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packing for the road

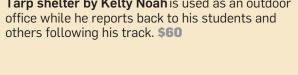
Giraldo will stay at different cities along the way, but for the nights he is unable to get room & board, he will camp out.





Sony Handy cam

DCR-SR40 records



Catrike.com, Earthtechproducts.com, Burley.com, Findmespot.com, oregonscientific.com, Garmin.com, gerberknivesdirect.com, planetbike.com, shimano.com, bellbikehelmets.com, eurekatent.com, coleman.com, acer.com, cascadedesigns.com, wireless.att.com,

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TOOLS

Portable solar panel charger,

equipment. 12W 12V. \$170

charges all computer

SX100 IS Digital

Canon Powershot

Gigapan takes a series of shots and stitches them together, creating one panoramic photo. \$380

COMMUNICATION

Giraldo can edit video and photos and then post updates onto sites like Facebook and YouTube. He can hold video chats through Skype.com.





Start

Camelbak

hydration packs

(2) \$40 each

holds water supply.

San Francisco

Spot Satellite Messenger GPS transmitter tracks location and plots his progress onto an interactive map. It can also send signals to family and friends

Follow along online at tourofdiscovery.com/technology and go to Track Mr. Giraldo link.

Outlook



A 5,000-MILE JOURNEY

Oregon Scientific

monitors UV levels

and temperature.

UV monitor,

CYCING across history to teach a lesson about life

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With all the talk about union contracts, lawsuits and salaries, it's easy to lose sight of some of the great lessons South Florida educators are teaching our kids. So, today in Outlook, we are featuring one of those.

Rafael Giraldo is just one of the roughly 30,000 teachers in Broward and Palm Beach counties. But his summer vacation – if you can call it that – is probably 1-in-30,000.

Why? Let him and his students tell you in their own words on Page 3. And check out the News Illustrated on the gadgets that he'll use to bring you along on his Tour of Discovery—go to www.tourofdiscovery.com.

But while Giraldo's summer travel is unusual, his dedication isn't. Many teachers go out of their way, both in visible and not-so-visible ways, to make an impression on their students.

To all of them, and especially Rafael Giraldo, have a safe and productive summer. We'll be following him on the Internet. Hope you do, too.

Antonio Fins EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

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Read why teacher Rafael Giraldo is cycling across the country this summer and what his students think about his journey. Then tell us what you think by writing to us at letters@sunsentinel.com. Page 3



bike gear

With almost 5,000 miles

day trips because of the

to cover in 70 days, Giraldo can make longer

more comfortable

Catrike \$2,600

recumbent bike by

