



W. Paul Worstell is pictured at Pro-Tec Coating Co. in Leipsic, which earned the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award for performance excellence during his tenure. Worstell, who earned an MBA from The University of Findlay in 1999, has encouraged the company's associates to continue their education, and 53 have completed degrees while working at Pro-Tec.

COMMUNICATING A COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE AND EDUCATION

Pro-Tec Coating Co., Leipsic, Ohio, has earned an honor few can claim: A Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award. Congress established the program in 1987 to recognize U.S. companies for quality and business performance and to raise awareness about the importance of quality and performance excellence as a competitive edge for attaining organizational success. Of more than 1,300 applicants from 1998-2008, only 79 received awards.

But if asked which business achievement he is most proud of, Pro-Tec president Paul Worstell, who announced his retirement as MainLine went to print, doesn't even mention the Baldrige Award. "Fostering human potential — encouraging young people and watching them achieve things they never dreamed were possible for themselves" brings him the greatest satisfaction, he says with a smile.

Worstell's reply harkens back to Pro-Tec's mission statement, which is to "foster human potential, a spirit of cooperation and technical innovation for the betterment of our industry, associates and community."

One very tangible way Pro-Tec lives its mission is to invest in education for its employees. When Worstell came to Pro-Tec in 1996, he asked the company to provide 100-percent tuition reimbursement for both bachelor's and master's degrees as well as to purchase books for employees.

It's a perk that's been well taken advantage of: The company's 236 associates have earned 53 degrees while working at Pro-Tec — very impressive, especially when you consider that the company, a joint venture of U.S. Steel and Kobe Steel of Japan, was formed only in 1990.

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galvanizing line, I knew we had to build the talent,” he says. “I was expecting one of these associates to put their hand up and say, ‘What are you doing to take advantage of this?’”

Although he hadn’t been in the classroom in 30 years — after earning a bachelor’s at Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio, while he worked in the steel industry in Braddock, Pa. — Worstell, who lives in Findlay, decided to begin taking a course each semester at The University of Findlay, eventually earning an MBA in organizational leadership in 1999.

“Each class, for me, there was great value. I realized there was so much practical application – having work experience, situations to relate to. Nearly every class involved understanding the theory and then going out and applying it,” he says, noting that interacting with professionals in different fields gave him opportunities for benchmarking as well.

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His studies evolved into a relationship with the University, which even offered classes on-site at Pro-Tec, open to both Pro-Tec employees and others who worked at other Putnam County companies or simply lived in the area. Worstell is proud of the human development he’s seen, “young people who came to Pro-Tec in their late teens and early 20s, earned bachelor’s and



master’s degrees, and now have really responsible positions. ... We say to our leadership team: ‘Measure your results in the success of the people who work for you.’”

His own relationship with UF has continued as well — Worstell and Pro-Tec have participated in the College of Business’s Economic Summit in both 2009 and 2010, and he has recently joined the College of Business Advisory Board.

Leipsic and the surrounding area have also benefited: Pro-Tec promotes community service, encouraging associates to volunteer their time as mentors in local schools and supporting a number of charitable organizations and causes including the United Way and Relay for Life.

The company has, not coincidentally, been successful too, holding a position as an innovator in production of coated steel, providing advanced high-strength steels that allow automakers to build lighter, but more crash-worthy, vehicles.

Worstell says he viewed applying for the Baldrige Award as simply another learning process.

“We try to focus on that next innovation. We feel that our strength — our sustainable competitive

advantage — is that we try to do the tough stuff well, what our competitors don’t want to do or can’t do,” Worstell says. “That’s what really sustained us during this automotive downturn, and why we continued to operate when other facilities closed their doors.”

Worstell, who is clearly an advocate of lifelong learning, easily rattles off some of his favorite books on leadership and excellence — and has been known to purchase copies of favorites for all of the company’s associates.

Worstell, who retired June 1, encourages current and potential students to learn as much as possible from their colleagues, including fellow students as well as professors. And for recent graduates, he urges them to be flexible and open to opportunities. “Don’t get so focused on a career path that you close doors that don’t need to be closed. Most successful people will say, ‘I’m here today because there was an opportunity out there that I took advantage of.’ Life has a peculiar way of sending you down paths that you never thought you’d be on.”

—Suzanne Wilcox English



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[Got News?]

Whether it's updating us on what you've been up to since graduation or a nomination for next year's alumni awards, we'd like to hear from you! We'll publish information about births, marriages, new jobs and recent awards or promotions. Send us your news at www.findlay.edu, Keyword: Alumni.

University

In May, The University of Findlay graduated its first class of 49 students to receive first-professional doctor of pharmacy degrees. A formal hooding ceremony took place prior to commencement in which doctoral candidates received their hoods. When it began in 2004, the six-year program was the first new pharmacy program in Ohio in 100 years.

Academics

The University of Findlay is combining its outstanding expertise in health professions with its recognized leadership in computer science and information assurance to offer new courses in the field of health informatics. Health informatics is a growing field created by tremendous change in the health care industry. In 2004, an executive order of the federal government called for adoption of interoperable electronic health records within 10 years. Better and more efficient use of information will help to make the health care system more efficient and effective.

Development

The Dr. and Mrs. DeBow Freed Contemporary Christian Lecture Series was created as a joint effort between the Churches of God, General Conference, Winebrenner Theological Seminary and The University of Findlay. Donors from all three sister institutions contributed to the endowed fund for the lecture series. The lecture series will sponsor nationally known speakers to explore possible Christian responses to contemporary issues in an increasingly pluralistic world. Speakers, who may represent a variety of faith traditions, will engage students, faculty, clergy and community members of all three sponsoring institutions through classes, lectures and small-group discussions. The lecture series is intended to engender reflection, discussion and values-based action.

