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#### Welcome to ArchLink!



Greetings, alumni!

Your Oiler campus is always buzzing with activities and events! During April and May, we were fortunate to have great events involving our alumni and friends on campus to share their

expertise with the campus community.

These opportunities included **Rick Little** ('88) giving the undergraduate commencement address and two visiting executives for the College of Business. Six alumni returned to campus as alumni speakers for our annual Symposium for Scholarship and Creativity on April 17. We also had 16 football alumni returning for a mentoring session with freshman and sophomore football players and an alumni panel at a dinner for junior and senior football players. In addition, more than 100 volunteers, representing 27 volunteer advisory boards, gathered for an Advisory Board Summit and Breakfast to honor and thank them for their service.

Mark Inkrott ('02) chose Findlay, Ohio, as a vacation destination to speak to college students, coaches, staff and administrators about their career paths, the future of the University's sports programs, the benefit of internships, sports marketing, offensive and defensive line play, digital communications, NFL scouts, new buildings and sports facilities, and campus writing publications. Inkrott said, "Whether it be my time, my experiences or my humble expertise in areas of my profession, I am here to continue an Oiler tradition that many before me have been passionate about and contributed to." Volunteering your time at Oiler events is a great way to support your alma mater. Check back throughout the year and watch for opportunities in ArchLink to help at special events.

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

With Oiler Pride!

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

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# 1. What's Happening on Campus?

The James and Patricia Appold Investment Trading Room on the third floor of Old Main was dedicated on April 18, with trustees, friends and family in **attendance.** The new trading room is equipped with specialized data services streamed to dual-screen work stations. This equipment is available to students to help them manage the student-run investment portfolio, facilitating the use and manipulation of data, according to Paul Sears, Ph.D., dean of the College of Business. Over the door to the room is a ticker showing stock exchange information that students can view at any time. A native of Saginaw, Mich., Jim Appold is an entrepreneur and the former owner of Consolidated Biscuit Co. in McComb, Ohio. One of the largest independent bakeries in the country, Jim grew the company to include facilities in five states



Family of James and Patricia Appold gathered for the dedication of the new Appold Investment Trading Room, where special equipment and computers allow students to experience investing and trading on the stock market in real time.

and improved the bakery production and distribution system before he sold the business in 2010. Jim and Pat purchased the historic 1859 Oliver House in downtown Toledo in 1990, which they renovated and now is on the National Register of Historic Places. The building includes townhouse apartments, restaurants, a pub, and a microbrewery and bottling plant where they make Buckeye Beer. Pat serves as president of the Oliver House Development Co. and the Maumee Bay Brewing Co. Jim has served on The University of Findlay Board of Trustees since 1998. Pat is president of the Library Legacy Foundation of the Toledo Lucas County Public Library.



Three were inducted into the Curtain Raisers Society Wall of Fame on April 20. From left, Margaret "Peggy" Gartner, the late Deborah Hollington ('88) represented by her daughters Courtney Hollington and Christine Hollington, and Edward Erner, Ph.D.

Three individuals were inducted into the Curtain Raisers Society Wall of Fame at the annual meeting of the Curtain Raisers Society for the Performing Arts, held April 20. Honored for their contributions to the success of the performing arts at The University of Findlay were Margaret "Peggy" Gartner, the late Deborah Lynn Jones Hollington and Edward W. Erner, Ph.D. Gartner served as the administrative assistant for the Department of Visual and Performing Arts from 2004 until retiring in 2011 and attended countless recitals, concerts and theatre productions. Hollington volunteered with The University of Findlay's theatre department, working backstage as a set painter, props master and set dresser, and she joined the UF Curtain Raisers Advisory Board in the late 1990s. A 1988 graduate of The University of Findlay, Hollington passed away in 2009. Ed Erner was vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty from 1987 until 2000, and retired in 2002 after serving as dean of the College

of Education. He has participated in many UF concerts and musical theatre productions, most recently singing in the April 2013 production of "Carmina Burana."

