Welcome to ArchLink!

Greetings, alumni!

I am honored to announce that through a generous donation from Harold (Herk) Wolfe ('54) and his wife, Patte, the formal name of the Center will be The Harold “Herk” and Patte (Golke) Wolfe Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends. A formal dedication ceremony is planned to take place during Homecoming activities.

The Wolfes have made a $250,000 commitment to the Give Voice to Your Values comprehensive campaign to name and endow The Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends. The funds will provide a permanent endowment to financially support the outreach programs of the Center.

The gift from the Wolfe family is focused on the programs of the Center to engage and involve alumni, parents and friends of the University, rather than a brick and mortar facility. The staff and programs of the Wolfe Center are housed in the Glenn ’42 and Helen Stout House, which is located at 1015 N. Main St., across the street from Shafer Library.

“Herk,” as he’s been known since his college days as a basketball standout, was the nation’s leading scorer in 1952-53 and still holds Findlay’s single game scoring record of 61 points. He was recognized as a Distinguished Alumnus in 1965, was named to the UF Athletic Hall of Fame in 1972 and was honored as a Distinguished Associate in 1994. He also served as a member of the UF Board of Trustees from 2006 to 2012.

As an alumnus, Herk has been loyal, actively involved, a committed advocate and extraordinarily generous. We give our sincere thanks to Herk and Patte, and are deeply touched and honored by their gift.

As always, keep us updated on your achievements by filling out the “What’s New with You?” form at www.findlay.edu, Keyword: Alumni.

With Oiler Pride!

~Dee Dee Spraw ('00, M '07), director,
The Wolfe Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends
1. What’s Happening on Campus?

To help keep UF students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends connected with Findlay wherever they are, the University launched a new mobile app this month. Oiler Mobile is available for iOS and Android devices and is available for free from the App Store and Google Play. The new app features access to varsity sports schedules, scores and news, Findlay faculty/staff directory, calendar of events, the complete course schedule, videos, news and more. A BlackBerry version of the app is in production and will be released in the spring. For more details, click here.

An office suite at Old Main 304 was dedicated Feb. 7 in honor of former accounting professor Kenneth J. Buchenroth through the generous financial support of Ed ('77) and Shirley Urbaniak. Professor Buchenroth taught at Findlay College/The University of Findlay from 1970 until 1992. He was recognized for “his uncompromising dedication and commitment to his students.” Ed Urbaniak is a member of The University of Findlay’s Board of Trustees and is one of Buchenroth’s former students. Urbaniak noted that not only was Ken Buchenroth a “fabulous professor,” he always had time for his students, and he was a good role model in the way that he lived his life. “I can’t thank you enough, along with everyone you taught,” Urbaniak said in tribute to Buchenroth. “Ken Buchenroth was a mentor. He knew us personally.” Buchenroth received an honorary doctor of accountancy degree from The University of Findlay in 1992 in recognition of his service and impact on students.

Donald Lee, Ph.D., an expert on global poverty issues and retired economist with the United Nations, will present “Ending Poverty: The United Nations and Millennium Development Goals” on Sunday, Feb. 17, at 3 p.m. in Winebrenner Theological Seminary TLB Auditorium. His presentation is sponsored by Rotary International District 6600 in partnership with The University of Findlay. Lee, who was a senior development economist for 20 years with the United Nations in New York and Bangkok, Thailand, is visiting Findlay through the United Nations-Rotary Outreach Programme. He is currently chair-elect of the International Committee for Oct. 17, which promotes the United Nations International Day for the Eradication of Poverty. He was formerly deputy dean of commerce at Deakin University in Australia and holds a Ph.D. in economics from University College, London. His presentation is free and open to the public. For more information, click here.

