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THE UNIVERSITY FURTHER STRENGTHENS ACADEMIC AND STUDENT PROGRAMS

The University continues to expand and further strengthen academic and student programs. Substantial investments are being made in teaching faculty and the academic program. Eight new faculty members were added last fall as part of the build-up to increase the number of full-time faculty from 160 in 2005 to 195 by 2009, and a similar number is expected to be added next fall.

Forensic science and animal science majors continue to grow, along with progression of the doctor of pharmacy program into its fifth year next fall. The animal science major complements the strong pre-veterinary and equestrian programs.

A balanced budget is projected for the current fiscal year, which ends June 30, 2008, and for the next fiscal year.

Construction planned for the summer and fall includes \$2 million of

maintenance and renovation projects on campus, including air conditioning of two major residence halls. Construction will begin in the summer on an animal handling teaching facility on property which the University has purchased adjacent to the Western Equestrian Farm, six miles south of Findlay. The University has also bought a 53-acre property on County Road 166, known as the Rieck Center for Habitat Studies, for a biology field station.

The above information and actions were part of a meeting of the University Board of Trustees on May 1 and 2. Twenty-five regular trustees and four special trustees attended the meeting.

"We had a good meeting," Board Chairman C. Richard Beckett said.



The forensic science major continues to grow. Pictured above, Philip Lucas, instructor of criminal justice, works with two students in a laboratory.

"Trustees are pleased with the progress and direction of the University. We are systematically strengthening the academic, teaching and student programs while improving finances. The University is adding exciting new educational features which will serve well long into the future."

WILKIN, WHITSON NAMED TRUSTEES EMERITI



Trustees emeriti George Whitson and Richard Wilkin

The University of Findlay's Board of Trustees elected Richard Wilkin and George Whitson as trustee emeriti at its meeting May 2.

Dr. Wilkin graduated from then-Findlay College in 1952 and served as a trustee since 1985. He was honored in 1973 as a Distinguished Alumnus, and the University awarded Wilkin an honorary doctor of divinity degree in 1975. In 1992, he was named a

Distinguished Associate. Wilkin was a pastor for the Churches of God, General Conference, from 1951-1970; he then served as the denomination's chief executive from 1970-1987. From then until 1992, Wilkin was the director of the Institute for Biblical Studies, Field Education and assistant professor in Christian ministries at Winebrenner Theological Seminary.

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The mission of The University of Findlay is to equip our students for meaningful lives and productive careers.

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY RECEIVES ANTIQUE COLLECTION

Prescriptions from 1910 and heroin bottles from the early 1900s are just a few items a visitor may find in the School of Pharmacy wing of the Davis Street Building.

Although those items may not be used in current pharmacy practice, they are used in teaching a history of pharmacy class, an elective offered to students. The pieces are among many antique pharmacy pieces donated to the University by Allan and Jennifer Cole, who collected the pieces through a



series of drug store acquisitions in the Cleveland, Ohio, area.

A portion of the collection, with an estimated value of nearly \$10,000, is displayed in four glass cases, also donated by the Coles, in the halls of the Davis Street Building.

In addition to a variety of pharmacy-specific items, the antique collection also includes old telephones, cameras and a pre-electric cash register.

Donald Stansloski, R.Ph., Ph.D., dean of the School of Pharmacy, pointed out a show globe – three spheres connected with glass tubing – which, at one time, was the symbol for pharmacy. He also mentioned a set of scales that operate using a coin feed, although the key for the coin box is gone.

Anyone is welcome to visit the School of Pharmacy and take a look at the antiques on display.



An antique scale is one of the many interesting items donated to the School of Pharmacy by Allan and Jennifer Cole.

STUDENTS COMPETE IN 2008 NATIONAL DRESSAGE COMPETITION, UF TO HOST SHOW IN APRIL 2009

The University of Findlay's Intercollegiate Dressage Association (IDA) team competed in the IDA 2008 National Championships at Mt. Holyoke College in Massachusetts April 25-27. The team earned eighth place overall, and several students earned individual honors.

Dressage is defined as the execution by a horse of complex maneuvers in response to barely perceptible movements of a rider's hands, legs and weight.