The inaugural Volunteer Advisory Board Summit and Appreciation Breakfast was held April 20 to recognize individuals who volunteer their time and lend their expertise and talents as members of the 27 advisory boards associated with The University of Findlay. Nearly 450 people serve on the various University advisory boards, which represents a substantial

commitment by individuals to ensuring the quality of UF's programs. **Dr. C. Richard Beckett** (H '96), chair of the UF Board of Trustees, commended the volunteers for their efforts in his remarks. An example of devotion to the University himself, Dr. Beckett has volunteered more than 40 years with UF, where he played a major role in the establishment of the equestrian and pre-veterinary medicine programs and has served



Among the many volunteers recognized at the Volunteer Advisory Board Summit were those who serve on the advisory board for the College of Pharmacy.

on the UF Board of Trustees since 1985, and as chair since 2002. **Larry McDougle**, Ph.D., president of the Findlay College Class of 1963, discussed the value and commitment involved



Dr. C. Richard Beckett, chair of the UF Board of Trustees and a volunteer for more than 40 years.

in volunteerism. He spent nearly 39 years in higher education as a faculty member and administrator, including 12 years as president of Northwest State Community College in Archbold, Ohio, and interim president of Owens Community College from 2010-11. The University Singers entertained the 113 guests.



Rick Little ('88), CEO of ImagineNations Group, gave the undergraduate commencement address.

More than 930 students graduated from UF on May 4 in separate undergraduate and graduate ceremonies. About 390 students received their doctoral and master's degrees in the morning. Dan May, Ph.D.,

vice president for academic affairs, gave the address as his last official duty. He has accepted a post as provost with the University of New Haven in Connecticut. Nearly 540 undergraduate students celebrated the completion of their degrees in the 3 p.m. ceremony.

Rick Little ('88), president and CEO of ImagineNations Group, gave the commencement address. A native of



Candidates for the doctor of physical therapy line up prior to the march.

McComb, Ohio, Little founded eight organizations that operate in more than 100 countries, focusing on promoting economic

opportunity and positive youth development. Also during the undergraduate ceremony, an honorary doctor of entrepreneurial business development was conferred upon **Louis Jack Ruscilli** ('66).

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# 2. Academic Update

Darin E. Fields, Ph.D., will join The University of Findlay in July as vice president for academic affairs. He is vice president for academic affairs, dean of the faculty and Sarah B. Cochran Professor of English at Bethany College in West Virginia, a position he has held since 2009. "Dr. Fields will bring with him years of leadership experience in higher education and a collaborative, creative approach to our work together," said Katherine Fell, Ph.D., president of the University. Prior to his post at



Bethany College, Fields was dean of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences from 2003-2008 and was chair of the Division of Humanities from 1999-2003 at Wilkes University. While serving there, he was awarded both the Carpenter Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award and the Outstanding Faculty Award. Fields has a Ph.D. in early American literature from the University of Delaware; an M.A. in English from the University of Delaware; and a B.A. in English from the University of Arizona. He succeeds Daniel May, Ph.D., who left the University in May after accepting the position of provost at the University of New Haven in Connecticut.



William Conlisk, administrative services manager for Marathon Petroleum Corp. in Findlay, who served as a Visiting Executive on April 9, shared his experiences and Marathon's "best in class" philosophy with students in the College of Business. He noted that "best in class" is the goal of every job at Marathon and that individuals are expected to become expert in what they do. He termed Marathon as having a high performance culture. He also discussed the importance of planning and achieving results, as well as having integrity. "Integrity is one of the surest safeguards of our reputation," Conlisk emphasized. Safety is priority one, he said, and

bonuses are based on the safety record, as well as profit. Marathon also works to be a good corporate citizen in the communities in which it operates and donates to local causes. Employees are also encouraged to be active in their communities. Marathon has developed a unique volunteer incentive program. If an employee volunteers 24 hours within a year to a nonprofit, the company will donate \$500 to that organization. In addition, Marathon has a robust cooperative and internship program with 400-500 positions a year, which gives students hands-on experiences. Conlisk, who began his career as an accountant with Marathon 38 years ago, spoke to accounting classes, gave a community lecture at noon, and attended a breakfast and a luncheon at which he interacted with members of the Accounting Club, Enactus (SIFE) team and the Dana Scholars. He advocated an accounting degree as a path to a variety of careers. Conlisk held accounting and financial positions in Findlay, Houston and Detroit prior to being named to his current position in 2002. He is responsible for building and office support services for the Findlay office of 1,800 employees. He also coordinates the charitable contributions budget. He earned an accounting degree from the University of Toledo and an MBA from Bowling Green State University. Conlisk advised students to build their careers by becoming the "go to" person, to over deliver and to pay attention to the details.

