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# Welcome to ArchLink!



Greetings, alumni!

Crystal Weitz, coordinator for the Campus Compact Center for Service and Learning, and Brandon Mooney, orientation coordinator, are seeking alumni volunteers. The University of Findlay's

incoming, first-year students will participate in a large service initiative on Saturday, Aug. 18, during Orientation Weekend and UF needs your help!

This year's project will be the 10th project! As we reflect on the past nine years, we have many successes to celebrate. UF has an established presence and positive reputation in the community.

Each year, more than 500 students, faculty and staff have participated in the Orientation Service Project that introduces new students to the community and has offered service to 30 Findlay/Hancock County nonprofit agencies. We welcome our alumni to join us.

Please complete the form at http:/bit.ly/osp-campusvolunteer as soon as possible, if you can volunteer your time to work with our new students and our Findlay/Hancock County community partners. This is a great way to welcome the class of 2016 and to be the difference in our campus and local community. For more information on how you can participate, see below in News and Events.

Continue, Oilers, to make a difference and spread that Oiler pride as active and involved alumni. To view additional ways to stay connected, visit the alumni website at www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Alumni.

As always, keep us updated on your achievements by filling out the "What's New with You?" form at <u>www.findlay.edu</u>, KEYWORD: Alumni.

With Oiler Pride!

~~Dee Dee Spraw ('00, M '07), director, The Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends

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# **1. What's Happening on Campus?**

Nineteen individuals arrived in Washington, D.C., on May 19 from West Africa to participate in the second year of the Trans-Saharan Professionals Program in Findlay. A diverse group of 15 men and four women, they came from Burkino Faso, Chad, Niger and Senegal, each with a dream. Among them were a civil engineer, an attorney, teachers, a college professor, members of various non-government organizations and other professionals. They met with officials at the U.S. State Department, the United States African Development Foundation, the Corporate Council on Africa, Africare and others. "In Washington, D.C., they learned how to move an idea forward, to make



Dr. Paul Sears (far left) with the delegates in the Trans-Saharan Professionals Program as they received certificates of participation. President Fell (center) hosted a picnic at the Carrothers Home. Mike Mallett ('88) and Dr. Marie Louden-Hanes (far right in the front row) were greatly involved in the facilitating the program.

connections, to seek out funding, to collaborate within their countries and across borders," Louden-Hanes said. The group took a chartered bus to Findlay, where they stayed in the UF Village and spent a week in classroom studies on how to develop a business plan. The second week, they were assigned internships at similar businesses where they could get hands-on experience and advice. The program concluded with the individuals presenting their projects and business plans, and a picnic in which their internship hosts also were invited. The program is funded by a \$600,000, two-year grant from the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs Fulbright Program to address unemployment rates among young adults in Africa. The delegates returned on June 16 to their home countries in Africa to implement their projects. <u>Click here</u> to read more in the June 29 issue of FYI.

In its May 2012 issue, Mondo Spazio featured The University of Findlay's student recreation center in the Koehler Fitness and Recreation Complex for excellence in sports architecture. Mondo Spazio is a digital magazine that showcases sport and commercial projects. The new student recreation center used Mondo products for the track, the multipurpose courts and the weight room floors. In December 2011, the American Sports Builders Association recognized the Koehler Complex for excellence in sports facility construction with an award for outstanding venue in the indoor multipurpose facility division. The student recreation center, which opened in fall of 2010, includes a rock-climbing wall, game rooms, basketball courts, weight room, racquetball courts and Derrick's, a quick-service restaurant. <u>Click here</u> to read more.



Twenty-five high school students from California, New York, Indiana, Tennessee and other states, as well as Ohio, were on campus June 25-29 for UF's CSI Forensic Science Summer Camp. The summer residential camp was open to high school sophomores, juniors and seniors who had basic high school math and science courses. The students attended classes and laboratory sessions where they learned about DNA, forensic chemistry, trace evidence, latent prints, GIS and GPS tracking, as well as concepts

used in analyzing a crime scene. To practice what they learned, the students were divided into teams of five to investigate two mock crime scenes. Then, on their final day, they presented their findings to faculty members who selected the best team based on its members' ability to examine, process and analyze the scene according to what they had learned. <u>See</u> the June 29 issue of FYI.

