Matthew Taylor, associate director of Physical Facilities, the University spent \$10,000 for pick-up services of recycled materials and an additional \$60,000 for pick-

up of regular trash. It is estimated that by recycling a portion of the waste on campus the University saves about \$400 a week in trash pick-up fees.

"We're sending a 40-foot semi-truck of paper out of here every three to four weeks," Garner said. "Without a recycling program, that would have translated into a lot of trash."

If there's one thing Garner would like to tell people on campus about recycling, it's this: "Just do it. Recycle, recycle, recycle," he said. "A lot of employees don't recycle anything or they use their recycling boxes for storage."

They also discard non-recyclable items in recycling bins, according to Garner. "We have a big problem with people putting food and trash in the recycling bins," he said.

"We find half-eaten sandwiches, half-empty drinking cups, tobacco spit cups, used diapers, you name it, we find it there."

In his three years on the job, Garner has also found some unusual items in the recycle bins, including wristwatches, calculators, wall clocks, and a garbage bag full of golf balls. "I don't know if people thought these things were recyclable or not, but I found good uses for all of them," he said. "If it can be fixed and reused, I'll find a way."

Garner said he's glad he's a part of the recycling program on campus – and he encourages all faculty, staff and students to do their part by making recycling a part of their daily lives.

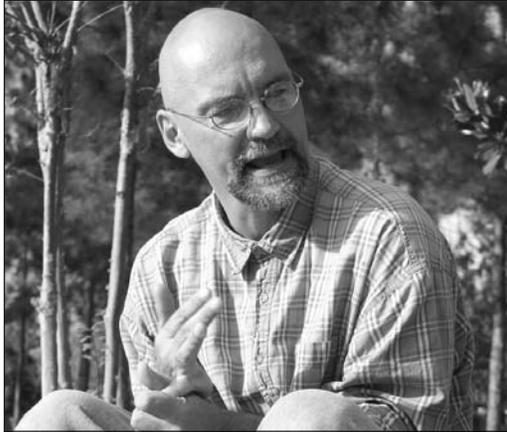
To learn more about the benefits of participating in a recycling program, visit www.epa.gov and click on "Recycling."



Jerry Garner

Faculty Friends program adds new dimension to student experience

Jason Mauro likes to engage his students in conversations about life that go beyond a particular curriculum or textbook. That's why he's so enthusiastic about the recent establishment of the Faculty Friends program in Housing.



Jason Mauro

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Mauro was asked to participate in the fledgling program by a former student who is now a resident assistant at the Crossings. The experience left him convinced that the program is an excellent way to provide the individual interaction that is so prized by students at UNF.

"A university should be a community of learning, not just focused on academics," he said. "It should be a place where ideas come to life."

That philosophy explains why Mauro, an associate professor of English, found the interaction with students so rewarding. In a classroom setting, Mauro explained that students often expect the conversation to be more one-way. However, in the Faculty Friends program there is opportunity for more two-way dialogue.

Mauro said as a faculty member the experience reminded him that a university

experience "isn't about me and what I teach but more about the interaction between faculty members and our students."

He noted that the intimate atmosphere created by the student interaction in a lounge of a residence hall may help to reinvigorate the one-on-one relationships that characterized UNF in its earlier years. "I'm encouraged that President Delaney recognizes that we can't lose that aspect of UNF as we continue to grow," he added.

Mauro is one of several faculty members who have visited residence halls throughout the fall semester to present 15-to-20 minute programs on their areas of interest. Students have an opportunity to ask questions after each presentation to learn more about a subject.

Faculty interested in participating in the Faculty Friends program for the spring semester can contact Lynell Hodge at ext. 4674 or e-mail her at lhodge@unf.edu.

Get to Know: Barbara Tuck

Department: Library

Job: Reference librarian, Library Webmaster

Years at UNF: 14

WHAT'S/WHO'S YOUR FAVORITE

Author - It changes monthly. Right now I'm listening to the Stephanie Plum mysteries by Janet Evanovich and laughing all the way to and from work. I get really strange looks at stoplights. It's a great way to start and end the work day.

Movie - My all-time favorite is "Aliens" – the second one. It was the first movie that allowed women to be real kick-butt heroines. Sci-fi movies are my favorites. This year's "Serenity" was excellent.

Actor/Actress - Ben Browder of "Farscape" fame – my all-time favorite television show. Want to know more about it? Look at www.farwhat.com.

Musician/Musical Group - Charlotte Mabrey's classes made me love all kinds of music. I listen to just about anything on NPR.

Sports Team - Jaguars, New Jersey Nets

Vacation destination - Alpine, Texas, where my husband is building an adobe vacation home overlooking the desert mountains of West Texas.

Hobby - Working in my yard. I have a wonderful butterfly garden and a wildflower garden.

Proudest Accomplishment - My masters degree in library science, earned during the time my children were in high school.

Most Memorable Moment at UNF - My graduation from UNF in 1989 with a degree in history and the day the Library called to say that I had the reference librarian job!



Barbara Tuck

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International focus

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observe teaching practices and investigate the availability of locations for possible student-teaching experiences for UNF students.

"The most memorable experience for me was listening and talking with the MSPU students," Hall said. "Our tour guides in particular were very thoughtful and reflective and quite mature."

Both agree that the visit helped break down the stereotypes and misconceptions of each culture and foster long-lasting friendships. "I believe that we helped make their perspective of the world a little smaller when we shared our ideas and hopes and then realized these were not much different than theirs," Hargis said.

Other UNF faculty and staff have recently made similar trips in an effort to gain a deeper understanding and develop relationships with people in other parts of the world.