The seventh annual UF Symposium for Scholarship and Creativity was held April 17 on campus. Opening with a University-wide awards ceremony, students were recognized for academic achievement, leadership and service. Sarah Foltz and Derek Putnam were named Founder's Daughter and Son, among other student recognitions. Afterward, the six colleges each conducted student awards presentations, which included alumni keynote speakers. Alumni speakers were: Beth (Foos '01) Obringer, College of Health Professions; Ryan Imke (M '09), College of Education; Kushal Patel (Pharm.D. '10), College of Pharmacy; Pamela K.M. Beall ('78) and Mark Butler, College of Business; Jade (Braman '09) Mowery, College of Sciences; and Christopher Parriott ('11), College of Liberal Arts.



Sarah Foltz and Derek Putnam were recognized as Founders' Daughter and Son at the UF Symposium.

Students' academic research and performing and visual arts demonstrations were presented and displayed throughout the afternoon, concluding with a poster session. Presentations and demonstrations were given by 95 students, with nearly 160 students participating in poster presentations.

Julius Coles presented "Corporate Social Responsibility: Virtue vs. Reality" on April 25 as the inaugural speaker for the Edwin Heminger Memorial Lectureship



Pastor George Showers, UF trustee, talks with a student about her research project at the poster presentation at the Symposium on Scholarship and Creativity.

**in Business Ethics.** Coles served as the University's first Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow in 2011. A graduate with a master's degree from Princeton University, he worked 28 years for the U.S. Agency for International Development and is the former president of Africare, an African-American non-governmental organization active in more than 20 countries in Africa. He has served



Karl Heminger, UF trustee, with Julius Coles (H'12), inaugural speaker for the Edwin Heminger Memorial Lectureship in Business Ethics.

on the boards of many international nonprofits and directed two university-affiliated centers, working to improve health, education and economic development around the world. He was awarded an honorary doctor of international affairs by The University of Findlay in May 2012. In conjunction with the Give Voice to Your Values comprehensive campaign at The University of Findlay, Karl Heminger, who serves on the UF Board of Trustees, and his brother, Kurt Heminger, established the Edwin L. Heminger Memorial Lectureship in Business Ethics Endowment Fund as a memorial to their father. Edwin Heminger was a longtime businessman and civic leader, who passed away in 2011. Edwin Heminger was the chair of the board of The Findlay Publishing Co. and a former publisher of The Courier. In 1995, he received an honorary doctor of communications management from The University of Findlay.



Thea Bockelman earned Best of Show for "Clothespins" at this spring's Juried Student Art Exhibition. All students are eligible to enter work, which is juried by the art faculty. Awards were determined by Michelle Carlson, programs coordinator for the Toledo Arts Commission. For the 2012-2013 academic year, 275 pieces were entered, and 80 were selected for the show. A reception and awards presentation was held for students and their families.



"Clothespins"

The University of Findlay is seeking comments from the public about the University in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. The University will host a visit Nov. 11-13, 2013, with a team representing the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association. The University of Findlay has been accredited by the Commission

since 1962. The team will review the institution's ongoing ability to meet the Commission's Criteria for Accreditation. The public is invited to submit comments regarding the University: Third-Party Comment on The University of Findlay, The Higher Learning Commission, 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, IL 60604-1411. The public may also submit comments on the Commission's website at www.ncahlc.org. Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing. All comments must be received by October 11, 2013.