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# **2. Academic Update**

Last fall, the University received grants from both the BP Foundation and Dominion Resources to help retrofit two University-owned houses with renewable energy and monitoring equipment. In June, solar power was grid tied to 138 W. Foulke Ave., and wind power was grid tied to 146 W. Foulke Ave. The new power systems were installed in an open lot east of 138 W. Foulke Ave. Students, with guidance from Tim Murphy, Ph.D., associate professor of





environmental, safety and health management, assisted with preparing the site and installing the solar panels and wind turbine. They also installed a fence around the site. The houses are the focal points of an ongoing campus project to reduce energy consumption. With four students in one house and five in the other, both groups are developing and implementing ways to save energy and create less waste. Monitoring instruments were installed during the summer of 2011 to measure water, electrical and natural gas use. Click here to read more in the June 15 issue of FYI.

With guidance from Shiv K. Gupta, D.B.A., professor of marketing and economics, several students from UF's master of business administration program presented papers at conferences. In March, Manasa Reddy Rajidi, Ashok Gorrepati, Shyamnadh Kalyanapu and Justin D. Legg attended the MBAA International Conference in Chicago. Rajidi, Gorrepati and Kalyanapu presented "Changing Demographics and Their Effect on the Eonomy," and Legg presented "Strategy, Culture and Implementation – Triangulation of the Three for the Success of an Organization on a Global Basis." In April, Gorrepati, Roshini Durga Paruchuri, Vijay Kumar Godi, Rajidi, Lakshmi Sudha Gudimella and Kalyanapu attended the National Technology and Social Science Conference in Las Vegas. Gorrepati, Parachuri and Godi presented "Merchants Shred Costs of Plastic" and were given the runners-up award in the student papers category. Rajidi, Gudimella and Kalyanapu presented "Strategy, Culture and Implementation – Which is Important for the Success of an Organization?" Gupta attended both conferences with the students.

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# 3. News and Events for Alumni, Parents and Friends

### **Events Calendar**

Aug. 4	Toledo Mud Hens Summer Send-off – 6 p.m. Fifth Third Field
Aug. 5	Columbus Summer Send-off – 1-3 p.m. Hosted by Bob ('57) and Catherine Pritts
Aug. 24	NMI Certificate Ceremony – 5 p.m. Winebrenner Theological Seminary, Room 254

Sept. 22	Oceanside, Calif., Reception – 3-6 p.m. Hosted by Dr. Stanley ('70) and Janet (Maule '70) Swartz
Sept. 29	1992 Championship Football Team 20-Year Reunion
Oct. 6	1997 Championship Football Team 15-Year Reunion
Oct. 21	All-American Quarter Horse Congress Alumni Reception – 1-4 p.m. Congress Hall at the UF Booth
Oct. 12-14	Alumni Homecoming and Fall Parent and Family Weekend
Nov. 9	Reception in Columbus, Ohio – 7-9 p.m. Brookside Golf and Country Club

For more info or to register for events, contact the Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends by visiting the website at <u>www.findlay.edu</u>, Keyword: Alumni, or call 419-434-4516.

**If you would like to order an Oiler Cookbook**, please complete the form online at www.findlay. edu, KEYWORD: Oiler Cookbook. The cookbook is \$10 if picked up at the Stout House at 1015 N. Main St., or \$15 if mailed. If you prefer to order by telephone, please call 419-434-4516.

**Volunteers are needed to help as project leaders for community service projects during Orientation Weekend on Aug. 18.** UF volunteers will get lunch, a T-shirt and our undying gratitude. We set up the projects, groups and transportation — you just have to show up with helpful hands and a smile. We will have a short training session for volunteers directly before the actual service — the time for this training has been figured into the time we need you to be there.