In the team competition, the following individuals contributed to the team standings by placing in their respective competition levels: Josh Czapiewski, fourth place; Kate Marsi, second place; Blake Gorinac, 10th place; and Ashley Parsons, 11th place.

Students also competed for individual honors. Five students placed in their respective competition levels: Blake Gorinac, 10th place; Audrey Busby, ninth place; Kate Marsi, eighth place;

Ashley Parsons, fourth place; and Matt Piccolo, third place.

The University of Findlay has been chosen to host the IDA 2009 National Championship competition, which will be held April 18-19, 2009. UF will host approximately 100 riders from the United States, giving UF students the opportunity to take part in organizing a national horse show. Several UF students also will compete in the show.

WILKIN, WHITSON NAMED TRUSTEES EMERITI, CONT.

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"I feel like I bleed orange and black," said Wilkin. "Being a trustee has been an opportunity to pay back the blessings I received as a student here."

Dr. Whitson served as a trustee since 1992. In 1991, he was honored by the University as a Distinguished

Associate, and in 2004, received an honorary doctor of business development degree. Whitson has worked in northwest Ohio since 1965 as a commercial real estate developer. He has overseen development in Findlay west of Interstate 75 and in other areas of Findlay, Bowling Green and northwest Ohio communities.

"This is a wonderful University," said Whitson, "and I'll still be here helping."

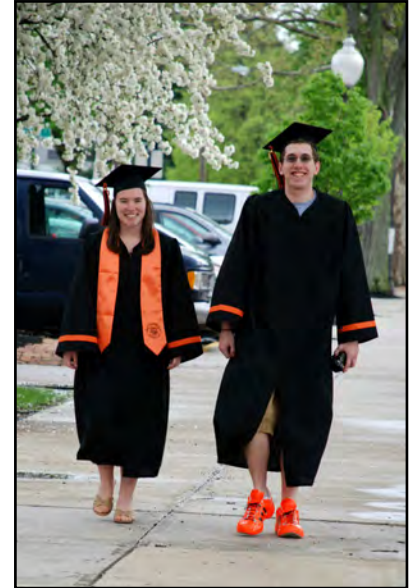
C. Richard Beckett, D.V.M., chairman of the Board of Trustees, presented both Wilkin and Whitson with a framed citation and artwork depicting Old Main. He thanked both men for their hard work and dedication to the institution.

SPRING 2008 COMMENCEMENT IN PICTURES



Will Miller, director of Christian Ministries, and his son, William Miller III, biology major, pose for a photo after the Baccalaureate service Saturday morning.

Additional photos are available on page 4, as well as online at <http://picasaweb.google.com/TheUniversityofFindlay>. Photos were taken by staff photographer Anne Risser Lee.



Graduates Heather Speicher and Jeremy Brown, with his hard-to-miss UF-orange shoes, walk to the Koehler Complex.



A group of master of business administration graduates gets ready to throw their caps in the air following the Arch Ceremony.



A graduate gets some help from his mom before the processional.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER, MOTHER/SON GRADUATE TOGETHER



These graduates had more than one reason to celebrate together as they walked across the commencement stage on the same day. Above left: Patty Lucas, master of business administration, and her



daughter Suzanne Lucas, bachelor of arts in criminal justice administration. Above right: Kurri Lewis, bachelor of arts in history, and his mom Colene Lewis, bachelor of science in education.



Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court Thomas J. Moyer addresses nearly 800 graduates and their friends and family.



Mariann Dana Younger accepts an honorary doctor of fine arts degree from Dr. Freed.

Right, two master of business administration graduates pause on their way to the arch to express their gratitude to D. Richard Stephens, adjunct faculty and UF trustee.



A graduate gets a congratulatory handshake from President DeBow Freed for receiving a master of arts in education.



Rachel Walter, master of arts in education, stops for a quick hug before exiting the arch.



Faculty and students line up for the procession. Pictured: Professor S. Chris Ward, Ed.D., graduates Virginia Wills, Carla Groves, Melanie Bieber, Stephanie Back, Nichole Shoemaker and Professor Robert Rustic.

PICTURE PERFECT APRIL CAMPUS



Visitors routinely comment on the beautiful campus at UF. This spring was no different. Above left, trees and landscaping around



the gazebo provide a picturesque view. Above right, Old Main looks stately with its perfectly manicured lawn.