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

# **Events Calendar 2013** Aug. 4 Summer Send-Off, Columbus, Ohio Aug. 17 Classes begin for standard fall semester session Aug. TBA Summer Send-Off, Cleveland, Ohio Sept. 27-29 **Homecoming & Fall Parent-Family Weekend!** Oct. 7-8 Mid-Fall Recess: No Classes Dec. 6-8 UF Weekend at Kalahari Waterpark & Resort, Sandusky, Ohio Dec. 10 Pharmacy Reception – Mid-Year Conference, Orlando, Fla. 2014 Jan. 6 Classes begin for standard spring semester session Feb. 22 Pre-Vet Reception, Columbus, Ohio Mar. 3-7 Florida Receptions **Mar. 21** OHSAA Boy's Basketball Brunch, Columbus, Ohio

For more info or to register for events, contact the Harold (Herk) '54 and Patricia (Gohlke) Wolfe Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends by visiting the website at <a href="https://www.findlay.edu">www.findlay.edu</a>, KEYWORD: Alumni, or call 1-800-472-9502, extension 4516, or 419-434-4516.

The University of Findlay invites alumni to submit Requests for Proposals (RFP) to bid a diverse portfolio of insurance products, including automobile and property insurance, to create a quality affinity program that appeals to various segments of UF alumni. The University is looking to identify a program that provides top-quality administration and customer service to

participants and which adheres to strict confidentiality. Programs are expected to provide a line of products/services to alumni that are deemed better than what is available on the open market and which will generate royalty, advertising and/or sponsorship revenue for UF. UF has approximately 19,000 living alumni, with about 800 new graduates added each year. For information on how to submit, contact Robert Link, business manager at The University of Findlay, at link@findlay.edu or 419-434-4528.

The third annual all-teams Findlay football reunion, spring game and golf outing were held April 19-21. Alumni football players Vernon Burden ('05), Mark Meibers ('03), Ken Meibers ('01, M '03), Bob Moore ('05), Ty Rhoads ('03), Cody Cramer ('05) and Don Wilson ('05) were invited to return to their alma mater by Head Football Coach Rob Keys, along with Phil Gunder ('04), director of internships and cooperative education. They met with freshman and sophomore football players



Alumni football players met for a mentoring session with the freshman and sophomore football players.

on Friday, April 19, following the 3 p.m. final football practice before the spring game. After introducing themselves and stating what positions they played as Oilers, the alumni discussed how



Junior and senior football players gathered for a networking dinner with football alumni.

their football experiences at UF prepared them for what they are doing today. The activities continued with the junior and senior networking dinner and a panel discussion. Participating on the panel were **Mark Inkrott** ('02), **Terry Joliff** ('01), **Howard Heston** ('97), **John Goodburn** ('93), **Steve Mutersbaugh** ('94), **Tim Goodwin** ('94), **Jason Granger** ('99) and **Matt Harp** ('97, M '01).



Alumni football players returned for the all-teams Findlay football reunion.

The annual alumni flag football game at Donnell Stadium took place Saturday, April 20, with a tailgate featuring food from City Barbecue and hotdogs cooked by the staff of the Wolfe Center for Alumni, Parents and Friends. Immediately following the alumni game, the 2013 spring football game took place. All gathered in the evening at Alexandria's for the reverse raffle.

On Sunday, April 21, the all-teams Findlay football annual golf outing took place at

**Sycamore Springs Golf Course**. The 2013 winners of the outing were: **Scott Kromer** ('05), Matt Overmyer, **Ty Rhoad** ('03) and **Eric Krauss** ('04).

"College Night at Crew Stadium" was a huge success as the Findlay Oilers filled the stadium with Oiler pride and took first place as the #1 college represented on April 27. The Oilers fans cheered the Columbus Crew major league soccer team in a contest against D.C. United. Jacki Bares, a UF junior marketing major and public relations minor, was selected by the Columbus



Oilers students George Wilkinson, Taryn Ellis, Matt Vollmar, Molly Cade and Devon Marti attended the tailgate prior to "College Night at Crew Stadium." They were lucky to receive a box of subs, which was good timing with exams coming up.

Crew to be a part of their "Campus Crew" internship program this spring. Through this internship program, Jacki promoted the Columbus Crew brand in the UF community, and drove ticket sales for "College Night at Crew Stadium." She was in charge of creating a business plan and personal marketing strategies for success at The University of Findlay to outsell students from other schools. There were 26 schools involved in Ohio. UF narrowly beat The Ohio State University, and unseated Cedarville University, which was the previous reigning champion of ticket sales! Congratulations to Jacki and our loyal Oilers!

