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NATIONAL RECOGNITION

The Society of Professional Journalists named the University of Florida chapter its most outstanding campus chapter for 2001 at its national convention in Ft. Worth, Texas. SPJ President Al Cross said the UF chapter was the best among more than 120 campus chapters chartered to colleges and universities around the nation. The chapter was cited especially for organizing programs bringing the public and journalists together to discuss issues and for its advocacy for freedom of information. Chapter presidents during the term for which the award was given were **Julie Lyons** and **Kate Palmer**. **David Carlson** is the SPJ faculty adviser.



INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

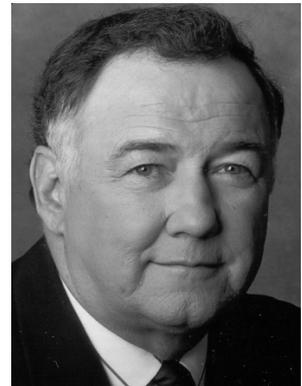
Congratulations to **John Kaplan**, whose project, "Surviving Torture," was shown at the Visa Pour L'image international photojournalism festival in Perpignan, France on September 7. The festival has been described by American Photo magazine as the most important

gathering of its kind in the world, attracting leading photographers and editors. Kaplan's work was shown to an outdoor amphitheater audience of 3,000 who saw the multimedia presentation of pictures, sound and narration projected on an 85 foot wide screen. John also addressed the audience in an interview session with the festival's director, Jean François Leroy.



FREEDOM FORUM PROFESSOR

The college welcomes **Larry Woods**, Fall Semester 2002 Freedom Forum Distinguished Visiting Professor in the Department of Telecommunication. Larry, who earned his B.A. in Journalism at UF in 1963, has won numerous awards during his distinguished career in electronic and print journalism. From 1982-2000, Larry worked as a national correspondent for CNN. Prior to joining CNN, he was editor of *Atlanta Magazine*, a correspondent for *Time Magazine*, and a reporter for the *Atlanta Journal*, the *Today Newspaper* in Cocoa and *The Sun-Sentinel* in Ft. Lauderdale and a sports reporter for the *Gainesville Sun*. Larry's awards include two Sigma Delta Chi awards for journalism and investigative reporting, an Edward R. Murrow National Television Award and Documentary Emmy Awards for *CNN's Coverage of the Oklahoma City Bombing*. Larry is teaching news producing and a special section of advanced script writing.



To **Elaine Wagner** and **Linda Correll**, who designed and wrote the poster, postcard and program for "The Triumph of the Spirit," a memorial concert in Seekonk, MA for of victims of the September 11 attacks. Two musical pieces composed by Linda, "Triumph of the Spirit," and "September Eleventh: in Resignation and Remembrance," were featured at the concert. The latter piece was also performed at Dartmouth College and during a church ceremony in Austin, Texas.

CONGRATULATIONS

To **Justin Brown**, co-author of the article, "Explicating Website Interactivity: Impression-Formation Effects in Political Campaign Sites," which has been accepted for publication in the forthcoming issue of *Communication Research*. Justin's co-authors are S. Shyam Sundar and Sriram Kalyanaraman.



To **Spiro Kiouis**, whose article, "Interactivity: A Concept Explanation," was published in the September 2002 edition of *New Media & Society*.



To **Michael Leslie**, who is co-editor of the book, "Media and Democracy in Africa," recently published by Transaction Publishers at Rutgers University. The book provides the first comprehensive and up-to-date assessment of the role of the media in political change in sub-Saharan Africa.



Michael's co-editors are Goran Hyden (UF Political Science Department) and Folu Ogundimu (Michigan State University).

To **Amanda Reid** (Ph.D.-J.D. student) whose paper, "Operationalizing the Law of Jurisdiction: Where in the World Can I Be Sued for Operating a

FACULTY, DOCTORAL STUDENTS, AND FORMER STUDENTS AT THE AMERICAN JOURNALISM HISTORIANS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

The College of Journalism and Communications was well-represented at the American Journalism Historians Association national convention, Oct. 2-5, in Nashville. **Bernell Tripp**, current president of AJHA gave the welcome and president's address. The following papers were presented:

Bernell Tripp, "Give us Free': The Dual Role of the Amistad Mutiny in the Antislavery Cause."

