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Welcome to ArchLink!



Greetings, alumni! It's an exciting time at The University of Findlay. On Feb. 8, 2007, the kick-off celebration for the 125th anniversary began with Founding Day. Festivities will continue throughout the year, concluding with Homecoming in October. The theme for the year is "Celebrating the Past, Embracing the Future." This celebration gives us an opportunity to honor our past and also to consider how to best serve the needs of our alumni in the future. Visit the 125th anniversary Web site on the left side of the home-page at <http://www.findlay.edu> or type "125" in the KEYWORD search.

Also, we are working with Harris Connect Inc. on publishing an alumni directory. Please know that any correspondence you receive requesting an update of your records is legitimate. If you have not received an e-mail or a mailing asking for verification of information, contact me at either (419) 434-4589 or spraw@findlay.edu. Please respond so we have your updated information in the directory.

Be sure to mark your calendar for Homecoming 2007 – Oct. 12 & 13. As always, please keep me updated by filling out the "What's New with You?" form at www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Alumni.

With Oiler Pride!

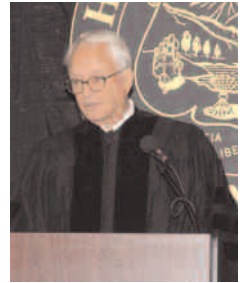
~~Dee Dee Spraw '93, director, Alumni & Parent Relations

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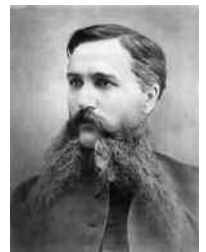
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1. What's Happening on Campus?

- The University of Findlay kicked off its 125th anniversary on campus with the Founding Day celebration on Feb. 8, commemorating the first official board meeting held on Feb. 8, 1882. Festivities will conclude with Homecoming in October. All events will be based on the theme, “Celebrating the Past, Embracing the Future.” The convocation on Feb. 8 included a processional of UF faculty and staff in full academic regalia and a keynote address by Dr. Edwin L. Heminger (right), trustee emeritus and grandson of 1890 Findlay College graduate and former trustee, Isaac N. Heminger. Jack Taylor, director of bands, conducted the Symphonic Band in a performance of “The Odyssey, Symphony No. 2” by Robert W. Smith. A special dinner was held in Henderson Dining Hall for students. Dr. James D. Houdeshell, special assistant to the president, is the chairman of the 125th anniversary steering committee, with Dr. Marie Loudon-Hanes, dean of undergraduate education, and Dr. Luke Bartolomeo, professor of chemistry, serving as vice chairs. For more information, [click here](#). To check out the new Web site for the 125th anniversary, [click here](#).



- On Sunday, Feb. 11, a living history presentation in celebration of the 125th anniversary will be sponsored by the Churches of God denomination, Winebrenner Theological Seminary and College First Church of God at 3 p.m. in Ritz Auditorium. Dr. Rob Guy, pastor of Barkeyville (Pa.) Church of God and a researcher, will portray Rev. John Latchaw, the first president of Findlay College, in an interview with a reporter played by Dr. Dale Brougher, associate professor of religious studies. For more details, [click here](#).



- In the community, the Hancock Historical Museum, located at 422 W. Sandusky St. in Findlay, is hosting the first of a series of three exhibits to recognize The University of Findlay's 125th anniversary. The first display, “Celebrating the Past, Embracing the Future: Campus Growth, Academic Programs and Presidents” opens Feb. 11 and runs through April 29. Museum hours are 12:30-4:30 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 1-4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors.



- The Music and Theatre Areas will present the 2007 musical, “Lucky Stiff,” Feb. 21-25. Performances are in the John and Hester Powell Grimm Theatre in Egner Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. on Wednesday through Saturday and at 6 p.m. on Sunday. Based on the novel, “The Man Who Broke the Bank in Monte Carlo,” by Michael Butterworth, “Lucky Stiff” is the first musical written by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty, who went on to write the musical theatre pieces “Ragtime,” “Seussical” and others. “Lucky Stiff” is a hilarious trans-Atlantic romp from England to New Jersey to Monte Carlo. One of the cast is killed within the first 30 seconds of the show, yet the taxidermied corpse continues to play a primary role. Call 419-434-5335 for tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens.
- Alumni and community members are invited to participate in the performance of George Frideric Handel's “Messiah” with The University of Findlay Concert-Chorale and the Findlay-Area Community Chorus at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 15, in Findlay High School's Heminger Auditorium as part of The University of Findlay's 125th anniversary celebration. A choice of rehearsal times will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30 – 5 p.m. or Tuesdays from 7 – 9:30 p.m. Contact Dr. Micheal Anders at 419-434-4717 or 419-434-5341 or e-mail anders@findlay.edu to register. For more information, [click here](#).