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[Director's Message]

Greetings Alumni!

We are excited about preparing for Homecoming 2010. Already, some alumni have contacted us wanting to plan reunions; therefore, if you're thinking about

getting a group together, now is the time to call me to organize it. Mark your calendar for Oct. 1-3, and celebrate not only Homecoming but the inauguration of our new president, Dr. Katherine Rowe Fell!

Congratulations to our more than 850 new graduates and our students in the Class of 2010 who received our first-professional doctoral degrees in pharmacy! The Office of Alumni & Parent Relations and the Alumni Association Board of Governors strive to serve those who are so vital to our success ... and this is YOU!!

As a Findlay graduate, you are automatically a member of the Alumni Association, and there are no dues to pay! Here are some opportunities for you to stay involved after graduation:

- Sign up for the Findlay Oiler Alumni Connection (new online directory) at www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Alumni connection.
- Attend alumni receptions and events.
- Become a member of the UF Alumni Association Board of Governors. If interested, contact Dr. Julie McIntosh, president, at mcintosh@findlay.edu.
- Start or join a regional group in your area. Contact spraw@findlay.edu for more information.
- Assist Admissions with recruitment in your area. Call me at 419-434-4589 to learn how you can help!
- Share your good news with classmates in the "AlumNotes" section of the Findlay magazine or MainLine by filling out the "What's New with You?" form at www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Alumni.

If you haven't been back to campus in a while, what are you waiting for? Come back and get connected with your alma mater!

With Oiler Pride!

– Dee Dee Spraw '00, M '07
Director, Alumni & Parent Relations

Alumni Calendar of Events

June 26	<i>Cedar Point Oilers Alumni Day</i>
Aug. 13	<i>Oilers Night with the Columbus Clippers – game time 7:05 p.m.</i>
Aug. 15	<i>Oilers Night with the Toledo Mud Hens – game time 6 p.m.</i>
Aug. 20	<i>NMI/UF Certificate Banquet; Gardner Fine Arts Pavilion, Mazza Museum & Lape Great Hall – 5 p.m.</i>
Sept. 24-25	<i>Family Weekend</i>
Oct. 1	<i>Inauguration of Dr. Katherine Rowe Fell</i>
Oct. 1-3	<i>Homecoming</i>
October	<i>Columbus Alumni Event</i>
November	<i>Cincinnati Alumni Event</i>
Dec. 11	<i>Commencement</i>

For more information about these events, or to volunteer, contact the Office of Alumni & Parent Relations at 1-800-472-9502, extension 4516.

The University of Findlay Homecoming 2010

BACK TO OUR FUTURE

Save the Date!
Oct. 1-3

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Spring Commencement 2010



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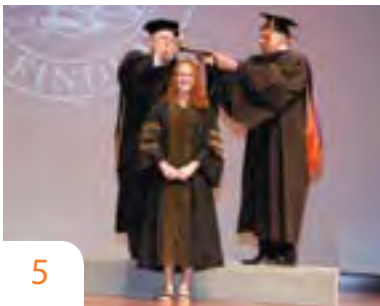


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1 - Dr. DeBow Freed, the 16th president of The University of Findlay, was awarded an honorary doctor of humane letters for his seven years' service to the institution and his devotion to students. 2 - The Office of Alumni & Parent Relations and the Alumni Association Board of Governors sponsored the traditional commencement brunch for more than 930 graduates and family members. 3 - President DeBow Freed (left) and Dr. C. Richard Beckett, chair of the Board of Trustees (right), confer prior to commencement with Brigadier General Patrick Finnegan, dean of the academic board of West Point and president-elect of Longwood University, who served as the commencement speaker.



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4 - Pastor Joel Cocklin '69 gave the baccalaureate message, "A Bold, Passionate Abandonment." He is assistant professor of practical theology at Winebrenner Theological Seminary and also serves as director of leadership formation and director of the master's program in church development. 5 - Allison Alexander, with Dr. Patrick Malone and Dr. John Stanovich, was the first to participate in the College of Pharmacy hooding ceremony prior to commencement. Forty-nine students graduated with UF's first-professional doctor of pharmacy degrees. 6 - Richard Borton, Kyle Wright and Kevin Lanning celebrated earning their bachelor's degrees after walking through the arch ceremony. They were among the more than 850 students who received degrees at commencement on May 1.

Alumni News/Events



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1 - Alumni gatherings took place in Bradenton, St. Pete Beach and Fort Myers, Fla., in early March. Meeting in Bradenton were (l-r) Heather Spraw '12, Clifford Brooks '48, Theodore '50 and Jean Taylor, and standing, Dee Dee Spraw '00, M '07, director of alumni and parent relations. **2** - Randy Kortokrax '87 was inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame March 16, in Kansas City, Mo. With him are: (left) Dr. James Houdeshell '53, former men's basketball coach, and (right) Jim Carr, president and CEO of NAIA. Kortokrax is Findlay's all-time career scorer with 2,575 points.