#### Project leaders for groups of students who are doing service projects:

We need 60 volunteers to lead individual groups of first-year students as they serve the community. You can volunteer for the morning or afternoon shift, or if you're really up for a good time, you can volunteer for both shifts! 7:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. – 30 volunteer project leaders needed

11:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m. - 30 volunteer project leaders needed

**On-campus helpers (registration, information, bus patrol, runners, etc.)** We need 16 volunteers to help with registration and "traffic control" at peak points of the day. 6:45 a.m.-9:30 a.m. – 10 volunteers needed

11:00 a.m.-1:15 p.m. - 6 volunteers needed

### Look Who Visited the Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends!



Johnnie Jackson ('07, M '09), Ann Benshoff ('07) and Ryen Carew stopped by the Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends on Friday, June 22. Ann had not been back to campus since she graduated and was home visiting family and friends.





An alumni gathering was hosted by Odell ('65) and Glenda Barry in their beautiful home overlooking the mountains in Colorado on Saturday, June 2, 2012. Front row: Dee Dee Spraw ('00, M '07), President Katherine Fell, Betty Knecht ('94), Jennifer Alber ('98), Odell Barry ('65), Glenda Barry, Barbara Jones, Martin Myers, Akemi Myers; back row: Todd Ahrens, Melissa Burkett ('85), Peter Alber, Roger Fell, Bob Jones ('75).



Imagine the stories that were told when former head football coach Dick Strahm gathered on June 11, 2012, at Duane Tooman's Lake Erie house with former players and coaches. Those attending were: (front row) Coach Jim McIntosh, Dennis Guerra ('79), Denny Maag ('80), Ken Agee ('81), Coach Strahm, Duane Tooman, Frank Molinaro ('79); (back row) Ron Wright ('82), Jim Ryan ('80), Terry Wymer ('82), Kevin Cassidy ('79) and Pat Gibson ('82). Photo taken by Rob Keys, head football coach.

(Left) Joan Smith Edwards ('69) of Vero Beach, Fla.; Katy Sandbert Heller ('70) of Somers, N.Y.; Sandy Baarendse Snyder ('69) of Cincinnati, Ohio; and Linda Spillard Chapman ('69) of Atlanta, Ga., visited the Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends on Monday, June 18. The four of them plan a yearly get-together.



An annual gathering for a group of Findlay College alumni was hosted this year by Bob ('69) and Karen Mc-Calla at their Nashville location during Memorial Day weekend. The group enjoyed planned activities, golfing, shopping and a cookout. Findlay goodies were sent from the Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends. Those who participated included: Bob ('67) and Nancy Abbey, Bob ('66) and Sharon Montgomery, Corliss "Budd" ('67) and Carol Myers, Jerry ('66) and Maggie Savoy, Ed ('67) and Barb Spencer, Dave ('66) and Jill (Cobb '66) Taber, and Bob ('65) and Sue Whittington. June (Columb '67) Schertzer, who has been the promoter and organizer of the annual gatherings, was unable to attend.



On Monday, June 4, 2012, the sixth annual Oiler Golf Scramble took place at York Golf Club in Columbus, Ohio. Two teams tied for first place: Mike Murphy ('72), Doug Gillum, Dave Andreas, Chip Warren, Brant Rhoad ('00), Cory Miller ('02), Curt Sybert and Ben Scherner. Second place went to Coach Al Baker ('73), Kevin Stechschulte ('03), Tom Leddy and John Zitkovic. Mike Davis and Bob Kamerer ('68) won closest to the pin; Kevin Crooks ('05) and Andy Bower ('00) won longest drive; Chip Warren and Mike Freeze ('74) won longest putt. Yet another great Oiler golf outing!



President Katherine Fell (center) and the Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends at The University of Findlay welcomed alumni and friends at a reception hosted June 14, 2012, by UF trustee Craig Crotteau of Ball Janik LLP on the rooftop of his company building that overlooks the White House.



During the reception, President Fell also met with three of five students participating in summer internships at the Washington Center. Shown: Kyle Pahren, President Fell, Emily Nunn and Daniel Clum. (Not pictured: Nicholas Tobiasz and Jacquelyn Cook, who were attending classes)

**Be sure to keep us updated on your marriage and birth announcements** by filling out the "What's New with You?" form at <u>www.findlay.edu</u>, KEYWORD: Alumni, or <u>click here</u>. If you send us an announcement of a birth in your family, the Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends will send your new little Oiler a stocking hat to show that Oiler pride!