Photos by staff photographer Anne Risser Lee

MIDNIGHT MUNCHIES PROVIDES BREAK FROM EXAMS



Midnight Munchies was held April 28 in Henderson Dining Hall. The event, held each semester, gives students an opportunity to take a break from studying and hang out with friends prior to exams.



Katie McGee, AmeriCorps VISTA collaboration leader, and Suzanne English, director of public information, serve late-night snacks to students.



Rachel Walter, assistant director of housing and residence life, Brian Treece, assistant dean of students, and Jeannie Sabaroff, a practicum student from Bowling Green State University, refill the salad bar.

Photos by student photographer Mike Blinn

FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS WORTH NOTING

Suzanne Wilcox English, director of public information, was named to the board of the Northwest Ohio Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America in April, serving as diversity chair and liaison to the National PRSA Committee on Diversity.

Also, English presented on UF's process of research, concept, design and development of print, broadcast and Web materials for the [Be] campaign as part of a panel on "Adventures in University Branding" at the Independent College Advancement Associates Spring Drive-In Workshop, held April 11 at Ohio Wesleyan University.

Mary Jo Geise, associate professor of computer science, was selected by the Association for Institutional Research (AIR) to participate as a Fellow for the 2008 National Summer Data Policy Institute on the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) and National Science Foundation

(NSF) databases.

The purpose of this institute is to provide professional development opportunities to doctoral students, institutional researchers, educators and administrators, which will encourage the use of the rich federal database resources for institutional research in post secondary education. The dates of the institute are June 8-15 in Potomac, Md.

Julie McIntosh, Ed.D., associate professor in the College of Education, was recently selected for the National Staff Development Council's Academy. The application process was competitive, and McIntosh was accepted into the NSDC's Academy Class of 2010.

The academy is an extended and profound learning experience that exemplifies the professional learning envisioned by NSDC's Standards for Staff Development. Academy members work collaboratively with professionals from across the nation to learn about and solve significant student learning

problems and gain solutions. They construct knowledge and develop skills necessary to transform their learning, their work and their organizations. The Academy is a two-and-one-half-year commitment.

Quentin R. Skrabec Jr., Ph.D., associate professor of business, is the author of a newly published book: "A Genealogy of Greatness: The Ethnic Shaping of Industrial America." Skrabec also appears in the recently released feature-length documentary "Westinghouse," about the life and times of George Westinghouse.

If you know someone who has done something "worth noting," on campus or within the community or professional realm, send the information to Brianna Patterson, public relations officer, at pattersonb@findlay.edu.

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also are welcome.

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FUN-FILLED FRIDAYS IN JUNE

Staff at the Office of International Admissions and Services, located at 1214 Cory St., will host Fabulous Fun-Filled Fridays for both domestic and international students who are taking classes during the summer session.

Call the office at 419-434-4558 for more information or to register for an event.

Following are June activities:

• **2 – 3:30 p.m. Friday, June 6:** Make Your Own Sundae – Stop by the office to create an ice cream sundae with Dietsch's ice cream and all the toppings. Free of charge.

• **9 a.m. – midnight Friday, June 13:** Cedar Point trip – The group will

travel from the office to Sandusky, Ohio, for a day at the amusement park. Sign up no later than Monday, June 9. No refunds. Seats are limited. \$40 per person.

• **5 p.m. Friday, June 20:** Pizza, soda and a movie – Enjoy a fun evening at the Women's International Welcome House, 342 Howard St. Free of charge.

• **Noon – 3 p.m. Friday, June 27:** Picnic at Riverside Park – Relax with a barbeque, paddleboats and games. Depart from the office at 11:45 a.m. by bus. Sign up by Monday, June 23, to reserve your seat. \$5 per person.

SUMMER MOVIES ON CAMPUS

The Office of Student Activities and Commuter Student Services invites faculty, staff and students to enjoy a movie night on campus this summer. All movies begin at 8 p.m.

Thursday, June 19, "First Knight," AMU, Endly Room

Monday, July 14, "U.S. Marshals," Old Main, Ritz Auditorium

Tuesday, Aug. 12, "French Kiss," AMU, Endly Room