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3 - Nearly 80 alumni, faculty, staff, trustees and friends enjoyed an evening of jazz and a dessert buffet April 16, sponsored by the Office of Alumni & Parent Relations. **4** - Jack Taylor's Jazz Quartet provided the entertainment for the Spring Thing Jazz Evening in the Gardner Fine Arts Pavilion. **5** - A fun-filled alumni weekend took place April 16-17 at Kalahari Resort and Convention Center, Sandusky, Ohio. Alumni, family and friends gathered at America's largest indoor water park. An alumni dinner reception was held Saturday, April 17, with President DeBow Freed there to give an update. Children of alumni were entertained by STAR (StudentS for Alumni Relations) with special Kalahari-themed craft and activities.



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6 - A group of alumni gathered in Sarasota, Fla., March 25-28. They enjoyed golfing, eating, exploring, shopping, acting, a mystery dinner, talking and laughing! Attending were: (front row) Bob Thoma '71, Tony Palmeri '65, George Bayer '65, Bud Myers '67, Joe Danna '64; (middle row) Sue (Rossman) Whittington '66, Roseann (Keller) Samson '68, June Schertzer-McAllister '67, Barbara (Conroy) Tullis '67, Wanda (Damaski) Bedlion '65; (back row) Bob Abbey '67, Bob Whittington '65, Bob Montgomery '66, Tom Samson '67, Doc Tullis '66, Gary Bedlion '66 and Larry Crawfis '65. **7** - Dr. George and Shirlee Whitson hosted a reception in Fort Myers, Fla., March 6, to honor Dr. DeBow Freed. Guests attending were: (front row) Gail Creager, Dr. Mariann Younger H '08, Shirlee Whitson, Dr. DeBow Freed, Dr. George Whitson H '04; (second row) David Ferguson, Pastor Don Creager '48, Dr. Elizabeth Raker, Becky Asbury, Al and Vera Knueven, Marilyn Hampton, Judy Lloyd Cooper '71, Dorothy Gorr, Dee Dee Spraw '00, M '07; (third row) Arthur Raker, Doug Asbury, Aaron and Michelle '98 Arnold, Ron and Marge Kruse, Dr. Ivan Gorr H '98 and Dr. Charles Younger H '97.



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8 - The 12th Annual Alumni and Friends of Findlay College/The University of Findlay Reunion was held March 26 prior to the start of the Ohio High School Athletic Association Boys' State Basketball Tournament. Receiving special recognition were: Tom Benjamin '80, Miamisburg, Ohio; Rick Gross '83, Lima, Ohio; Daniel Grothouse '77, Delphos, Ohio; Fred Pessell '64, Battle Creek, Mich. **9** - A pre-veterinary alumni reception took place Feb. 27 in Columbus, Ohio, in conjunction with the annual Ohio Medical Veterinary Association Midwest Conference. Professors Linda Peck, D.V.M., and C. Michael Kerns, D.V.M., gave a presentation. Attending were: Michelle (Brogden) Bondra '02, Kelsy Cloutier '07, Brandon Forshey '09, Kelli (Lytle) Gentis '92, Jason Grohman '08, Brittany Gulker '09, Melinda Himler '08, Sean Kelly '98, Gina King '08, Michelle Lindsey '97, Alicia Marcum '07, Michelle McCrory '08, Jolie McCutcheon '97, Mary Ann Montesano '08, Andrea (Whittler) Niese '04, Mary Perkins '99, Stephen Reichley '09, Aaron Silveus '09, Katie Stolte-Carroll '05, Ashley Van Scoy '09, Amanda Wagner '09, and Melissa Wiles '09.

Campus Events



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1 - The UF Singers show choir presented its annual "Family Concert" April 17, directed by Micheal F. Anders, Ph.D., and choreographed by Brenda Hoyt-Brackman. 2 - The Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition, held April 5-23, included 109 artworks by 67 student artists, ranging from painting and graphic design to photography and ceramics. Brier Sterling won Best of Show for her monotype print, "Power Line Pain." 3 - Sigma Xi, a scientific research society, held an installation and initiation ceremony April 19 for Chapter 848. Fifteen faculty members and 27 students were inducted into the initial class. Dr. Gary Johnson, UF dean, and Dr. Joseph Whittaker, national Sigma Xi president-elect, congratulated pre-medicine major Jeremy Mascaro.



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4 - The vocal music and theatre programs presented "The Pajama Game" Feb. 17-21, a romantic and humorous depiction of a fight between labor and management at the Sleep-Tite Pajama Factory. Kara Wilkinson, Heather Williams, Seth Carey and Tony Patti held leading roles. 5 - The University's Black Student Union hosted the 13th annual Black Tie Affair Feb. 13 in the Alumni Memorial Union. The theme for the evening was "A Night in Paris." The court included seniors Queen Shavon Jones and King Luther N. Mayfield II. 6 - Tiffany Sponsler, co-winner of the 2009-10 UF Concerto Competition, performed G.H. Green's "Xylophonia" as a part of the Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble performance, "Of Souls and Salvation," April 19. Jack Taylor, professor of music and director of bands, was the conductor.



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7 - Poster presentations of research projects were a part of the Symposium for Scholarship and Creativity, held April 13. Nearly 140 undergraduate and graduate students gave academic presentations, with more than 340 students recognized for their academic achievements. The event also included alumni guest speakers for each of the six colleges. 8 - Jefferson Thomas, a member of the historic Little Rock Nine, gave a presentation on campus Feb. 2 as a part of Black History Month. He was one of the first black students to integrate Central High School in Little Rock, Ark., as a result of the Supreme Court's 1954 Brown v. Board of Education ruling striking down racial segregation in schools.



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9 - The Curtain Raisers Society for the Performing Arts conducted its eighth Wall of Fame induction April 17, honoring the late William Butler, represented by his wife, Judy; Phil McClurkin and Ginny Laiho.