February is Black History Month, sponsored by the Office of Intercultural Student Services. A trip to the Charles H. White Museum of African American History in Detroit, Mich., is scheduled for Feb. 16; a meeting of the Black Student Union inviting the entire campus will be held Feb. 19; an International Fashion Show will be featured on Feb. 20; the cultural slam poet, Brandon Thornton, will perform Feb. 25; “Positioning for Success” by Dr. Vince Williams of Wal-Mart Stores Inc. will speak Feb. 26.; and the movie, “Red Tails,” will be shown on Feb. 27. The month previously included the 16th annual Black Tie Affair, “Winter Wonderland,” on Feb. 9.
Senior Forum, a flexible learning experience for people age 50 and older, will offer the six-week spring session beginning March 27. Every Wednesday for six weeks, Senior Forum presents three informative and entertaining sessions, one in the morning, one during lunch and one in the afternoon. Sessions include a variety of topics on history, culture, music and noon sessions are devoted to Great Decisions topics on world political and economic issues. Participants can choose to participate in a single session or the complete schedule. Most sessions are held at The University of Findlay.

Early registrations paid by March 20 are $4 per session, the whole program for $60 per individual or $115 per couple. Registration after March 20 is $5 per session, $65 per individual and $125 per couple. A buffet lunch is available for an additional $5 per day, per person. For information, contact Dr. Doris Salis at 419-422-3560 or Nancy Leatherman at 419-434-4672.

“The Mystery of Edwin Drood” opens at The University of Findlay on Wednesday, Feb. 20, and runs through Sunday, Feb. 24, in the John and Hester Powell Grimm Theatre. The musical is based on an unfinished mystery by Charles Dickens, who died before he completed the work. Each audience will vote on how they want the story to end, with about 120 variations possible. Micheal F. Anders, Ph.D. is producer and musical director, with Vicki McClurkin as stage director. Brenda Hoyt-Brackman choreographed the show. Greg Griffin is scenic and lighting designer, and Kathy Newell is costume designer. An additional performance on Saturday, Feb. 23, at 2 p.m. was added after all other performances sold out early. Tickets for the Saturday matinee performance are available from the box office by calling 419-434-5335. General admission is $10; students and senior citizen tickets are $5; and UF students, faculty and staff tickets are $3.

2. Academic Update

Anne Albert, assistant professor of mathematics, has been named the College of Sciences Faculty Chair for 2012-13. Her theme for the year is “Student Success.” She has researched the topic of student prerequisite knowledge and success in mathematics. Albert, who has taught for 33 years, was accorded the honor of COS Faculty Chair based on her resume of accomplishments in teaching, scholarship and service, along with her plan to engage faculty, staff, students and the community. Albert kick off her convocation series with “Are You Ready for This Class?” on Feb. 12. Upcoming presentations include a faculty panel on Feb. 26 titled, “Professors, It’s Time for Us to Talk!”; “Dynamic Teaching in the 21st Century Classroom” by Bonnie Fink from Bowling Green State University on March 12; and “No Bad Dates: Matching Student and Faculty Expectations” by Dr. Mary Gahbauer of Otterbein University on March 26. All presentations are at 4 p.m. in the Malcolm Dining Room, Virginia B. Gardner Fine Arts Pavilion. Students, teachers, parents and community members are welcome to attend. No tickets or reservations are necessary. For more information, contact Anne Albert at albert@findlay.edu. For more details, click here.
The University of Findlay has been approved by the Ohio Board of Regents to offer a master of arts in rhetoric and writing. The University is one of only two private schools in Ohio to offer the program. To enroll in the two-year program, students must have a bachelor’s degree, meet admissions requirements and complete the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) with a score of at least 500. Coursework includes writing theory and pedagogy, digital media and composition, language and writing, classical and contemporary rhetorical theory, digital writing research methods and topics in creative, technical and scientific writing. The new degree will prepare students for careers in public relations, communications, law and marketing, as well as teaching at higher learning institutions. For more information, contact Christine Tulley, Ph.D., director of the Writing Program and associate professor of English, at 419-434-4537 or email tulley@findlay.edu.

