



Message from the Dean

Dear friends of the University of Findlay College of Pharmacy, I hope this message finds you well. Spring is upon us, and with it, we are seeing increasing availability of the COVID-19 vaccine, declining infection rates, and the welcome feeling of hope that as we are ending this academic year, we are also approaching the end of the pandemic. This has been a year none of us will forget, filled with challenges and stressors, but also filled with many wonderful examples of individuals in our profession and in our pharmacy schools rising to the occasion to overcome adversity and to serve others. This newsletter is filled with examples of those as well as information about summer camp, and our official announcement of a four-year professional track toward a PharmD! I am very proud of our faculty, staff, and students and grateful for your support. We are #Oilerstrong.

Debra L. Parker, PharmD



Pictured (L-R): Rachael Enseign (P4), UF President Katherine Fell, Sri Lalitha Manasa Akkineni (P5), Ohio Governor Mike DeWine (R), Dr. Nira Kadakia, Ohio First Lady Fran DeWine, Eric Doyle (P3), Dean Debra Parker, Dr. Tonya Dauterman, Findlay Mayor Christina Muryn, 5th District Ohio Representative Bob Latta (R).

Mass COVID-19 Clinic Supported in Findlay by UF College of Pharmacy

The University of Findlay College of Pharmacy student pharmacists, faculty, and staff have been volunteering in numerous vaccination clinics to combat COVID-19. As the availability of the COVID-19 vaccine becomes more widespread, the next challenge is making sure those shots “get in arms.” As such, there is no shortage of opportunities to help immunize the community. Our students have impacted four different counties (Hancock, Wood, and Seneca)

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have in their internships. Most recently, Hancock County Health Department and Blanchard Valley Health System collaborated to offer a mass immunization clinic on March 13th. This was an interdisciplinary clinic where community physicians, nurses, pharmacists, student pharmacists, paramedics, and dentists served to provide 2000 vaccines in one day to community members aged 50 and older. The clinic had several special guests including Findlay Mayor Christina Muryn, Governor Mike DeWine, First Lady Fran DeWine, Ohio's 5th district Congressman Bob Latta, and University of Findlay's President Katherine Fell, who all showed their support and appreciation to the health care members serving at this clinic.

According to Experiential Director and Assoc. Dean for External Affairs, Dr. Tonya Dauterman, "Our students are learning how to collaborate with others in the community, manage and organize within their team, prepare and contribute during a pandemic earning co-curricular credit and community service. They are tomorrow's first-responders and they are well-prepared."

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University of Findlay Offering Four-Year Pharm.D. Track

University of Findlay's College of Pharmacy now offers a professional track to enter the Pharmacy program. This track is designed for students who have completed a bachelor's degree or pre-professional coursework and are looking to apply to a four-year professional pharmacy program. The University plans to enroll the first class of students in the professional track in August 2021. Click [HERE](#) to read more.



UF Pharmacy Student Administers COVID-19 Vaccine to

Grandma

Alyssa Maier, University of Findlay PharmD candidate '23 and Edon, Ohio native, was recently given an incredible opportunity to administer the COVID-19 vaccine to Ramona Heinzerling, her 105-year-old great-grandmother.

Maier is a pharmacy intern at CVS Pharmacy, where she was asked if she would help administer the COVID-19 vaccine. For the past three years, Maier has been participating in flu vaccine clinics around the Findlay community through the pharmacy fraternity, Kappa Epsilon, on campus, of which she is currently the president. When asked by CVS pharmacists if she could help distribute the COVID-19 vaccine at long-term care facilities, she was very interested in helping. "I really enjoy working in vaccine clinics; I have for a long time," she said. "So, when the COVID-19 vaccine came out, I was extremely excited to help and I just really like administering vaccines - it's really fun for me." Click [HERE](#) to read more.