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10 - A memorial service was held April 17 in the Wilkinson Arena in the western farm for Dale E. Wilkinson, one of the co-founders of the western equestrian studies program. Wilkinson passed away March 12 in Georgia.



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11 - Seniors Laurie Neiling and Adam Houser were named Founders' Daughter and Son at the Symposium for Scholarship and Creativity, held April 13. Each received a \$500 award for demonstrating the ideals of scholarship, leadership and service to others.

Key to degree abbreviations

A – Associate's Degree
B – Bachelor's Degree
C – Certificate
M – Master's Degree
D – Doctoral Degree
H – Honorary Degree

Class years are assumed to be bachelor's degrees unless noted with the codes listed above.

[In Memory]

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Mildred Fern McGranahan of McComb, Ohio, passed away April 4, 2010. At Findlay College she majored in education and minored in business. After graduation she taught for one year and worked one year at the Findlay-Hancock County Public Library. She was a livestock farmer in the McComb area and a member of the Farmers Union. She also was a member of the Ohio Association of Master Gardeners and several garden clubs. She is survived by a sister, **Marjorie McGranahan '37** of California.

'42

Ralph Halson Edie died March 6, 2010, in Bluffton, Ohio. After serving in the Pacific theater from the Aleutian Islands to Australia from 1942-44 during World War II, he was employed by Marathon Oil Co. until retiring in 1984. He was a member of the American Legion, AMVETS, the VFW and McComb Church of Christ. He is survived by a son, retired U.S. Air Force Col. Halson Kent Edie, of Lutz, Fla., and a daughter, Barbara DeLong of Findlay, two grandsons and three great-granddaughters. **Memorials may be made to the Ralph H. '42 and Betty B. Edie Scholarship Fund.**

H '87

Paul W. Hailey of Upper Arlington, Ohio, died Jan 31, 2010. He was director emeritus of the Ohio Department of Education's Division of Teacher Education and Certification, where he served from 1967 through 1990. He was a veteran of World War II and went on to serve the Mansfield City Schools for 16 years as a high school teacher, guidance counselor, psychologist and personnel director. Following his tenure at the Ohio Department of Education, he taught at the graduate level at Ashland University for 10 years and received Ashland's first Lifetime Service Award. He received many other honors during his career, including an honorary doctor of humane letters in 1987 from The University of Findlay. Surviving are his daughters, Joy Tucker of Perrysburg, Ohio, and Sue Anderson of Upper Arlington, Ohio, two grandchildren and a brother.

Mark Newburg '76

Mark Newburg learned an important life lesson at Findlay College: Hard work pays off. It's a lesson he's parlayed into an international career. He visited campus Feb. 11 to participate in the Global Economic Summit and to share his experiences with business classes. His message for students was for them to differentiate themselves by taking internships in other countries now to ensure they are prepared for global opportunities later. Exposure to other cultures "shows you can offer more and demonstrates that you're willing to take risks," he said. "You have to show that you can adapt to different environments."



Newburg is president and CEO of C2 Consulting Inc., a company whose 10 employees are based in the United States, Hong Kong and Beijing. The name represents "It is choice, not chance, that determines success," according to Newburg.

His clients range from financially distressed companies to subsidiaries to be sold to new start-up organizations. In the case of a distressed organization, his consulting firm helps it reorganize and then works with the board of the company to determine if it is able to operate profitably on its own or if it needs to be sold.

In this capacity, between 2001 and 2007, he served as president and CEO of Vending Data Corp., Virtgame Corp. and Aristocrat Technologies, where he initiated restructuring, implemented cost savings and productivity improvements, grew annual revenues and directed international mergers. He honed his skills during a 20-year career with NCR, based in Dayton, Ohio. He came to Dayton in 1981 as an international tax accountant after working for Pillsbury Co. in Minneapolis, Minn. His job at NCR evolved into working with 14 Asian countries in the area of financial planning. In late 1988, NCR asked him to broaden his corporate experience by moving to Tokyo.

By 1995, he was promoted to vice president of finance for Asia Pacific, where he was responsible for subsidiaries in 14 countries. Two years later, he was named vice president and chief financial officer for worldwide field operations, directing financial matters for subsidiaries worldwide in 130 countries with a revenue base of \$7 billion. In 1999, he was named chair of NCR Japan, reporting directly to the chair and CEO of NCR Corp., while concurrently serving as vice president for the Financial Services Division in Asia Pacific and Japan.

Newburg said he has many happy memories of his four years at Findlay College, where he double-majored in accounting and business administration, was a member of the Theta Chi fraternity and became the only athlete in school history to be named an NAIA All-American in two sports – football and wrestling. In 2005, he was named to The University of Findlay Athletic Hall of Fame.

He credited his wrestling coach, Jerry English, for guiding him. "He made me work very hard and always said, 'If you ever lose a wrestling match, it will not be because you're not in shape,'" Newburg remembers. "Basically, the message is hard work pays off."

Despite his very successful career, Newburg says he's most proud of his three children, although he gives his wife, Dawn, "99.9 percent of the credit." As a result of having grown up in Japan and Singapore, their children, a daughter and two sons, speak Japanese and Chinese and "have endless career opportunities," he said. Newburg and his wife live in Las Vegas, Nev.