- The Mazza Museum is instituting two new events for families, Funday Sundays and Storeytelling Under the Stars, both open to the community. The Funday Sunday series is being offered the first Sunday of the month from 1-4 p.m., February through May. Children and adults may enjoy listening to storyteller Rand Russell, participating in crafts, observing artists at work and listening to community musicians. Storytime Under the Stars will be held the third Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 p.m., February through May. For more information, [click here](#).



- **Upcoming 125th Anniversary Events**

- o Feb. 11 - April 29 - Hancock Historical Museum display for UF 125th anniversary, open Wed.-Fri., 12:30-4:30 p.m., Sunday, 1 – 4 p.m., 422 West Sandusky St., tickets: \$5, adults, \$3, seniors
- o Feb. 11 - Living history presentation of President John R. H. Latchaw, 3 p.m., Ritz Auditorium, sponsored by the Churches of God
- o Feb. 17 - Black Tie Affair, 9 p.m. – 1 a.m., formal student dance, Alumni Memorial Union, sponsored by Black Student Union
- o Feb. 22 - “How to Double the Number of Scientists, Technologists, Engineers and Mathematicians by 2015,” 3 p.m., Martin Lecture Hall, Brewer Science Hall, sponsored by the College of Sciences
- o Feb. 25 - Helen Reimund Author/Artist Series featuring Lynne Rae Perkins, 2 p.m., Mazza Museum, tickets required, call 419-434-5521

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2. Academic Update

- Tony Award-winner Brian Bedford visited The University of Findlay Feb. 6-7 as the fourth recipient of the Don and Barb Hennigs Chair for Theatre Guest Artists. He gave a public interview and Q&A session in the John and Hester Powell Grimm Theatre, spoke with University classes and was the guest of honor at a reception that included theatre students, faculty and staff. An acclaimed classical actor, Bedford has been involved with the Stratford Festival of Canada for more than 25 years and has starred in more than 20 Broadway productions. He was nominated five times for best actor and won the Tony Award in 1971 for Moliere’s “The School for Wives.” He is also known as the voice of the title role in Walt Disney’s 1973 “Robin Hood” and television appearances in “Cheers,” “Frasier,” “Murder, She Wrote” and others. For more details, [click here](#).
- Education majors are offering a free reading and literacy clinic Feb. 12 through April 18 for students kindergarten through sixth grade. The center will offer diagnostic assessment, intervention strategies and reading services for eight sessions at 5-6 p.m. Mondays or Wednesdays at the University’s reading and literacy center, located at 300 Davis St. Education majors will test the elementary students to assess individual reading levels and will then apply appropriate intervention methods to help improve students’ reading skills. For more details, [click here](#).



- “Vietnam on Campus” is being offered for 2006-07 as the second in a series, with “India on Campus” featured in 2005-06. Dr. Tran Le Hoa Tranh is a visiting scholar from the University of Social Sciences and Humanities at the National University of Vietnam in Ho Chi Minh City of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. During her time at UF, she will host showings of three Vietnamese films and facilitate discussions on contemporary Vietnamese society. Also, an exhibit on Vietnam will be on display in Shafer Library during spring semester. She is also available to speak and lead discussions in classes. On March 20, she will give a public lecture, “Vietnamese Culture and Her Destiny in Globalization Era” at 7:30 p.m. in Pfeiffer Lecture Hall in the Gardner Fine Arts Pavilion. Dr. Hoa Tranh holds bachelor’s degrees in English and literature, a master’s degree in Vietnamese literature and a doctoral degree in the theory of history and literature. Her visit is funded through a grant from the American Council of Learned Societies and the ASIA Network, a consortium of nearly 150 North American colleges working to strengthen the role of Asian studies within the framework of a liberal arts education. For more information, [click here](#).



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3. Alumni News & Events

- **Save the Date**

- o Oct. 12-14 Homecoming 2007

- **Upcoming Events**

- o Feb. 10 Alumni Association Board of Governors
- o Feb. 19 Alumni Reception - Orlando, Fla., 6-8 p.m., Holiday Inn of Altamonte Springs
- o Feb. 20 Alumni Receptions - Bradenton, Sarasota, Tampa, Fla., 6-8 p.m., Twin Dolphin Marina/Mattisons’ Riverside
- o Feb. 21 Alumni Reception - Naples, Fla., 6-8 p.m., The Boat House on Naples Bay
- o Feb. 22 Alumni Reception - Fort Lauderdale, Fla., 6-8 p.m., Sheraton Suites Plantation
- o Mar. 5-9 California Alumni Receptions (Los Angeles and San Diego)
- o Mar. 6 OHSAA Women’s State Basketball Tournament Brunch
- o Mar. 17 Pine Needles, N.C. - Golf, Alumni Reception
- o Mar. 23 OHSAA Boys’ State Basketball Tournament Brunch

To register for any of the Florida events, [click here](#).

