

Campus notes

■ FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Free lecture on national security by former UN representative

Former U.S. representative to the United Nations Nancy Soderberg will discuss "National Security Challenges: The Next President's Inbox" in a free, public lecture at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at Florida State University. With more than 20 years of experience in the formation of U.S. foreign policy, Soderberg has a deep understanding of policy making and negotiations at the highest levels of government and the United Nations. Soderberg is currently a distinguished visiting scholar at the University of North Florida. The lecture will be held in the Alumni Center ballroom, 1028 W. Tennessee St.

Research gives insight into how climate change may affect Florida coast: Leading Florida-based scientific researchers released two new studies this week, including a Florida State University report finding that climate change will cause a significant impact on Florida's coastlines and economy due to an increased sea level. "The impacts of climate change on Florida's coasts and

substantial, persistent and long-term, even under our conservative estimates," said Julie Harrington, director of the Center for Economic Forecasting and Analysis at FSU. "Should, as many models predict, sea level rise, and hurricane strength and other factors become more extreme, much greater economic impacts will occur along many parts of Florida's coast in this century."

CAPS becomes ally in power-grid innovation efforts:

Florida State University's Center for Advanced Power Systems (CAPS) has joined a prominent national coalition that seeks to transform the nation's electric power systems. CAPS is now a member of the GridWise Alliance, a group of 69 leading companies and academic institutions whose goal is to combine their knowledge and innovation in an effort to increase the safety, reliability and capacity of the U.S. power grid. "CAPS looks forward to contributing to this important effort to achieve a more resilient, reliable and secure power system," said Steinar Dale, director of the center.

■ FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY

MBA students crowned repeat champions: For the second consecutive year, Florida A&M University students were crowned national champions of the National Black MBA Association's National

making history as the first university to achieve such a feat. The competition featured teams from Duke University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the University of Tennessee, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and the University of Texas at Austin. Tifani Davis, from Dallas, Texas; Naomi White, from Greenville, S.C.; and John Hinson Jr., from Miami finished in first place, winning \$15,000 in scholarship money. All three are MBA students in the FAMU School of Business and Industry.

■ TALLAHASSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

October schedule announced for Tech @ Night: Tallahassee Community College's information technology training series, has announced its class schedule for October. Tech @ Night classes will be offered on TCC's main campus, as well as at The Wakulla Center, The Quincy House, the TCC Capitol Center and the Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy. The cost of each one-night class, held from 6-9 p.m., is \$25. TCC encourages interested participants to inquire about discounts and special pricing opportunities. To register or view a copy of the complete Fall 2008 schedule, log on to www.tcc.fl.edu/tech@night. For additional information, call TCC's Center for Economic and Workforce Development