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Thomas Monaghan of Lambertville, Mich., passed away May 4, 2010. He served in the Navy and was a Korean War veteran. He was a teacher for more than 25 years, primarily teaching seventh- and eighth-grade science and math at Glenwood Middle School in Findlay and coaching track and the chess club. He lived in Palm Springs, Fla., for 11 years, where he was involved with the Senior Center. He was a member of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Temperance, Mich., and previously, St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church in Findlay. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn; son, Tim of Grand Rapids, Ohio; daughters, Shannon Shartell of Pandora, Ohio, and Kendra Monaghan of Findlay; stepsons, Len Lingar of Lambertville, Mich., Jeff Lingar and Randall Lingar; and stepdaughter, Sharon Mullin of Monroe, Mich.; a brother; a sister; 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

[Friends]

Rev. Lynn C. McCallum died May 3, 2010, in Ft. Myers, Fla. He held positions as assistant to the president and director of planned giving at Findlay College from 1981-1985. An ordained priest with the Episcopal Church, he served as rector of St. Paul's in Oregon, Ohio, St. Thomas Episcopal Church of Trenton, Mich., and St. Andrew's in Toledo, Ohio, retiring in 2007. He is survived by his wife, Mary; mother, Dolores McCallum; son, Donald Andrew McCallum; daughter, Jessica McCallum; stepson, Malcolm Campbell; stepdaughters, Leah Campbell and Towle Campbell Hooker; a sister; a brother and four grandchildren.

Janet Bright Miller died April 7, 2010, in Findlay. A graduate of The Ohio State University, she was retired as a special education teacher in the Liberty-Benton and Findlay City Schools. She was a founding member and first chair of the Mazza Enthusiasts Board and was co-coordinator of the Mazza Museum Gift Shop. She participated in the William Shakespeare, Symposium and Meridian clubs, was a 4-H adviser and a member of the Women's Garden Club. She also was a member of First Presbyterian Church. She is survived by her husband, Dr. James A. Miller; daughters, Tracy McMath of Findlay, Shelly Marchese of Sleepy Hollow, N.Y., and Julie Nolan of Columbus, Ohio; and nine grandchildren. **Memorials may be made to the Mazza Museum at The University of Findlay.**

[Class Notes]

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Deb (Cataldo) Cali is a teacher in Orange County Public Schools. She moved to Florida from Long Island, N.Y., in 1986. She and her husband, Peter, reside in Orlando, Fla.

Bernard Vonderhaar II '81

Bernard R. "Ben" Vonderhaar II '81 spoke with students in business classes and gave a community lecture on "The Credit Crisis and Its Aftermath: We're Not Out of the Woods Yet" as a College of Business Visiting Executive on March 26.

He accepted a new position as managing director for Biglari Holdings Inc. of San Antonio, Texas, at the beginning of March.

He is the first employee of the hedge fund created by Sardar Biglari. Biglari assumed the chairmanship of the Indianapolis-based Steak N Shake restaurant chain in 2009, improving its operations and cash flows. Biglari Holdings Inc. will house both operating and investment companies. Vonderhaar is responsible for establishing client relationships, raising capital and marketing new offerings in hedge funds and private equity structures.

Previously, Vonderhaar held positions with WhiteHorse Capital Partners L.P., Highland Capital Management L.P., The Commonfund, Bankers Trust Co. and Marathon Oil Co. He also earned a MBA from Ashland University in 1983.

Vonderhaar presented background information on the credit crisis, detailing governmental deregulation of banking, mortgage and structure finance, and the financial maneuvers of Wall Street and investment banks that led to the credit crisis that peaked in late 2007, calling it a "cataclysmic house of cards."

Although he acknowledged that no solution to the current economic crisis is readily apparent in the short term, he told students that even in bad times there are incredible opportunities. "Find something that gets you juiced," he recommended. "Find something you love, and you'll never work a day in your life."

Vonderhaar noted that he has competed against Ivy League graduates from the time he got into the financial industry, saying "I've been the least credentialed person in virtually every meeting." Despite working with high-profile people, "Amazingly, I never felt ill-equipped academically," he stated, telling students, "You have the same gift. You have the same faculty. Nothing has changed with the professors. The faces have changed but the attitude is ingrained here. It's embodied in here. It is in the fabric, the DNA of the school."

He acknowledged special faculty members who made an impact in his life: Kenneth Buchenroth, Dr. Shiv Gupta, Dr. Ray McCandless and Nondace Campbell.

In addition to his academic experiences, Vonderhaar has fond memories of his fraternity brothers, serving on the Student Government Association, being on the staff of The Obelisk (student newspaper) and playing on the tennis team three years.

He and his wife, Kathy, live in Houston, Texas, and have three children, Ben, 19, Bill, 17, and Margaret, 15.

"What is ahead for you as graduates of this great school? What does this school do for you?" he asked rhetorically. "It will give you a sense of independence. It will give you a sense that you can accomplish great things. You develop relationships. You also will have a better understanding that we collectively stand on the shoulders of giants, of everyone who has come before us."



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Karen (Ewald) Long is a school counselor at Mason Middle School in Mason, Ohio. She directed an agency in Batavia, Ohio, for 21 years until 2003 when she returned to graduate school,

earning a master of arts in school counseling in 2005 from Xavier University. She served as a school-based therapist for a year with Mason City Schools before being hired as a counselor for

Diane Pleiman '92

Diane (Watercutter) Pleiman, vice president of hospital operations at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton, Ohio, is in the midst of the health care reform process. The new bill, which is thousands of pages, will determine access, delivery and payment for health services, and she, like her colleagues across the country, is working to understand the regulations and ramifications.