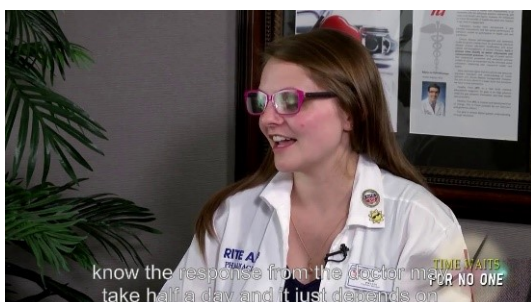


Easter "Eggers" Hatch Plan

Evan Veychek and Hunter Rickett would like to “egg” your house this Easter.

But don't worry. There aren't any chicken eggs involved — just plastic ones, filled with candy.

Veychek and Ritter, both third-year pharmacy students at the University of Findlay, are helping the Easter Bunny by offering to spread candy-filled eggs around front yards for area children to enjoy. Their business is called Egg My House. Prices are \$25 for 50 eggs delivered, \$50 for 100 eggs, and \$95 for 200 eggs. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Findlay-Hancock County Public Library. [CLICK HERE](#) to read more!



Alumni Spotlight: Kim (Scott) Marria

UF Pharmacy Alum Advocating for the Important Role of the Pharmacist

UF College of Pharmacy alumnus Kim (Scott) Marria, Class of 2014, was recently the spotlight pharmacist in a regular segment aired by Toledo Cardiologists designed to give patients more information about all aspects of healthcare. In this broadcast, Kim shares with Toledo-area (Waterville) cardiologist Dr. Ameer Kabour the importance of pharmacists and the many roles they play in the healthcare system and the community. According to UF College of Pharmacy Dean, Debra Parker, "I am very proud, but not at all surprised, to see Kim spotlighted here. She is an excellent example of the important work and services UF pharmacy alumni are providing in their respective communities!" Click [HERE](#) to watch the full video (~30 min.)

Women in Pharmacy Making Strides

the Leadership Gap

UF College of Pharmacy Dean, Dr. Debra Parker was recently highlighted as the first female dean of an Ohio school of pharmacy. She and other female leaders in pharmacy from across the country shared their stories in a Drug Topics article recognizing Women's History Month. [CLICK HERE](#) to read more.

Upcoming Event



UF to Hold 14th Annual Pharmacy Summer Camp

University of Findlay invites high school juniors and seniors to attend the 14th Annual Pharmacy Summer Camp.

"We are pleased to offer this in-person opportunity for students to do some meaningful career exploration and have a lot of fun while doing so!"

popular demand, we have expanded our offerings to allow for two choices for camp this year. We will offer one camp June 20-23 and the other camp July 25-28."

The overnight camps will take place on the University of Findlay campus. All meals and snacks will be provided through the University's dining services. Each camp has availability for 50 students on a first come, first serve basis. Cost to attend is \$350 per student and early registration is recommended as the available spaces fill quickly. All facial-covering and physical distancing guidelines, as outlined by the [Oiler Start Safe & Stay Safe Plan](#), will be observed.

This is a unique opportunity for high school students to explore career options, learn about the role of pharmacists in the healthcare system, and get to know University of Findlay faculty in the [College of Pharmacy](#).

College of Pharmacy faculty will lead hands-on experiential learning sessions and learn about medicinal chemistry, pharmacology, compounding, and research.

Activities will include:

- Medicinal chemistry
- Pharmacology

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- Hospital Pharmacy
- Therapeutics
- Compounding
- Research
- Gaming and Pharmacy

“During this experience, students get to learn about the profession of pharmacy, career options, the University of Findlay, and the surrounding community,” Dr. Parker explained. “They work with current students who have been in their shoes, and who provide valuable advice. Campers also interact with faculty who are experts in their field. It's such a winning combination.”

An additional benefit of attending camp is that seniors are given the opportunity to interview for Findlay's unique [Pharmacy Program](#) which is one of the few pharmacy programs in the country that includes a direct-entry pathway in the program from high school.

Dr. Parker stated, “Year after year, students tell us how much this camp has helped them figure out what they want to study when they finish high school - and where they want to do it!”

For more details about the 14th Annual Pharmacy Summer Camps or to register your high school junior or senior, visit the [Pharmacy Summer Camp](#)

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Program, take a look at the [College of Pharmacy webpage](#), or contact the Office of Admissions at 419-434-4732 or admissions@findlay.edu

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