- The second reunion to celebrate 100 seasons of basketball was held Jan. 20. Many players and coaches have helped transform UF’s program into one of the elite small university programs in the country. Alumni representing the pre-1950s era: James Federici ’37. Representing the



1950s: Coach Jim Houdeshell ’53 and Dick Krauss ’50. Representing the 1960s: John Steffen ’66, Jerry Carder ’68 and Jim Carder ’68. Representing the 1970s: Dwain Meckstroath ’72, Marty Arft ’72 and Rick Brunswick ’79. Representing the 1980s: former assistant coach Al Baker, Larry Murnen ’80, Rob Strausbaugh ’81, Steve Buddlemeyer ’85, Steve Hoehne ’87 and Sean Dahlinghaus ’88. Representing the 1990s: James Tyree ’91: Bill Riley ’91, former manager and coach Glenn Miehl ’93, Brad Schoemaker ’93,

Greg Denecker '94, Chris Ireland '97, Eric Pekarcik '97 and Ryan Maag '99. Representing the 2000s: Mike Pohlman '00, Drew Mihalik '01, Charles Warren '03, Brad Rethman '04, Brett Dalrymple '04, Matt Metzger '05 and Tyson McGlaughlin '05.

- The women's basketball alumnae gathered together for a luncheon reception prior to the women's basketball game on Saturday, Jan. 20, 2007. The following alumnae returned: Linda (Horner '95) Hoersten, Darlene (Pees '96) Wilson, Lydia (Carpenter '02) Mihalik, Rachel Schroeder '04, Lindsay Leffert '06 and Jennifer (Winright '06) Main.

- Saturday, Feb. 3, 2007, 24 alumni and friends of the University boarded the bus to cheer on the women's and men's basketball teams at the Hillsdale match. The drive to Hillsdale was quite adventuresome due to wintry weather and white-out conditions. However, kudos to our bus driver, Sam Ream, UF employee, who did a fabulous job of getting us there and back safely!



- The University of Findlay has contracted with Harris Connect to compile an alumni directory that will be published and available to alumni for Homecoming 2007. This is a great tool to keep in touch or find fellow Oiler alumni or even network in an unfamiliar community. Harris is contacting UF alumni to get updated profile information for the directory. Please help us ensure that we have the most accurate information about you by filling out and returning the requested information.
- California here we come! The University of Findlay Wind Ensemble will be in California March 4-10. They will be performing at Los Angeles, San Diego and Disney's California Adventure, Balboa Park. The Office of Alumni and Parent Relations will host an alumni reception as part of this trip.

Welcome UF's Newest Little Oilers:

Kelly (Pohlman'05) & Steve '03 Yarnell

Baby girl - Gracie Ann, Dec. 3, 2006

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4. Alumni Spotlight

- **Aaron Osborne '00**, media technology specialist at The University of Findlay, recently earned an all-expenses-paid trip to the Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah. He won the Professional Choice Award in a nationwide contest co-sponsored by Avid and MovieMaker Magazine for his 30-second commercial titled "In the Halls of Avid, One is Many," which also featured UF alumnus Ben Walton '04. Osborne's work was selected from more than 100 entries and was aired approximately 100 times throughout the Sundance Film Festival on the Sundance news station and was seen by festival attendees, including producers, directors, editors, studio executives and Hollywood talent. For more details and to see his winning 30-second spot, [click here](#).
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• **Dr. G. Richard Kern '54**, UF professor emeritus of history, recently reprised his role as campus historian for incoming first-time students. For more than 25 years from the mid-1970s through 2002, Kern presented information about the founding of Findlay College each fall just prior to those students ceremonially walking in through the Griffith Memorial Arch. Kern came to campus Jan. 18 to give his presentation, which was laced with amusing anecdotes as well as historical facts, in historic Ritz Auditorium before a campus audience so it could be filmed. Also invited was Dr. Louis Chenette, who served

as professor music, assistant academic dean and acting president during 1960-72. Chenette conducted the UF band in a rendition of the Findlay fight song, which he wrote soon after he came to Findlay and started the first marching band. Dr. Micheal Anders, professor of music and music area director, concluded the program by singing the alma mater. The presentation was aired on WLFC in late January. Currently, Kern is working on an update of his book, "Findlay College: First Hundred Years," and is writing the institutional history of the past 25 years.



