

## BOOK IT

### Born to be a paid manuscript reader

**John Freeman** is a paid manuscript reader for “Bike Week at Daytona Beach,” which may include up to 100 black-and-white photographs.

The book is under consideration by the University Press of Mississippi.



John Freeman has the experience to be a paid manuscript reader on “Bike Week at Daytona Beach.” In 2001, he captured these colorful scenes at the annual event.

## GLOBAL GATORS

### Särkiö helps new Tanzanian j-school include gender issues in its curriculum

**Helena Särkiö** will travel to the University of Dar Es Salaam in Tanzania next summer for about a month to help include gender issues in the new journalism school's curriculum.



**Helena Särkiö**

In the spring, Särkiö will co-teach a gender-related course, MMC 6615, at the University of Florida with **Ruth Meena**, one of the Dar Es Salaam j-school's curriculum developers.

A professor in the Political Science Department, Meena focuses on media, gender and politics. She's been to the U.S. on two Fulbright grants.

## MAZEL TOV

**Spiro Kiouisis'** wife, **Jennifer**, recently gave birth to a baby boy, **Konstantine-Alexander S. Kiouisis**. He was 20 inches long and weighed 9 pounds and 4 ounces.

Spiro's daughter, **Anastassia**, is now a big sister.

## SPEAKING OUT

### Public speaking is public relations

**Kathleen Kelly** has been speaking to several public relations groups around Florida.

She discussed “Nonprofits and Public Relations: Understanding Society’s Third Sector” at Capital Chapter of the Florida Public Relations Association (FPRA) in Tallahassee; “Fund Raising Is Public Relations” at the Sunshine District Conference of the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) in Fort Lauderdale; and “A Public Relations Primer on the Nonprofit Sector” at the North Florida Chapter of PRSA in Jacksonville.



“Since coming to UF, a number of organizations have invited me to speak,” Kelly said. “I delayed most of the presentations until summer when I could better afford to be away from campus. Now I’m getting a chance to explore my new home state and to meet some of the wonderful professionals who work here.”

Alumni greeted Kelly at each presentation, she said. “Gators are everywhere!”

## TROPHY CASE

### Chamberlin wins international award

**Bill F. Chamberlin** recently won the Applied/Public Policy Research Award from the Washington, D.C.-based International Communication Association (ICA).

“The award meant a lot,” Chamberlin said. “It’s the first academic recognition of our unique research project.”

He received it for his “long-standing leadership in research, education and public service directed at improving open meetings and open records law in government at all levels,” according to an ICA news release.



**Bill Chamberlin**

## PAPER TRAIL

### Gators address telecommunication, ‘Cross-national conflict shifting’

**Justin Brown** and several students presented papers at the recent National Cable Telecommunication Association’s Academic Seminar.

Brown presented “Exploring Alternatives to Digital Must-Carry.”

Doctoral Student **Nissa Laughner** presented “The Cable Netherworld: Exploring the Limits of Cable Property Rights and their Implications From a Fifth And 14th Amendment Perspective.”

And master’s students **Jong-Hyuok Jung** and **Yang-Hwan Lee** presented “Internet Business Strategy for Multiple System Operators (MSOs): Exploratory Study of Multiple System Operators Web site.”

*Journalism Studies* accepted “Cross-national conflict shifting: Expanding a theory of global public relations management through quantitative content analysis” for publications. It was written by **Juan-Carlos Molleda**; **Colleen Connolly-Ahern, PhD 2004**; and **Candace Quinn, MAAC 2003**.



**Justin Brown**

## JUST HIRED

**Cynthia Watts-Thomas** recently joined the Department of Advertising as senior secretary.



**Cynthia Watts-Thomas**

She has been working at the University of Florida since 1988. She served as senior secretary at the Academic Advising Center since 1991. She also worked at the TREEO Center and Dairy Science Department.

Prior to coming to UF, she worked at the North Florida Regional Medical Center for 14 years.

**CALENDAR**

**Aug. 6:** Summer B ends

**Aug. 7:** Graduation

**Aug. 16:** Annual college  
faculty retreat

**Aug. 19-20:** Registration

**Aug. 19-20:** Graduate  
Orientation

**Aug. 23:** Classes begin

**Aug. 23-26:** Drop/Add

**Sept. 6:** Labor Day

**Sept. 16-17:** Rosh Hashanah

**Sept. 25:** Yom Kippur

**Nov. 11:** Veterans Day

**Nov. 12-13:** Homecoming

**Nov. 25-26:** Thanksgiving

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