"I don't believe that the bill as it is written today is going to be what is really implemented, but we're on the right road because we can't sustain what we're doing. We need to change," she said. "We're moving in the right direction. I'm not sure we have all the right things in place."

Pleiman visited campus April 1 to talk with students in the College of Health Professions. She gave an overview of the reform bill as it stands now and answered questions during her community lecture on "Impact of Health Care Reform on the Ohio Health Care System." She also addressed emerging trends in health care technology in two classes.

Pleiman remembers her years at Findlay as a time of exciting changes on campus. "I specifically remember going from Findlay College to The University of Findlay as a big deal when that happened," she said. She also has fond memories of going to basketball games, working for the phonathon and serving as a student assistant for the Division of Teacher Education.

She gratefully recalled the impact of faculty members Dr. Luke Bartolomeo, Sam Littlepage, Dr. Jerry Mallett and Dr. James Houdeshell. Beginning as an education major, Pleiman soon discovered that it wasn't her calling and switched her major to nuclear medicine technology. She found a mentor in Elaine Markon, director of the Nuclear Medicine Institute. "She was just phenomenal," Pleiman said.

After working as a nuclear medicine technologist at Upper Valley Medical Center, in Troy, Ohio, she accepted a position as scheduling manager in 1997, the same year she earned an MBA degree from Wright State University. In 1999, she was named manager in patient financial services at Miami Valley Hospital, the largest health care system in Dayton. She was successively promoted to business manager of the emergency and trauma center, business manager of nursing, and director of nursing financial operations, patient placement and staffing, before being named to her current position in 2007.

Pleiman, who lives in Fort Loramie, Ohio, with her husband, Mark, and their children, Elizabeth, 13, and Caleb, 10, has been recognized for her work and volunteerism. She is a United Way Young Leaders Circle member, was the recipient of the Dayton Business Journal's 40 Under 40 Award in 2008 and was named the 2009 Wright State University School of Graduate Studies Outstanding Alumna of the Year.

"Knowing that you're working in an organization that has a commitment to the community and every patient, regardless of their ability to pay, is very rewarding," she noted. "The mission of the organization definitely aligns with the values that I hold."

the middle school in 2007. She enjoys working with seventh and eighth graders. She and her husband, Tom, live in Milford, Ohio, and have two daughters, Emily and Becca, "who are twenty-somethings trying to find their way in life."

operations in North America. He and his wife, **Vicky (Rutledge '94, M '99)**, reside in Findlay with their three children, Tyler, Spencer and Amber.

Julie (Dean) McIntosh, Ed.D., was named the Findlay High School Trojan Alum of the Month for February 2010. She serves as the dean of the College of Education at The University of Findlay where she has been employed as an associate professor since 2003. She also serves as the president of the UF Alumni Association Board of Governors. She lives with her husband, Bill, and daughter, Britney, in Findlay.

'95

Narciso Munoz (M '02) was appointed director of credit in February 2010 by Hercules Tire & Rubber Co., in Findlay. Previously, he served as divisional credit manager for Cooper Tire & Rubber Co., where he held progressive roles over the past 10 years ranging from international sales to credit and financial risk assessment for its tire operations. He and his wife, Beth, reside in Findlay with their three children.

Jennifer Polsgrove and Al Wilkinson were married April 10, 2010. She is a veterinarian with Animal Care Veterinary Hospital in Murfreesboro, Tenn., and he is a landscape architect with Barge Cauthen and Associates in Nashville, Tenn. They live in Murfreesboro.

'96

Mike and Kara (Anderson '01) Clouse announce the birth of a son, Grady Monroe, born on Feb. 14, 2010. The family lives in Blacklick, Ohio.

'97

Eric and Tessa (Warner '99) Pekarcik welcomed a daughter, Josephine Elizabeth, born March 30, 2010. They live in Columbus, Ohio.

'99

Craig Aukerman was named defensive assistant for the Denver Broncos in February, his first position coaching at the NFL level. He has coached in the past 10 seasons at the collegiate level: as a linebackers coach at Kent State University in 2009; as a linebackers coach and special teams coordinator at the University of Miami (Ohio) from 2005-08; as an outside linebackers coach, special teams coordinator and inside linebackers coach at Western Kentucky University in 2003-04; as a defensive backs coach while a graduate assistant at Miami in 2001-02; and as a wide receivers coach at The University of Findlay in 2000. He and his wife, Summer, have a son, Cayden.

'00

Julie (Marckel) Stull and her husband, Brock, welcomed a son, Zachary Bryce, born Jan. 27, 2010. She is a clinical supervisor at Nationwide

'90

Steve Bihn (M '03) was promoted in February 2009 to manager of distribution operations at Cooper Tire & Rubber, Co. He oversees all warehousing

Children's Hospital Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders. The family lives in Columbus, Ohio.

Thomas "Chip" Roush Jr. and his wife, Lindsey, are the proud parents of a baby girl, Lexi Elise, born March 1, 2010. He is senior director of safety and emergency response for Ergon-West Virginia Inc. The family lives in Leetonia, Ohio.

'01

Jennalee (Gates) Kaufmann and her husband, Adam, have moved to the Cleveland area so he can attend Case Western University. She teaches English as a second language at Lakewood City Schools. This was her first year back to teaching after staying home for three years with their sons, ages 5 and 3.

Mary (Kear) Jones and her husband, Cody, are the parents of a new baby boy, Winston Ford, born Jan. 26, 2010. She is a fifth-grade teacher at Wynford Elementary School in Bucyrus, Ohio. The family resides in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Brianne (Warnecke) Minter and her husband, Paul, announce the birth of a son, Paul Andrew Minter Jr., born Jan. 20, 2010. They also have a daughter, Annemarie Elizabeth, 3. Brianne is a second-grade teacher for Shawnee Schools. The family lives in Dola, Ohio.