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

# **Congratulations, Newlyweds!**

Drew & Ashley (Lovejoy '11) Jackson – married June 16, 2012

#### **Welcome UF Newest Little Oilers:**

Randy ('02) & Jill (Stone '01) Tobin Baby boy, Harlo Paul, born April 19, 2013

Kevin ('05) & Monica Shields Baby boy, Connor, born March 18, 2013

Cody & Mary (Kear '01) Jones Baby boy, Oliver, born Oct. 11, 2012

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# 4. Alumni Spotlight

#### L. Jack ('66) and Ann (Colburn '65) Ruscilli

"Find something you like to do. Find a job you have a passion for that is more than a paycheck," L. Jack Ruscilli, Class of 1966, advised during a recent visit to campus. He shared his business experience with students as a Visiting Executive in the College of Business on April 15.

During the day, Ruscilli spoke in classes, met with students and delivered a community lecture on the history of Ruscilli Construction Co. Inc. and the important life lessons he learned.



L. Jack Ruscilli, Visiting Executive with the College of Business

The son of a World War II veteran who founded the family construction business, Ruscilli recalled that his father would give him the nastiest jobs, saying, "This will teach you to go to college and get an education." Consequently, Ruscilli never intended to work in the family business.

But, after he graduated from Findlay College with a degree in business administration and marketing, he turned down lucrative offers from big companies to take an entry-level sales position with Ruscilli Construction Inc.

"My Findlay College liberal arts degree armed me better than anything I could have gotten," he said. "Accounting, advertising and sales – those were the things that really made the difference in growing the company."

Ruscilli went on to create the "design/build" concept, a one-stop process of architectural design, construction and real estate services. His talents as business manager, visionary and entrepreneur moved the company from a



A longtime collector of antique clocks, Jack Ruscilli gave a clock from his collection to President Katherine Fell to hang in the Carrothers Home during his recent visit.

small contractor to one of the Midwest's largest full-service construction firms. He advanced to president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board.

His work was recognized. He was inducted into the Young Presidents Organization, and later, the World Presidents Organization. He is a past president of the Central Ohio Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors and a past director of the National Associated Builders and Contractors. He was named Central Ohio Entrepreneur of the Year in 1990 by Ernst & Young, was the inaugural winner of the Central Ohio Business Ethics Award in 2003 and was awarded the 2012 NAIOP Commercial Real Estate Development Association Lifetime Achievement Award, among others.



Mary Colburn and Ann (Colburn '65) Ruscilli toured the Mazza Museum during a visit on April 15, hosted by Ben Sapp ('93, M'95), director of the museum.

Added to his busy career, Ruscilli and his wife, Ann (Colburn '65), both took on roles as volunteers, civic leaders and philanthropists. They have served on multiple boards, held officer positions and sponsored or chaired more than 100 fund-raising events. Among their many involvements, they have been active with the James Cancer Hospital at The Ohio State University, the Central Ohio Arthritis Foundation, the Central Ohio Diabetes Association, Easter Seals of Central and Southeast Ohio, the National Kidney Foundation and Catholic charities such as Legatus and Syntaxis.

In addition, they have supported the arts, such as the Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus Symphony, Columbus Opera, Columbus Zoo, the Center of Science and Industry (COSI) and the Mazza Museum. They also helped found the Wellington School in Columbus, where Jack is a trustee emeritus.

In preparing for his day as Visiting Executive, Ruscilli compiled a document of lessons learned throughout his life. In it he shared, "To me, success is not how high you climb the corporate ladder or how much money you made; but how many people you helped along the way to make their lives more successful; not just in monetary, but spiritual terms, as well."



Jack Ruscilli (left) received an honorary doctorate at commencement May 4. With him are Dr. C. Richard Beckett, chair of the UF Baord of Trustees, and President Katherine Fell.

For their accomplishments and service, the Ruscillis were named Distinguished Alumni at The University of Findlay in 1996. Jack also assisted with the design, funding and construction of the Ralph and Gladys Koehler Fitness and Recreation Complex in 1999, and they established the Ann and L. Jack Ruscilli Football Scholarship.