# Welcome UF newest little Oilers:

Corey ('04) & Amanda (Cramer '01) Coe Baby girl, Sophia Kathleen, born May 29, 2012

Philip ('04, M '06) & Clarisa (Cox '06) Gunder Baby boy, Grant Eugene, born May 23, 2012

Jason ('08) & Sara (Sterling'08) Zimmerman Baby girl, Ella Grace, born Feb. 21, 2012

Allen ('99) & Kendra Winemiller Baby girl, Bethany, born Feb. 6, 2012

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# <u>4. Alumni Spotlight</u>

## Andrea (Warner) Honigmann '01

Andrea Warner was looking for personal attention and animal-handling experience in her pre-veterinary medicine curriculum. She found both at The University of Findlay.

Warner – now Andrea Honigmann – looked at both private schools and public universities, including Ashland University, Otterbein University, The Ohio State University and the University of Cincinnati.



"Of all the options, UF was the only one that had both small class sizes and hands-on animal handling. I wanted to be able to interact personally with the professors if I needed help in a particular area," she said. "And being a city girl, I wanted to have the additional large animal handling that might make my application to veterinary school a little more of a stand-out."

She found everything she was looking for at Findlay.

"Not only did I get all that I expected, but more in terms of my overall academic experience," she said. As the student assistant to the honors program, through which she earned an honors degree, she took courses in oceanography with Dr. Gwynne Rife and English literature with Dr. Patricia Salomon, which added another dimension to her education.

"The English literature course culminated in a trip to London and the surrounding area," she said, admitting she wrote her supplemental application to Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine while riding the train from Bath back to the group's London hotel. "It needed to be postmarked by the day after we returned home. I did complete it, and vividly remember rushing it to the post office in Findlay before 5 p.m.!"

Her senior project was done in conjunction with a laboratory at the Medical College of Ohio. "The lab that I ultimately ended up working in was studying the stress response in animals and novel methods for population control in wild animals (such as deer)," she said. "My project centered around studying the stress response via cortisol levels in samples from three groups of horses including feral horses, horses captured by the Bureau of Land Management and horses stabled at UF's barn."



Honigmann named several faculty members who particularly helped her in her course of study. "Dr. [Linda] Peck was my adviser, and always had sage advice at the right time." In hindsight, Honigmann said, Peck likely planted the early seeds that led to her eventual role in organized veterinary medicine.

"Dr. Michael Kerns encouraged me to pursue a veterinary education, even though it meant going to an out-of-state veterinary school. Dr. Robert Brennan offered insightful anecdotes in all of his classes. And finally, Marjorie Schott served as

"my sounding board, friend, mentor and cheerleader from the second semester of my first year at Findlay all the way through veterinary school and beyond."

Honigmann earned a bachelor of science degree in biology and pre-veterinary medicine in 2001 and went on to earn a doctor of veterinary medicine from Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine in 2006. "Being a strictly small-animal veterinarian, my early experiences at Findlay Animal Hospital certainly helped to develop some of the skills that I would later use in the fourth year of veterinary school and beyond."

While she would recommend a private, liberal-arts education to anyone seeking a well-rounded, personalized experience, Honigmann stressed the burden that debt presents to anyone who needs

an advanced degree. "Thankfully, UF did help with some of that burden with scholarships, so I did not pay the full tuition amount for the four years that I attended UF," she said, adding that aid, outside of loans, is very limited at the graduate level. "Veterinary medical education debt is an ongoing 'hot topic' in the profession, and at the current time, there are no standout solutions for veterinarians in my generation."

During veterinary school, she completed an externship in California at VCA (Veterinary Centers of America) practices in Fountain Valley and San Diego, and after graduating, worked from 2007-2010 at VCA Smoketown Animal Hospital in Lancaster County, Pa. She then transitioned to emergency medicine, taking a full-time job with Berks Animal Emergency and Referral Center in 2010.