David W. Bulla (Ph.D. student), "Suppression and Intimidation of Democratic Newspapers in Indiana During the Civil War."

Naeemah Clark (Ph.D. 2002), "Dear, Kent State: Letters to the Editor from May 1970," and "Expanding Efforts: The Evolution of Action for Children's Television, 1974-1979."

Laura Deen Johnson (Ph.D. student) and Tim Ziaukas (University of Pittsburgh at Bradford), "E. H. Heinrichs, History's Forgotten Practitioner: The Battle, the Baron, and the Birth of Corporate Public Relations."

Aleen Ratzlaff (Ph.D. 2001), "'Who Knows': A Dissonant Call to Respectability by the Black Press, 1880-1915."

Aleen Ratzlaff, **Bernell Tripp** and **Julian Williams** also participated in a panel discussion titled, "Celebrating 175 Years of Advocacy."



World Wide WebPage?" has been accepted for publication in *Communication Law & Policy*.

To **Marilyn Roberts**, Wayne Wanta and **Tzong-Hong (Dustin) Dzwon** (Ph.D. 1998), whose article "Agenda Setting and Issue Salience Online," has been published in the August 2002 edition of *Communication Research*.

To **Marilyn Roberts** and **Gary Mattingly** (Ph.D. student), whose paper, "African American Voices and Black Media Perspectives on Reaching Out: The 2000 Republican National Convention," was presented at the 98th American Political Science Association convention held in Boston August 26 - September 1.

MESSAGE OF THANKS

Linda Childers Hon wrote: "Thank you to all of the members of the College family who came together to honor my stepfather, Professor Emeritus Charlie Wellborn, with such a lovely memorial service. The wonderful memories that people shared about Charlie were deeply comforting. A special thanks goes to Dean Emeritus Ralph Lowenstein and Professor Emeritus Buddy Davis for suggesting the appropriateness of the occasion and for their help with planning. I am also grateful to Dean Terry Hynes for her support. And, I especially want to thank Executive Associate Dean John Wright and Executive Secretary Olivia Jeffries for making all of the arrangements."

Public Relations Students and Faculty Attend Public Relations Congress in Cuba

Twenty students and three faculty members of the Department of Public Relations visited Cuba September 23 - 28. They attended the 24th Congress of the Inter-American Confederation of Public Relations (CONFIARP). This was the first time a U.S. delegation of that size attended this congress. **Juan-Carlos Molleda** led the group and was one of the keynote speakers. **Peg Hall** participated on a panel on corporate social responsibility. **Jim Terhune** assisted with the logistics of this international field trip. The largest tourist conglomerate CIMEX offered a presentation about their communication strategies during a welcoming reception in Havana. The delegation visited



UF students and faculty at the University of Havana



Group visits the National Telephone Company ETECSA

the mixed-capital (Italian-Cuban) telephone company ETECSA, met with public relations students and faculty at the University of Havana and visited a school for disabled children in Havana.

About 400 delegates from 14 Latin American countries and Spain attended the Congress in Varadero. Juan-Carlos plans to take an UF delegation to future CONFIARP meetings in Puerto Rico in 2003 and Brazil in 2004.

NEW RESEARCH FACILITY

Lynda Kaid announces establishment of the Research Resources Laboratory in Weimer 2020. Lynda has acquired audio/video and



Doctoral student Daniela Dimitrova and Clay Tucker in Research Resources Lab

take advantage of the software and other facilities in the laboratory.

computer equipment as well as print resources for research projects for the lab. In addition, the laboratory will provide a database of foundations that provide external funding for research projects.

Lynda encourages faculty members to

ON THE CALENDAR

October 9-11: Telecommunication Advisory Council

October 21-22: Knight Division College-wide Job and Internship Fair

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