This past summer, a UNF delegation visited three universities in Spain as a preliminary step in the possible establishment of partnerships with the UNF Spanish program. The group included Drs. Jose Angeles, world languages professor, Mauricio Gonzalez, vice president of Student and International Affairs, Tim Robinson, director of the International Center and Mark Workman, acting provost.

They visited the University of Alcalá de Henares, the University of Alicante and the University of Valencia in an effort to "identify one that will complement existing relationships with universities in Central and South America in order to provide UNF students opportunities to further develop their Spanish language skills by studying at partner schools in different Spanish-speaking countries," Gonzalez said.

"There are tremendous benefits for our students to be in direct engagement with each culture and learn how Spanish is spoken in different parts of the world," Workman said.

As a result of the visit, the University of Alcalá was selected as the partner school where UNF students will soon have the opportunity to study.

The same group also visited UNF's academic exchange partner Al Akhawayn University in Morocco to inspect facilities, review student exchange logistics and discuss overall exchange accomplishments since the initial agreement was signed in 2002. They also extended the contract to continue the program through May 2008.

Gonzalez and Robinson later traveled to China with Drs. Sandra Gupton and Dean Larry Daniel from the College of Education and Human Services, and Drs. Mei Zhao and Dean Pam Chally from the College of Health. The group visited Shaanxi Normal University (SNU) to tour the model school, sign an academic exchange agreement, explore possible collaborative activities with UNF's education students and faculty, and discuss the UNF history and Chinese language program to be offered at SNU this summer. While they were there, the group also toured an elementary school located on the SNU campus.

"The school has English immersion classes which was quite evident when children began to come up to us, eager to show off their English speak-



Jose Angeles, Mauricio Gonzalez and Mark Workman visit the Castillo de Santa Bárbara, a major landmark in Alicante, Spain.

ing skills with cheerful greetings," Gupton said.

They also visited Shandong University to explore possible exchanges for faculty and students from the College of Health. "Our short-term goal is to offer a course on the Chinese health care system to health administration students," said Zhao, who also was the group's interpreter. "We also are interested in exploring additional relationship in other health programs, including public health, nutrition, nursing and physical therapy."

Gonzalez and Robinson then traveled to Masan, Korea, to sign exchange agreements with Kyungnam University and discuss the summer 2006 UNF Leadership Program to be hosted there.

On the other side of the globe, another UNF group traveled to Belize City in September, to host the first-ever international alumni reception. This group included Koren Borges, Drs. Larry Daniels and John Kempainen from the College of Education and Human Services, and Faith Hall, director of Alumni Services.

Sol Yam, a graduate from the UNF master's program in Belize, spoke to the crowd during the ceremony and made an unexpected plea for donations to the Sir Colville Young scholarship fund. As a result more than \$1,000 was raised.

"That's a lot of money to raise on the spot, especially coming from the people of Belize, whose salaries are substantially lower than ours," Hall said. "We were overcome by the graciousness and dedication of our alumni."

All of UNF's recent international trips have one thing in common: their overriding purpose is to provide transformational experiences to students and faculty both here and abroad.

"Our horizons were broadened, our friendships strengthened, our spirits lifted and our chopstick skills challenged to extents we'd not imagined," Gupton said. "For all of this we will forever be grateful."

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This month in UNF's history

By ERIKA TORRES
Student Writer

December 17, 1972

UNF President Thomas Carpenter, Board of Regents Chair J.J. Daniel, and president of the UNF Foundation Inc., Thad Moseley, unveiled two plaques during an Honorary Founders recognition ceremony. Through a fund-raising campaign, 250 private individuals, business enterprises, and civic organizations gave the University \$38,000. The money helped 211 students in the University's charter class with financial aid. The names of 49 donors who contributed \$500 or more to the campaign were placed on the plaque and were deemed honorary founders. The UNF Foundation is a non-profit board that helps raise money for scholarships, professorships, programs and community outreach initiatives for the University. The second plaque listed the founding faculty and staff who also contributed donations to the University. The first plaque is located on the wall outside J.J. Daniel Hall; the other plaque is in the Library's Special Collections Department.

December 27, 1978

A fire destroyed the original Boathouse. Insurance representatives declared the building a total loss. The fire was started in an exterior light fixture on the west side of the building and caused an estimated \$90,000 in damage. Apparently, the Boathouse was closed for the

holidays so no one was hurt in the fire. Campus police spotted the fire around 10 p.m. The Boathouse that now houses Wackadoo's and Sub-generation was reopened in September 1980 and was renovated and expanded in 1994. Flood damage delayed construction of the new Boathouse.

January 7, 2003

Nobel Peace Prize winner and archbishop Desmond Tutu came to Jacksonville to teach at UNF during the 2003 spring semester. His classes filled to capacity during the semester. He also spoke at churches and schools and participated in many community events. Students learned about the archbishop's role in the struggle against apartheid in South Africa. This was his second visit to UNF; his first visit was in March 1999 to deliver a presidential lecture. Tutu accepted an honorary degree from the University Nov. 12.

January 23, 2003

Opera soprano Kathleen Battle and the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra were the first to perform in the Fine Arts Center's



Aftermath of 1978 Boathouse fire

Lazzara Performance Hall. The concert was sold out. The performance hall is the third largest theatrical stage in Jacksonville and can seat 1,400 people. In an editorial published the day before the performance, the Times-Union called the center "a cultural benefit to the community and the university." This fall semester, rock band Los Lobos, comedian Lily Tomlin and gospel and blues group Blind Boys of Alabama performed at the performance hall. The Russian Helikon Opera Theater will perform Johan Strauss' "Die Fledermaus," a comic operetta, Jan. 20 at 7:30 p.m.


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