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3. News and Events for Alumni, Parents and Friends

2013 Events Calendar

Feb. 23  Pre-game Reception prior to Oilers men’s and women’s basketball games, 11 a.m.-12:45 p.m.; Malone University, Brehme Centennial Center Conference Room

Feb. 23  Pre-Vet Reception, 5-7 p.m. Hyatt Regency, Columbus, Ohio

March 5  St. Petersburg, Fla., Reception, 6-8 p.m. Tradewinds Island Grand - UF Wind Ensemble Performance

March 8  Fort Myers, Fla., Reception, 5:30-7:30 p.m. The Lighthouse Waterfront Restaurant 14301 Port Comfort Road

March 9  Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Reception – 5:30-7:30 p.m. Home of Alan and Kathryn Wisne, 600 San Marco Dr., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

March 22  OHSAA Boys Basketball Breakfast, 8-10 a.m. OSU Fawcett Center, Columbus, Ohio

March 23  Second Annual Physician Assistant Friends & Alumni Celebration, 5:30 p.m. Findlay Country Club, Findlay, Ohio

May 4  Graduate and Undergraduate Commencement

May 10  Washington, D.C., Reception - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Home of Ruthanna (Maxwell) Weber ’36

June 3  Seventh Annual Golf Scramble: Lunch - 11:30 a.m.; Shotgun - 1 p.m. York Golf Club, Columbus, Ohio
Sept. 27-29   Homecoming & Fall Parent-Family Weekend!

For more information about these events or to register, contact the Harold (Herk) ’54 and Patricia (Gohlke) Wolfe Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends at 1-800-472-9502, extension 4516, or 419-434-4516.

The Harold (Herk) ’54 and Patricia (Gohlke) Wolfe Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends invites you and a spouse/guest to attend our alumni, parents and friends receptions in Florida.

**Tampa/St. Petersburg Area Reception**
Performance by the UF Wind Ensemble
Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 6-8 p.m. - Cost $10 per person
Location: Tradewinds Island Grand - The Breckenridge Building: Horizons Room;
5500 Gulf Blvd., St. Petersburg Beach, Fla. 33706; Phone - 727-367-6461

**Ft. Myers Reception**
Friday, March 8, 2013 - 5:30-7:30 p.m. - Cost: Cash Bar
Location: The Lighthouse Waterfront Restaurant, 14301 Port Comfort Road, Ft. Myers, Fla.

**Fort Lauderdale Area Reception**
Saturday, March 9, 2013, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Location: Home of Alan & Kathryn Wisne, 600 San Marco Dr., Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Must pre-register. Please R.S.V.P. by Friday, Feb. 22, 2013, by calling 800-472-9502, ext. 4516, or to register online, go to www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Florida.

The University of Findlay Physician Assistant Program will have its Second Annual PA Program Friends and Alumni Celebration March 23, 2013, at the Findlay Country Club at 5:30 p.m. Formal invitations will be sent. Please contact the physician assistant program to update your email and mailing address if you have not done so already. All who are associated with the physician assistant program are invited to attend. Included in this year’s event will be a silent auction and 50-50 raffle. All money raised will go to the Dr. Richard E. and Jean K. Davis Scholarship Endowment Fund.

The 39th annual Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony for The University of Findlay took place on Saturday, Jan. 26, 2013. The inductees for the 2013 class are: Beth (Baldrige) Williams (’02, track and field), Scott McLaughlin (’95, baseball and football), John Dee (’88, baseball), Deanna (Behnfeldt) McCabe (’02, volleyball), Willie Tuggle (’64, basketball, baseball), and Craig Aukerman (’99, football). Steve Williman (’80), boys basketball coach at Liberty-Benton High School, was honored with the new Lifetime Achievement Award. The event took place in the Winebrenner Theological Seminary.
TLB Auditorium on the campus of The University of Findlay.