She and her husband, Mark, had a daughter, Addison Marie, in August 2010, and the job suits her family life: "I currently work a combination of weekend day or night shifts and weekly overnight shifts, which allows me the flexibility to be a full-time veterinarian and a full-time mom."

Honigmann is active with the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association, serving as a trustee to the Board for District 6 and small animal section chair for the Scientific Program Committee. In the latter role, she plans and organizes the three yearly continuing education meetings for veterinarians, which allows her to work with world-renowned veterinary speakers and educators.

The Honigmanns share their home in Lititz, Pa., with a yellow Lab, Ridley, and two cats, Dodger and Emcee.

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# 5. Oiler Sports

### Track and Field Olympic Trials

Four individuals with ties to The University of Findlay competed at the 2012 Olympic Trials in Eugene, Ore. Jessica Rowland was 16th in the hammer throw at 204'03; Derrick Vicars finished 20th in the shot put with a mark of 56'10.75; and Raven Clay raced to a time of 13.58 in the 100-meter hurdles, which was good for 32nd place. Former track standout Stephanie Charnigo took 23rd in the 800-meter run at 2:05.28 and was also 26th in the 1,500-meter run after crossing the finish line in 4:19.09. Volunteer assistant track coach Jon Bowman added a 20th-place finish in the discus at 185'09.

### **GLIAC Commissioner's Award**

John Guagenti of the Oilers track and field team won the GLIAC Commissioner's Award for the second time during the winter sports season. The award, sponsored by Meijer Inc., is presented after the fall, winter and spring athletic seasons to six female and six male student-athletes that excel both in the classroom and on the fields of play. All grade point averages are based on a 4.0 scale. Guagenti is one of only three individuals to win the award twice during their athletic careers.



#### John Guagenti

### **GLIAC Sportsmanship Award**

The University of Findlay athletic department was honored with the Great Lakes Intercollegiate

Athletic Conference (GLIAC) Sportsmanship Award for the second time in three years. The award is based on voting by the head coaches of each sport. They rank their first-, second- and third-place choices of GLIAC schools that display the best sportsmanship, on and off the field, for visiting teams. Their votes are based on their experiences while competing on the campuses of each school and the sportsmanship that is shown while teams are competing at their home venues.

#### Learfield Sports Directors' Cup

The University of Findlay finished 17th in the 2011-12 Learfield Sports Directors' Cup standings with a total of 494.50 points. The Oilers ended the year as the fourth best amongst Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) programs as Grand Valley State placed second with 894 points, Ashland was third with 750.50 points and Ferris State came in 15th with a total of 514.50 points.

Findlay racked up 316.75 points during the winter season, the third best amongst the 219 schools in the standings. The University did not score during the fall and added 180.25 points in the spring.

The Learfield Sports Directors' Cup was developed as a joint effort between the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and USA Today. Points are awarded based on each institution's finish in up to 14 sports – seven women's and seven men's.

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

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# 6. Alumni Support

The 125th Endowed Funds Drive, which is a part of the Give Voice to Your Values campaign, has increased its total to 137 endowed funds with more than \$11 million raised toward student scholarships, faculty development and program support. The most recently fully endowed funds are:

• Harada Seeds for Growth Scholarship – Through the generosity of Dr. Fumiko Harada, founder of the Japanese Program at The University of Findlay, the Harada Seeds for Growth Scholarship Endowment Fund was established. This scholarship is awarded to outstanding students of the Japanese program who demonstrate not only academic excellence, but also the ability to contribute to others beyond the program.

• Theta Chi Fraternity Scholarship – In conjunction with the Give Voice to Your Values campaign, the brothers, friends and families of the Eta Mu Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity established the Theta Chi Fraternity Scholarship Endowment Fund. This scholarship is awarded to students who are initiated members in good standing of the Eta Mu Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity at The University of Findlay. Recipients may be in their sophomore, junior or senior year of study and must have at least a 3.0 GPA.

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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 <u>http://www.findlay.edu</u>, KEYWORD: FYI. Return to Top

# 8. Spread the Word...

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

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