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5. Oiler Sports



• The Oilers men's basketball team, which is ranked third in the nation, secured its sixth consecutive Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference South Division title and currently is riding a single season best 20-game winning streak. Findlay also has won 52 straight home games, the longest in the nation regardless of division. The Oilers have also had three different players earn GLIAC player of the week status, the most in one season for Findlay. Seniors Dorian Bass and Frank Phillips, along with sophomore Josh Bostic (left), received the award.

- The Oilers women's basketball team has had a tough season but is continually breaking school records. Findlay has now set a new record with 446 three-point attempts and are six made three-pointers away from breaking the school record of 145 triples set during the 1999-2000 campaign. Leading the way has been freshman Maggie Gompers (right), who has drilled a team-high 41 three-pointers.

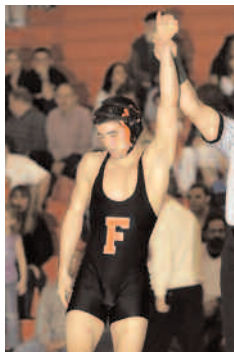


• The women's indoor track team had a successful start to its indoor season, led by senior Danielle Grochowalski (left), who has won nine events in seven meets. Seniors Alana Margraf, Abbie Shook, Pamela Bullock and Emily Gauger have also won multiple events for the Oilers thus far.

• The men's indoor track team members have run well to begin the year, despite having little or no experience at the collegiate level. With a roster full of underclassmen, Findlay's team has held its own against some of the best competition at the NCAA Division II level. One of the few upperclassman, Kendell Simon (right) has consistently finished in the top three in the 800-meter run all season.



- The Oilers swimming and diving teams have had a good season as they prepare to wrap it up on Feb. 21-24 at the GLIAC Championships in Ashland, Ohio. Against Grand Valley State on Jan. 27, men's team sophomores Kyle Johnson and Tim Moon led the way as they were narrowly defeated by the powerhouse Lakers. For the women, sophomore Jessica Wiesner (right) has won five events thus far.



- The Roughnecks wrestling team has had a great season thus far and has been led by senior Andy Uhl (left), junior Antonio Guerra and sophomore Travis Clark. In the dual meet portion of their schedule, Uhl, a former national champion and returning all-American, has an 8-1 record. Guerra, a returning national champion and all-American, posted a 7-2 record, while Clark achieved a 7-2 mark as well.

Check out Oilers sports at <http://www.findlay.edu>.

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6. Alumni Support

- The UF Fund is an essential part of providing an exceptional education for students at The University of Findlay. Since tuition and fees only cover approximately 75 percent of the full cost of the Findlay experience, UF Fund dollars create opportunities for learning and growth that otherwise might not exist. Participation in the UF Fund by alumni is especially important, as it illustrates confidence in the institution by those closest to it. Through the first six months of the fiscal year, alumni are once again showing their confidence in Findlay, with gifts to the UF Fund that total \$56,496 — the second highest total to date in the past five years! We thank you for your generous support! There is still much to be done, though, and if you have not made a UF Fund gift yet, you are urged to do so today. For more information about making a gift, [click here](#).
- Dallas Sterling has been an integral part of the University's School of Pharmacy program since its inception. Sterling is a member of the School of Pharmacy advisory board and serves as an adjunct faculty member. He also has a daughter who is currently enrolled in the School of Pharmacy. In December 2006, Sterling and his wife, Cheryl, took their commitment to the University one step further, establishing the Dallas and Cheryl Sterling Endowed Scholarship Fund with a gift commitment of \$25,000. The fund will provide scholarship support to fifth- and sixth-year students in the School of Pharmacy. According to Dr. Don Stansloski, dean of the School of Pharmacy, the scholarship "will be very important in helping our pharmacy students during a part of their college life when most other financial aid support diminishes. The Sterlings also have showed the rest of us the way to be responsible members of the community by helping young people to take their place in the world."



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7. FYI Campus Newsletter

- Want to know what is happening on campus between *ArchLink* issues? UF has a bi-weekly newsletter called *For Your Information* that is circulated on campus. The newsletter includes feature stories and pictures of campus activities. Check out *FYI* online at <http://www.findlay.edu>, KEYWORD: FYI.

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8. Spread the Word...

- If you know other alumni who would like to receive *ArchLink*, please forward this message.
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