Be sure to keep us updated on your marriage and birth announcements by filling out the “What’s New with You?” form at www.findlay.edu, Keyword: Alumni, or click here. 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:

Randy (’96) & Wendy Weller
Baby girl, Breelyn, born July 21, 2012

Heath & Maria (Smith ’06, M ’07) Lewis
Baby girl, Gracelyn Marie, born Aug. 3, 2012

4. Alumni Spotlight

Alzheimer’s Diagnosis Prompts New Ministry

A wall in his home office is lined with awards that he received for a life of service as a pastor and community volunteer. In retirement, Dr. C. Darrell Prichard (’55) spends time there working on his computer and connecting with friends. For him, it’s an activity that is especially beneficial, keeping his mind alert. Darrell is living with early-stage Alzheimer’s.

He and his wife, Alberta, have far-reaching connections. Darrell graduated from Findlay College and Winebrenner Seminary. He pastored several churches for 20 years before taking administrative positions with the Churches of God, General Conference, and Winebrenner Theological Seminary. In 1980, he became senior pastor for College First Church of God, serving through 1991.

He went on to serve as administrator of the Ohio Conference of the Churches of God until 1998, when he was appointed president of the Foundation of the Great Lakes Conference. He also was a member of The University of Findlay’s Board of Trustees from 1993 until 2009 when he was named trustee emeritus. In 2011, he retired from the Foundation, a move necessitated by his condition.

At first, Alberta began to notice changes. Darrell would talk about “stuff” and “things,” rather than specify by name. She tried to ignore it and kept quiet. But friends at College First Church of God, began to come to her quietly and ask, “What’s wrong with Darrell?” When one of their daughters questioned her, “What’s wrong with Dad? What are you hiding?”, it was time to make an appointment with the doctor. That was about three years ago.

After doing a battery of tests, the doctor met with Darrell, Alberta and two of their three daughters. “You have Alzheimer’s,” the doctor said bluntly.
“That was the toughest day of my life,” Darrell said, “Because basically he said right off, ‘You’re not to drive any more.’” Alberta noted that Darrell was instructed not to drive because the disease affects a person’s ability to judge distances and reaction time, not because he couldn’t remember where to go. “He was a very angry man,” she noted.

The news sent him into a depression for several months, and he withdrew from going to church and his other normal activities. Alberta came up with the idea of writing a letter like former President Ronald Reagan did when he announced his own battle with Alzheimer’s. They sent their letter to churches and friends across the country. Going public changed their lives.

Suddenly, they had a support system. His friends would ask him how he was doing and offer to pick him up and take him wherever he wanted to go. Furthermore, they found a ministry in talking to others about Alzheimer’s.

The couple has spoken at Alzheimer’s Association conferences, helped raise funds for the annual End Alzheimer’s Walk, regularly attended the local Alzheimer’s support group, given a presentation for Senior Forum, counseled others who have called for advice, reached out to educate pastors in the area and are being featured in a video about what it’s like to live with early-stage Alzheimer’s.

Two cameramen have been documenting the Prichards’ daily activities, which will be made into a 20-minute video. The film was funded by a grant from the Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation to the Northwest Ohio Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association. The Community Foundation is hosting a premiere showing of the documentary on June 29 at the Winebrenner Theological Seminary. Plans are to eventually use the video at the state and national levels.

The couple has had a long life together. They married his junior year of college and will celebrate their 60th anniversary on Sept. 5, 2013. “We’ve always been very social and always had a very busy schedule, and we have decided that we’re going to continue that,” Alberta pointed out.

“We are going to face the lion, not hide from it,” Darrell said.

“I’m going forward with my life as long as I can, as best I can. Part of that process is how can we handle this together,” he stated.

He is realistic. “One of these days, if I live long enough, I will be a person that will not know my wife. I will not know my children. That’s going to be Alzheimer’s. That’s the end of it,” he said. “That’s OK. I don’t feel bad about it.”