Brent Nenadal and his wife, April, are the proud parents of a baby boy, Oliver Anderson, born Nov. 23, 2009. Brent is a science teacher at Nordonia High School, Macedonia, Ohio. The family lives in Reminderville, Ohio.

'02

William "Andy" Douglas was elected to the chamber of commerce operating board. He is the operations manager for Best Buy in Findlay. He and his wife, Channon, live in Findlay.

'03

Steve Yarnell was named 2009 Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference Coach of the Year after guiding the Bluffton University volleyball team to an undefeated conference title and an automatic bid into the NCAA Division III regional tournament as head coach. He also serves as an assistant professor at Bluffton. He and his wife, **Kelly (Pohlman '05)** live in Bluffton. She is a first-grade teacher with Elida Local Schools in Elida, Ohio.

'04

Corey '04 and **Amanda (Cramer '01) Coe** welcomed a daughter, Isabella Amanda, March 12, 2010. Corey is an economics teacher and a varsity football coach at Canal Winchester (Ohio) High School. Amanda is a second-grade intervention specialist for New Albany Plain Local Schools in New Albany, Ohio. The family lives in Canal Winchester.

Timothy Jakacki M '98

Accessibility and good recommendations made The University of Findlay's MBA program, which was being offered on-site in Toledo in the late 1990s, attractive to Timothy Jakacki, who was then administrative director of radiology at the Toledo Hospital.

"I had some colleagues who had experience with the MBA program here and had very positive results. I was very impressed by the way the curriculum was designed

around the real-life aspects of the career," he said, adding, "The University of Findlay recognized customer service before it became vogue. The professors came to us; we didn't have to stand in line or go to the bookstore; they were a living example of a marketing concept" (of customer service).

Jakacki completed his MBA in health care management in 1998, and "in 2000, I was offered the opportunity to take the presidency at Fostoria Community Hospital," he said, adding that he found value in nearly every aspect of the degree program.

"Generally speaking, I don't think there is a course I took, in retrospect, that I haven't had to draw on," Jakacki said, even the "dreaded research course" where he learned statistical analysis including regression analysis. "I'm really grateful that I had the opportunity to learn that."

Another aspect he enjoyed was the group orientation of projects. With many different fields and backgrounds represented, "you could draw on each other, and that was an experience in itself."

Jakacki remained at Fostoria Community Hospital, adding the presidency of Defiance Regional Medical Center as well in 2007, and then in early 2009, he accepted the dual presidencies of Bixby Medical Center in Adrian, Mich., and Herrick Medical Center in Tecumseh, Mich.

He advises those interested in the MBA program to get at least three years of work experience prior to applying, which will help them to understand the real-world applications of what they are learning. "Education is no more than knowing where to go to find the information you need. With experience, you can relate what you have learned to the concepts and the curriculum."



Lara McClain-Beltz married Brian Beltz Oct. 9, 2009. She is a graphic designer with First Communications Group in Findlay. He is a plumber/electrician and owns Beltz Home Service Co., Findlay. The couple resides in Findlay.

'07

Bianca Pletsch has a new position as a nurse at Villa Pines and is pursuing a master's degree in nursing. She lives in Friendship, Wis.

'09

Suzanne Wilcox English (M), who serves as the director of public information at The University of Findlay, has been elected vice president and chair of membership services for the Northwest

Ohio Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America, for which she has been a board member since spring 2008. She became certified as an ISO 9000/TS16949 internal auditor during summer 2009. She resides in Findlay.

Thanks to all who have submitted their updates for AlumNotes. Information in this issue was received by May 12, 2010. Subsequent submissions will appear in future issues of MainLine or the Findlay magazine. To submit your information, go to www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Whats new, or send to the Office of Alumni & Parent Relations, The University of Findlay, 1000 N. Main St., Findlay, OH 45840-3653.

2009-10 Sports Review

Football

The Oilers finished the season with a 7-4 record. Mike Chambers, Anthony Fields, Joe Knopick, E.J. Whitlow and Brian Schmeidebusch were named first-team all-Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC), while Montrae Williams was named the GLIAC Freshman of the Year. Fields played in the Cactus Bowl after the season, an all-star game for NCAA Division II players. He is the first UF student-athlete invited to participate in the Cactus Bowl.

Volleyball

The Oilers ended the season with a 15-18 record as Erin Thomasson was a second-team all-GLIAC selection.

Men's Soccer

The Oilers ended up 8-10-1 on the season as B.J. Goodwin and Corey Keister were all-GLIAC second-team selections.

Women's Soccer

Findlay completed its season with a 5-11-2 record. Rosie Parks was named second-team all-GLIAC for the Oilers.

Men's Basketball

The Oilers capped another successful season with a 24-7 record, their ninth GLIAC South title, their ninth consecutive trip to the NCAA Division II tournament and their fifth GLIAC tournament title. Marcus Parker and Nathan Hyde were both first-team all-GLIAC selections. Hyde made 95 three-point field goals to break the school record.

Women's Basketball

Findlay had a strong season that saw the program win a GLIAC tournament game and a Division II national tournament game for the first time in the school's history as the Oilers finished with

a 22-9 record. Audra Mihalic ended an excellent career by earning first-team all-GLIAC honors as she broke the career assists school record with 426 assists during her time with the Oilers.