As an alumnus, Ruscilli served his alma mater on the UF Board of Trustees for the past 27 years, and was named a trustee emeritus on April 19. He also was recognized during the undergraduate commencement ceremony on May 4 with an honorary doctor of entrepreneurial business development.

The couple met when she was working a part-time job at the Northside Pharmacy, which was located on the northeast corner of Center Street and Main Street, and he came in to get change to do his laundry. They caught each other's interest, she said, and perhaps, fate had a hand in their meeting.

A Findlay native, Ann commuted to classes, but also found time to be involved on campus. She was a member of Sigma Kappa sorority, which sponsored many campus events. A highlight of their college years was in 1964 when Ann was named May Day queen and Jack was her escort. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in health and physical education. They both cherish the friends they made at Findlay, relationships they still maintain.



Ann Colburn was the May Day queen in 1964, with Jack Ruscilli as her escort.

Nearly 50 years later, Jack said that he is most proud of their family. They have four children, Suzanne Ruscilli-Bowen, Lisa Tzagournis, Gina Hudson and Louis Ruscilli, and nine grandchildren. And, he has fulfilled his lifelong dream of passing the family business into the hands of his son, Louis, who is the CEO, and his nephew, Tony Ruscilli, who serves as president.

<u>Click here</u> to see outstanding building projects completed by Ruscilli Construction Co. Inc. for government, education, industry, health care, elder care, recreation, churches and more.

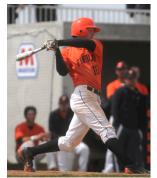
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# 5. Oiler Sports

#### **Softball**

Senior outfielder Jenna Motuza was named second team all-Midwest Region by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) on May 10. Motuza, a first team all-conference pick during her final year with the team, hit .396 on the season to lead the Oilers. She also tallied 42 runs

scored, 18 runs batted in and six triples. The Wickliffe, Ohio, native ended her career with school records for games played (181), at bats (558), runs scored (153), hits (188) and walks (67).



#### Blake Schmenk

#### **Baseball**

Senior outfielder Blake Schmenk was named first team all-GLIAC on May 8. Schmenk led the Oilers with a .377 batting average, the third highest mark in the GLIAC. He also has scored a league-high 54 runs and leads the league in stolen bases with 20. The Perrysburg, Ohio, native also racked up 10 doubles, two triples, two home runs and 21 runs batted in.



Jenna Motuza

#### **Football**

The University of Findlay

football team will play a nationally televised game as part of the NCAA Division II and CBS Sports Network six-game football package for the 2013 season. The Oilers will travel to Ohio Dominican University to play the Panthers on Thursday, Oct. 17, with kickoff set for 8 p.m. This game will mark the first time the Oilers football team has appeared on national television at the NCAA Division II level. The team is coming off



The Oilers football team will play a nationally televised game during the fall 2013 season.

of a 7-3 season, while the Panthers sported an 8-3 mark during the 2012 campaign. "We can't be more excited about this tremendous opportunity to play in front of a national audience," said Head Coach Rob Keys. "We will have the ability to display our product and university to more people, which will help us as we continue to build our program."



Sarah Lankton

#### Women's Lacrosse

Sarah Lankton of the Oilers women's lacrosse team was named the 2013 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) Freshman of the Year as the league office unveiled their awards on May 3. Lankton, who also earned first team all-conference accolades, registered 71 goals in her first season with the Oilers to rank second in the GLIAC. She is also second in the conference in draw controls (126) and caused turnovers (27). The Carmel, Ind., native also racked up a total of 95 points, snatched 90 ground balls and scored a league-high 28 free position goals.

#### **Men's Outdoor Track**

Senior Derrick Vicars was named

the 2013 GLIAC Field Athlete of the Year on May 3. Vicars set a new school record and won a GLIAC championship in the shot put with a NCAA automatic qualifying mark of 64'04.50. He also took fourth in the hammer throw with an NCAA provisional qualifying toss of 203'01.



Derrick Vicars

Check out Oilers sports at <a href="http://athletics.findlay.edu">http://athletics.findlay.edu</a>.