“We don’t know what lies ahead for us,” she said. “It’s in God’s hands, not ours.”

The Prichards are focusing their energies on serving others who are dealing with Alzheimer’s personally or with family members. “We’re trying to make an impact in a new way. That’s what Alberta and I are trying to do now,” Darrell said.
5. Oiler Sports

Swimming
The men’s and women’s swimming and diving teams both finished in eighth place at the 2013 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championship, which was hosted in Canton, Ohio, and concluded on Feb. 9. Kaley Holmstrom had a monster meet for the women’s team, breaking school records in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:04.07) and 200-yard breaststroke (2:21.41). Diego Santos led the men’s team and set a school record in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 1:51.53.

Football
The Oilers signed 24 players as the program announced its 2013 recruiting class on Feb. 6. The class features 14 offensive players, seven defensive players, two athletes and one kicker from five states. There are 15 players from Ohio, six from Michigan and one each from Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky. On offense, the class is made up of five offensive linemen, three wide receivers, three tight ends, two quarterbacks and one running back. Defensively, the class consists of four defensive linemen and three linebackers.

Men’s Basketball
The Oilers won a pair of games last week, defeating Ohio Dominican (Feb. 7) by a score of 78-63 before claiming an 81-60 win over Tiffin (Feb. 9). Greg Kahlig led the Oilers as he averaged 24.5 points and 6.5 rebounds per game. He set new career highs with 33 points and seven three-pointers in the win over Tiffin.

Women’s Basketball
The Oilers have a 17-4 record for the year and are off to their best start since 1999-2000 when they began the year with an 18-3 record. Kayla Brown is leading with an average of 17.7 points per game. She ranks 13th all-time in scoring at UF with 1,121 points and also ranks fifth in three-pointers made (118) and sixth in steals (176).

Check out Oilers sports at [http://athletics.findlay.edu](http://athletics.findlay.edu).

Kayla Brown

Greg Kahlig

Diego Santos

The Oilers football team with Coach Rob Keys

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6. Alumni Support

Jonathan P. Avellone has joined The University of Findlay as director of planned giving. He has previous experience in fund raising and planned giving at John Carroll University and Case Western Reserve University. He also was the owner of Avellone & Associates, a financial planning practice, from 1990 until he sold the company in 2007. Most recently, he was a consultant and vice president of major and planned giving with Pembroke Development Group LLC in Cleveland, Ohio. He is a graduate of Tulane University in New Orleans, La.

Jeremy D. Horne has been named director of corporate engagement, which is a new position. He will focus on marketing services of the University to corporations in northwest Ohio, developing corporate sponsorship initiatives and securing major gifts from companies and corporations to support the mission of the University. He previously served as communications director for the City of Findlay and was coordinator of chapter and colony development for Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity Inc. A graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, he earned a bachelor of science, double majoring in politics and government, and pre-law.

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A great liberal arts education is, first and foremost, a social endeavor… …ensuring that a brilliant, broadly diverse group of students are engaged with each other outside the classroom and beyond the campus.

In order to provide an environment for a great liberal arts education, The Findlay Fund provides extraordinary opportunities for learning and discovery through:

- Arts and culture programming;
- Career exploration programs;
- Service learning;
- Fitness and recreation programming.

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Planned Giving
The charitable gift annuity is a wonderful way to support our great university and a smart financial planning tool. With the current low interest rates on traditional investments, now is a perfect time to consider charitable planning strategies that will enable you to make a significant gift, receive payments based on your donation and create a charitable deduction.
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The 125th Endowed Funds Drive, which is a part of the Give Voice to Your Values campaign, has increased its total to 154 endowed funds with more than $12.7 million raised toward student scholarships, faculty development and program support.

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7. **Campus News**

Want to know what is happening on campus between ArchLink issues? Check out the UF Newsroom for the latest information, as well as photos, videos and blogs. Click here to access.

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8. **Spread the Word...**

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