Wrestling

The Roughnecks were ranked 14th in the nation heading into the Division II national championships, but were unable to place.

Swimming and Diving

The women's team finished fifth, and the men's team was sixth at the GLIAC championship. Lindsay Hatteberg was an All-American in four different events for the women's side, while Nikki Schnell-McCoy earned All-American honors in three different events. Jill Herbst and Brittany Balitzkat also earned All-American honors for the Oilers.

Indoor Track and Field

The women's team ended up fifth, and the men's team took sixth at the GLIAC Indoor Track and Field Championship. Stephanie Charnigo and Raven Clay were All-Americans on the women's side, while Curtis Smithy, Lyndon Johnson, Greg Schaible, Simon Bernard and Derrick Vicars were All-Americans for the men.

Baseball

The Oilers finished the season with a 15-34 record. Dustin Zielaskiewicz led the team with a .366 batting average and was named honorable mention all-GLIAC. Jason Reitenbach was awarded the same honor as well.

Softball

The Oilers finished the season with a 14-35 record. Cali Coppus set a new school record with 59 hits on the season, while Katie Ammons was voted second team all-conference. Coppus and Jaci Messmer earned honorable mention all-league status.



Anthony Fields



Audra Mihalic



Lindsay Hatteberg



Men's Golf

After finishing second in the fall GLIAC championship, the Oilers were 20th at the spring NCAA Division II Super Regional. Joe McGeean was named to the Ping NCAA Division II All-Midwest Region team, and Michael Schmitmeyer received first team all-GLIAC honors.

Women's Golf

The Oilers took fourth place at the GLIAC championship. Andrea Vogt was named second team all-GLIAC and competed at the Division II East Super Regional.

Outdoor Track and Field

The men finished fourth and the women fifth at the GLIAC championship. At the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field National Championship, Derrick Vicars took the top spot in the

discus to claim only the second outdoor national championship in UF history. Lyndon Johnson was tabbed the GLIAC "Newcomer of the Year" and an all-American. Stephanie Charnigo finished fourth in the 800-meter run, while Raven Clay was fifth in the 100-meter dash, both earning all-American honors.

Men's Tennis

The Oilers finished the season with a 6-13 record and ended seventh in the GLIAC tournament. Kyle Collette was a first-team all-GLIAC selection.

Women's Tennis

The Oilers completed the fall season with a 2-13 record and were eighth at the GLIAC tournament. Head Coach Tomas Menec was named the GLIAC Coach of the Year.

May 2010 IHSA Championship

Western Equestrian

The Oilers captured their second consecutive Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) national championship by collecting 31 points in the competition on May 7-9, 2010, in Lexington, Ky.

In team competition, Heather Kiesewetter won intermediate western horsemanship; Spencer Zimmerman captured first place in novice western horsemanship; and Andrew Wolf was rewarded with the gold in open reining. Raquel Frakes was third in beginner western horsemanship; Madison Hallas was third in advanced

western horsemanship; and Katelyn Morehead was fifth in open western horsemanship. The western team also won national championships in 2001, 2005, 2007 and 2009.

Katie Morehead was third overall in the high point rider competition. In individual competition, Heather Kiesewetter was first in the beginner western horsemanship; Ashley Wolf was first in intermediate western horsemanship; Madison Hallas took first in novice western horsemanship; and Ashley Drown was first in advanced western horsemanship.

English Equestrian

The Oilers tied for second with Centenary College of Shreveport, La., at the IHSA national championship. In team competition, Tracie Sidwell brought home a national championship in the walk/trot, and Mary Margaret Fly was first in open equitation on the flat. Christie Barnett was fourth in walk-trot-canter, Jovanna Haddad was ninth in novice over fences and Phillip Flynn was fourth in intermediate on the flat and 10th in intermediate over fences. The team also was reserve champion last year and won the national championship in 2001.



Nathan Hyde



2010 IHSA Western Championship Team



Tracie Sidwell

Alumni Board News



Dr. Julie (Dean) McIntosh, Ed. D.

Dear Alumni:

The most recent issue of the Findlay magazine highlighted the Freed years at The University of Findlay. I am reminded of the theme from the University's 125th anniversary observance in 2007, "Celebrating the Past, Embracing the Future."

I believe we have the opportunity at UF to celebrate the accomplishments of Dr. Freed and embrace the future

leadership of Dr. Fell. The University is financially stable, our academic programs are exceptional and the community support of UF is outstanding. Dr. Freed was supportive of students and was everywhere on campus. Dr. Freed emphasized the importance of student engagement and service to others. Our new president, Dr. Fell, embodies the mission of service to others. She has the opportunity to move the University to a top-tier school in the country. Dr. Fell celebrates the past by recognizing the leadership of President Freed and the Board of Trustees and embraces the future of a

united path to "create a community to which the world will pay attention." Under Dr. Fell's leadership the University will continue to flourish and our alumni will be proud.

The Board of Governors and the Office of Alumni & Parent Relations have been busy planning for Homecoming Oct. 1-3. Please watch the mail this summer for your Homecoming brochure and plan on attending the various events across campus!

In order to stay connected and updated on events, please visit our website at www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Alumni. There are many summer events you can attend, including Columbus Clippers and Toledo Mud Hens games. If you are interested in helping the University in any way, please call or e-mail the alumni office at 419-434-4516, 1-800-472-9502, extension 4516, or alumni@findlay.edu. We will be happy to hear from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dr. Julie McIntosh". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Dr. Julie McIntosh '90, President
Alumni Association Board of Governors