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# 6. Alumni Support

Many warm connections were made as scholarship recipients were matched with their donors at the Scholarship Celebration Luncheon held April 13 with more than 150 people in attendance. The day was set aside to celebrate the generosity of donors, whose gifts to endowed scholarships continue to benefit students year after year. Donors, or their representatives, for each of the endowed scholarships at The University of Findlay, were invited to attend the luncheon, along with their corresponding student recipients. Donors were able to meet the students their scholarships sponsored this year, and students were able express their appreciation in person. Two students also spoke at the program, Sydney LeVan, a sophomore



Dillon Cereghin and Lincoln Cereghin, recipients of the Dumbauld Memorial Scholarship, with Catherine and Robert Pritts ('57), who represented the late Judge Dumbauld at the Scholarship Day Celebration.

who received the John R. and Marion E. Van Nice Choral Music Scholarship, and Cole Ryan, a sophomore recipient of the Great Lakes Conference Churches of God Scholarship. **Ronald Cable** ('64), the donor of two endowed scholarships, talked about why it's important to give back. John Mosser, Ph.D., vice president for university advancement, also thanked donors, noting, "Philanthropy is love. The opportunities you provide are transformative and life-changing." More than 250 endowed scholarships have been established at The University of Findlay. In 2012-13, the endowments generated more than \$900,000 in scholarship awards to students.

# The Findlay Fund Frequently Asked Questions I can't afford a big gift. Is there any point in me giving?

Every gift makes a difference, no matter what the amount, and helps to inspire other donors. Participation in The Findlay Fund is an indicator of the value UF alumni, parents and friends place on educational experiences. It is a gauge by which overall support for UF is measured. Broadbased annual participation plays a major role in encouraging corporate and foundation donors to support the University. When our gifts are combined, they make a significant impact for The University of Findlay.

## I'm a graduate of The University of Findlay. Why is my gift participation so important?

Your participation in The Findlay Fund helps safeguard the value of your degree. Gifts to The Findlay Fund — no matter the size — add up and provide important support for University activities and ensures the University's fiscal health and continued excellence. Alumni participation in annual giving is measured against our peer schools. The 2011-2012 fiscal year participation rate for The University of Findlay was 8.2 percent. What will 2012-2013 be? Your gift counts.

#### How can I make gift to The Findlay Fund?

You may make a gift at any time. If you have not received a recent phone call or mailing, simply contact the annual giving office at the University. You also can visit the University website to make an online gift.

Phone: 419-434-5184; Email: thefindlayfund@findlay.edu

**To give online**, visit: www.findlay.edu and select the "Give to UF" button

Also, keep in mind that the company that you work for may have a matching gifts program. For more information, start by checking with your company's human resources department. This is an easy and exciting way to enlarge the impact of your own gift, providing support at double or even triple the amount of your gift!

### **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.

The charitable gift annuity is the most popular and versatile option of the life-income gifts that generate income for the donor. The income from a gift annuity is determined by the amount of the contribution and the age(s) of the beneficiary(ies). Examples are shown below.

#### Benefits of a \$100,000 Charitable Gift Annuity\*:

Age(s)	Rate	Annual Payment	Charitable Deduction
One Person	n		
65	4.7	\$4,700	\$26,661
70	5.1	\$5,100	\$34,693
75	5.8	\$5,800	\$41,016
80	6.8	\$6,800	\$46,693
85	7.8	\$7,800	\$54,189
90	9.0	\$9,000	\$61,356
Two People	e		
65-65	4.2	\$4,200	\$17,265
70-70	4.6	\$4,600	\$23,988
75-75	5.0	\$5,000	\$32,738
80-80	5.7	\$5,700	\$39,453
85-85	6.7	\$6,700	\$45,506
90-90	8.2	\$8,200	\$50,351

<sup>\*</sup>Based on a 1.2 percent IRS discount rate (announced monthly)

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The Give Voice to Your Values campaign has increased its total of endowed funds to 155, with more than \$13 million raised toward student scholarships, faculty development and program support.

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# 7. Campus News

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# 8. Spread the Word...

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